NEMSIS V3 Suggested List – eHistory.07 Environmental/Food Allergies

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eHistory.07 - Environmental/Food Allergies

The code list associated with eHistory.07 (Environmental/Food Allergies) represents a list of values found in Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine -- Clinical Terms (SNOMED CT). The process for gaining access to the SNOMED CT code values is provided below.

Suggested List

The suggested code list for eHistory.07 (Environmental/Food Allergies) is represented by SNOMED CT Clinical Findings or Disorder codes. The term types utilized for the describing environmental/food allergies are preferred terms (PT). There are synonyms for each environmental/food allergy code that can be used to display the allergy "concept". The specific 88 suggested SNOMED CT codes are listed at the end of this document, beginning on page four.

When the environmental/food allergy suggested list was developed, the primary goal within SNOMED CT was to utilize "Clinical Findings" or "Disorder" codes to identify patient allergies. For consistency in reporting, it is important that Software Developers expanding the list of environmental/food allergies rely on the use of "Clinical Findings" or "Disorder" codes. If an appropriate code cannot be found among these code types, the Software Developer should contact the NEMSIS TAC, who will work with SNOMED to add an appropriate code to the SNOMED standard. The suggested SNOMED CT environmental/food allergies list, available on the NEMSIS download site, provides codes in alphabetical order by description. The list of environmental/food allergy descriptions is also provided below.

Licensed "Suggested Lists"

The U.S. National Library of Medicine provides access to the SNOMED CT code values through the Unified Medical Language System (UMLS). An applicant must accept the terms of the UMLS Metathesaurus License

and create a UMLS Terminology Services (UTS) account for access to UMLS datasets and terminology browsers.

More information can be found at: http://www.nlm.nih.gov/databases/umls.html.

The NEMSIS TAC may only distribute suggested lists with specific value codes from the UMLS system to entities licensed through the UMLS system. Thus, each software developer must seek licensing and provide proof of licensing before gaining access to all of the pre-defined suggested lists available through the NEMSIS TAC.

The SNOMED CT Concept Identifier codes are the only codes that can be shared publicly in tandem with the concept names. Similar to the other UMLS datasets, the UMLS experts recommend the use of one primary code (e.g. SNOMED - Concept ID) to identify a specific procedure. SNOMED CT allows for multiple similar descriptions /names for the same UMLS identified primary code (concept) which in turn provides a synonym for use. Together the Concept ID and TTY are used to define and identify a specific code and the corresponding description.

Access to "Suggested List" Archive Files

Access to suggested code lists will be provided on a special section of the NEMSIS TAC's download site. A licensed user will be able to login to the site and download the appropriate archive file (SNOMED CT, RxNorm, ICD-10, etc).

The UMLS license verification service helps determine if the remote user has a license to use and/or distribute certain code sets. If the user does not have a current license, access to the "suggested lists" archive will be denied.

The "suggested list" files will be zipped archives that are automatically created each time one of the licensed code databases is updated in the NEMSIS master data repository.

Viewing and Using the "Suggested List" Archive Files

The downloaded suggested list appears in a pipe-delimited text format. The proper code to utilize is the code with the name of the element and closest to the value description. Please note that the CUI, AUI, and TTY fields are included for reference purposes. These codes allow one to locate the exact code and description in the UMLS Metathesaurus that was selected for inclusion in the suggested list.

The list provides additional fields indicating when a record became active in the NEMSIS TAC's master data repository as well as the version of the source used for a particular code and description in the suggested list.

Conclusions

By maintaining a single source of these data and making it available internally as well as to our customers, we improve our data quality and consistency. This will reduce reporting errors in data submissions provided it is used as part of our own and our customer's data management best practices.

Unified Medical language System (UMLS) Term Types (TTY)

This is a partial list of Term Types in Source (TTY) from the National Library of Medicine website. The NEMSIS TAC will be using primarily the designated preferred name (PT) and occasionally the hierarchical term (HT) Term Types in its suggested lists. To view the full list of UMLS abbreviations used in data element please visit the National Library of Medicine website:

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/research/umls/knowledge_sources/metathesaurus/release/abbreviations.html .

