

WHO International Classification of Diseases (ICD) 11th Revision

Features for the 2020 Updates (17 September 2020)

Updates and improvements

- Based on extensive input from early adopters, translators, scientists and partners. Over 800 proposals processed.
- Early adopter countries contributed terms currently in use in the different regions and settings
- Over 120 000 medical diagnostic terms. The coding algorithm interprets more than 1.6 million terms.
- Include codes for COVID-19 (<https://www.who.int/classifications/icd/covid19>) with guidance on how to use them.
- Complete list of medicaments includes INN¹ terms with links to ATC/DDD² classification.
- Histopathology of tumours includes all recent updates of ICD-O-3.³
- Rare diseases are identified in ICD-11 with their own URI, in line with Orphanet
- Medical devices aligned with the WHO nomenclature. Include COVID-19 emergency.
- New, refined coding support for external causes and maternal cases.
- The ICD-11 Coding tool⁴ with smart search functionality guides coding for maternal cases and other particular circumstances.
- Multilingual browser gives access to ICD-11 in Arabic, Chinese, English and Spanish⁵ – 14 more languages are underway.
- API integrated with country information systems with multilingual access and coding support.

Applications

- National and international health statistics including mortality and morbidity
- Epidemiology, surveillance, and monitoring
- Individual patient records and electronic health records
- Reimbursement and health system financing
- Reference for treatment guidelines, scientific literature and research
- Quality assessment at the level of individual cases and up to the evaluation of health system outcomes and monitoring
- Patient, device and medicament safety
- Gathering evidence on traditional medicine
- Primary health care
- Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR), Sepsis, Rare diseases, Injuries
- Functioning assessment (WHO DAS 2.0)
- Cancer registration
- Decision support and Machine-processing
- Emergency reporting

¹ International Nonproprietary Name

² Defined Daily Dose

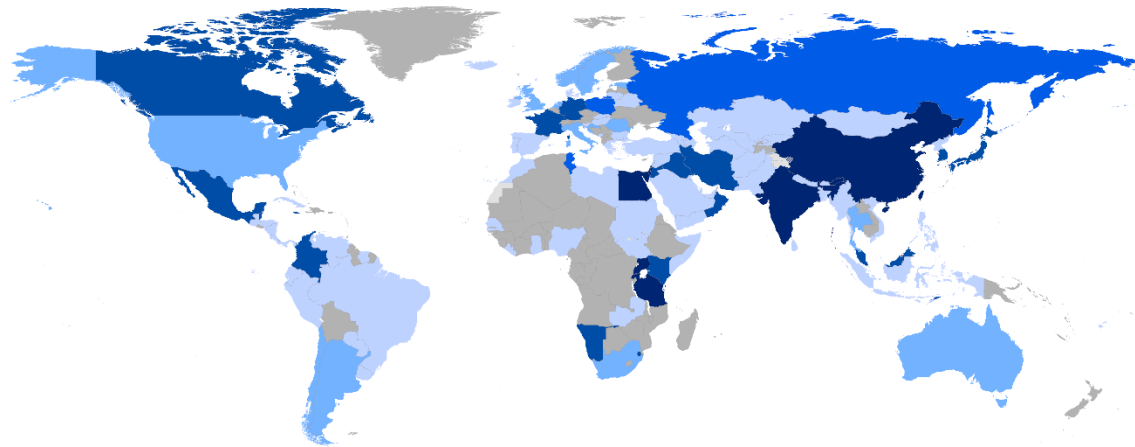
³ International Classification of Diseases for Oncology

⁴ https://icd.who.int/ct11/icd11_mms/en/release

⁵ Russian and French forthcoming

Implementation

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■ Data not available
■ Not Applicable

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<https://icd.who.int> (Translations in [Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Spanish](#), and [Russian](#));

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