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## Briefing Note for the Member Forum February 2020

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### Content Improvements in the Substance and Product Hierarchies

Retiring concepts in the “Allergy to substance” sub-hierarchy representing Structure + Role

#### Purpose

This is a one of a series of briefing notes related to Content Improvements in the Substance and Product Hierarchies.

The purpose of this briefing note is to communicate to SNOMED CT Members that concepts in the "419199007 |Allergy to substance (finding)" sub-hierarchy that represent allergy to "structure + role" are considered for inactivation for the July 2020 release and will be replaced by concepts representing allergy to substance structure.

A few examples of these concepts and their replacements are provided below:

- 294389003 Allergy to aminoquinoline antimalarial agent (finding)
  - Will be replaced by Allergy to aminoquinoline
- 294597006 Allergy to antimony antiprotozoal (finding)
  - Will be replaced by Allergy to antimony
- 294352001 Allergy to azole antifungal agent (finding)
  - Will be replaced by Allergy to azole
- 293863003 Allergy to barbiturate antiepileptic (finding)
  - Will be replaced by Allergy to barbiturate
- 293879002 Allergy to barbiturate sedative (finding)
  - Will be replaced by Allergy to barbiturate

This briefing note will be distributed to selected Advisory and Project Groups. The change described above will be implemented in early March 2020. Retaining any concepts in scope for inactivation will require contacting the project group via [info@snomed.org](mailto:info@snomed.org) providing supporting use-case as well as clinical references by March 4, 2020.

Additionally, under the Allergies CRG recommendation, concepts in the sub-hierarchy, "419199007 |Allergy to substance (finding)|" that represent allergy to "role groupers" will be inactivated for the July 2020 release. A few examples of these concepts are provided below:

- 294450008 Allergy to anthelmintic agent (finding)
- 294461000 Allergy to antibacterial drug (finding)
- 294869008 Allergy to anticoagulant (finding)
- 293857007 Allergy to anticonvulsant (finding)
- 294263000 Allergy to antidote (finding)
- 294340008 Allergy to antifungal agent (finding)
- 294616009 Allergy to antileprotic drug (finding)
- 294387001 Allergy to antimalarial agent (finding)
- 294605002 Allergy to antimycobacterial agent (finding)
- 293739003 Allergy to antineoplastic agent (finding)

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