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1. Background

The International Classification of Diseases (ICD) is a clinical coding system developed, monitored, and copyrighted by the World Health Organization (WHO). In the United States (US), the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), part of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), is the agency responsible for overseeing of the clinical modification to the ICD code set.

On January 16, 2009, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) published the 45 CFR Part 162 Final Rule for the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Administrative Simplification: Modifications to Medical Data Code Set Standards to Adopt the International Classification of Diseases, 10th Revision Clinical Modification and Procedure Coding System (ICD-10-CM and ICD-10-PCS) for all healthcare organizations currently using the 9th Edition of the Clinical Modification code set, or ICD-9-CM (also just referred to as "ICD-9"). Presently, ICD-9-CM encompasses both Clinical Modification and Procedure Coding System code set. On August 24, 2012, the Secretary for HHS published final ruling officially changing the ICD-10 compliance date to October 1, 2014 – Congress has since changed the compliance date to October 2015.

Implementation of ICD-10-CM and PCS is an immense undertaking, requiring system and business changes throughout all HIPAA-covered entities of the health care industry, including the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). All inpatient discharges and outpatient encounter dates on or after the compliance date will require ICD-10 codes as the standard code set for recording and reporting diagnosis and inpatient procedures. This transition will impact Information Technology (IT) systems, secondary data stores, forms and business processes and stakeholders at all levels of the organization.

1.1. Clinical Reminders

Sites will need to identify clinical reminder taxonomies that may be used in one or more clinical reminders. The next step will be to determine the ICD-10 codes to be added when the software is made available for use.

For services occurring on October 1, 2015, ICD-9 codes will become inactive. It will important to assure that the comparable ICD-10 codes are added to the reminder taxonomies in order for those codes to become active on the compliance date. Because ICD-9 taxonomies, however, may have historical data needed for Clinical Reminders even after the compliance date, previous ICD-9 codes will not be removed. ICD-10 codes will read as "selectable" and able to be added to the taxonomies as a range or as individual codes, depending on what needs to be included in the Clinical Reminder definitions.

2. Introduction

The purpose of the Clinical Reminders ICD-10 Update project is to update Clinical Reminders to allow the use of ICD-10 codes. A very general approach has been taken, wherein Clinical Reminders taxonomies are being restructured to be Lexicon-based instead of pointer-based. This allows the use of any coding system supported by the Lexicon package. In addition to adding ICD-10 codes, SNOMED CT codes are being added. When CPRS 29 is released, SNOMED CT codes will be collected by Problem List, and Clinical Reminders will be able to search for them.

The project includes three patches:

DG*5.3*862 - PTF ICD-10 CHANGES FOR CLINICAL REMINDERS

This build updates the Clinical Reminders Index cross-references in the PTF file (#45) to accommodate ICD-10 diagnosis and procedure codes. It restructures the PTF portion of the Clinical Reminders Index to a generic format that can support all ICD coding systems. See the Clinical Reminders Index Technical Guide/Developer's Manual (PXRM_INDEX_TM) for more information.

GMPL*2.0*44 - PROBLEM LIST ICD-10 CHANGES FOR CLINICAL REMINDERS

This build updates the Clinical Reminders Index cross-references in the Problem file (#9000011) to accommodate ICD-10 CM diagnosis codes. It restructures the Problem List portion of the Clinical Reminders Index to a generic format that can support ICD and SNOMED CT coding systems. See the Clinical Reminders Index Technical Guide/Developer's Manual (PXRM_INDEX_TM) for more information.

PXRM*2.0*26

This build changes Clinical Reminders taxonomies from being pointer-based to being Lexicon-based. A number of things are done to accomplish this. The Reminder Taxonomy data dictionary (file #811.2) is restructured, a new taxonomy management system is introduced, and taxonomy evaluation is changed to accommodate the new structure. For Reminder Dialogs, users will no longer be able to add ICD-9-CM and/or CPT-4 codes to a Reminder Dialog, but will need to create a Taxonomy, assign codes, and then add the Taxonomy to the Reminder Dialog.

Under the Lexicon-based structure, codes are no longer entered as a range, eliminating the need for taxonomy expansion. The post-install routine will convert all existing taxonomies to the new structure.

See the Taxonomy Management and Dialog Management sections of the Clinical Reminders Manager's Manual for details of the new taxonomy management system.

2.1. Purpose of this Manual

This manual is intended for Clinical Application Coordinators and other Clinical Reminders managers who will create and modify taxonomies to use the new ICD-10 codes. It describes the various actions available for adding, editing, copying, and importing codes.

2.2. Related Documentation

Documentation	Documentation File name
Installation Guide	PXRM_2_0_26_IG.PDF
Release Notes	PXRM_2_0_26_RN.PDF
Clinical Reminders Manager's Manual	PXRM_2_0_MM.PDF
Technical Manual	PXRM_2_0_TM.PDF
Clinical Reminders Index Technical Guide/Developer's Manual	PXRM_INDEX_TM.PDF

2.3. Related Web Sites

Site	URL	Description
National Clinical Reminders site	http://vista.med.va.gov/reminders	Contains manuals, PowerPoint presentations, and other information about Clinical Reminders.
National Clinical Reminders Committee SharePoint site	http://vaww.portal.va.gov/sites/ncrc public/default.aspx	This committee directs the development of new and revised national reminders.
VistA Document Library	http://www.va.gov/vdl/	Contains manuals for Clinical Reminders and related applications.
Health Information Management (HIM) ICD-10 Implementation	http://vaww.vhahim.va.gov/	Contains general information, training resources, and other tools for VA's transition to ICD-10.

2.4. Target Audience

- Clinical Reminders Managers
- Clinical Application Coordinators (CACs)

3. Taxonomy Management Changes

Reminder taxonomies, stored in file #811.2, provide a convenient way to create a set of coded values and give the set a name. For example, the VA-DIABETES taxonomy contains a list of ICD diagnosis codes that signify the patient has a diagnosis of diabetes.

3.1. Changes made to Taxonomy Management by Patch 26 (PXRM*2*26)

In the past, taxonomies were based on pointers to the ICD diagnosis file (#80), the ICD Operation/ Procedure file (#80.1), and the CPT file (#81). Multiple ranges of codes (low code to high code) could be defined for each of these coding systems. When editing was finished, each range of codes was expanded to include all the codes from the low code to the high code.

Some coding systems such as SNOMED CT do not assign any meaning to the codes, so they cannot be grouped by code and the concept of a range of codes is meaningless. In some cases, for coding systems that do support the concept of a range, code set updates have inserted an unrelated code into a range.

New Approach: For the above reasons, patch PXRM*2*26 changes taxonomies so that they are Lexicon-based. This is a general approach that allows Clinical Reminders taxonomies to support any coding system defined in Lexicon's Coding Systems file (#757.03), provided Lexicon maintains the coding system and patient data using the coding system is stored in VistA.

For each coding system it includes, the Coding Systems file defines a three-character abbreviation, nomenclature, source title, and source. Example: ICD, ICD-9-CM, International Classification of Diseases, Diagnosis, 9th Edition, and US Department of Health and Human Services. The three-character abbreviation provides a convenient way to refer to coding systems and is used by Clinical Reminders Taxonomies. The following coding systems are supported by Clinical Reminders:

Abbreviation	Nomenclature
10D	ICD-10-CM
10P	ICD-10-Proc
CPT	CPT-4
CPC	HCPCS
ICD	ICD-9-CM
ICP	ICD-9-Proc

3.2. Taxonomy Management Dialog Changes

In the past, users created Reminder Dialogs containing ICD-9-CM and/or CPT-4 codes. When using codes as Finding Items or Additional Finding Items in CPRS, the end user didn't select codes; codes were automatically filed to VistA when the element/group was selected in the Reminder Dialog.

A Taxonomy could only be used as a Finding Item; it created a pick list of codes for the user to pick from in CPRS. The display in CPRS was controlled by the set-up in the Reminder Finding Parameter File (#801.45) and the Reminder Taxonomy File (#811.2). These controls determined if the Taxonomy should assign codes to the current encounter or an historical encounter. The controls also determined what prompts were assigned to the Reminder Dialog in CPRS.

New approach: Users will no longer be able to add ICD-9-CM and/or CPT-4 codes to a Reminder Dialog. Users will need to create a Taxonomy, assign codes, and then add the Taxonomy to the Reminder Dialog. To maintain similar end user functionality in CPRS, a new prompt called Taxonomy Pick List Display has been added to the dialog editor. This controls how Taxonomies should display in CPRS.

New Fields

Taxonomy Pick List = This field controls if and what pick lists should appear in CPRS. The possible values are based on the setup of the Taxonomy in the Finding Item Field. If a pick list is set to not display, the active codes marked to be used in a dialog will automatically be filed to PCE for the encounter date for that element when the finish button is clicked.

- o Four choices for display of pick list
 - **ALL** Displays two pick lists for choosing codes
 - o One for ICD and one for CPT
 - **DX ONLY** Displays pick list for ICD only. All CPT codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
 - **CPT ONLY** Displays 'pick list' for CPT only. All ICD codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
 - **NONE** No 'pick list' for either ICD or CPT. All codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
- o Normally the Default is ALL.
- o Have to have a choice selected.
- o These pick lists are only relevant for the Finding Type field (not Additional Findings field).

Diagnosis Header: This field displays text that will be used for the Taxonomy Checkbox. The prompt is only available if the Taxonomy Selection Value is set to All. The default value is from the Reminder Finding Type Parameter.

Procedure Header: This field displays text that will be used for the Taxonomy Checkbox. The prompt is only available if the Taxonomy Selection Value is set to All.. The default value is from the Reminder Finding Type Parameter.

Also, after PXRM*2.0*26, users will no longer be able to set one Taxonomy Element to prompt for both Current and Historical Encounter Data. Users will need to create an element for each encounter type, Current and Historical. If the element Resolution Type is set to Done Elsewhere, then the editor will prompt the user to accept the default prompts for the taxonomy which includes prompts for historical data. prompt for historical data. Any other resolution type or no resolution type will prompt data for the current encounter date.

For the ICD-10 implementation, Reminder Dialogs will display ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM codes in a pick list based on the code set versioning rules. Reminder Dialogs determine what codes to display using the following rules:

- Current encounters= active codes for that encounter date; Addendums will use the parent note Encounter date.
- Historical encounters= active codes for system date

Also note that previously dialogs were set to both current and historical encounters. Dialogs are now set to current encounters only. Please review dialogs before using in CPRS.

4. Reminder Taxonomy Management Overview

A new taxonomy management system replaces the previous taxonomy management menu. The new system uses a combination of List Manager, ScreenMan, and the Browser. List Manager should already be familiar to users of Clinical Reminders tools such as Dialog Management or Reminder Exchange. ScreenMan and the Browser may not be as familiar, but reviewing Appendix A of this manual or the FileMan documentation should give you enough knowledge to make using the taxonomy management system much easier.

ScreenMan Overview

ScreenMan is VA FileMan's *screen-oriented* data entry tool. It is an alternative to the Scrolling Mode approach. With ScreenMan, data is entered in *forms*. Each form field occupies a fixed position on the screen (instead of scrolling off!). You can see many data fields at once, and use simple key combinations to edit data and move from field to field on a screen. You can also move from one screen to another like turning through the pages of a book.

If you are not familiar with how to use ScreenMan, see Appendix A of this manual for a brief overview. For a detailed explanation of using ScreenMan and the Browser, please refer to the VA FileMan Getting Started manual.

Browser Overview

The Browser lets you view any report *on the screen* instead of *on paper*. Do this by printing your report to the **BROWSER** device instead of the HOME device or a printer.

The Browser makes it very easy to view reports on screen. Its main features are:

- Scroll forwards *and backwards* through a report. This means you don't lose reports "off the top" of the screen, like you do when you print to the HOME device.
- Use the Search feature to find and immediately jump to any text in a report.
- Copy text from the report to the VA FileMan Clipboard; later, if you're editing a mail message or other WORD-PROCESSING-type field with the Screen Editor, you can paste from the clipboard.

For more information on the Screen Editor, please refer to Chapter, "Screen Editor," in the FileMan Getting Started User Manual.

The Browser also lets you browse the contents of any word-processing-type field.

Shortcuts and Screen setup Tips

Both the Browser and ScreenMan have shortcuts that can save you a lot of time. Each shortcut begins by pressing the Num Lock (NL) key. (NOTE: some laptops don't have a NumLock key, so you would need to use Map Keyboard on your Reflections Utility menu to map a terminal key to the PC NumLock key.)

Some Browser actions:

- (NL)B go to bottom
- (NL)E exit
- (NL)F find
- (NL)H help
- (NL)Q quit
- (NL)T go to top

Some ScreenMan shortcuts:

- (NL)C close a screen
- (NL)E exit and save changes
- (NL)H help
- (NL)Q exit and do not save changes
- (NL)Z zoom editor

Your Reflections session setup makes a difference in the appearance of the ScreenMan display. The screen element Normal default is a white background and black foreground. Choosing a background color other than white and a foreground color that works well with the background color will provide a more readable ScreenMan display.

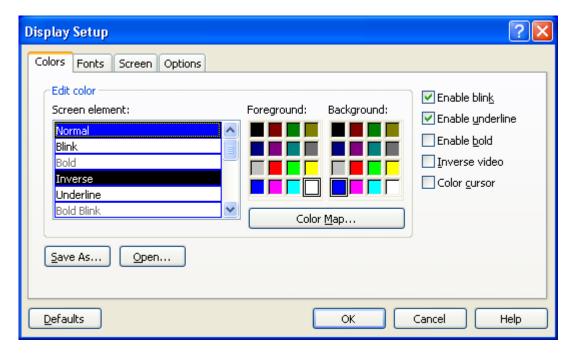


Figure 1: Terminal Setup

Missing text when printing tip

You may notice when printing large amounts of text to the screen, parts of it are missing. To fix this, the Reflections setup must have Save from Scrolling Regions checked. The sequence is:: Setup => Display => Screen => Display Memory Advanced.

