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VERSION 9.3.0

Dear dm+d User,

**Co-amoxiclav Updates in dm+d and Drug Tariff Part VIIIA**

For 1st October 2024, some updates are being made to Co-amoxiclav oral suspension entries in dm+d regarding sugar-containing / sugar free status. This follows on from some discovery work that took place after the following publication last year:

[Class 4 Medicines Defect Information: Sandoz Limited, Co-amoxiclav 125/31.25mg/5ml, 250/62.5mg/5ml powder for oral suspension, EL (23)A/14 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)](https://www.gov.uk/drug-device-alerts/class-4-medicines-defect-information-sandoz-limited-co-amoxiclav-125-slash-31-dot-25mg-slash-5ml-250-slash-62-dot-5mg-slash-5ml-powder-for-oral-suspension-el-23-a-slash-14)

Key changes include:

**Addition to Part VIIIA:**

* Co-amoxiclav 125mg/31mg/5ml oral suspension (100ml)
* Co-amoxiclav 250mg/62mg/5ml oral suspension (100ml)
* Co-amoxiclav 400mg/57mg/5ml oral suspension (35ml)
* Co-amoxiclav 400mg/57mg/5ml oral suspension (70ml)

**Deletion from Part VIIIA:**

* Co-amoxiclav 125mg/31mg/5ml oral suspension sugar free (100ml)

Updates will be made to Category statuses for the different co-amoxiclav entries accordingly and the comprehensive details will be published in the forthcoming October Drug Tariff.

**SNOMED International Proposal to Increase Description Length Limit**

We are providing an update to the [information previously communicated](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1061497&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136%26startRow%3D11) regarding the proposal from SNOMED International to increase the maximum length of Fully Specified Name and Synonym descriptions, from 255 to 4096 characters.

SNOMED International have provided further information about the proposal and **extended the deadline for feedback to 31 December 2024.**

As the UK Member’s National Release Centre, NHS England is collating feedback from SNOMED CT users in the UK on behalf of SNOMED International.

To access the new information and to submit your feedback, go to the [Delen news article](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1108441&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136)

The deadline for survey responses is **5pm Tuesday, 31 December 2024**.

This proposal will not impact the dm+d, we are not planning to make any changes to the dm+d as a result of this proposal from SNOMED International.

[**SNOMED International consultation on the inactivation of Role Groupers in Substance and Medicinal Product Hierarchies**](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1081753&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136)

We are providing an update to the information posted in [March](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/t_c_home/viewBlogArticle?articleID=1047481&nextURL=%2Ft_c_home%2FviewBlog%3Fblogid%3D50136%26startRow%3D11) regarding the inactivation of Medicinal Product therapeutic role groupers.

SNOMED International have provided further advice on the outcome of the consultation on the proposal to inactivate therapeutic role groupers in the Medicinal Product hierarchy.

Information about the impact to content and the timescales for inactivation’s in the International content can be found [here.](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/gf2.ti/f/762498/212894789.1/PDF/-/20240501%20BN%20Informational%20note%20inactivation%20medicinal%20product%20role%20groupers%20V1.pdf)

NHS England plan to reactivate the [178 Medicinal Product Role Groupers](https://nhsengland.kahootz.com/gf2.ti/f/762498/186840133.2/XLSX/-/Medicinal%20Product%20therapeutic%20role%20groupers.xlsx) within the SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension to make the content available for SNOMED CT users in the UK once SNOMED International inactivate the content in the International Release.

If you have any questions, please email [information.standards@nhs.net](mailto:information.standards@nhs.net) adding **‘Inactivation of Therapeutic Role Groupers in the Medicinal Product Hierarchy’** to the subject line.

**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.

**Addition of 'Ingredients for VTMs' in dm+d (XML) release files and SNOMED CT UK Drug Extension**

The addition of ingredients for Virtual Therapeutic Moiety (VTMs) will go-live in the dm+d TRUD release on 23 September 2024. VTM/ingredient information will be provided as an additional (‘bonus’) file within the dm+d weekly extract. The content in this initial file will remain static until further notice. The purpose of this file is to enable users to view the information and understand more about the type of content it will provide once populated and how it can be used in future.  Whilst the data in the initial file will remain static, file names and date stamps will be updated for continuity. After this, the file will be gradually updated until the remaining VTM Ingredients are reviewed and populated.  This will take several weeks, and confirmation will be provided once this work is complete.

Please note that VTM Ingredients information will only be available via TRUD from 23 September 2024 and will not be seen in the dm+d browser until the work starts to update the file with the remaining VTM Ingredients.

Additional information about the change is available on our [webpage](https://digital.nhs.uk/services/terminology-and-classifications/uk-medicines-terminology-futures/changes-to-digital-terminologies/addition-of-ingredients-for-vtms-in-dm-d-xml-release-files-and-snomed-ct-uk-drug-extension).

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.ukmeds@nhs.net)

