

SNOMED CT-AU v20141130

Release Note

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Summary

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SNOMED CT-AU is the Australian extension to SNOMED CT¹, and includes the international resources along with all Australian-developed terminology and documentation for implementation in Australian clinical IT systems. SNOMED CT-AU provides local variations and customisations of terms relevant to the Australian healthcare sector. All terminology files are prepared in a format and to a standard that is consistent with the IHTSDO releases.

Release rationale

SNOMED CT-AU releases are provided every six months. This release contains content changes and has been maintained against the July 2014 SNOMED CT release from the IHTSDO.

Identifying the version of this release of SNOMED CT-AU

When using codes from this release (for example, in clinical documents, maps, or terminology servers) the following string should be used to identify the version of this release:

`http://snomed.info/sct/32506021000036107/version/20141130`

For example, in an HL7 CDA document, the version of this release may be encoded in a Concept Descriptor field named *xyz* using the *codeSystemVersion* attribute as follows:

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<xyz code="155296003"
  codeSystem="2.16.840.1.113883.6.96"
  codeSystemName="SNOMED CT-AU"
  codeSystemVersion="http://snomed.info/sct/32506021000036107/version/20141130"
  displayName="Essential hypertension"/>
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Package inclusions

New

None

Updated

Identifier	Name and version
NEHTA-1831:2014	<i>SNOMED CT-AU – Release Note v20141130</i>
NEHTA-1832:2014	<i>SNOMED CT-AU – Release File Bundle v20141130</i>

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Identifier	Name and version
NEHTA-1674:2014	<i>SNOMED CT-AU – Windows Viewer v20140531</i>
NEHTA-1675:2014	<i>SNOMED CT-AU – Macintosh Viewer v20140531</i>

Audience

The audience for this end product is any licence holder with a practical interest in using the SNOMED CT-AU release files, including: software developers, content/mapping developers, testers, information system suppliers, analysts, terminology/classification specialists, health IT professionals and researchers.

Content change summary

New and updated content

Category	Description
<i>Australian dialect reference set (ADRS)</i>	The <i>Australian dialect reference set</i> (ADRS) has been updated to accommodate new concepts and descriptions in the updated core files as well as changes based on content development and review, particularly for analysis and resolution of duplicate preferred terms between concepts as well as continued systematic review of ADRS entries
Content maintenance	The core Concept, Description, and Relationship files have been updated to include the January 2014 International SNOMED CT update. Consequently, all reference sets provided in the previous release have been updated accordingly.
Reference sets	All reference sets have been maintained against the July 2014 release of SNOMED CT. One new reference set is included in this release: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Change status reference set.</i>
Request submission content	Requests for new content by licence holders have been acted upon in this release.

Known issues

None

Supporting documentation

Supporting documentation is included in the release file bundle as well as on the [SNOMED CT-AU Common](#) page of the NEHTA website². The bundled documentation includes:

- *SNOMED CT-AU - Development Approach for Reference Sets*
Captures and describes the development approach used in creating reference sets for use by the SNOMED CT-AU community of practice. It also includes an explanation of the types of reference sets and how they are categorised for various purposes.
- *NCTIS - Reference Set Library*
A register of the clinical reference sets for use by the SNOMED CT-AU and AMT communities of practice.
- *SNOMED CT-AU - Australian Implementation Guidance*
Provides implementation guidance for software developers, technical consumers, and the general SNOMED CT-AU community of practice. It is intended to provide practical guidance for Australian implementations and is to be used in conjunction with the IHTSDO's *SNOMED CT Technical Implementation Guide*.

The [SNOMED CT-AU Common](#) page (see note 2) also includes updates to other documentation of relevance to SNOMED CT-AU implementers:

- *SNOMED CT-AU - Mapping Guidelines*
Describes a mapping methodology that should be followed when mapping local and proprietary coding systems to SNOMED CT-AU. Changes from the previous version include the removal of references to conformance and compliance requirements, and additions relating to the maintenance of maps.
- *NCTIS - Adverse Reactions Reference Set Implementation Guide*
Provides a summary of how the Adverse reactions reference set group (the ARRS) and components were developed, as well as more general information about reference set development. There are comprehensive descriptions of the terminology content that the ARRS contains, intended implementation and usage options, and potential considerations for enhancement and expansion. This document has been authored by the Australian e-Health Research Centre at the CSIRO.

Additional guidance for use that is common to both SNOMED CT-AU and the Australian Medicines Terminology (AMT) is available from the [Australian Medicines Terminology v3 Model - Common](#) page on the NEHTA website³, most notably:

- *Clinical Terminology - Use of Medical Nomenclatures in Information Exchange*
Provides guidance for healthcare software systems that produce and consume clinical messages containing medical nomenclatures. This guidance also helps software developers to manage risks when developing systems using medical nomenclatures.
- *Clinical Terminology - Guidance for People and Processes*
Provides guidance for those involved in adopting the AMT or SNOMED CT-AU. This guidance may be used to minimise clinical safety risks and maximise the benefits associated with using the AMT or SNOMED CT-AU.
- *Clinical Terminology - Guidance for Use in Healthcare Software*
Provides guidance for managing risks when implementing the AMT or SNOMED CT-AU in healthcare software. This guidance complements the software requirements provided by other eHealth specifications.

