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# Briefing Note for the Member Forum June 2021

## Inactivation of Number (qualifier value) Hierarchy

### Purpose

To inform the Member Forum on the planned inactivation of concepts in the 260299005 |Number (qualifier value)| hierarchy.

### Background

Following the deployment of the concrete domain functionality in SNOMED CT, concepts in the 260299005 |Number (qualifier value)| hierarchy are no longer necessary and plans have been made for their inactivation.

### Plan

To provide adequate time for any national extension or implementation affected by this change, concepts in the 260299005 |Number (qualifier value)| hierarchy will be inactivated in the January 2023 International Release. Concepts will be inactivated as “Non-conformance to editorial policy” and no historical relationship or replacement concept will be provided.

Exceptions:

- 118586006 |Ratio (property) (qualifier value)| and descendants have been relocated to 118598001 |Property (qualifier value)| hierarchy
- 272070003 |Ordinal number (qualifier value)| and descendants have been relocated to 362981000 |Qualifier value (qualifier value)| hierarchy

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