GP2GP Scotland Quick Reference – Degraded Data

When **Vision 3** files incoming GP2GP data to the patient record any entries that cannot be matched to a valid Read term or belongs to the wrong Structured Data Area (SDA) are classified as **Degraded**.

Degraded records have a Read term entry of **9bJ Transfer-degraded record**:

- **9bJ0. Transfer-degraded medication entry**
- **9bJ1. Transfer-degraded referral**
- **9bJ2. Transfer-degraded request**
- **9bJ3. Transfer-degraded plan** (this refers to recalls)
- **9bJ4. Transfer-degraded drug allergy**
- **9bJ5. Transfer-degraded non-drug allergy**

When processing degraded data, you can apply the following:

- If it is in the right place with the wrong code - Edit it.
- If it is in the wrong place – Replace it and delete the original.
- If it is 'unacceptable data' – Delete it.
- If it is useful in the patient record but not coded and does not need auditing – Leave it as degraded. For example, a BMI recorded years ago.

Processing Degraded Data

To process degraded data received via GP2GP:

1. From **Consultation Manager** Consultation Manager , select the correct patient and open an appropriate consultation.

2. Double click **Degraded GP2GP Records** under the navigation pane to filter a list of degraded records:

3. The degraded data displays on the **Filtered List**:

4. Depending on the type of degraded record, process the entry in one of the following ways:

- Right-click on the entry and select **Edit**. Update the **9bJ Transfer-degraded** Read term to a suitable term.

Or

- Add the entry to the correct Structured Data Entry (SDA), for example, Family History converts as a History entry but should be recorded under Family History.

Or

- Right-click on the entry and select **Delete** if the data does not contribute to the patient's clinical record.

Or

- Leave the entry as degraded if it does not require searching or auditing.

Examples of Degraded Data

Some examples of degraded data include:

- **Recalls** – Future recalls are set up automatically for patients on other clinical systems, for example, Elderly Health Assessments can be deleted or left in the patient record.

- **Values** – Some values, for example, BMI transfer as free text. For accurate reporting purposes, these entries should be recorded in the correct Structured Data Area (SDA).

Note - Not all data has to be re-recorded. For example, you may want to record the most recent BMI values only.

- **Family History** – Imported Family Histories convert as History entries and, if relevant, can be re-entered in the Family History Structured Data Area (SDA)

- **Therapy** – Degraded therapy items cannot be updated because the drug was actually prescribed at the previous practice. As degraded therapy items have a clinical value they are best left as degraded items.

- **Free text** – Review and decide if the data should be coded or can be left as degraded.

- **Allergies and Adverse Reactions** – All degraded allergies and adverse reactions should be processed by either updating or adding the allergy/adverse reaction again.

- **Immunisations** – Some immunisations are imported as History entries, they should be re-entered under the Immunisation Structured Data Area (SDA).

- **Medication Reviews** - Some GP2GP transfers from non-Vision practices include Medication Review data which does not contain a review date and clinician, this can interfere with the review process. To resolve this issue, add a valid medication review, then right-click, and select **Delete** to remove the degraded item.

- **Weight and Height** – Some GP2GP transfers from non-Vision practices convert with a BMI, but the weight and height are zero. In this instance, you should add the entry again if it is a recent recording and delete the original.

Note - You should always deal with degraded allergies and adverse reactions. Any weight and height entries that are blank require resolving. If not, this can cause problems with data filtering through to SCI Gateway.

Clinical Audit

To help review your data we provide a suite of audits. Click here to review and download the audits.