² <http://www.nehta.gov.au/implementation-resources/ehealth-foundations/snomed-ct-au-common>.

³ <http://www.nehta.gov.au/implementation-resources/ehealth-foundations/australian-medicines-terminology-common>.

IHTSDO documentation

The [SNOMED CT Document Library](#)⁴ on the IHTSDO website includes a number of resources that are relevant to SNOMED CT-AU developers:

- *SNOMED CT Starter Guide*
The best place to start learning about SNOMED CT, it provides an overview of a range of topics related to the terminology.
- *SNOMED CT Technical Implementation Guide*
Detailed specifications of release files and other IHTSDO standards, accompanied by guidance about various topics related to implementation of SNOMED CT.
- *SNOMED CT Editorial Guide*
Detailed information about SNOMED CT content development.

SNOMED CT-AU viewers

The SNOMED CT-AU terminology viewers for Windows and Mac operating systems that were previously provided with the SNOMED CT-AU releases are no longer supported and will not be able to browse the November release of SNOMED CT-AU (or any later versions). Two alternative options are described below.

SHRIMP

NEHTA recommends that users now search the SNOMED CT-AU content and browse the hierarchies via the SHRIMP application⁵, which is an online browser available at <http://ontoserver.csiro.au/shrimp>.⁶

IHTSDO browser

The IHTSDO have developed an online browser which allows searching and browsing of SNOMED CT-AU. The browser is available from: <http://browser.ihtsdotools.org>.

NEHTA makes no guarantees regarding the functionality or update cycle for this browser.

Product support services

The National Clinical Terminology and Information Service (NCTIS) has a dedicated Product Support team to assist licence holders in their understanding and implementation of SNOMED CT-AU.

Support services can be tailored to customer requirements and range from general training and education on the terminology through to specific technical support. The following support channels are freely available:

- Email and phone support
- Downloadable resources from the [NEHTA eHealth Foundations](#) page.
- Webinars
- Technical workshops
- Individual technical support at your workplace.

To request support, or provide any other feedback, please email help@nehta.gov.au or phone 1300 901 001.

⁴ http://www.ihtsdo.org/fileadmin/user_upload/doc/.

⁵ Shrimp was developed by the Australian e-Health Research Centre (AEHRC).

⁶ An online help tour of SHRIMP is available at <http://ontoserver.csiro.au/shrimp?help>.

Hosting reference sets developed and owned by third parties

The NCTIS has initiated a service whereby reference sets that are developed and owned by licence holders can be released as part of SNOMED CT-AU. The ownership and future development of the reference sets are intended to be continued by the licence holder, and content will be released on a dedicated module within SNOMED CT-AU to indicate this. For more information, or to express interest in submitting a reference set, please contact help@nehta.gov.au.

How to request changes to our terminology products

The NCTIS is committed to the refinement and improvement of its terminology products, and also to contributing to the refinement and improvement of SNOMED CT. In keeping with these commitments, we welcome requests for changes to existing content or new content additions. A form for submitting such requests is available from the [SNOMED CT-AU area of nehta.gov.au](#).⁷

Data file bundle

The data file (SNOMED CT-AU – Release File Bundle v20141130) is in ZIP file format.

The data in this file is in “Release Format 2” (RF2) format⁸, which aligns to the SNOMED CT bundle structure, and makes available a number of different release types, namely “Full”, “Snapshot” and “Delta”.

NEHTA_1832_2014_SNOMEDCT-AU_TerminologyReleaseFileBundle_20141130.zip

SnomedCT_Release_AU1000036_20141130

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| | doc_DevelopmentApproachForReferenceSets_Current-en-AU_AU_20141130.pdf
| | doc_ReferenceSetLibrary_Current-en-AU_AU_20141130.pdf
| | L doc_AustralianImplementationGuidance_Current-en-AU_AU_20141130.pdf
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⁷ <http://www.nehta.gov.au/our-work/clinical-terminology/snomed-clinical-terms/request-submission-product-content-changes>.

⁸ For information about RF2, see the *SNOMED CT Technical Implementation Guide*, which is available at: http://ihtsdo.org/fileadmin/user_upload/doc/.

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Future releases

SNOMED CT-AU is currently updated and made available to licence holders every six months in May and November; it is available for download from the [SNOMED CT AU release](#) page.⁹

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⁹ <http://www.nehta.gov.au/implementation-resources/ehealth-foundations/snomed-ct-au>.