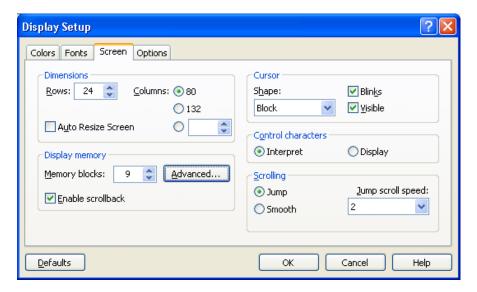


Figure 2: Display Setup

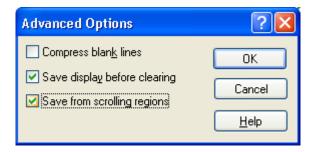


Figure 3: Save from scrolling regions

5. Using Reminder Taxonomy

5.1. Reminder Taxonomy Management Main Screen

When you select Taxonomy Management from the Clinical Reminders Manager Menu, you will go into a List Manager Taxonomy Management screen. It lists all of the taxonomies on your system. You can use the standard List Manager actions to search or scroll through the list.

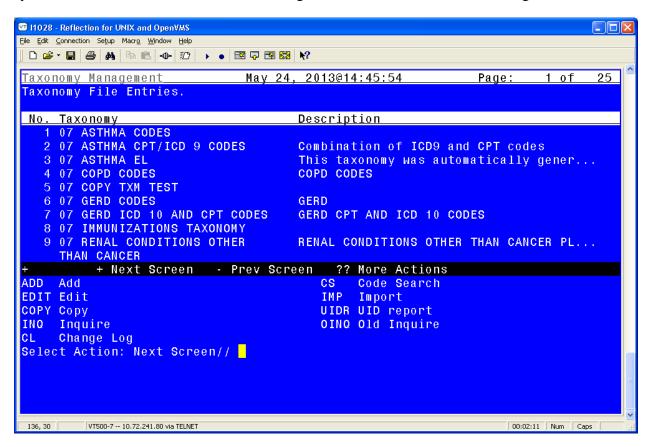


Figure 4: Taxonomy Management main screen

5.2. Reminder Taxonomy Management Actions

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Synonym	Action	Description		
ADD	Add	Use this action to create a new taxonomy.		
EDIT	Edit	Use this action to edit an existing taxonomy.		
COPY	Сору	This action allows the user to copy an existing taxonomy into a new one. The new taxonomy must have a unique name.		
INQ	Inquire	Use this action to obtain a detailed report about a taxonomy. It lists all the codes that have been selected, the code's status, and shows if the code has been marked as Use In Dialog (UID).		
CL	Change Log	Use this action to display a taxonomy's change log (edit history).		
EH	Edit History	Use this action to display a taxonomy's edit history.		
CS	Code Search	This action can be used to find all taxonomies that include a		

Synonym	Action	Description	
		particular code.	
IMP	Import	Use this action to import codes from a CSV file.	
UIDR	UID Report	This action runs the UID report which displays all inactive codes marked as UID.	

For the Edit, Copy, Inquire, and Edit History actions, you can select the action and then the entry number, or if you select an entry, you will be prompted to choose one of these actions. When the Import action is selected, it prompts you for a taxonomy to import into. Code Search and UID Report do not prompt for a taxonomy because these reports are run on all taxonomies.

*NOTE - KNOWN ANOMALY:

For any action that works with a list, you can select the list and then the action or select the action and then the list. In the first case, the system uses List Manager's list selection, which displays the list as a string of items. If the list has too many items, it generates an error.

The workaround is to select the action first.

For example, on the code selection screen, if you do an ICD-10 Lexicon search for diabetes, you will see a list of around 250 codes. If you enter 1-250 at the Select Action prompt, you'll get a range error. However, if you select Add, then you can enter 1-250 and not get an error.

Lexi	con Sele	ction	Nov 1	4, 2013@11:16:15 Page:	57 of 57			
Term	Term/Code: diabetes							
253	ICD-10-C	M codes were	found.					
+No.	Code	Active	Inactive	<u>Description</u>				
				Gestational Diabetes				
250	P70.2	10/1/2014		Neonatal diabetes mellitus				
251	Z13.1	10/1/2014		Encounter for Screening for Di	abetes			
				Mellitus				
252	Z83.3	10/1/2014		Family History of Diabetes Mel	.litus			
253	Z86.32	10/1/2014		Personal History of Gestationa	l Diabetes			
				•				
	+	Next Screen	- Prev Sc	reen ?? More Actions				
ADD	Add to	taxonomy		UID Use in dialog				
RFT	Remove	from taxonomy		SAVE Save				
RFD	Remove	from dialog						
Sele	ct Actio	n: Quit// 1-2	50					
>>>	Range t	oo large: 1-2	<mark>50.</mark>					

5.2.1. Reminder Taxonomy Action Examples

Add

Use this action to add a new taxonomy, following these steps:

1. At the Select Action screen, type ADD.

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+ + Next Screen - Prev Screen ?? More Actions

ADD Add CS Code Search

EDIT Edit IMP Import

COPY Copy UIDR UID report

INO Inquire OINO Old Inquire

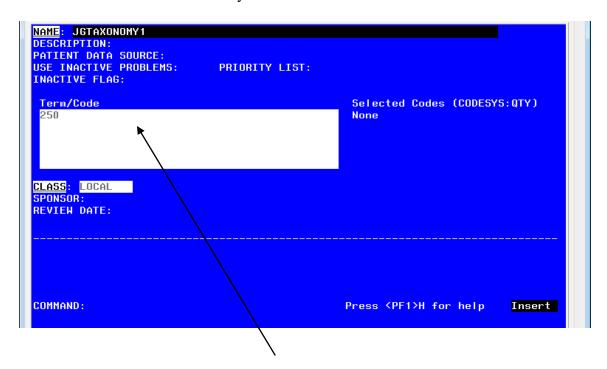
CL Change Log

Select Action: Next Screen// ADD
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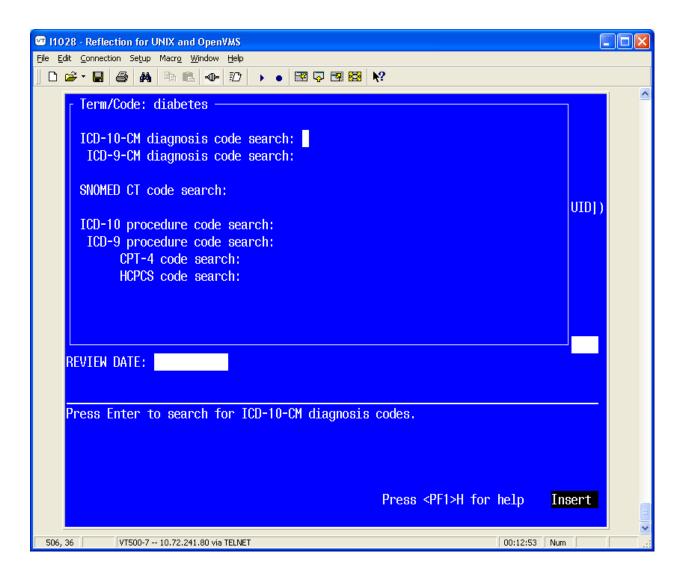
2. Enter the Name and Class of the new taxonomy.

```
Are you adding 'JGTAXONOMY1' as a new REMINDER TAXONOMY (the 148TH)? No// Y
(Yes)
REMINDER TAXONOMY CLASS: LOCAL LOCAL
```

3. Once these have been entered you will be taken to the ScreenMan edit form.



4. Press Enter at the Term/Code, and a screen for selecting or editing codes opens:



- The top line displays the Term/Code that will be used in the search.
- Use the directional arrows to select a coding system for the search.
- 5. Press Enter at any of the code search prompts and a Lexicon search screen opens and all the matches are listed.
 - The codes are displayed in a List Manager screen. At the top, it shows you the Term/Code and the number of codes found in the selected coding system.

Lexi	Lexicon Selection Feb 14, 2014@08:58:09 Page: 1 of 18							
Term,	Term/Code: DIABETES							
80 I	CD-9-CM	codes were for	und, 2 are	selected				
	Code	Active						
1	249.00	10/1/2008	10/1/2014	Secondar	y Diabetes	: Mellitus with	out	
				mention	of Complic	ation, not Sta	ted as	
				Uncontro	lled, or ι	ınspecified		
2	249.01	10/1/2008	10/1/2014	Secondar	y Diabetes	Mellitus with	out	
				mention	of Complic	ation, Uncontr	olled	
3	249.10	10/1/2008	10/1/2014	Secondar	y Diabetes	: Mellitus with		
				Ketoacid	osis, not	Stated as Unco	ntrolled	d,
				or unspe	cified			
4	249.11	10/1/2008	10/1/2014	Secondar	y Diabetes	: Mellitus with		
					osis, Unco			
+	+	Next Screen	- Prev Sci	reen ??	More Acti	.ons		
ADD	Add to	taxonomy		CV	Change vi	.еы		
RFT	Remove	from taxonomy		SAVE	Save			
RFD	Remove	from dialog		EXIT	Exit with	save		
UID	Use in	dialog						
Sele	Select Action: Next Screen//							

At this point, the following actions are available:

Synonym	Action	Description	
ADD	Add to taxonomy	Adds the selected codes to the taxonomy.	
RFT	Remove from	Removes the selected codes from the taxonomy.	
	taxonomy		
RFD	Remove from dialog	Removes UID from the selected codes.	
UID	Use in dialog	Marks the selected codes as Use in Dialog.	
CV	Change View	change View	
EXIT	Exit with save		
SAVE	Save	Saves the results of the other actions. You may do multiple adds, removes, etc., but nothing is actually saved until the Save action is performed.	

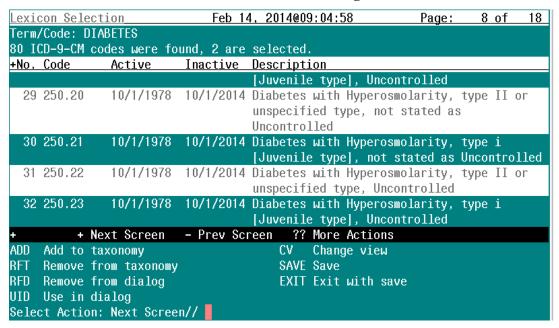
6. Choose the correct code (by number) or go to next screen until you see the correct code at the "Select Action:" prompt. Multiple numbers may be added at same time

Comma separated list of entries	1,3,5
Range of entries	4-8
Combination	3,9-12

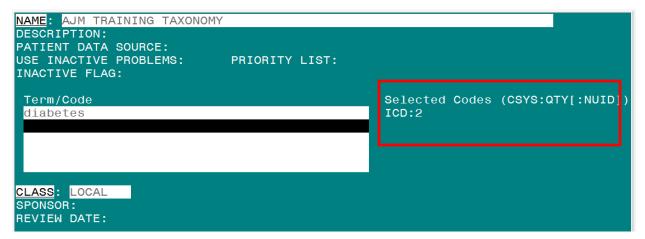
^{*}However, please be aware of the known anomaly noted on a <u>previous page</u>; if you enter a range of entries that is very long, you may get a range error. If so, you should select the action first and then the list of entries.

7. When you are finished, use the hidden action Quit to return to the coding system selection form. If desired, you can use the same Term/Code for searching another coding system; just move to the next coding system and press Enter. If you want to enter another Term/Code, use either the shortcut (NL)C (close) or (NL)Q (quit) to exit the coding system selection form and return to the main taxonomy edit form.

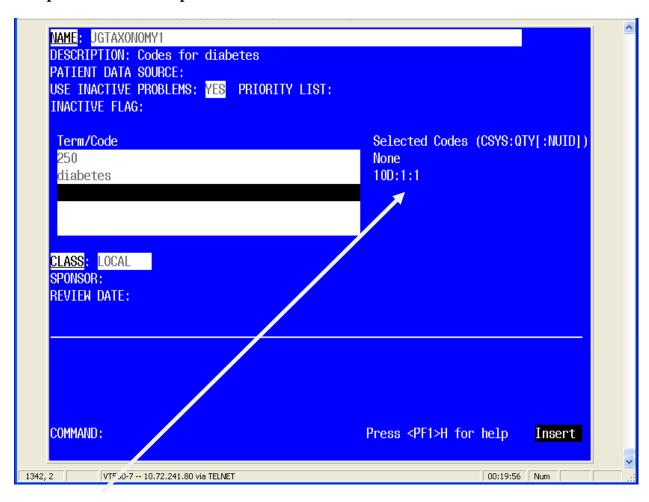
- 8. Two codes were selected and the ADD action was chosen.
- 9. Choices are highlighted. Your screen set-up will determine the highlight color
- 10. Be sure and SAVE or EXIT to "Save" changes.



- Once a SAVE is done, the screen for more codes is presented. If no more codes are needed, use the NUM LOCK+E key configuration to exit
- Screen now shows there are two ICD codes added

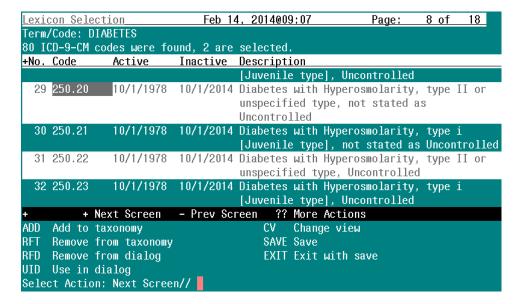


Completed screen Example 1:



Legend: The text on the right-hand side of the screen (CSYS:QTY|:NUID|) = Coding System and Quantity|Not used in dialog| The coding system for diabetes is 10D and there is only one code.

