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Chronic Fatigue Syndrome

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Vicky Foxcroft

To ask the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, what steps his Department is taking to ensure myalgic encephalomyelitis or chronic fatigue syndrome patients are correctly coded by GPs at the point of diagnosis.

Gillian Keegan

The Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine - Clinical Terms (SNOMED CT) is the structured clinical vocabulary for use in an electronic health record. It is a contractual requirement for all National Health Service healthcare providers in England to use SNOMED CT for capturing clinical terms, including diagnoses, within electronic patient record systems. Using SNOMED CT, all content for myalgic encephalomyelitis/chronic fatigue syndrome is contained within a single overarching code, with linked codes for mild, moderate and severe forms. These can be used by all NHS healthcare providers, including general practitioners.

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