Snap Update for CCGs, CSUs, GP IT partners and GP practices

SNOMED CT is the clinical terminology that has replaced Read codes within the NHS. Coded information that is currently received from GP systems is changing to SNOMED CT on an ongoing phased implementation basis. The purpose of this update is to advise on recent milestones and next steps.

Deployment and pilot activity

- **EMIS:** Began their pilot on 9 May and are receiving positive feedback from the users at their five pilot sites. Current plans indicate that full national deployment will complete during July and August. The project team strongly recommend that users review the [EMIS guide](#) and undertake the recommended house-keeping tasks to prepare for migration to SNOMED CT as soon as possible. Practices will be informed by EMIS of their specific switch-on date nearer the time.

- **Microtest:** NHS Digital continues to work with Microtest to determine when assurance of systems changes can begin. Updates will be provided once timings are known.

- **TPP:** SNOMED CT is deployed in SystmOne for all users, it currently needs to be enabled at the practice as the default terminology. TPP will be switching all practices to default SNOMED CT week commencing 24 June. If you would like to enable SNOMED CT beforehand, the [SystmOne guide](#) describes how.

- **Vision:** Continue their pilot activities on Vision+ and are currently addressing the remaining issues highlighted. Vision plan to complete pilot work and deploy Vision+ during July.

- **DocMAN:** Pilot work with the DocMAN 10 product is underway with EMIS.
For further information regarding SNOMED CT and the deployment progress, visit our SNOMED CT resource website.

**Future Support**

Future SNOMED CT implementation support for general practice will be provided by NHS England and Improvement. Further details will be provided in the next SNAP update. General information on SNOMED CT is available from the Terminology Service.

**Contact us**

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