- This taxonomy now has two codes that can only be used in reminder definition or reminder term
- If you want to use the codes in a reminder dialog, you must use the UID option
- In this example, entry 29 is now allowed for use in a reminder dialog (signified by gray highlighting)



• The taxonomy now has two codes for use in a reminder definition and one code for use in a dialog



Add Taxonomy To a Dialog

- Add Taxonomy instead of ICD/CPT code
 - o Finding Item
 - o Additional Finding
- Abbreviation is TX

```
DISABLE:
CLASS: LOCAL//
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE:
ORDERABLE ITEM:
Finding item: TX AJM TAXONOMY
FINDING ITEM: AJM TAXONOMY//?
Enter the finding item for this dialog element.
Enter one of the following:
ED.EntryName to select a EDUCATION TOPICS
IM.EntryName to select a IMMUNIZATION
ST.EntryName to select a SKIN TEST
EX.EntryName to select a EXAM
HF.EntryName to select a HEALTH FACTOR

VM.EntryName to select a VITAL TYPE
TX.EntryName to select a REMINDER TAXONOMY
A.EntryName to select a MENTAL HEALTH
WH.EntryName to select a WH NOTIFICATION PURPOSE

To see the entries in any particular file type <Prefix.?>
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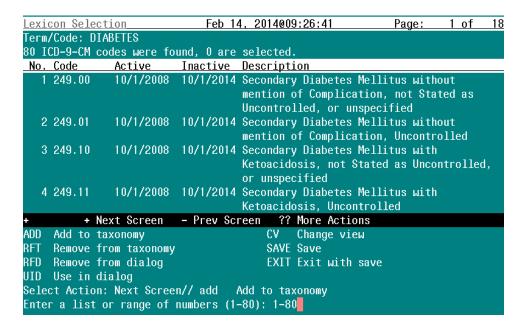
- Use RFT option to remove codes from taxonomy
 - o This will also remove codes from UID
- Use RFD to remove codes from UID only

Lexi	con Sele	ection	Feb 1	4, 2014@09	9:07	Page:	8 of	18
-		DIABETES						
80 I	CD-9-CM	codes were for	und, 2 are	selected				
+No.	Code	Active	<u>Inactive</u>	<u>Descripti</u>	<u>ion</u>			
				<u> </u>		Uncontrolled		
29	250.20	10/1/1978	10/1/2014	Diabetes	with Hy	perosmolarity,	type	II or
				unspecifi	ied type	, not stated as	S	
				Uncontro.				
30	250.21	10/1/1978	10/1/2014	Diabetes	with Hy	perosmolarity,	type	i
				[Juvenile	e type],	not stated as	Uncon	trolled
31	250.22	10/1/1978	10/1/2014	Diabetes	with Hy	perosmolarity,	type	II or
				unspecifi	ied type	, Uncontrolled		
32	250.23	10/1/1978	10/1/2014	Diabetes	with Hyp	perosmolarity,	type	i
				[Juvenile	e type],	Uncontrolled		
+	+	Next Screen	- Prev Sci	reen ??	More Ac	tions		
ADD	Add to	taxonomy		CV	Change	view		
RFT	Remove	from taxonomy		SAVE	Save			
RFD	Remove	from dialog		EXIT	Exit wi	th save		
UID	Use in	dialog						
Sele	Select Action: Next Screen//							

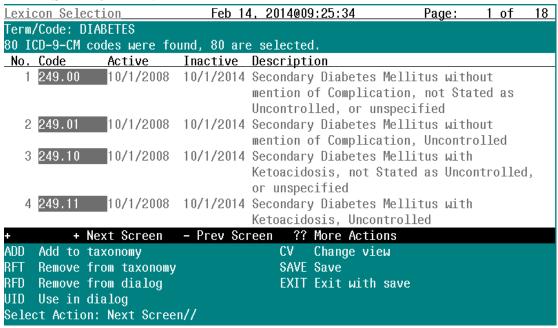
- In the example shown, only ICD-9 diagnosis codes were used/added
- The same process holds true for:
 - o ICD-10 diagnosis
 - o SNOMED CT
 - o CPT-4
 - o HCPCS
 - o ICD-10 procedure
 - o ICD-9 procedure

Add a Group of Codes to a Taxonomy

- Different from pre-patch 26.
- Not pertinent to SNOMED CT, as adjacent codes are usually not related.
- After entering a term or partial code to get a list of returned matches, choose ADD option, select codes 1-80.
- SAVE or EXIT.



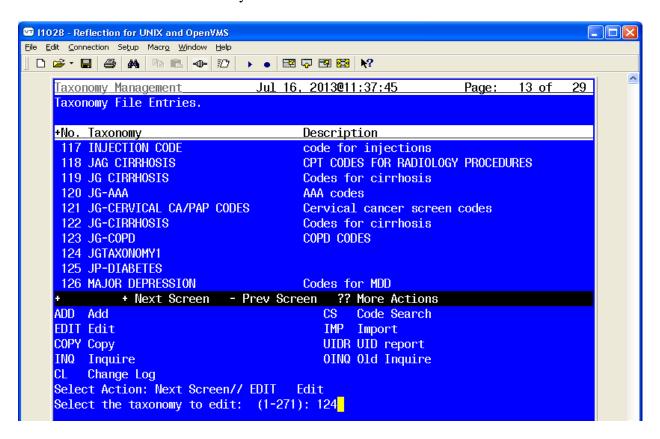
- All 80 codes pertaining to Diabetes were added to the taxonomy
- All 80 codes were enabled to be used in dialog by choosing UID for 1-80
- SAVE or EXIT.



Edit

Use this action to edit the fields in a taxonomy definition.

1. Scroll through the taxonomies by pressing the Enter key. Select the Edit action and then select the # of the taxonomy to edit.



2. When you select the Edit action, a ScreenMan form opens.



Figure 5: Edit Action Screen

3. Edit fields, as needed. To edit some fields, such as Description, you must press Enter, and then a word-processing screen opens:

- To exit the word-processing screen, press <PF1>E (or the key you've mapped).
- Move down the edit screen by using the down arrow.

Taxonomy Field Descriptions

These are the fields that you can add information to on the Taxonomy Edit screen.

NAME	DESCRIPTION
NAME	This is the name of the taxonomy. It must be unique. Nationally distributed taxonomies start with "VA-".
DESCRIPTION	Use this word-processing field to give a complete description of the taxonomy. Topics to consider including are what it represents and its intended usage.
PATIENT DATA SOURCE	Specifies where to search in VistA for patient data. It is a string of commaseparated key words. The list of key words is given below.
USE INACTIVE PROBLEMS	Applies only to searches in Problem List. Normally inactive problems are not used. However when this field is set to YES, then both active and inactive problems are used. This field works just like the field with the same name that can be specified for a reminder definition finding or a reminder term finding. If this field is defined in the taxonomy, it will take precedence over the value of the corresponding field at the term or definition level.
PRIORITY LIST	This field applies only to Problem List searches. It can be used to limit the problems that are included to those with the listed priorities. The possible values are: A - acute C - chronic U - undefined Any combination of these letters can be used. For example, 'A' would limit the search to acute problems. 'CU' would include chronic problems and those whose priority is undefined. If this field is left blank then all priorities will be included.
INACTIVE FLAG	Enter "1" to inactivate the taxonomy.
TERM/CODE (multiple)	Term/Code and a Coding System are passed to the Lexicon search utility, which returns a list of codes based on the user's search criteria. Terms are descriptions for a concept and the code is a unique identifier assigned to that description. A concept can have one or more descriptions to express the concept. An example of this in SNOMED CT is the concept code 271807003 that has a fully specified name of "Eruption of Skin", a preferred name of "Eruption" and several synonyms "Rash", "Skin Eruption", "Skin Rash". For more information, see the Lexicon Utility User Manual.
CLASS	This is the class of the entry. Entries whose class is National cannot be edited or created by sites. N - NATIONAL V - VISN L - LOCAL
SPONSOR	This is the name of a group or organization that sponsors the taxonomy.
REVIEW DATE	The review date is used to determine when the entry should be reviewed to verify that it is current with the latest standards and guidelines.
CHANGE LOG	If changes were made, the date and the name of the user making the changes will be inserted automatically. You can optionally type in a description of the changes made during the editing session.

Patient Data Source Keywords

KEYWORD	MEANING
ALL	All sources (default)
EN	All PCE encounter data (CPT-4 & ICD diagnosis)
ENPP	PCE encounter data, principal procedure (CPT-4) only
ENPD	PCE encounter data, principal diagnosis (ICD) only
IN	All PTF inpatient data (ICD diagnosis and procedures)
