

navigation

The process of locating a [concept](#) by traversing links represented by [relationships](#) or [reference set members](#).

Notes

- *Navigation* can supplement [term](#) based searching by providing logical or intuitive routes through [SNOMED CT](#).

Examples

- Viewing and/or selecting [concepts](#) that:
 - are more specific (or more general) by following [subtype relationships](#).
 - share a common defining characteristic by traversing [attribute relationships](#).
 - are practically related to a common use case by following links specified by an *association reference set*
 - are presented in a rational order represented by an *ordered association reference set*.

Related Links

- [Navigation hierarchy](#)
- Release File Specifications
 - [4.2.3 Relationship File Specification](#)
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- Terminology Services Guide
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- Reference Sets Practical Guide
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