

## LOINC Nursing Committee Meeting

Date: 2025-07-07

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 pm ET

Chair(s): Jessica Cronin, Randy Woodward

### ATTENDEES

#### Committee Members:

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Jessica Cronin (Chair) | 9. Susan Matney                  |
| 2. Randy Woodward (Chair) | 10. Lynne Perrine Shealyn Stefik |
| 3. Lisa Anderson          | 1. Zabrina Gonzaga               |
| 4. Angela Flanagan        | 2. Marla Throckmorton            |
| 5. Stephanie Hartleben    | 11. Tess Settergren              |
| 6. Sharon Hibay           | 12. Sarah Sontum                 |
| 7. Maryam Isiaq           | 13. Cyndalynn Tilley             |
| 8. Janice Kelly           | 14. Ruth Wetta                   |
| 1. Luke Jobman            | 15. Lisa Wolf                    |
|                           | 16. Alain Junger                 |

#### Regenstrief Staff:

April Lackey, Elizabeth Lumakovska, Marjorie Rallins, Geoffrey Ratemo, Steven Wagers

#### Guests:

None

# Committee Members = 16 | # Attending = 11 | Quorum = Yes

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### Meeting Summary

#### Pain Assessment Panel Updates

- Revision of the pain model to reduce documentation burden and improve generalizability
- Removal of redundant assessments, e.g., “current pain”
- Retention of critical assessments like pain category, quality, and nonverbal indicators
- Submission of new LOINC terms for pain body site and location qualifiers
- Validation of 88 SNOMED CT values, with 21 submitted to LOINC
- Inclusion of evidence-based pain scales, e.g., Wong-Baker, FLACC, Visual Analog Scale
- Challenges with proprietary scales due to lack of engagement from copyright holders

#### Mapping and Terminology Challenges

- Difficulty mapping patient-reported outcomes to SNOMED CT
- Removal of ambiguous or semantically inconsistent values
- Confirmation that each pain quality descriptor should have its own code

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### Policy and Submission Clarifications

- Clarification on reusing existing LOINC terms vs. submitting new ones
- Reuse is acceptable if meaning is consistent; exact survey language can be added via display name
- Observations should be methodless unless tied to a specific author
- Coding instructions go in Column Q; term definitions in Column E
- Demonstration of the LOINC submission portal and submission tracking

### Future Planning

- No August meeting due to LOINC release preparations
- Next meeting scheduled for November
- Tess Settergren to follow up via email with unresolved questions
- Members encouraged to suggest future topics and provide feedback

### Open Items

1. Tess Settergren
  - a. Email unresolved questions to Jessica Cronin, Eza Hafeza, and Marjorie Rallins
  - b. Provide April Lackey with presentation slides for distribution
  - c. Confirm with Susan whether the updated VSAC OID includes new values

### REFERENCE MATERIALS

1. [NursingCommittee MeetingSlides 2025-06-02 FINAL.pptx](#)
2. [NursingCommittee MeetingSummary 2025-05-05 FINAL.docx](#)
3. [LOINC Nursing Committee Symptoms Project.pptx](#)

### 2025 MEETING DATES

First Mondays, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm ET, Virtual

- February 03, Canceled - 2.79 LOINC Release Preparation
- March 03
- April 06
- May 05
- June 02
- July 07
- August 04, Note - LOINC Release Preparation
- September 01, Canceled - US Holiday
- October 06, Canceled - 2025 LOINC Conference
- November 03
- December 01

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**PARKED TOPICS**

1. AI for Nursing Content // Susan Matney
2. New Parts/Attributes to represent Nursing Content // Randy Woodward, & Jessica Cronin