INDXLS	PTF inpatient DXLS diagnosis (ICD) only
INM	PTF inpatient diagnosis (ICD) movement only
INPD	PTF inpatient principal diagnosis (ICD) only
INPR	PTF inpatient procedure (ICD) only
PL	Problem List (ICD diagnosis and SNOMED-CT)
RA	Radiology (CPT-4) only

You may use any combination of these keywords. An example is EN,RA. This would cause the search to be made in V CPT and Radiology for CPT-4 codes. If PATIENT DATA SOURCE is left blank, the search is made in all the possible sources. You can also use a "-" to remove a source from the list; for example, IN,-INM.

It is important to remember that the link between CPT-4 codes and radiology procedures is maintained by sites. If this linkage is not kept current at your site, then the recommendation is **to not use RA** in Patient Data Source. It will be much more reliable to use radiology procedures directly as findings.

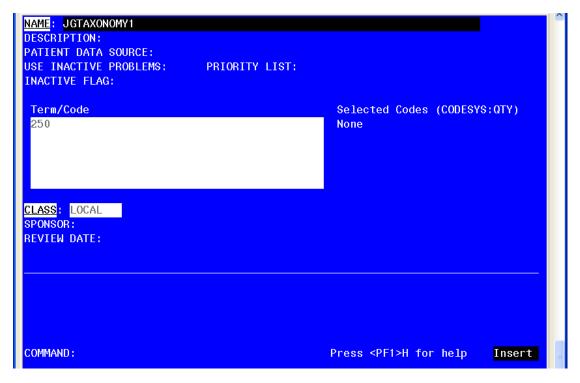


Figure 6: Edit Action Form 2

When you navigate to some of the fields on the form, you may see help in the command area. If more detailed help is needed, type '?' or '??'.

Term/Code is a multiple of terms, codes, or code fragments that are used for a Lexicon search. In the above example, the code fragment 250 has been entered. When you press Enter, you will be taken to a form where you select the coding system to search.

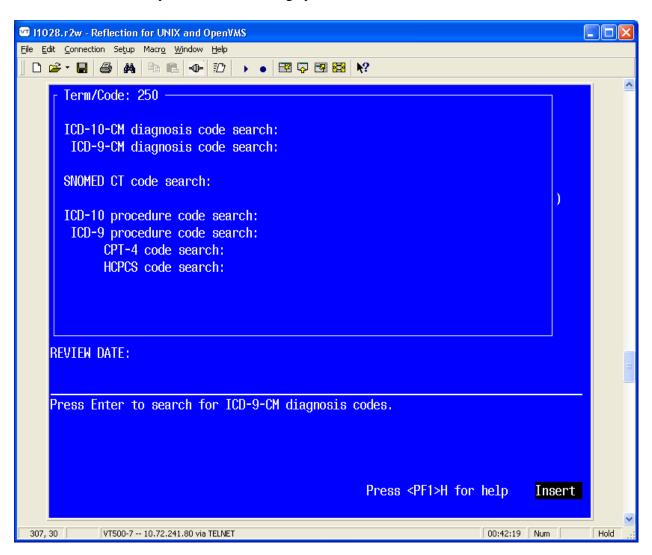


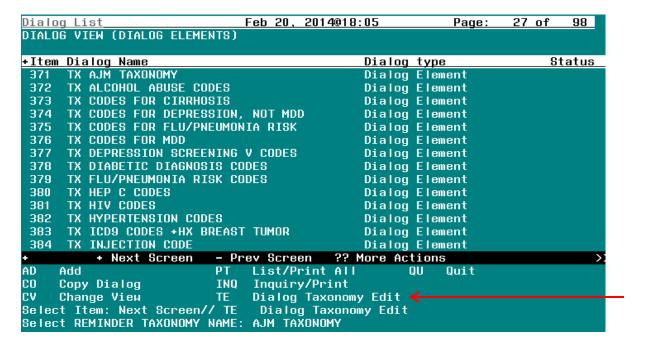
Figure 7: Coding System Selection Form

The top line displays the Term/Code that will be used in the search. You can scroll through the list to select a coding system for the search. When the cursor is on a coding system and you press Enter, the Term/Code and the coding system are passed to the Lexicon search engine, which returns a list of matching codes. The codes are displayed in a List Manager screen. At the top it shows you Term/Code and the number of codes found in the selected coding system.

Additing or Editing a taxonomy from Dialog View (Dialog Elements)

You may also edit a taxonomy from Dialog Elements/Groups edit.

- o TE action
- No Lexicon search function
- o Must know specific code(s) to be added
- o Only UID codes can be added or deleted



- A new taxonomy can also be added
- Taxonomy will NOT be added to Finding Item or Additional Finding automatically

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+ Next Screen
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ΑD
     Add
                                List/Print All
                                                     OU
                                                           Quit
     Copy Dialog
                                Inquiry/Print
                          INO
    Change View
                          TE
                                Dialog Taxonomy Edit
Select Item: Next Screen// TE
                                Dialog Taxonomy Edit
Select REMINDER TAXONOMY NAME: AJM TAXONOMY 2
 Are you adding 'AJM TAXONOMY 2' as a new REMINDER TAXONOMY? No//
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• Must know specific code(s) to be added



Copy

Use this action to copy an existing taxonomy definition into a new entry. Once the taxonomy has been copied, you have the option of editing it.

- 1. Scroll through the list of Taxonomies on your main Taxonomy screen, until you see the taxonomy you wish to copy.
- 2. Enter COPY at the Select Action: prompt.
- 3. Enter the number of the taxonomy to be copied.
- 4. Enter a unique name for the copied taxonomy.

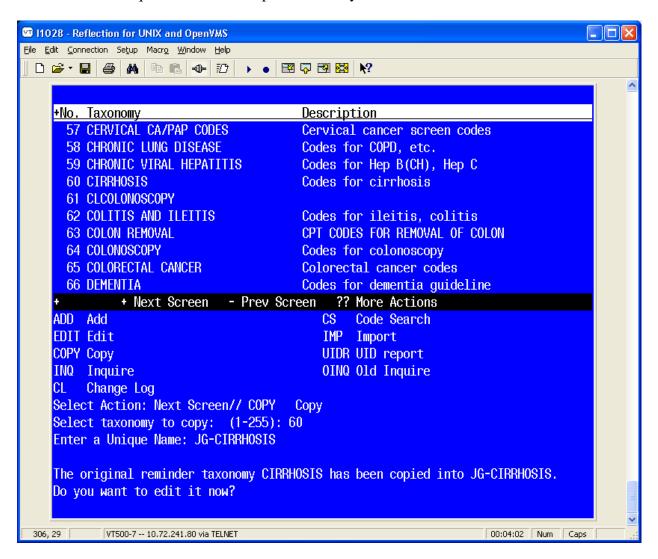


Figure 8: Copying a taxonomy definition screen

5. If you choose to edit the taxonomy you've copied, you will enter the standard editing form. Follow the previous instructions under the Edit action.

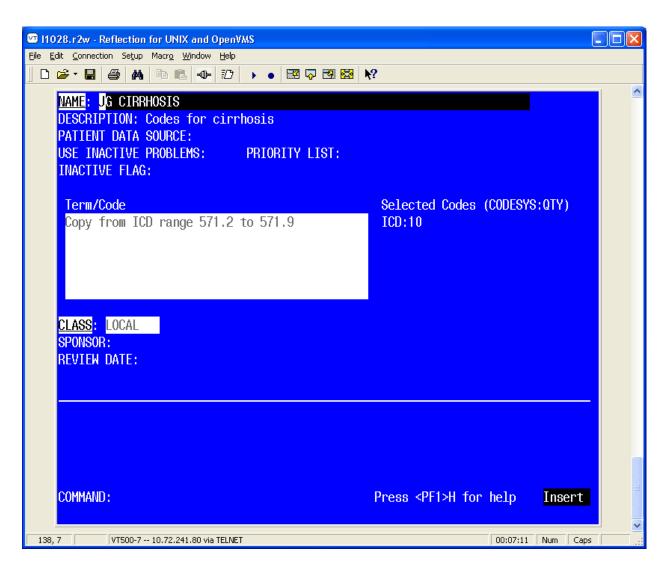


Figure 9: Standard Editing form

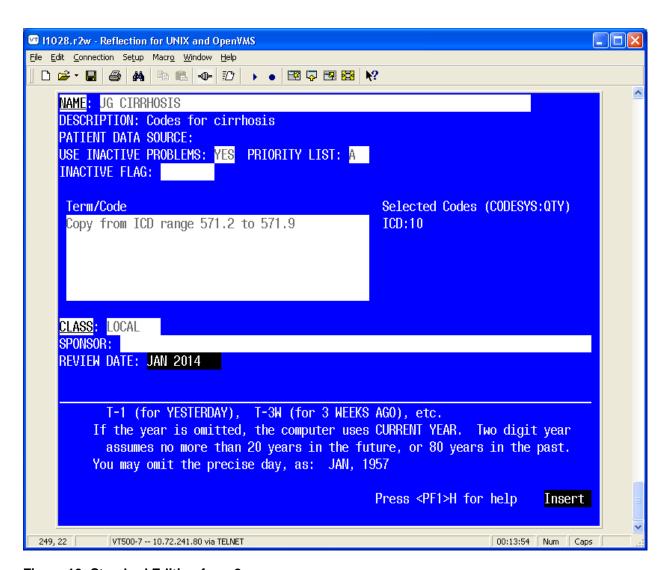
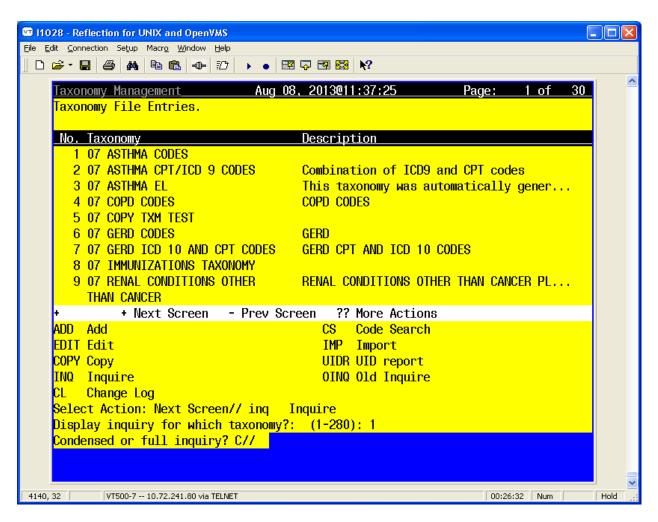


Figure 10: Standard Editing form 2

Inquire

Use this action to get the details of a single taxonomy.

- 1. Select the taxonomy.
- 2. Select Condensed or Full. The condensed displays each code on a single line with a column for code, inactive, UID, and description.
- 3. Can choose any taxonomy available, not just items that are viewable



NOTE: For taxonomy inquiry print to display properly in Reflections, the setup must have Save from Scrolling Regions checked. The sequence is: Setup => Display => Screen => Display Memory Advanced.

4. Select Browe or Print. You have the option of browsing the output or choosing an output device:

Browse or Print? B//

Example:

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Taxonomy Inquiry - Condensed
07 ASTHMA CODES
                                                         No. 100
Class: LOCAL
Sponsor:
Review Date: JUN 01, 2014
Description:
Reversible airway disease
Inactive Flag:
Patient Data Source: ALL
Use Inactive Problems:
Selected Codes:
Lexicon Search Term/Code: 493
Coding System: ICD-9-CM
        Inactive UID Description
Code
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• Use (NL) B to navigate to the bottom to see more details.

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ICD-9-CM: 14	493.92	X		Asthma, unspecified, with (Acute) Exacerbation
	This taxon	omy includ	les th	ne following numbers of codes:
Total number of codes: 14	ICD-9-CM:	14		
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Figure 11: Browsing Taxonomy Inquiry – Condensed

Example 2: Taxonomy Inquiry – Full

• Use (NL) B to navigate to bottom to see more details

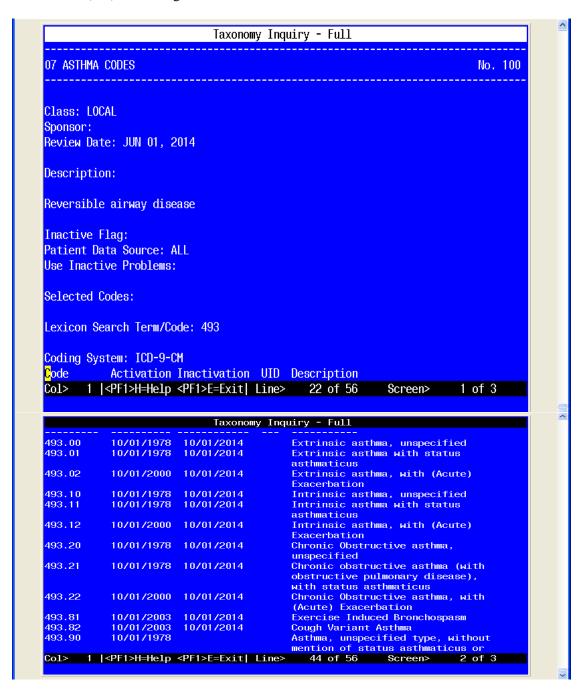


Figure 12: Browsing Taxonomy Inquiry – Full

Change Log

Use this action to see the historical details of a taxonomy; i.e., who created, edited, or copied it, and when. You will have the option of browsing the output or choosing an output device:

Browse or Print? B//

Example: Browsing Taxonomy Change Log

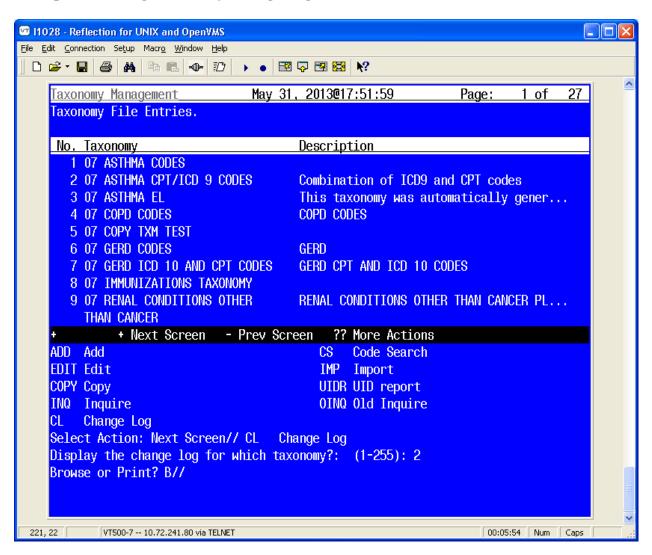


Figure 13: Browsing Taxonomy Change Log

Code Search

This lets you find all taxonomies that contain a particular code. When you select this action, you are prompted to input a code from any of the supported coding systems. You only need to enter the code; the coding system will be automatically determined.

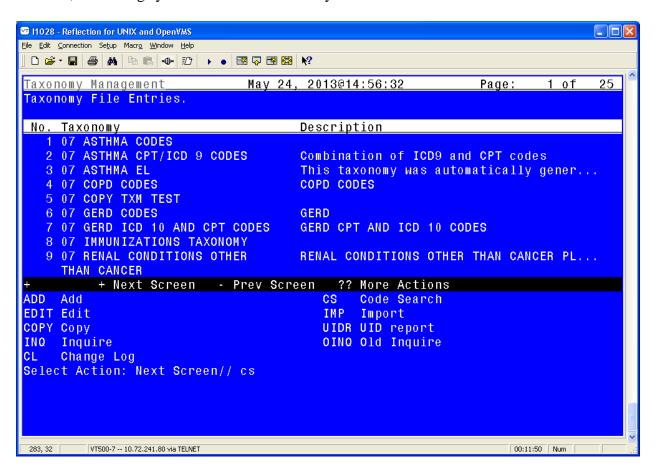


Figure 14: Selecting Code Search screen

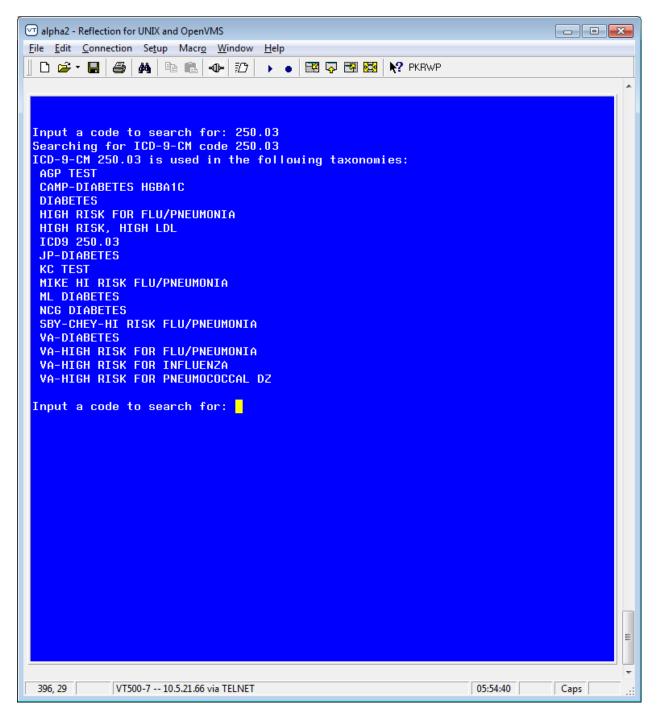


Figure 15: Code Search Results

Import

The Import action provides an easy way to import lists of codes into a taxonomy.

