

DICOM Correction Proposal Form

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Log Summary: Addition of attribute to distinguish change/add cases in MPPS	
Type of Modification	Name of Standard
Addition	PS 3.3, 3.4, 3.6 2000

Rationale for Correction

There are a variety of attributes that describe what is requested and scheduled to be performed with respect to a procedure including:

- Scheduled Procedure Step Description (0040, 0007)
- Schedule Protocol Code Sequence (0040, 0008)
- Requested Procedure Description (0032, 1060)
- Requested Procedure Code Sequence (0032, 1064)

There is an equal wealth of attributes to describe what is actually performed including:

- Procedure Code Sequence (0008, 1032)
- Performed Procedure Step Description (0040, 0254)
- Performed Procedure Type Description (0040, 0255)
- Performed Protocol Code Sequence (0040, 0260)
- Protocol Name (0018, 1030)

Considering that some of these attributes are text and others codes from arbitrarily variant coding schemes, it is difficult for an SCP to determine from the MPPS dataset whether what has been performed is different from what was scheduled. It is proposed that an additional optional attribute be added to the Performed Procedure Step Information Module to allow the SCU to explicitly state the variance of the performed from the scheduled. ~~When a different procedure from what was requested or an additional procedure related to the requested has been performed the Procedure Code Sequence (0008, 1032) and Performed Procedure Type Description (0040, 0255) will have different values from the Requested Procedure Code Sequence (0032, 1064) and Requested Procedure Description (0032, 1060), respectively. An additional attribute that will distinguish the Add case from the Change case would provide clarity here. It is proposed that an additional optional attribute be added to the Performed Procedure Step Information Module for this purpose.~~

Brad Erickson of Mayo Clinic has furnished some relevant use cases of procedures that were partially completed and then changed as follows:

1. Other scenarios are that a lesion is seen on CT, and the patient immediately goes to ultrasound (or MR) to confirm it is cystic rather than a solid neoplasm.
2. Or in head MR, you see a possible aneurysm on imaging, so you add an angio.
3. Another case is CT/myelography where sometimes we do plain film tomograms rather than CT, though very few places in the US do this (it is only used for a rare disease called a spinal dural AV fistula).
4. We occasionally also add tomograms onto plain film exams in musculoskeletal, at the discretion of the radiologist.

In these cases, our RIS issues an email notification to the ordering doc, saying that he must reply to 'deny' ordering the exam, in which case the patient isn't charged. Our legal department interprets the HCFA rules that it is OK to this, and that this can be done up until the time the bill is sent.

Sections of documents affected

- PS 3.3
- PS 3.4
- PS 3.6

Correction Wording:

PERFORMED PROCEDURE STEP INFORMATION MODULE ATTRIBUTES

Attribute Name	Tag	Attribute Description
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Requested/Performed Procedure Change <u>Status Clarification</u>	(0040, xxxx)	<p><u>This attributes states whether there is variance between what was scheduled/requested and what has been performed.</u></p> <p><u>Enumerated Values:</u></p> <p><u>AS SCHEDULED</u></p> <p><u>PROCEDURE CHANGE</u></p> <p><u>PROTOCOL CHANGE</u></p> <p><u>PROCEDURE ADD</u></p> <p>When a different or additional procedure is performed than what was requested this attribute distinguishes these cases.</p> <p><u>Defined Terms:</u></p> <p><u>ADD</u></p> <p><u>CHANGE</u></p>

Table F.7.2-1
 MODALITY PERFORMED PROCEDURE STEP SOP CLASS N-CREATE, N-SET AND FINAL STATE ATTRIBUTES

Attribute Name	Tag	Req. Type N-CREATE (SCU/SCP)	Req. Type N-SET (SCU/SCP)	Requirement Type Final State
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Requested/Performed Procedure Change <u>Clarification Status</u>	(0040, xxxx)	3/3	3/3	
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(0040, xxxx) Requested/Performed Procedure Change LO 1
Clarification Status |