SNOMED CT implementation in Mental Health:

Adoption of SNOMED CT in Mental Health systems and provider organisations is to be undertaken by April 2020. Data submitted to the Mental Health Services Data Set has been acceptable in SNOMED CT since 2016 with some now compulsory.

This collection of resources aims to help understand what actions should be implemented to manage the transition and includes links to appropriate resources provided by NHS Digital.

Introduction to SNOMED CT

SNOMED CT Fact Sheet: provides an overview of SNOMED CT, who uses it, its benefits and the requirements of NHS organisations

SNOMED CT Jargon Buster: provides an overview of some of the technical details of SNOMED CT and some of the commonly used terms

SNOMED CT walk through: A step by step video detailing how to use the SNOMED CT browser

Useful Tools

Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust: Embracing SNOMED CT in Mental Health: The SNOMED in Mental Health team collaborated with TEWV NHS Foundation Trust to create a case study where the considerations and implications in the uptake of SNOMED CT were recognised, and the benefits attributed to the introduction and uptake of this terminology.

Training animations: A collection of training animations are available on the SNOMED CT in Mental Health Delen site, which are a great tool for providing 5 minute overviews on a variety of topics including introducing SNOMED CT, showing how to search, introducing the data model and explaining the difference between ID's.

Webinars: The team hold monthly webinars which provide a basic understanding for SNOMED CT and illustrate how to use a browser to find terms. The sessions cover different ways of searching and how to understand the 4 hierarchies. There are a limit of 30 slots available for each webinar, and you can register for a session on the Delen website.

Where can I get more information?

A range of really useful resources are available on our Delen website including further training material, guidance, and a forum where members can raise questions and contribute to discussions.

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