A CSV file (Comma Separated Values) is created from a spreadsheet. The first column is equivalent to the Term/Code, the second column is the three-character coding system abbreviation for one of the supported coding systems, and the rest of the columns are the codes to be imported for the Term/Code, coding system pair. The spreadsheet can have multiple rows, a row for each Term/Code, coding system, set of codes to be imported. The final step is to create a CSV file (comma-delimited text file), using the Save As action.

NOTE: The National Library of Medicine (NLM), in collaboration with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has created a Value Set Authority Center (https://vsac.nlm.nih.gov/). These value sets contain lists of terms and their codes and they can be useful for creating taxonomies.

The Import action facilitates their use by allowing import of the codes into a taxonomy. To prepare the data for import, the original spreadsheet should be copied into a new spreadsheet that can be edited. The CSV file should be moved to a directory that can be accessed from the VistA account that contains the taxonomy.

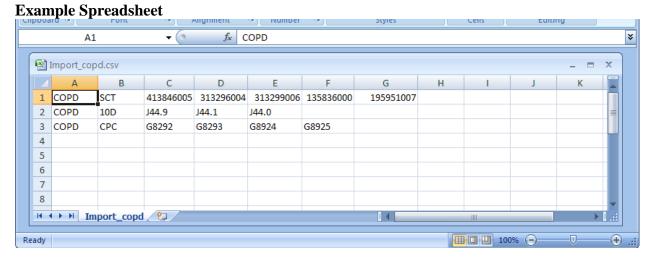


Figure 16: Example Spreadsheet for Importing codes from a CSV file

When the Import action is selected, you will be prompted to select a taxonomy to import into, and after it has been selected, you have the following choices:

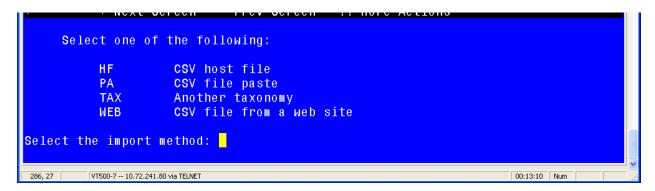


Figure 17: Selecting Import Method example

Import: CSV Host File

If the CSV file has been saved as a host file, choose the HF option. You will then be prompted for a path. This is the directory/folder that contains the CSV file and it must be accessible from your VistA session. A list of all files with a '.CSV' extension in that directory will be displayed; enter the file name at the prompt, (you do not need to include the .csv extension).

NOTE: Special privileges are required to access host file directories, so you may not be able to use this option.

Figure 17: Example for Importing codes from a CSV host file

Insert the Clipboard contents at the cursor position

At this point you will have the option of browsing the list of codes.

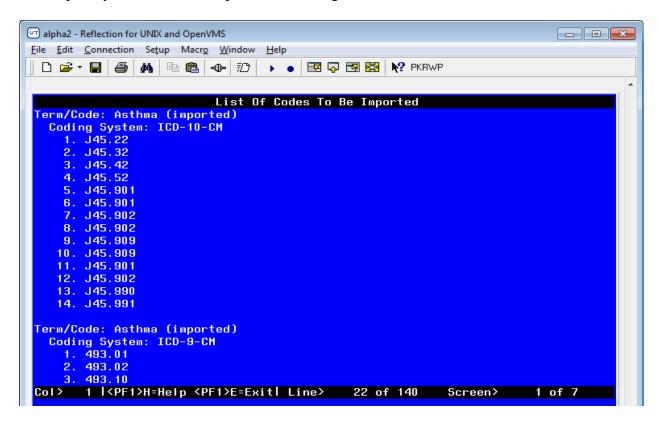


Figure 17a: Example for Importing codes from a CSV host file

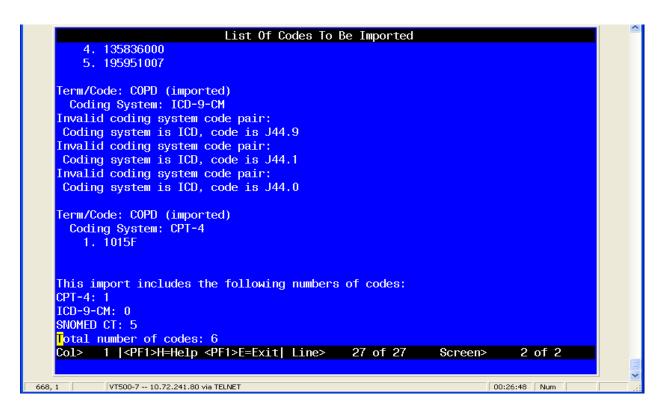


Figure 17b: Example: Browsing list of codes screen

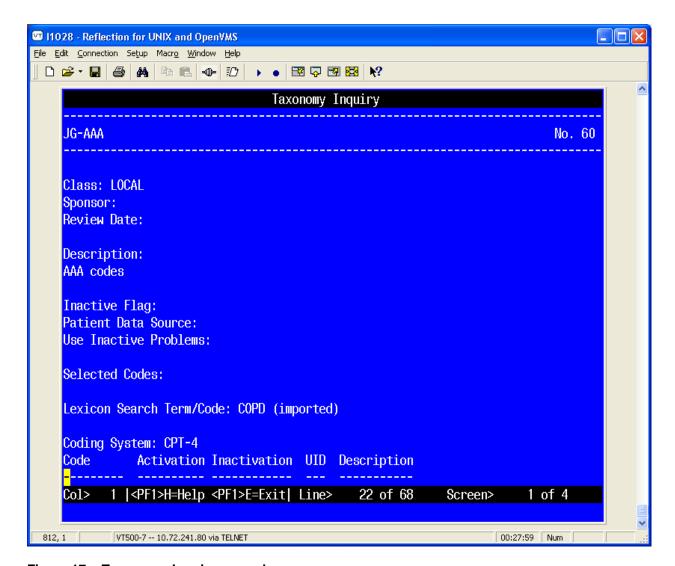


Figure 17c: Taxonomy Inquire example

If you are satisfied, then when the Browser is exited, respond yes to this prompt:

Do you want to save the imported codes? Y//

If there are problems with any of the codes, error messages will be displayed.

When the codes are imported into the taxonomy, each Term/Code will have "(imported)" appended to it so that you will know the codes were imported.

Import: CSV Paste

Another way to import a CSV file is the PA option. When you use this option, you open the CSV file on your workstation and copy it.

1. Create an Excel Spreadsheet. The first column of the new spreadsheet is equivalent to the Term/Code, the second column is the three-character coding system abbreviation for one of the supported coding systems, and the rest of the columns are the codes to be imported for the Term/Code, coding system pair. The spreadsheet can have multiple rows, a row for each Term/Code, coding system, set of codes to be imported. The final step is to create a CSV file (comma-delimited text file), using the Save As action.

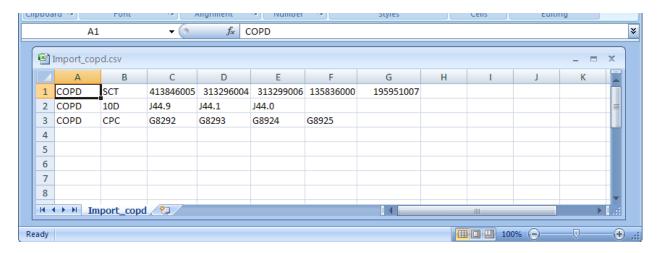


Figure 18: Excel Spreadsheet with codes

- 2. Save the imported files as a CSV.
- 3. Open the CSV file, as a text file, using a text editor such as Notepad or Microsoft Word. (Select All Files in the Files of type box.)

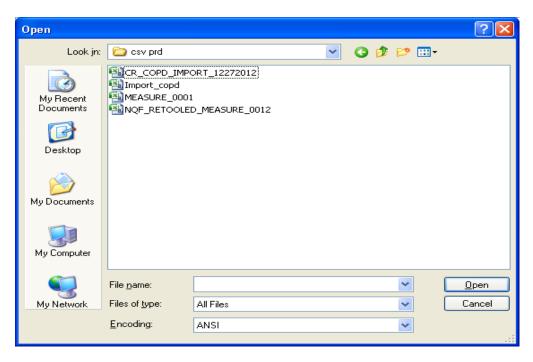
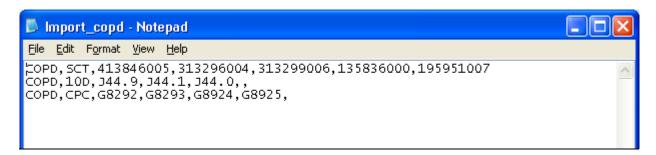


Figure 19: Opening spreadsheet as a text file

4. Open the desired csv file, and copy the contents so they are ready for pasting.



- 5. In Taxonomy Management, select the action IMP and press enter.
- 6. At the prompt, enter the number of the Taxonomy that the import file will be imported to.

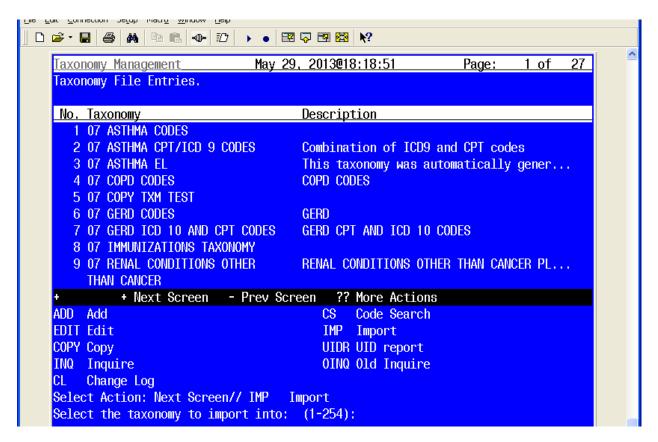


Figure 20: Entering the number of the Taxonomy that the import file will be imported to

7. Select PA for the import method.

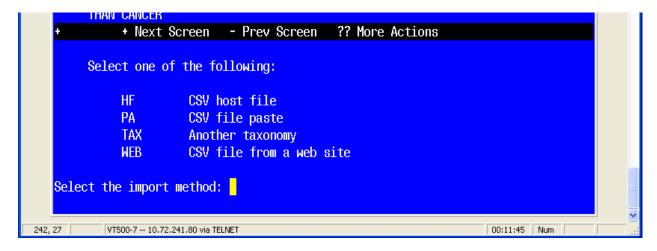


Figure 21: Select PA as the import method

8. At the 'Paste the CSV file now prompt, click on Paste from the file menu (or select the Paste icon) and press <enter> to finish.

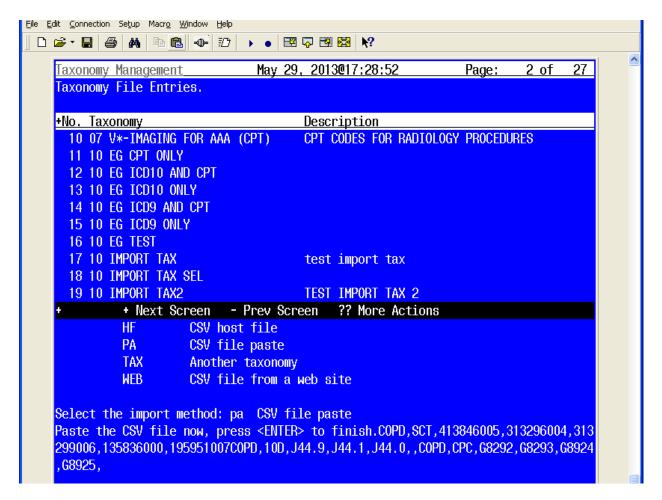


Figure 22: Pasting the CSV file

9. Next you will be given the opportunity to browse the list of codes that will be imported. If you are satisfied with the list, respond 'Y' to the following prompt to import the codes:

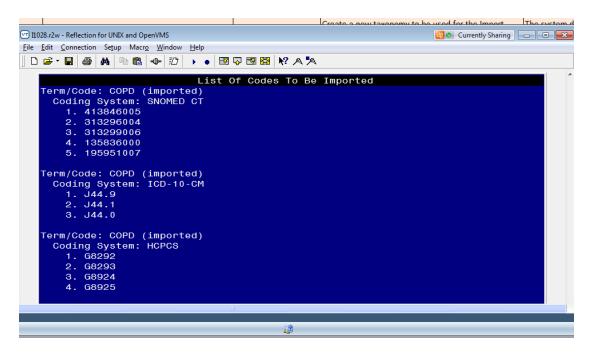


Figure 23: Browsing the list of codes that were pasted

10. After browsing, you'll be asked if you want to save the codes.

Do you want to save the imported codes? Y//

11. You can also do an inquiry on the taxonomy you imported the codes into, to verify that these have been entered.

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+ Next Screen
                           - Prev Screen
                                           ?? More Actions
ADD
     Add
                                         CS
                                              Code Search
EDIT Edit
                                         IMP
                                              Import
COPY Copy
                                         UIDR UID report
     Inquire
                                         OINQ Old Inquire
INQ
CL
     Change Log
Select Action: Next Screen// inq
                                    Inquire
Display inquiry for which taxonomy?:
                                      (1-254): 105
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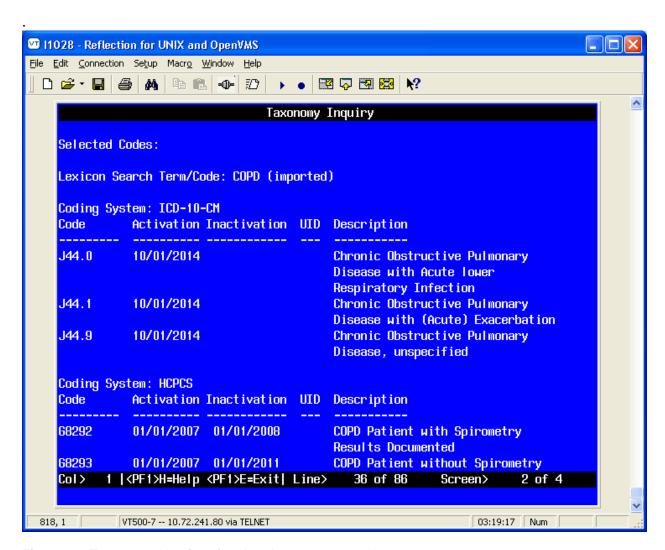


Figure 24: Taxonomy Inquiry of codes that were pasted

Import - TAX

If you choose the TAX option then you will be presented with a list of all the taxonomies on the system and you can create a list of taxonomies to import codes from.

1. Select Import and then select TAX.

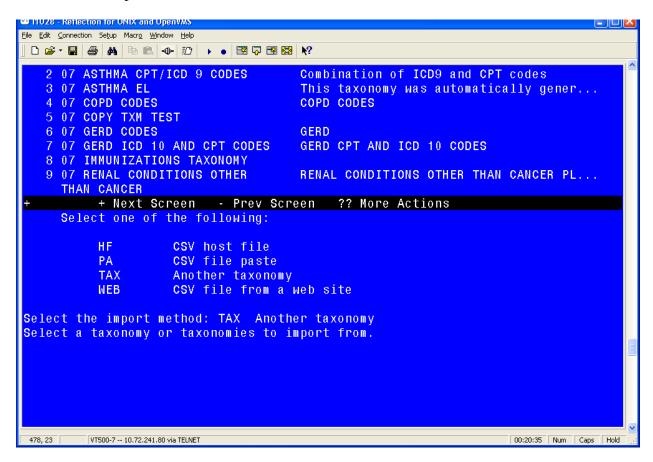


Figure 25: Using the TAX option to import a taxonomy from another taxonomy

2. Select the Taxonomy you wish to copy.

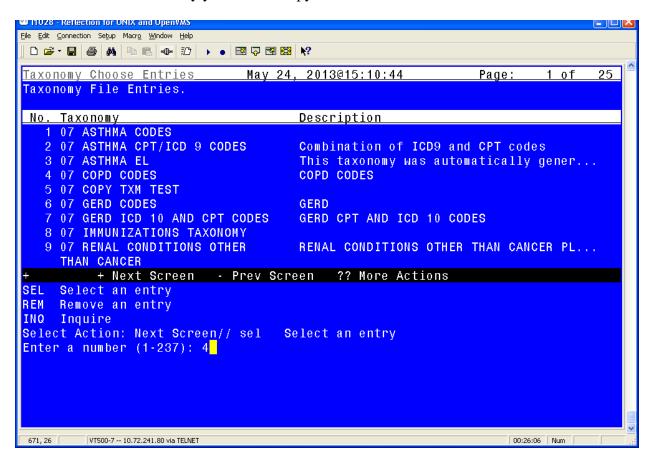


Figure 26: Selecting another taxonomy to import from

The SEL action adds a taxonomy to the list and the REM action removes it from the list.

3. Once the list is built use the DONE action. You will then see the following prompt for each selected taxonomy:

