Definitions

Foreword

Medicaments & Medications

Medicaments, Medication Templates, and Medications create a granular hierarchy all the way from the drug itself to the patient's illness. The following is a visual representation of the breakdown at a high level:
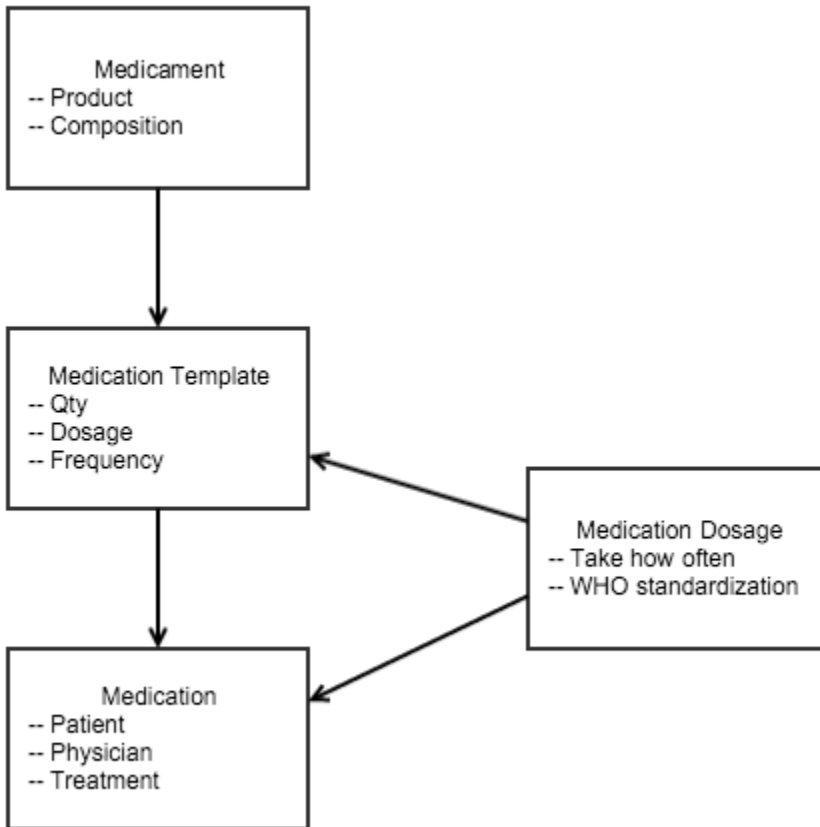
Medicament

Odoo Context

The hierarchy starts with Medicaments, which provide the core attributes for an item such as:

- Product level information

- - Pricing
  - Suppliers
  - On hand
  - Lead time
  - etc
- Drug level information
  - Form (capsule, aerosol, etc)
  - Administration Route
  - Composition
  - Pregnancy Warning
  - etc

The term `medicament` is used here in order to provide a definitive separation between the compositions and uses for an item.

Medication Template

A Medication Template is the next step in the hierarchy, and provides a template mechanism for the more granular item attributes such as:

- Qty
- Dose units
- Frequency
- Typical treatment durations
- Common Medication Dosage

Medication

Medications are the third step in the hierarchy, and represents the Medication Template's application to a patient. For the most part, this is what end users will work with past initial data imports. Examples of Medication attributes:

- Medicament
- Medication Template (filtered by Medicament, optional)
- Patient
- Treatment start date
- Treatment end date (if any)
- Physician that made the original diagnosis

You can also override any of the attributes that were provided by the Medicament and Medication Template if need be.

Medication Dosage

Medication Dosages are the prescribed dosages for a Medication, as well as their WHO abbreviation and code if applicable. Examples:

- 1 time per day / od / 229797004
- 4 times per day / qds / 307439001
- as needed / prn / 420449005

More Reading