

Appendix A SNOMED coding

SNOMED topography should be recorded for the site of the tumour. SNOMED morphology codes should be recorded for the diagnosis/tumour morphology.

Versions of SNOMED prior to SNOMED CT have ceased to be licenced by the International Health Terminology Standards Development Organisation from 26 April 2017. It is recognised that versions of SNOMED 2, SNOMED 3/RT and SNOMED CT are in use in the UK.

SNOMED Procedure codes (P codes in SNOMED 2/3/RT) should be recorded for the procedure. P codes vary according to the SNOMED system in use in different organisations, therefore local P codes should be recorded and used for audit purposes.

A list of applicable SNOMED morphology and topography codes should be provided.

Morphological item	SNOMED code	SNOMED CT terminology	SNOMED CT code
Squamous cell carcinoma in situ	M-80702	Squamous cell carcinoma in situ, no International Classification of Diseases for Oncology subtype (morphologic abnormality)	1162893000
Squamous cell carcinoma	M-80703	Squamous cell carcinoma, no International Classification of Diseases for Oncology subtype (morphologic abnormality) Squamous cell carcinoma of pharynx (disorder)	1162767002 408649007
Microinvasive squamous carcinoma	M-80705	Squamous cell carcinoma, microinvasive (morphologic abnormality)	12478003
Keratinising squamous carcinoma	M-80713	Squamous cell carcinoma, keratinising (morphologic abnormality) Keratinising squamous cell carcinoma of nasopharynx (disorder)	18048008 698011002

Non-keratinising squamous carcinoma	M-80723	Squamous cell carcinoma, large cell, non-keratinising (morphologic abnormality)	45490001
Spindle cell squamous carcinoma	M-80743	Squamous cell carcinoma, spindle cell (morphologic abnormality)	10288008
Adenoid squamous carcinoma	M-80753	Adenoid squamous cell carcinoma (morphologic abnormality)	85956000
Adenosquamous carcinoma	M-85603	Adenosquamous carcinoma (morphologic abnormality)	59367005
N/A		Human papillomavirus positive squamous cell carcinoma (morphologic abnormality)	783212001

Note: This is not a comprehensive list of all malignancies and other codes should be used as necessary.

Topography item	SNOMED code	SNOMED CT terminology	SNOMED CT code
Oropharynx	T-60200	Oropharyngeal structure (body structure)	31389004
Anterior wall (glosso-epiglottic area)	T-53122	Structure of junctional region of epiglottis with oropharynx (body structure)	113280004
Base of tongue	T-53130	Mucosa of base of tongue (body structure)	245832000
Vallecula	T-60230	Structure of vallecula of epiglottis (body structure)	42275007
Lateral wall	T-61100	Structure of lateral wall of oropharynx (body structure)	19120004
Tonsil	T-60220	Tonsillar structure (palatine) (body structure)	75573002
Tonsillar fossa and pillars	T-61240	Tonsillar fossa structure (body structure)	32163006
Tonsillar pillars	T-61150	Palatine arch structure (body structure)	21294006
Posterior wall	T-60210	Structure of posterior wall of oropharynx (body structure)	12999009
Inferior surface of soft palate	T-51120	Inferior surface of soft palate (body structure)	303339004
Uvula	T-51130	Uvula palatina structure (body structure)	26140008
Nasopharynx	T-23000	Entire nasopharynx (body structure)	181200003

Postero-superior wall	T-23001	Entire posterior wall of nasopharynx (body structure) Entire superior wall of nasopharynx (body structure)	361936002 179268001
Lateral wall (includes fossa of Rosenmüller)	T-23002	Entire lateral wall of nasopharynx (body structure)	361937006
Inferior wall (superior surface of soft palate)	T-51122	Entire superior surface of soft palate (body structure)	362081003

Procedure codes (P)

These are used in SNOMED 2 and SNOMED 3 to distinguish biopsies, partial resections and radical resections to indicate the nature of the procedure. Local P codes should be recorded. At present, P codes vary according to the SNOMED system in use in different institutions.