```
Ready to import codes from taxonomy (taxonomy name here)

Select one of the following:

ALL All codes
SEL Selected codes

Enter response: ALL//
```

ALL will import all the codes and SEL will walk you through each Term/Coding System combination in the taxonomy and allow you to choose whether or not to import it.

4. At this point you will have the option of browsing the list of codes.

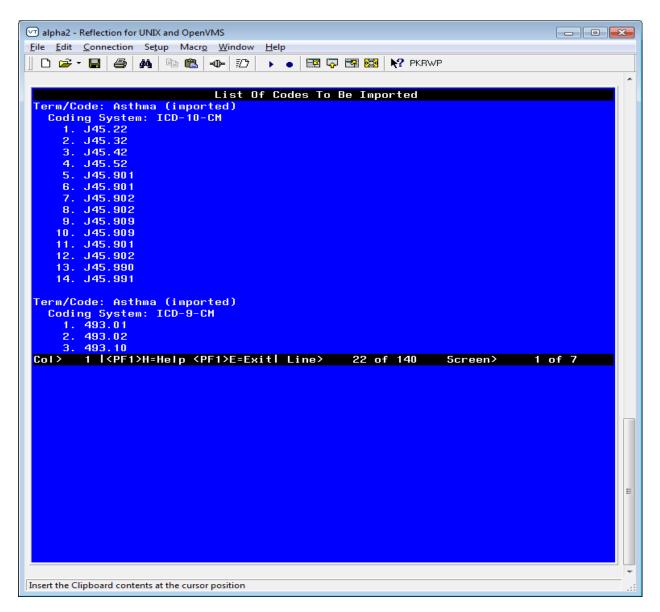


Figure 27: Browsing list of codes screen

5. If you are satisfied, then when the Browser is exited, respond yes to the prompt "Do you want to save the imported codes?"

If there are problems with any of the codes, error messages will be displayed.

When the codes are imported into the taxonomy, each Term/Code will have "(imported)" appended to it so that you will know the codes were imported.

WEB: Importing a CSV file from a web site

Some sites may find it useful to store their CSV files on a web location. If so, you can use the Import/Web action to import the file.

- 1. Select Import and then WEB.
- 2. Enter the url.

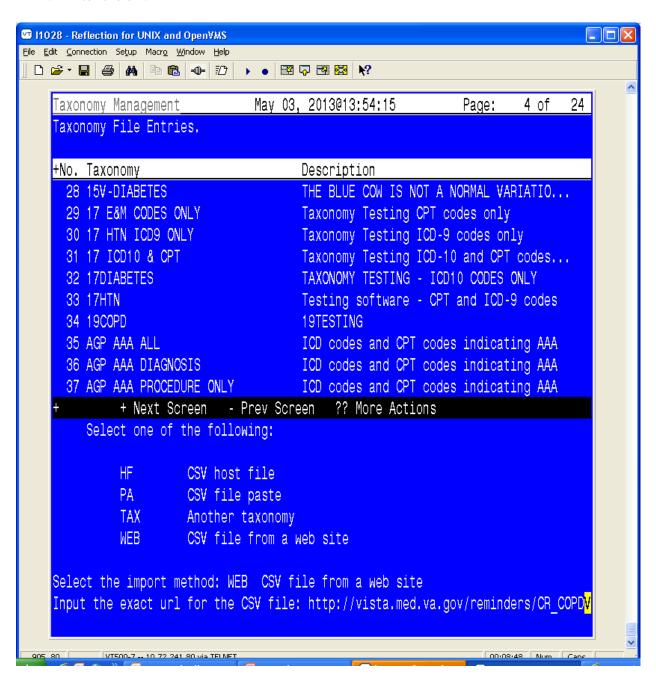


Figure 28: Importing a taxonomy from a web site

Hint - If you have the url copied to the clipboard you can paste it at the Input prompt.

3. The codes are imported. Messages about Invalid coding system pair indicate.....

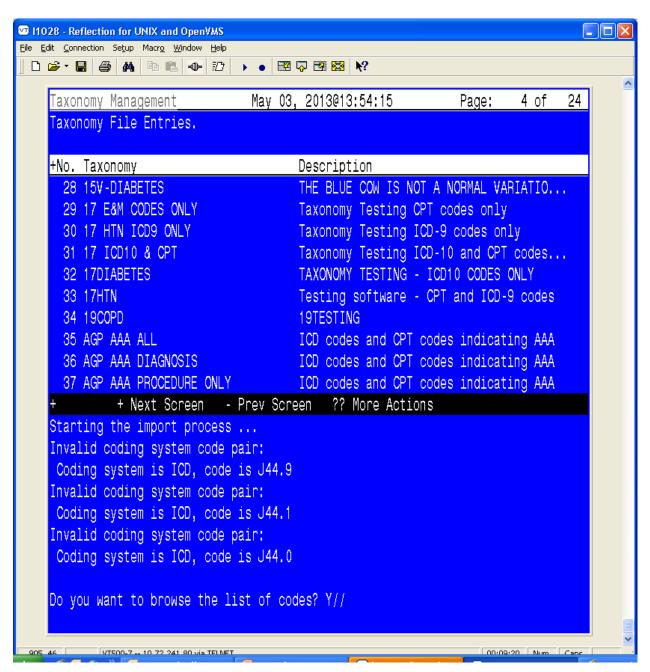


Figure 29: Starting the import process

4. If you choose to browse the list of codes, you'll see the codes that are imported for different coding systems:

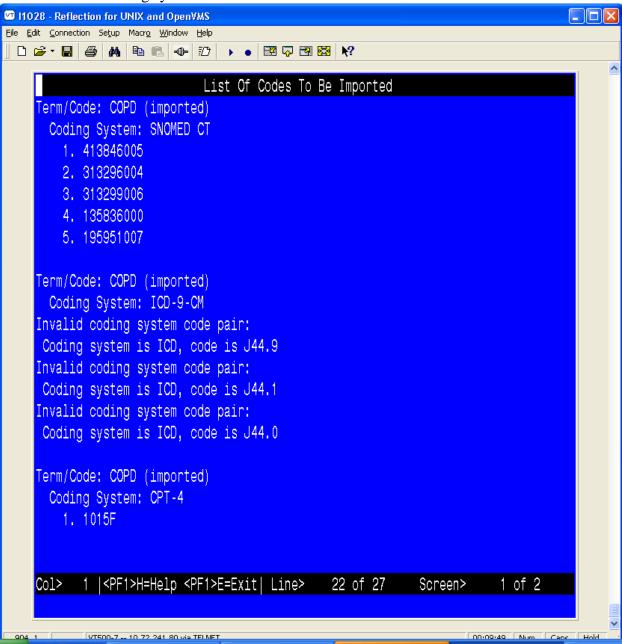
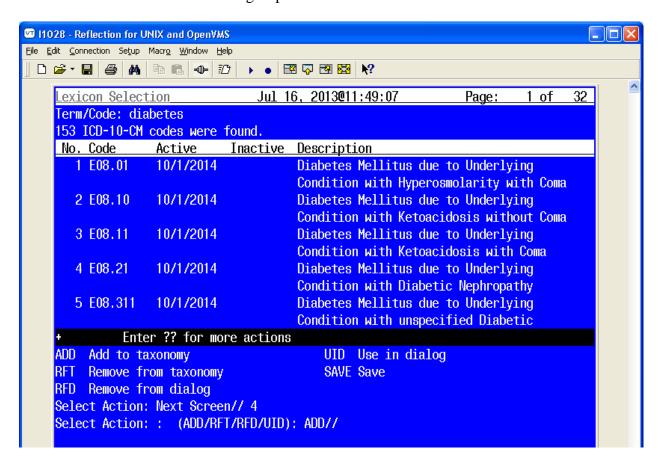


Figure 30: Browsing the list of codes imported from a website

Use in Dialog Report

The Use in Dialog Report searches all taxonomies for inactive codes that are marked as Use in Dialog. If any of these are found, the Browser will display the taxonomies and information about the inactive code(s) they contain.

1. Select UID for Use in Dialog Report from the Lexicon Selection screen:



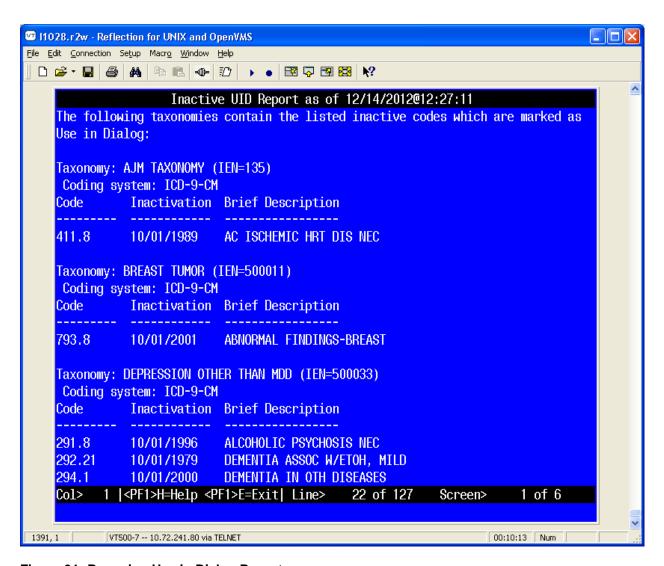


Figure 31: Browsing Use in Dialog Report

6. Using Reminder Dialogs Taxonomy Features

6.1. Background – Before and After

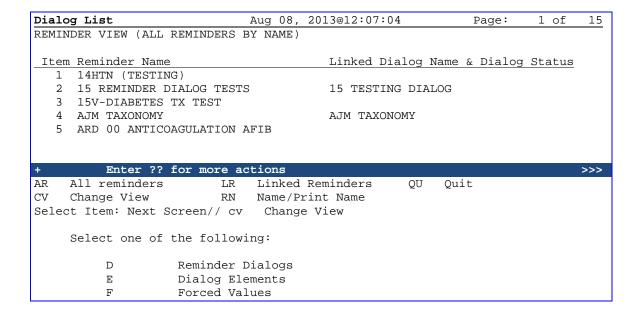
Before PXRM*2*26, users created Reminder Dialogs by adding individual ICD-9-CM and/or CPT-4 codes. When using codes as Finding Items or Additional Finding Items in CPRS, the end user didn't select codes; codes were automatically filed to VistA when the element/group was selected in the Reminder Dialog. If the Reminder Dialog was set up to use a Taxonomy, it could only be used as a Finding Item; it created a pick list of codes for the user to pick from in CPRS.

The display in CPRS was controlled by the set-up in the Reminder Finding Parameter File (#801.45) and the Reminder Taxonomy File (#811.2). These controls determined if the Taxonomy should assign codes to the current encounter or an historical encounter and what prompts should be assigned to the Reminder Dialog in CPRS.

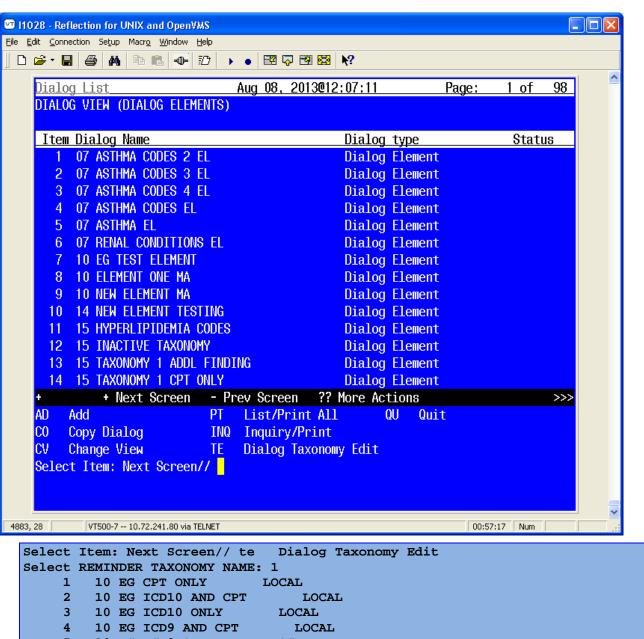
After PXRM*2*26, users will no longer be able to add ICD-9-CM and/or CPT-4 codes to a Reminder Dialog. Users will need to create a Taxonomy, assign codes, and then add the Taxonomy to the Reminder Dialog. To maintain similar end user functionality in CPRS, a new prompt called Taxonomy Pick List Display has been added to the dialog editor. This controls how Taxonomies should display in CPRS.

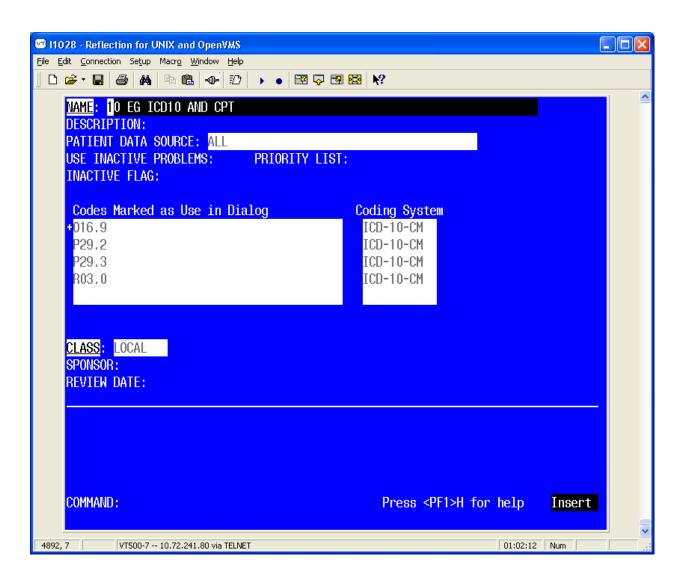
6.2. Dialog Taxonomy Editor

A simple taxonomy editor is available. It is accessed from dialog management (either the element or group view). Codes added in this editor are automatically marked as Use In Dialog. If a code is deleted in this editor, the Use In Dialog designation is removed from the code.



