

# "SCT & CPT: The American Medical Association and SNOMED International's Collaborative Activities"

## ABSTRACT:

As the sole curator of the CPT® (Current Procedural Terminology) code set, the AMA has the unique ability to convene clinical expertise from across medicine through an open editorial process that has produced a key practice standard that has shaped the language of medicine to process outpatient and office procedures.

As EHRs, HIT and patient-generated health data and HIT become the norm, more and more data is being collected, but implementation and exchange of consistent, comprehensive systems for coding health information has not kept pace. • Despite the large amounts of health data being gathered today, it isn't always meaningful, organized, or structured in a way that can easily be used, accessed, or shared by people and systems. With its mission to promote the art and science of medicine and the betterment of public health, the AMA is a trusted convener at the forefront of resolving this interoperability problem with many real-world solutions.

SCT+CPT: A first step and practical solution is the collaboration between SNOMED International and the AMA to help make your SCT implementation work for use cases beyond clinical reporting without adopting additional standards. The AMA and SNOMED Intl. recognize the complementary nature of their code sets and the critical role they play in health care delivery and administration. By working in tandem, this new collaboration will produce valuable tools for physicians, hospitals, payers and others to organize vital health care data.

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