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**NHS Data Model and Dictionary Service**

**Type:** Data Dictionary Change Notice  
**Reference:** 1578  
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**Subject:** Religious or Other Belief System Affiliation Groups SNOMED CT Subset  
**Effective Date:** Immediate  
**Reason for Change:** Introduction of SNOMED CT Subset  
**Publication Date:** 7 October 2016

**Background:**

The Attribute RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION CODE is aligned with descriptors for the SNOMED CT subset "Religious or Other Belief System Affiliation".

A new SNOMED CT subset "Religious or other belief system affiliation groups" has been created which aligns to the Attribute "RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION GROUP CODE".

This Data Dictionary Change Notice (DDCN) adds the "Religious or other belief system affiliation groups" SNOMED CT Subset information to the NHS Data Model and Dictionary.

To view a demonstration on "How to Read an NHS Data Model and Dictionary Change Request", visit the NHS Data Model and Dictionary help pages at: [http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/Flash\\_Files/changerequest.htm](http://www.datadictionary.nhs.uk/Flash_Files/changerequest.htm).

Note: if the web page does not open, please copy the link and paste into the web browser.

**Summary of changes:**

**Attribute Definitions**

[RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION GROUP CODE](#) Changed Description

**Date:** 7 October 2016

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**Note:** New text is shown with a blue background. Deleted text is crossed out. Retired text is shown in grey. Within the Diagrams deleted classes and relationships are red, changed items are blue and new items are green.

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**RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION GROUP CODE**

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Change to Attribute: Changed Description

The [RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION](#) group of a [PERSON](#), as specified by a [PERSON](#).

Note: This is the [Religious Affiliation](#) of a [PERSON](#), not their [Religion](#).

~~[RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION GROUP CODE](#) is aligned with descriptors for religious and other belief system affiliations in [SNOMED CT](#) as follows:~~ [RELIGIOUS OR OTHER BELIEF SYSTEM AFFILIATION GROUP CODE](#) is aligned with descriptors for "Religious or other belief system affiliation groups" in [SNOMED CT](#) as follows:

## SNOMED CT Subset Metadata:

- ~~the SNOMED CT Subset:~~
  - original ID is 10791000000130 and
  - ~~name is Religious or Other Belief System Affiliation.~~
- Subset Name: Religious or other belief system affiliation groups
- Subset Original Id: 71981000000132
- Refset FSN: Religious or other belief system affiliation groups simple reference set (foundation metadata concept)
- Refset Id : 999002601000000106

For further details relating to the SNOMED CT Subset Metadata, see the Data Dictionary for Care (DD4C) website at: Religious or other belief system affiliation groups.

### *National Codes:*

A	Baha'i
B	Buddhist
C	Christian
D	Hindu
E	Jain
F	Jewish
G	Muslim
H	Pagan
I	Sikh
J	Zoroastrian
K	Other
L	None
M	Declines to Disclose
N	Patient Religion Unknown

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