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Dear dm+d User,

**dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension terminology enhancements**

The Phase 2 changes for the VMP ‘<Drug Form>’ coded attribute in dm+d are complete with the final changes in the TRUD extract Monday 18 March 2024.

To view details of all the planned changes to dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension terminologies and the delivery timeline visit [our webpage](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/terminology-and-classifications/uk-medicines-terminology-futures/changes-to-digital-terminologies/updating-the-nhs-dm-d-drug_form-coded-attribute-within-the-vmp-concept-class) for the latest information.

If you have any specific queries relating to the dm+d and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension changes, please contact [nhsdigital.ukmeds@nhs.net](mailto:nhsdigital.ekmeds@nhs.net).

**SNOMED International consultation on the inactivation of Role Groupers in Substance and Medicinal Product Hierarchies**

Following the [consultation](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=994809&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136) SNOMED International ran up to the end of January regarding the ‘Inactivation of Role Groupers in Substance and Medicinal Product Hierarchies’, their Content Team has released their ‘Universal Summary of all feedback received’ document which can be found [here](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1047481&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136).

Under the ‘**Resolution and Next Steps**’ section of the document:

* The Substance role groupers will remain in situ with no change.
* A disclaimer will be added to the SNOMED CT Editorial Guide related to known issues with use of Substance role groupers including potential incorrect classification.
* A Briefing Note will follow regarding the inactivation of Medicinal Product therapeutic role groupers

The next step is for NHS England to circulate the Briefing Note regarding the ‘inactivation of Medicinal Product therapeutic role groupers’ and communicate next steps relating to this.

If you have any questions, please email [information.standards@nhs.net](mailto:information.standards@nhs.net)

**Advanced Notice: Rivaroxaban (Xarelto® 1mg/ml granules for oral suspension) Update - dm+d VMPP/AMPP Pack Sizes to be Updated to Reflect the Volumes of Water added for Reconstitution**

A dm+d issue has been raised regarding concerns that the volumes listed in the Drug Tariff and dm+d for Xarelto 1mg/ml granules for oral suspension do not reflect the actual usable volumes of the suspension after reconstitution which are not defined in the SmPC and packaging.

The dm+d Content Committee discussed this at length in a recent meeting. The Committee unanimously agreed that, for this product, the VMPPs/AMPPs will be updated to be based on the volumes of water added for reconstitution. This is the most pragmatic way forwards in the absence of final reconstituted volumes being categorically published in the SmPC.

Similarly, to plans previously communicated via this TRUD platform in June 2023, from 1st April 2024 the pack sizes in dm+d will reflect the volumes of water added for reconstitution (rather than the bottle sizes) as follows:

**VMP**: Rivaroxaban 1mg/ml granules for oral suspension sugar free

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| **Pack size concepts to be made INVALID** | **REPLACEMENT pack size concepts** |
| VMPP: 100ml (bottle size) | VMPP: 50ml (volume of water added for reconstitution) |
| VMPP: 250ml (bottle size) | VMPP: 100ml (volume of water added for reconstitution) |

**AMP**: Xarelto 1mg/ml granules for oral suspension (Bayer Plc)

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| **Pack size concepts to be made INVALID** | **REPLACEMENT pack size concepts** |
| AMPP: 100ml (bottle size) | AMPP: 50ml (volume of water added for reconstitution) |
| AMPP 250ml (bottle size) | AMPP 100ml (volume of water added for reconstitution) |

Note – the larger bottle size allows sufficient space for mixing the granules and water.

**Part VIIIA of the NHS England and Wales Drug Tariff** also includes an entry that refers to the 250ml pack size and this will similarly be updated from 250ml to 100ml from 1st April 2024.

**NHS dm+d Editorial Policy —** an updated version will be published in the public domain over the next few days with wording to provide more clarity around authoring of oral products requiring reconstitution.

**Clinical system suppliers should** update their systems in a timely manner and support their users. Please be mindful that there might be a time lag between prescribing and dispensing system updates. Also, if there is any confusion for a few weeks after the update, dispensers and prescribers may need to link in with each other to ensure that prescriptions are in line with and reflect the **REPLACEMENT pack size concepts** in the tables above.

Should you have any further enquiries, please email [dmdenquiries@nhsbsa.nhs.uk](mailto:dmdenquiries@nhsbsa.nhs.uk)

**Monthly dm+d Supplier Workshop**

NHS England hosts a monthly workshop for IT system suppliers to discuss dm+d content and implementation queries.  It is an opportunity to speak with colleagues from NHS England and the NHSBSA who manage the terminology.

If you are a system supplier who is interested in joining the group, please contact [medicinestandards@nhs.net](mailto:medicinestandards@nhs.net) for more information.

**DHSC require these concepts to be made available and visible (similar to licensed medicines) in prescribing and dispensing systems for the time being.**

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| **Specials/Imports added at request of DHSC to mitigate shortages in the supply chain** | | | |
| **AMP Name** | **AMP SNOMED Code** | **Import/Special** | **dm+d extract date** |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38955011000001100 | Imported | 14/09/2020 |
| Desmopressin 150micrograms/dose nasal spray | 38996011000001101 | Special Order | 21/09/2020 |
| Capsaicin 0.025% cream | 41539411000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |
| Capsaicin 0.075% cream | 41540711000001105 | Imported | 27/03/2023 |
| Pethidine 50mg tablets | 42161611000001107 | Imported (United States) | 14/08/2023 |
| Permethrin 5% cream | 42243511000001101 | Imported | 18/09/2023 |
| Vyvanse 30mg capsules | 42409311000001100 | Imported | 13/11/2023 |
| Vyvanse 40mg capsules | 42409611000001105 | Imported | 13/11/2023 |
| Vyvanse 50mg capsules | 42409811000001109 | Imported | 13/11/2023 |
| Vyvanse 70mg capsules | 42410011000001109 | Imported | 13/11/2023 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 30mg capsules | 42415211000001108 | Imported | 20/11/2023 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 40mg capsules | 42415411000001107 | Imported | 20/11/2023 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 50mg capsules | 42415611000001105 | Imported | 20/11/2023 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 70mg capsules | 42415811000001109 | Imported | 20/11/2023 |
| Bumetanide 5mg tablets | 42440611000001105 | Imported | 27/11/2023 |
| Co-trimoxazole 40mg/200mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free | 42440811000001109 | Imported | 27/11/2023 |
| Griseofulvin 125mg tablets | 42441511000001104 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Griseofulvin 500mg tablets | 42441811000001101 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Lamotrigine 5mg dispersible tablets sugar free | 41526311000001107 | Imported | 27/11/2023 |
| Rasagiline 1mg tablets | 42442211000001109 | Imported | 27/11/2023 |
| Rifampicin 150mg capsules | 42442611000001106 | Imported | 27/11/2023 |
| Dicycloverine 10mg/5ml oral solution | 42491411000001108 | Imported (United States) | 11/12/2023 |
| Diazepam 2mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free | 42495311000001104 | Special Order | 11/12/2023 |
| Hydrogen peroxide 3% solution | 42510811000001109 | Imported | 18/12/2023 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 20mg capsules | 42640311000001103 | Imported | 19/02/2024 |
| Lisdexamfetamine 60mg capsules | 42640611000001108 | Imported | 19/02/2024 |
| Methadone 5mg tablets | 42641811000001104 | Imported | 19/02/2024 |
| Salbutamol 2.5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials | 42642011000001102 | Imported | 19/02/2024 |

**Invalidations**

None

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

None

dm+d Authoring Team