

Briefing Note for the Editorial Advisory Group, Content Managers Advisory Group and Clinical Leads
9th August 2023

Changes to actions 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)| and 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)|

Purpose

The purpose of this briefing note is to allow the Editorial Advisory Group, Content Managers Advisory Group and Clinical Leads Group the opportunity to give feedback regarding the plan to make 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)| and 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)| siblings rather than subtypes.

Background

As part of the QI project, transplantation procedures are being remodeled. To fix incorrect subsumptions changes need to be made. At present surgical transplantation procedures are classifying as subtypes of grafting procedures due to the placement of 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)| as a subtype of 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)|.

Example in current SNOMED CT: 32413006 |Transplantation of heart (procedure)| is a 129212008 |Grafting procedure of heart (procedure)|.

Grafting is generally applied to the application of various types of tissue without their original blood supply, and then that tissue generates its own blood supply from the recipient site.

Next Steps

1. 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)| and 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)| will be made siblings.
2. 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)| and 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)| will both be subtypes of 129338005 |Surgical implantation - action (qualifier value)|.

3. 425362007 |Surgical insertion - action (qualifier value)| will be removed as a parent of 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value)|. 'Insertion' usually applies to, for example, tubes or catheters (grafts are not inserted).

4. Review and update as necessary those procedure concepts modeled with the non-surgical 129406001 |Transplantation - action (qualifier value)| and those surgical transplant procedures not modeled with 410820007 |Surgical transplantation - action (qualifier value)|. Grafting procedures will be defined with 129407005 |Grafting - action (qualifier value).

The change will be planned for the third quarter of 2023.

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