

Introduction to SNOMED CT Implementations across Canada

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Audience

Participants interested in understanding the tactics used in Canada to increase knowledge and awareness of SNOMED CT types of implementations ranging from small to large scale projects.

Objectives

The presentation will provide an overview of successful client-focused tactics used by Canada Health Infoway that have resulted in increased interest by Canadian stakeholders in using SNOMED CT. The presentation will also identify the different implementation approaches being used across Canada.

Abstract

Tactics such as developing a SNOMED CT toolkit, education offerings, subsets, communication plans, and a SNOMED CT implementation tracker have contributed to increasing SNOMED CT knowledge and awareness to various types of stakeholders in Canada. In addition to identifying tactics to enhance adoption, it is important to measure outcomes to identify if the tactics are making an impact. The presentation will highlight key tactics and identify how Canada Health Infoway has begun measuring key metrics that demonstrate where to focus limited human resource effort to make the most impact.

The journey for Canadian stakeholders to embrace SNOMED CT and begin to see the benefits of using it has begun. The presentation will provide a brief introduction to projects within each province, their approaches and will identify some common challenges and lessons learned across Canada as well as some jurisdiction or project specific ones.