TTY (Term Type in Source)		TTY (Term Type in Source)	
DN	Display Name	HT	Hierarchical term
DO	Domain	LT	Lower Level Term
ET	Entry term	PT	Designated preferred name
HC	Hierarchical class	RT	Designated related term
HD	Hierarchical descriptor		

SNOMED CT Suggested List for eHistory.07 - Environmental/Food Allergies

Allergy Description	SNOMED CT Code	TTY Code
Almond oil allergy	418606003	PT
Aluminum allergy	402306009	PT
Ant sting	403141006	PT
Arachis oil allergy	294317009	PT
Aspartame allergy	419180003	PT
Bee sting	424213003	PT
Boric acid allergy	294434000	PT
Caffeine allergy	418344001	PT
Carrot allergy	420080006	PT
Castor oil allergy	294318004	PT
Cat dander allergy	232346004	PT
Cheese allergy	300914000	PT
Chemical allergy	419199007	PT
Chocolate allergy	300912001	PT
Cinnamon allergy	418397007	PT
Coal tar allergy	294169006	PT
Coconut oil allergy	419814004	PT
Corn allergy	419573007	PT
Cosmetic allergy	417982003	PT

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Cow's milk allergy	15911003	PT
Dairy product allergy	425525006	PT
Dander allergy	232347008	PT
Dog dander allergy	419271008	PT
Dust allergy	390952000	PT
Dye allergy	418545001	PT
Egg allergy	91930004	PT
Feather allergy	232348003	PT
Fish allergy	417532002	PT
Food Allergy	414285001	PT
Food preservative allergy	419421008	PT
Fruit allergy	91932007	PT
Gastrointestinal food allergy	414314005	PT
Gauze allergy	418968001	PT
Gelatin allergy	294847001	PT
Glycine allergy	294298002	PT
Gold allergy	294238000	PT
Grass pollen allergy	418689008	PT
Guar gum allergy	294741005	PT
Hornet sting	307427009	PT
Horse dander allergy	419063004	PT
House dust allergy	232349006	PT
Latex allergy	300916003	PT
Legumes allergy	409136006	PT
Lithium allergy	293817009	PT
Lubricant allergy	294321002	PT
Metal Allergy	300915004	PT
Multiple environmental allergies	444026000	PT
Mushroom allergy	447961002	PT
Nickel allergy	419788000	PT
No Known Allergies	160244002	PT
Nut allergy	91934008	PT
Oats allergy	419342009	PT
Olive oil allergy	294316000	PT
Other allergy (Not Listed)	106190000	PT
Paraffin allergy	294324005	PT
Peanut allergy	91935009	PT
Perfume allergy	300908007	PT
Pesticide allergy	294619002	PT
Photosensitization due to sun	258155009	PT
Plant allergy	402594000	PT
Pollen allergy	300910009	PT
Pollen-food allergy	432807008	PT
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Pork allergy	417918006	PT
Potato allergy	419619007	PT
Red meat allergy	418815008	PT
Rubber allergy	419412007	PT
Rye allergy	418184004	PT
Scorpion sting	422921000	PT
Seafood allergy	91937001	PT
Seasonal allergy	444316004	PT
Seed allergy	419101002	PT
Shellfish allergy	300913006	PT
Shrimp allergy	419972009	PT
Silicone allergy	294328008	PT
Spider bite	427487000	PT
Sulfur allergy	294179008	PT
Tape allergy	405649006	PT
Tomato allergy	418779002	PT
Tryptophan allergy	293842000	PT
Vitamin A allergy	294923007	PT
Vitamin D allergy	294924001	PT
Vitamin K allergy	294925000	PT
Walnut allergy	91940001	PT
Wasp sting	423058007	PT
Wheat allergy	420174000	PT
Wood allergy	402595004	PT
Wool allergy	425605001	PT
Zinc allergy	294950002	PT