

Cancer staging content from the American Joint Committee on Cancer will appear in SNOMED CT under new licensing agreement

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The [American College of Surgeons](#) (ACS) and SNOMED International have entered into a licensing agreement to include agreed upon [American Joint Committee on Cancer](#) (AJCC) references in SNOMED CT. The AJCC is administered by the Chicago-based American College of Surgeons.

The focus of the agreement enables SNOMED International to include updated AJCC staging concepts critical to understanding cancer and treating patients, while eliminating outdated AJCC content no longer relevant to clinical care within SNOMED CT.

The ACS is dedicated to improving the quality of care of surgical patients, including cancer patients requiring surgery, safeguarding standards of care in an optimal and ethical practice environment, and setting the standard for surgical care in the United States. Evidence-based anatomic staging is the critical factor to understanding cancer and treating patients and new breakthroughs are opening up ever-more promising possibilities for precisely defining a prognosis and recommending a treatment based on a patient's individual data. The AJCC has developed and compiled cancer staging references for quickly finding important information about different types of cancers. These references and tools are excellent resources for those treating patients with cancer...

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