CODE LISTS FOR MANSFIELD ET AL.
Identifying patients with chronic widespread pain in primary care, in submission.

Definition
Code lists used in Key Publication listed below

Information used
Code lists used for:
1. Regional musculoskeletal complaints
2. Non-specific generalised pain
3. Alternative diagnoses for generalised pain
4. Somatic symptoms.

Method
Modifying code lists used for other studies (see Linked Morbidity Definitions), and development of new lists through matching complaints and symptoms to Read Code browser by lead author.

Number of codes/terms
1. Regional musculoskeletal complaints: 4,482
2. Non-specific generalised pain: 110
3. Alternative diagnoses for generalised pain: 9
4. Somatic symptoms: 335

Categories
1. Regional musculoskeletal complaints:
   - Axial, upper limb, lower limb
2. Non-specific generalised pain:
   - Includes: fibromyalgia, fibrositis, rheumatism, myalgia, arthralgia, polyalgia
3. Alternative diagnoses for generalised pain:
   - Rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus, polymyalgia rheumatica, ankylosing spondylitis, Sjögren’s syndrome, hypothyroidism
4. Somatic symptoms:
   - Abdominal pain/cramps, appetite loss, bladder spasms, blurred vision, chest pain, cognitive impairment, constipation, depression, diarrhoea, dizziness, dry eyes, dry mouth, easy bruising, fatigue/tiredness, fever, frequent urination, hair loss, headache, hearing difficulties, heartburn, hives/welts, insomnia, irritable bowel syndrome, itching, loss of/change in taste, muscle pain, muscle weakness, nausea, nervousness, numbness/tingling, oral ulcers, painful urination, rash, Raynaud’s syndrome, ringing in ears, seizures, shortness of breath, upper abdominal pain, vomiting, wheeze

Linked Morbidity Definitions
Site-specific Musculoskeletal Conditions
Breathlessness / wheeze
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Key Publications  
Mansfield KE, Sim J, Croft P, Jordan KP. Identifying patients with chronic widespread pain in primary care,

Linked Publications  


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