```
Dialog Groups
          Р
                    Additional Prompts
                    Reminders
          R
                    Result Group (Mental Health)
          RG
          RE
                    Result Element (Mental Health)
TYPE OF VIEW: R// e Dialog Elements
```





6.3. New Fields

Taxonomy Pick List Display - This field controls if and what pick lists should appear in CPRS. The possible values for the option are based on the setup of the Taxonomy in the Finding Item Field. If a pick list is set to not display, then the active codes marked to be used in a dialog will automatically be filed to PCE for the encounter date for that element when the finish button is clicked. Taxonomies that contain more than one ICD and/or CPT codes

These pick lists are only relevant for the Finding Type field (not Additional Findings field)

- o Four choices for display of 'pick list'
 - **ALL** Displays 2 pick lists for choosing codes
 - One for ICD and one for CPT
 - **DX ONLY** Displays 'pick list' for ICD only. All CPT codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
 - **CPT ONLY** Displays 'pick list' for CPT only. All ICD codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
 - **NONE** No 'pick list' for either ICD or CPT. All codes in taxonomy are entered into PCE
- o Normally the Default is ALL this may change.....
- o Have to have a choice selected

Diagnosis Header = This field displays text that will be used for the Taxonomy Checkbox. The prompt is only available if the Taxonomy Selection Value is set to All. The default value is from the Reminder Finding Type Parameter.

Procedure Header = This field displays text that will be used for the Taxonomy Checkbox. The prompt is only available if the Taxonomy Selection Value is set to All.. The default value is from the Reminder Finding Type Parameter.

Also, after PXRM*2.0*26, users will no longer be able to set one Taxonomy Element to prompt for both Current and Historical Encounter Data. Users will need to create an element for each encounter type, Current and Historical. If the element Resolution Type is set to Done Elsewhere, then the editor will prompt the user to accept the default prompts for the taxonomy which includes prompts for historical data. Prompt for historical data. Any other resolution type or no resolution type will prompt data for the current encounter date.

For the ICD-10 implementation, Reminder Dialogs will display ICD-9-CM or ICD-10-CM in a pick list based on the code set versioning rules. Reminder Dialogs determine what codes to display using the following rules:

- Current encounters= active codes for that encounter date; Addendums will use the parent note Encounter date.
- Historical encounters= active codes for system date

6.4. Examples

A demo Taxonomy that is a copy of VA-ADB AORTIC; this demo has additional codes set to be used in a dialog.

AAA TAX DEMO No. 115

Class: LOCAL
Sponsor:
Review Date:

Description:
ICD codes and CPT codes indicating AAA
Inactive Flag:
Patient Data Source:
Use Inactive Problems:

Selected Codes:

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Abdominal aortic aneurysm

Coding System: ICD-10-CM					
Code	Activation Inactivation	UID	Description		
I71.3	01/01/2012	X	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Ruptured		
I71.4	01/01/2012	X	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, without		
			Rupture		

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Copy from CPT range 34800 to 34805

Coding System: CPT-4				
Code	Activation Inactivation	UID	Description	
34800	01/01/2001	X	Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection; using Aorto-Aortic Tube Prosthesis	
34802	01/01/2001	X	Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection; using Modular Bifurcated Prosthesis (one Docking	
34803	01/01/2005	Х	Limb) Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection; using Modular	
34804	01/01/2001	X	Bifurcated Prosthesis (two Docking Limbs) Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal	
	31, 31, 1331	11	Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection; using Unibody Bifurcated Prosthesis	
34805	01/01/2004	Х	Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or	

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Copy from CPT range 34825 to 34832

Coding Sys	tem: CPT-4 Activation	Inactivation	UID	Description
34825	01/01/1989	01/01/1990		Placement of Proximal or Distal Extension Prosthesis for Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm; Initial Vessel
	01/01/2001			Placement of Proximal or Distal Extension Prosthesis for Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic or Iliac Aneurysm, False Aneurysm, or Dissection; Initial Vessel
34826	01/01/1989	01/01/1990		Placement of Proximal or Distal Extension Prosthesis for Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm; each additional Vessel
	01/01/2001			Placement of Proximal or Distal Extension Prosthesis for Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal Abdominal Aortic or Iliac Aneurysm, False Aneurysm, or Dissection; each additional Vessel (List Separately in addition to Code for Primary Procedure)
34830	01/01/2001			Open Repair of Infrarenal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection, plus Repair of Associated Arterial Trauma, Following Unsuccessful Endovascular Repair; Tube Prosthesis
34831	01/01/2001			Open Repair of Infrarenal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection, plus Repair of Associated Arterial Trauma, Following Unsuccessful Endovascular Repair; Aorto-Bi-Iliac Prosthesis
34832	01/01/2001			Open Repair of Infrarenal Aortic Aneurysm or Dissection, plus Repair of Associated Arterial Trauma, Following Unsuccessful Endovascular Repair; Aorto-Bifemoral Prosthesis

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Copy from CPT range 35081 to 35103

Codina	System:	CDT - 1
Coarna	system.	CPI-4

Code	Activation	Inactivation	UID	Description
35081	06/01/1994			Division Density of American
35081	06/01/1994			Direct Repair of Aneurysm, Pseudoaneurysm, or Excision
				(Partial or Total) and Graft
				Insertion, with or without Patch
				Graft; for Aneurysm and Associated
				Occlusive Disease, Abdominal Aorta
35082	06/01/1994			Direct Repair for Ruptured
	,,			Aneurysm involving the Abdominal
				Aorta
35091	06/01/1994			Direct Repair of Aneurysm,
				Pseudoaneurysm, or Excision
				(Partial or Total) and Graft
				Insertion, with/without Patch
				Graft; for Aneurysm and Associated
				Occlusive Disease, Abdominal Aorta
				involving Visceral Vessels
				(Mesenteric, Celiac, Renal)
35092	06/01/1994			Direct Repair for Ruptured
				Aneurysm involving the Mesenteric,
				Celiac or Renal Arterial Branch of
				the Abdominal Aorta
35102	06/01/1994			Direct Repair of Aneurysm,
				Pseudoaneurysm, or Excision
				(Partial or Total) and Graft
				Insertion, with/without Patch
				Graft; for Aneurysm and Associated
				Occlusive Disease, Abdominal Aorta
				involving Iliac Vessels (Common,
35103	06/01/1004			Hypogastric, External)
32103	06/01/1994			Direct Repair for Ruptured Aneurysm involving the Iliac
				Vessels (Common, Hypogastric,
				External) of the Abdominal Aorta
				Excernar, or the Abdominal Aorta

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Copy from CPT range 75952 to 75953

Coding System: CPT-4					
Code	Activation	Inactivation	UID	Description	
75952	01/01/2001			Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal	
				Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm or	
				Dissection, Radiological	
				Supervision and Interpretation	
75953	01/01/1989	01/01/1990		Placement of Proximal or Distal	
				Extension Prosthesis for	
				Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal	
				Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm,	
				Radiological Supervision and	
				Interpretation	
	01/01/2001			Placement of Proximal or Distal	
				Extension Prosthesis for	
				Endovascular Repair of Infrarenal	
				Aortic or Iliac Artery Aneurysm,	

```
Pseudoaneurysm, or Dissection,
Radiological Supervision and
Interpretation
```

Lexicon Search Term/Code: Copy from ICD range 441.3 to 441.4

Below are screen shots of how CPRS will display the taxonomy using different values.

Example 1

Setting a Taxonomy as a finding item to display pick lists for both I10 and CPT codes, for current encounters only.

```
NAME: AAA DEMO ELEMENT//
DISABLE:
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE:
ORDERABLE ITEM:
                                  LOCAL
FINDING ITEM: TX.AAA TAX DEMO
         ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
     Select one of the following:
                   All
          Α
                    ICD Diagnoses Only
          D
                    CPT Procedures Only
Taxonomy Pick List: A// ll
Diagnosis Header: Diagnosis recorded at encounter. Replace
Procedure Header: done.//
Default prompts for the taxonomy:
Prompt: PXRM COMMENT
Prompt: PXRM PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS
Prompt: PXRM QUANTITY
Prompt: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
```

```
Select one of the following:
         Y
                  Yes
                  No
Add Prompts to the dialog: Yes//
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO// YES
==[ WRAP ]==[ INSERT ]=====< DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT >===[ <PF1>H=Help ]
This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is
set to display a pick list for both sets of codes. This dialog is set to
file the codes to the current encounter.
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEQUENCE: 4//
 SEQUENCE: 4//
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REQUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE:
REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//
Select DIALOG to add: Select the correct AAA codes.
```

With these settings, the user is able to pick from a pick list of diagnoses and procedure codes to add to the current encounter.



Example 2

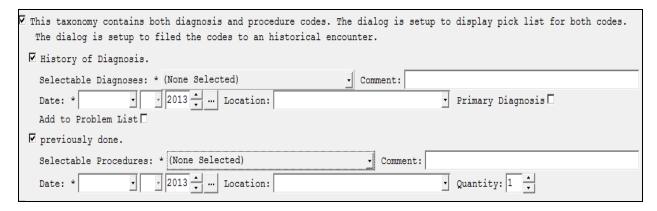
Setting a Taxonomy as a finding item to display pick lists for both I10 and CPT codes for historical encounters only.

NAME: AAA DEMO ELEMENT//

```
DISABLE:
CLASS: ??
    Enter the class.
     Choose from:
               NATIONAL
               VISN
               LOCAL
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE: DONE ELSEWHERE (HISTORICAL)
         ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
ORDERABLE ITEM:
FINDING ITEM: AAA DEMO
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
     Select one of the following:
                   All
                   ICD Diagnoses Only
          D
                   CPT Procedures Only
                    None
Taxonomy Pick List: A// ll
Diagnosis Header: History of Diagnosis. Replace
Procedure Header: previously done.//
Default prompts for the taxonomy:
Prompt: PXRM COMMENT
Prompt: PXRM VISIT DATE
  Required: Yes
Prompt: PXRM OUTSIDE LOCATION
Prompt: PXRM PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS
Prompt: PXRM QUANTITY
Prompt: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
     Select one of the following:
          Υ
                    Yes
                    No
Add Prompts to the dialog: Yes//
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
  Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEQUENCE: 6//
  SEQUENCE: 6//
  ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
```

```
OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
START NEW LINE:
EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
REQUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE:
REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//
```

With these settings, the user is able to assign diagnosis and/or procedure codes to a historical encounter. The historical date will be created based on the Date prompt for both the diagnosis and the procedure checkboxes.



Example 4 Setting a Taxonomy as a finding item to display pick lists for only diagnosis codes for the current encounters.

```
NAME: AAA DEMO ELEMENT//
DISABLE:
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE:
ORDERABLE ITEM:
                                  LOCAL
FINDING ITEM: TX.AAA TAX DEMO
         ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
     Select one of the following:
          Α
                    All
                    ICD Diagnoses Only
                    CPT Procedures Only
          Þ
          Ν
                    None
Taxonomy Pick List: A// D ICD Diagnoses Only
Diagnosis Header: Diagnosis recorded at encounter.
                                                    Replace
```

```
Default prompts for the taxonomy:
Prompt: PXRM COMMENT
Prompt: PXRM PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS
Prompt: PXRM QUANTITY
Prompt: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
    Select one of the following:
         Υ
                  Yes
         M
                  No
Add Prompts to the dialog: Yes//
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO// YES
==[ WRAP ]==[ INSERT ]=====< DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT >===[ <PF1>H=Help ]
This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is
set to only display a pick list for diagnosis codes. The dialog is set to
file the codes to the current encounter.
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEQUENCE: 4//
 SEQUENCE: 4//
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REQUIRED:
Select SEOUENCE:
REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//
```

With these settings, the user will be able to pick diagnosis codes to add to the current encounter. The active procedure codes that were marked to be used in a dialog will automatically be filed to the current encounter. No historical data will be stored for this element. **Notice there was not a need to add a Diagnosis Header for this scenario.**

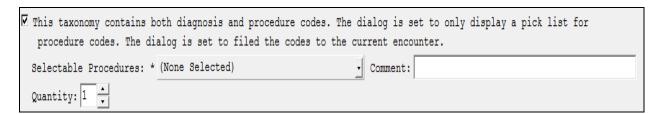
☑ This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is set to only display a pick list for					
diagnosis codes. The dialog is set to file the codes to the current encounter.					
Selectable Diagnoses: * (None Selected) Comment:					
Primary Diagnosis ☐ Add to Problem List ☐					

Example 5 Setting a Taxonomy as a finding item to display pick lists for CPT codes only for the current encounters.

```
NAME: AAA DEMO ELEMENT//
DISABLE:
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE:
ORDERABLE ITEM:
FINDING ITEM: TX.AAA TAX DEMO
                               LOCAL
        ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
    Select one of the following:
         Α
                  All
                  ICD Diagnoses Only
         D
                  CPT Procedures Only
                  None
Taxonomy Pick List: A// P CPT Procedures Only
Procedure Header: done.//
Default prompts for the taxonomy:
Prompt: PXRM COMMENT
Prompt: PXRM QUANTITY
    Select one of the following:
         Υ
                  Yes
         Ν
                  No
Add Prompts to the dialog: Yes//
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO// YES
==[ WRAP ]==[ INSERT ]=====< DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT >====[ <PF1>H=Help ]
This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is
set to only display a pick list for procedure codes. The dialog is set to
filed the codes to the current encounter.
```

```
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
  Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEQUENCE: 2//
  SEQUENCE: 2//
  ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM QUANTITY//
  OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
  START NEW LINE:
  EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REQUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE:
REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//
```

With these settings, the user will be able to pick the Procedure codes to assign to the current encounter. The active diagnosis codes marked to be used in the dialog will automatically be assigned to the encounter. No historical data will be stored for this element. **Notice there was not a need to add a Diagnosis Header for this scenario.**



Example 6

Setting a Taxonomy as a finding item to display no pick list set to display.