**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 |
| Griseofulvin 125mg tablets | 42441511000001104 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Griseofulvin 500mg tablets | 42441811000001101 | Imported (United States) | 27/11/2023 |
| Dicycloverine 10mg/5ml oral solution | 42491411000001108 | Imported (United States) | 11/12/2023 |
| Hydrogen peroxide 3% solution | 42510811000001109 | Imported | 18/12/2023 |
| Methadone 5mg tablets | 42641811000001104 | Imported | 19/02/2024 |
| Cerium nitrate hexahydrate 22mg/g / Sulfadiazine silver 10mg/g cream | 42991011000001101 | Imported | 01/07/2024 |
| Sulfadiazine silver 1% cream | 42990711000001107 | Imported | 01/07/2024 |
| Creon 10000 capsules | 43034611000001101 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Creon 25000 capsules | 43034811000001102 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Pancreaze Delayed-Release capsules | 43035111000001108 | Imported | 15/07/2024 |
| Ipratropium bromide 250micrograms/1ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials | 43093511000001105 | Imported | 22/07/2024 |
| Ipratropium bromide 500micrograms/2ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials | 43094411000001109 | Imported | 22/07/2024 |
| Tegretol 100mg/5ml liquid | 43136511000001103 | Imported | 29/07/2024 |
| Desmopressin 4micrograms/1ml solution for injection ampoules | 43144811000001106 | Imported | 29/07/2024 |
| Desmopressin 4micrograms/1ml solution for injection vials | 43145111000001100 | Imported | 29/07/2024 |
| Gonadorelin 100microgram powder for solution for injection vials | 43145311000001103 | Imported | 29/07/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 18mg modified-release tablets | 43210911000001100 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 27mg modified-release tablets | 43211511000001100 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 36mg modified-release tablets | 43211911000001107 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Methylphenidate 54mg modified-release tablets | 43212411000001109 | Imported | 02/09/2024 |
| Disopyramide 250mg modified-release tablets | 42441311000001105 | Imported | 16/09/2024 |
| Disopyramide 100mg capsules | 43669311000001107 | Imported | 16/09/2024 |
| Pangrol 10,000 capsules | 43788211000001100 | Imported | 23/09/2024 |
| Pangrol 25,000 capsules | 43788511000001102 | Imported | 23/09/2024 |

**Invalidations**

None

**Advance Notice of Invalidations**

The following concepts will be invalidated mid-October. They have been reauthored as we are now aware of ampoules being used rather than vials.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** Salbutamol 2.5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials (Not to be invalidated) | **VMP** Salbutamol 2.5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose ampoules |
| **VMP SNOMED ID** 39709611000001109 (Not to be invalidated) | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43207011000001101 |
| **VMPP** 20 unit dose (Not to be invalidated) | **VMPP** 20 unit dose |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID** 3385611000001107 (Not to be invalidated) | **VMPP SNOMED ID** 43188511000001109 |
| **AMP** Brodilaten 2.5mg/2.5ml nebuliser solution unit dose ampoules (Kent Pharma (UK) Ltd) | **AMP** Brodilaten 2.5mg/2.5ml nebuliser solution unit dose ampoules (Kent Pharma (UK) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  41346811000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 43188611000001108 |
| **AMPP** 20 unit dose | **AMPP** 20 unit dose |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  41346911000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 43188711000001104 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP** Salbutamol 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose vials (Not to be invalidated) | **VMP** Salbutamol 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser liquid unit dose ampoules |
| **VMP SNOMED ID** 39710011000001108 (Not to be invalidated) | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43207111000001100 |
| **VMPP** 20 unit dose (Not to be invalidated) | **VMPP** 20 unit dose |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID** 3379211000001101 (Not to be invalidated) | **VMPP SNOMED ID** 43188811000001107 |
| **AMP** Brodilaten 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser solution unit dose ampoules (Kent Pharma (UK) Ltd) | **AMP** Brodilaten 5mg/2.5ml nebuliser solution unit dose ampoules (Kent Pharma (UK) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  42019411000001100 | **AMP SNOMED ID** 43189011000001106 |
| **AMPP** 20 unit dose | **AMPP** 20 unit dose |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  42019511000001101 | **AMPP SNOMED ID** 43189111000001107 |

The following concepts will be invalidated mid-October. The dm+d Authoring Team understands that these concepts are now sugar free and so invalidations and re-authoring has now been completed as necessary.

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (AAH Pharmaceuticals Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  245011000001108 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43179811000001109 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  1438111000001102 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43179911000001104 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Accord-UK Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Accord-UK Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  34035411000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43180011000001103 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  34035511000001103 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43180111000001102 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Advanz Pharma) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Advanz Pharma) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  392511000001108 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43180211000001108 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  1438311000001100 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43180311000001100 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Alliance Healthcare (Distribution) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  157711000001100 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43180411000001107 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  1438211000001108 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43180511000001106 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (DE Pharmaceuticals) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (DE Pharmaceuticals) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  30114611000001103 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43180611000001105 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  30114711000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43180711000001101 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Focus Pharmaceuticals Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Focus Pharmaceuticals Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  28937511000001104 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43180811000001109 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  28937611000001100 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43180911000001104 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Medihealth (Northern) Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Medihealth (Northern) Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  39179711000001104 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43181011000001107 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  39179811000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43181111000001108 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Novumgen Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Novumgen Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  42848511000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43181211000001102 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  42848611000001103 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43181311000001105 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Phoenix Labs Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Phoenix Labs Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  34172711000001106 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43181411000001103 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  34172911000001108 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43181511000001104 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Pilsco Ltd) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Pilsco Ltd) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  37727411000001103 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43181611000001100 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  37727511000001104 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43181711000001109 |

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| **Concept to be made Invalid** | **Replacement concepts** |
| **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets | **VMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free |
| **VMP SNOMED ID**  39722711000001103 | **VMP SNOMED ID**  43204411000001100 |
| **VMPP**  30 tablet | **VMPP**  30 tablet |
| **VMPP SNOMED ID**  965911000001100 | **VMPP SNOMED ID**  43176511000001101 |
| **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets (Sigma Pharmaceuticals Plc) | **AMP**  Prednisolone 5mg soluble tablets sugar free (Sigma Pharmaceuticals Plc) |
| **AMP SNOMED ID**  15172311000001102 | **AMP SNOMED ID**  43181811000001101 |
| **AMPP**  30 tablet | **AMPP**  30 tablet |
| **AMPP SNOMED ID**  15172611000001107 | **AMPP SNOMED ID**  43181911000001106 |

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