```
NAME: AAA DEMO ELEMENT//
DISABLE:
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE:
ORDERABLE ITEM:
FINDING ITEM: TX.AAA TAX DEMO
                                  LOCAL
         ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
     Select one of the following:
          D
                    ICD Diagnoses Only
          P
                    CPT Procedures Only
          Ν
                    None
```

```
Taxonomy Pick List: A// None
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO// YES
==[ WRAP ]==[ INSERT ]=====< DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT >====[ <PF1>H=Help ]=
This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is
set to not display a pick list. This dialog is set to file codes to the
current encounter.
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
 Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEOUENCE: 1
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS
                                                         prompt
        ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REOUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE: 5
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
NATIONAL
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REOUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE: 10
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM QUANTITY prompt
                                                           NATIONAL
        ...OK? Yes//
                     (Yes)
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REQUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE: 15
 ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM COMMENT prompt
                                                           NATIONAL
 OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
 START NEW LINE:
 EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
 REOUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE: REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//
```

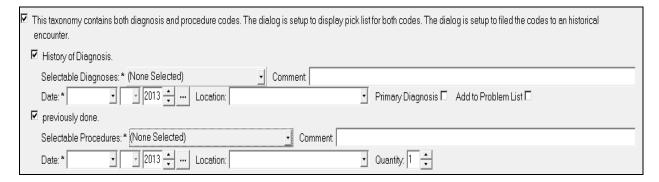
With this setting, all active diagnosis/procedure codes marked to be used in a dialog will automatically be filed to the current encounter.

This taxonomy contains both diagnosis and procedure codes. The dialog is set to not display a pick list. This dialog is set to file codes to the current encounter.

To set any of the above to filed data for an historical encounter date. The Resolution Type field must be set to Done Elsewhere (Historical)

```
NAME: TAX NEW STRUCTURE ALL HISTORICAL Replace
DISABLE:
CLASS: L LOCAL
SPONSOR:
REVIEW DATE:
RESOLUTION TYPE: DONE ELSEWHERE (HISTORICAL)
         ...OK? Yes// (Yes)
ORDERABLE ITEM:
FINDING ITEM: AAA TAX DEMO
                                LOCAL
Additional findings: none
Select ADDITIONAL FINDING:
     Select one of the following:
                    All
                    ICD Diagnoses Only
          D
                    CPT Procedures Only
Taxonomy Pick List: A// ll
Diagnosis Header: History of Diagnosis. Replace
Procedure Header: previously done.//
Default prompts for the taxonomy:
Prompt: PXRM COMMENT
Prompt: PXRM VISIT DATE
  Required: Yes
Prompt: PXRM OUTSIDE LOCATION
Prompt: PXRM PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS
Prompt: PXRM QUANTITY
Prompt: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
     Select one of the following:
          Υ
                    Yes
                    No
Add Prompts to the dialog: Yes//
DIALOG/PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
ALTERNATE PROGRESS NOTE TEXT:
 No existing text
  Edit? NO//
EXCLUDE FROM PROGRESS NOTE:
SUPPRESS CHECKBOX:
Select SEQUENCE: 6//
```

SEQUENCE: 6//
ADDITIONAL PROMPT/FORCED VALUE: PXRM ADD TO PROBLEM LIST
//
OVERRIDE PROMPT CAPTION:
START NEW LINE:
EXCLUDE FROM PN TEXT:
REQUIRED:
Select SEQUENCE:
REMINDER TERM:
Input your edit comments.
Edit? NO//



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Term	Definition	
AAPC	American Academy of Professional Coders	
ADPAC	Automated Data Processing Application Coordinator	
AHA	American Hospital Association	
AHIMA	American Health Information Management Association	
AIS	Automated Information Systems	
AMA	American Medical Association	
AMI	Acute Myocardial Infarction	
AR	Accounts Receivable	
ARC	Allocation Resource Center	
CAC	Clinical Application Coordinator	
CBO	VHA Chief Business Office	
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	
CMO	VHA Chief Medical Officer	
CMS	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	
COTS	Commercial Off-The-Shelf Products	
CPAC	Consolidated Patient Account Center	
CPRS	Computerized Patient Record System	
CPT	Current Procedural Terminology	
DoD	US Department of Defense	
DRG	Diagnosis Related Groups	
DSS	Decision Support Services	
EES	VA/VHA Employee Education System	
HER	Electronic Health Record	
EKG	Electrocardiogram	
ESM	VHA Enterprise Systems Management Office	
FSC	VHA Financial Services Center	
HAC	VHA Health Administration Center	
HCPCS	Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System	
HHS	US Department of Health and Human Services	
HIM	VHA Office of Health Information Management	
HIMSS	Healthcare Information and Management Systems	
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996	
ICD:	International Classification of Diseases	

ICD-9-CM	or ICD-9: International Classification of Diseases, 9 th Revision	
	(Edition) Clinical Modification (includes PCS codes)	
ICD-10	International Classification of Diseases, 10 th Revision (Edition) –	
	used when pertaining to both ICD-10 code sets	
ICD-10-CM	International Classification of Diseases, 10 th Revision (Edition)	
	Clinical Modification	
ICD-10-PCS	International Classification of Diseases, 10 th Revision (Edition)	
	Procedure Coding System	
IDMC	Informatics and Data Management Committee	
HIS	Indian Health Services	
IRM	Information Resources Management	
IT	Information Technology	
NCHICA North Carolina Healthcare Information and Communica		
	Alliance	
NCHS	National Center for Health Statistics	
NLM	National Library of Medicine	
NLC	VHA National Leadership Council	
NPCD	National Patient Care Database	
OHI	VA Office of Health Information	
OIT	Office of Information and Technology	
ONS:	VHA Office of Nursing Services	
PAS	Program Application Specialist	
PCE	Patient Care Encounter	
PCS	VHA Office of Patient Care Services	
PD	Product Development	
PMO	Project Management Office	
PXRM	Clinical Reminders namespace	
SARS	Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome	
SDE	VA Service Delivery and Engineering	
SNOMED CT	Systematized Nomenclature of Medicine - Clinical Terms	
UR	Utilization Review	
VA	U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs	
VAMC	Veterans Affairs Medical Center	
VERA	Veterans Equitable Resource Allocation	
VHA	Veterans Health Administration	
VISN	Veterans Integrated Service Network	
VistA	Veterans Health Information System and Technology Architecture	
WEDI	Workgroup for Electronic Data Interchange	
WHO	World Health Organization	
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Appendix A – ScreenMan and Browser Overviews

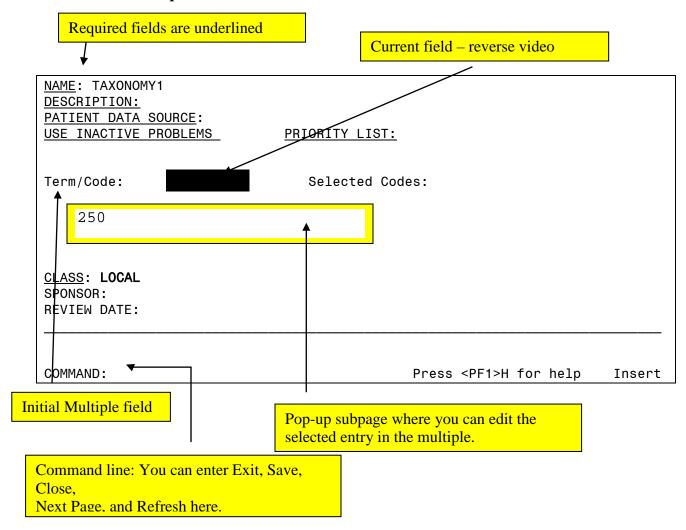
ScreenMan Overview

The redesigned Reminder Taxonomy Management functionality uses ScreenMan. ScreenMan is VA FileMan's *screen-oriented* data entry tool. It is an alternative to the Scrolling Mode approach. With ScreenMan, data is entered in *forms*. Each form field occupies a fixed position on the screen (instead of scrolling off). You can see many data fields at once, and use simple key combinations to edit data and move from field to field on a screen. You can also move from one screen to another like turning through the pages of a book. *For a detailed explanation of using ScreenMan, please refer to the VW FileMan Getting Started manual.*



Figure 36: ScreenMan Screen

ScreenMan Descriptions



Fields are usually composed of a *data element* and a *caption*. ScreenMan displays data elements in high intensity (boldface) and other text in regular intensity. Text that identifies a data element is called a *caption* and is usually followed by a colon (:). A caption and its associated data element are together called a *field*. Captions of *required* fields are underlined; to save any changes you make on the form, required fields *must* contain data.

How to Navigate Between Fields and Pages

There are a number of ways you can move the cursor from field to field on a form (i.e., navigate). This is to provide you with as much flexibility as possible so that you can work quickly and efficiently with forms.

You can use the keystrokes listed in the following table to move the cursor to various fields located on a ScreenMan form:

То	Press
Move to the next field (to right or below).	<tab></tab>
Move to the previous field (to left or above).	<pf4></pf4>
Move to the field above.	<arrowup></arrowup>
Move to the field below.	<arrowdown></arrowdown>
Move to the next field in the pre-defined edit sequence.	<enter></enter>
Edit a WORD-PROCESSING field.	At field, press <enter></enter>
Select a Subrecord in a Multiple.	At field, press <enter></enter>
Move to the next block on current page.	<pf1><pf4></pf4></pf1>
Jump to a specific field.	^ followed by Caption of field and <enter></enter>
Jump to the Command Line.	^ <enter></enter>
Move to next page	<pf1><arrowdown> or</arrowdown></pf1>
	<pagedown></pagedown>
Move to previous page	<pf1><arrowup> or</arrowup></pf1>
	<pageup></pageup>
Move to a page you specify	<pf1>P</pf1>

Saving and Exiting

To SAVE or EXIT the form, you need to reach ScreenMan's command line. It's reachable from any ScreenMan screen. To reach the command line, do any one of the following:

- Enter a caret ("^") at any field prompt.
- Press **Enter**>, **Tab**>, or **PF4**> to move from field to field until you reach the command line.
- Press **ArrowDown**> or **ArrowUp**> to move the cursor from field to field downwards or upwards, until you reach the command line.

Then you can enter SAVE or EXIT at the command line (see below).

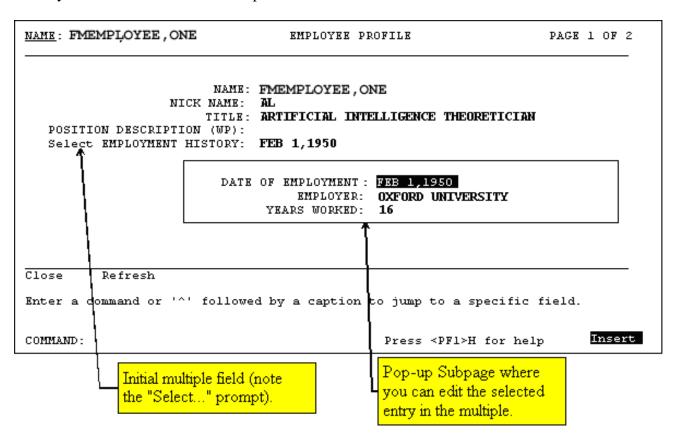
Word-Processing Fields

To edit or display a WORD-PROCESSING field, press the Enter/Return key at the WORD-PROCESSING field. This clears the screen and passes control to your Preferred Editor to edit the field. If you do not have a Preferred Editor, the Screen Editor is used. When you exit the editor, you return to the ScreenMan screen.

Multiples Linked to "Pop-Up" Subpages

A Multiple field can appear on a page and be linked to a regular or "pop-up" subpage. When you navigate to the Multiple field, select a Subrecord, and press the Enter/Return key, you are taken to the subpage, which contains the fields within the Multiple.

In the following illustration, the Multiple is the field with the caption "Select EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:". When you enter "FEB 1,1950" at this field, you are taken into a "pop-up" subpage, where you can edit the fields for that particular Subrecord:



Exiting a Subpage

While in a subpage, your only Command Line options are CLOSE and REFRESH. You cannot EXIT, Quit, or SAVE until you return to the parent page. You can return to the parent page by pressing <**PF1>C** or issuing the CLOSE command at the Command Line. From there, you can select another Subrecord to edit or navigate to another field.

6.4.1. Browser Overview

The Browser lets you view any text *on the screen* instead of *on paper*. Do this by printing your text to the **BROWSER** device instead of the HOME device or a printer.

The Browser makes it very easy to view text on screen. Its main features are:

- Scroll forwards *and backwards* through the text. This means you don't lose lines of text "off the top" of the screen, like you do when you print to the HOME device.
- Use the Search feature to find a text string and immediately jump to occurrences of the search string.
- Copy selected text from to the VA FileMan Clipboard; later, if you're editing a mail
 message or other WORD-PROCESSING-type field with the Screen Editor, you can paste
 from the clipboard.

Shortcuts and Screen setup Tips

Both the Browser and ScreenMan have shortcuts that can save you a lot of time. Each shortcut begins by pressing the Num Lock (NL) key. (NOTE: some laptops don't have a NumLock key, so you would need to use Map Keyboard on your Reflections Utility menu to map a terminal key to the PC NumLock key.)

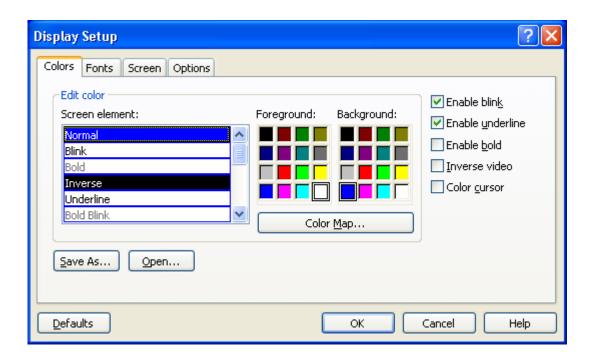
Some Browser actions:

- (NL)B go to bottom
- (NL)E exit
- (NL)F find
- (NL)H help
- (NL)Q quit
- (NL)T go to top

Some ScreenMan shortcuts:

- (NL)C close a screen
- (NL)E exit and save changes
- (NL)H help
- (NL)Q exit and do not save changes
- (NL)Z zoom editor

Your Reflections session setup makes a difference in the appearance of the ScreenMan display. The default for the screen element Normal is a white background and black foreground. Choosing a background color other than white and a foreground color that works well with the background color will provide a more readable ScreenMan display.



NOTE: For taxonomy inquiry print to display properly in Reflections, the setup must have Save from Scrolling Regions checked. Sequence is: Setup => Display => Screen => Display Memory Advanced.

Example

