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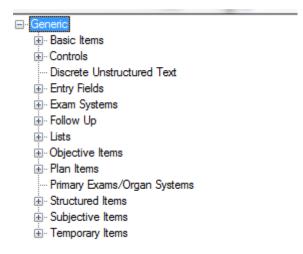
Advanced SMARText



SMARText Item Types

Every SMARText item is designed as a specific type. The type chosen tells SOAPware the characteristics of that SMARText item such as what kind of data to expect, what the item can do, and how the item can be designed.

First Level View of SMARText Item Types

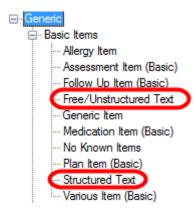


In order to see the current list of SMARText Item Types available:

- Click Docutainers > SMARText Items, from the main menu, or Click F10 on the keyboard.
- Click on the green plus, which will bring up the SMARText Type Selection box.
- Select "Custom," and Click on the drop-down arrow.
- Lastly, Click on the expander node next to "Generic" as shown in the screen shot above, to see the first level view of the SMARText Item Types available. Should a user want to see all of the SMARText Item Types, Click on the expander nodes next to each first level SMARText item.



First Level - Basic Items



1. Free/Unstructured Text (Misc (US))

Unstructured text is the simplest of all the SMARText item types, as it is free-text. It has no value to the computer, with its lack of codes attached to it for searching/sharing purposes, but can be useful when a user needs to insert typed words, sentences, or even paragraphs of text. For those who converted from Version 4, all previously created SMARText items will convert as unstructured text.

For more information on unstructured text, see: Code Expander/Macro.

2. Structured Text

The advantage of the Structured Text SMARText item type is that the data inserts an <u>object of text</u> that <u>cannot be altered</u> and can be fully coded. Therefore, this item type is often chosen for the individual SMARText items that are listed within pick lists.

For more information, please review the **Data Entry in SOAPware** chapter within the Clinical 2012 User Manual.

First Level - Controls



1. Number Picker SMARText Item

Auser would utilize the Number Picker SMARText item type if he/she wanted to document



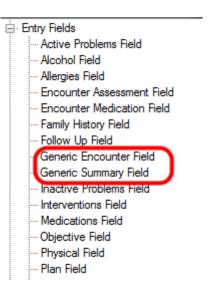
information that could be best displayed with a number. To view this lesson, see: Number Picker SMARText Item.

2. Date Time Picker

Auser would utilize the Date Time Picker SMARText item type if he/she wanted to document information that could be best displayed with a particular date or time. To view this lesson, see:

Date Time Picker SMARText Item.

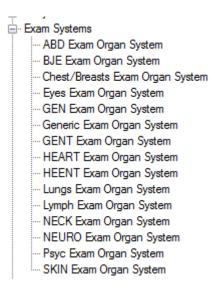
First Level - Entry Fields



Focusing primarily on the Generic Encounter and Generic Summary Fields....these Generic types allow for new fields to be defined within SOAPware. For more information, see **Create Custom Field Headers.**



First Level - Exam Systems



In the screen shot above, all the physical exam systems, plus a generic type system, are listed. These Exam System SMARText item types have been defined by the CMS/AMA. For more information regarding Exam Systems, Click **here**.

First Level - Lists



1. Multi-Sel List

This SMARText item type presents a display of SMARText items to which the user can select one item, or multiple items, to insert into the documentation.

For more information on Multi-Sel Lists, see: Creating SMARText Pick Lists.

2. Single Select List

This SMARText item type presents a display of SMARText items to which the user can only select one item.



For more information on Single Select Lists, see: Single Select Lists.

3. Toggle Multi-Sel List

Toggle Multi-Sel Lists are created "from the ground up," meaning, the user is to first create each component prior to putting the toggle together as a whole.

Structured Text SMARText items will be the components that will be used to "toggle" between, in the user's documentation.

For more information on Toggle Multi-Sel Lists, see: Creating Toggles.

4. Item Clusters and Item Bundles

Item Clusters offer larger, initial pick lists with less need for branching. All of the items within a cluster will be displayed at once, automatically.

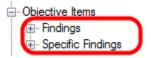
Item Bundles offer a branching, hierarchical approach, which displays smaller pick lists. Bundles allow for the bundling of a group of items, to which not all the items are displayed initially. For more information on Clusters and Bundles, see: **Create Item Clusters and Bundles**.

5. Item Groupers

Item Groupers are SMARText items that, when inserted to a patient's chart, enter multiple pick lists, in a particular sequence, at one time.

For more information on Item Groupers, see: Create an Item Grouper.

First Level - Objective Items



1. Findings

Findings are the 50+ exam elements that comprise the suggested framework to use when creating documentation. If these are present in documentation, they will automatically score exam points for the EM level of visit coding. These items are created by SOAPware and we recommend their use first, however, a user can customize such items.

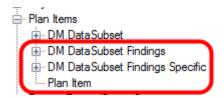
2. Specific Findings-Exam Generic Findings Specific



Exam Generic Findings Specific items types are specific findings on examination and are usually associated with a Findings item. They are usually found within pick lists associated with Findings items.

For more information regarding EM Coder and the Objective Field, see the following links: **EM Coder: Exam** and **Objective Entry**.

First Level - Plan Items



Plan items are SMARText item types designed for use in the Plan field. They are designed to record and measure some of the decision making elements as defined by the CMS/AMA, to be used in EM Coding of level of service.

1. DM DataSubset Findings

This type of finding is comprised of the 8 decision making categories as defined by the CMS/AMA for EM Coding.

2. DM DataSubset Findings Specific- Generic Finding Specific

This item type is most commonly used to fill in the specific findings within the DM DataSubset Findings.

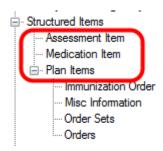
3. Plan Item

Plan items are similar to the Generic Finding Specific type, however, these plan items generally contain CPT codes.

For more information regarding EM Coder and the Plan Field, see the following links: **EM Coder: Exam** and **Plan Entry**.



First Level - Structured Items



Structured SMARText items may be created for direct insertion into a patient's chart. They can also be created to add to a pick list, bundle, cluster or toggle.

Afew benefits of creating structured text items include:

- 1. Structured text able to be searched using the Data Explorer.
- 2. Since structured text is easier to search, it may allow the user to be prepared for future Meaningful Use (MU) and Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) initiatives.

*Note: SOAPware first recommends searching for a desired Structured SMARText item through our SMARText Items Manager, as these items are SOAPware created and contain CMS/AMA approved codes, however, a user is able to customize an item if need be.

1. Assessment Item

Assessment Item = Type--Dx...used within the Assessment field within the SOAPnote. A diagnosis will be inserted and will be paired with an ICD-9 code, making reporting and searching data easier.

For more information, see: Assessment Entry.

2. Medication Item

Medication Item = Type--Rx...used to prescribe, print and fax prescriptions from within the Medications field within the SOAPnote.

For more information, see: Medication Entry.

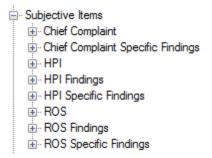
3. Plan Item



There are four types of SMARText items that are utilized in the Plan field within the SOAPnote: Immunization Order, Misc Information, Order Sets, and Orders. Whether entering a Plan SMARText item through the Actions pick list, or entering one individually, a CPT code will be attached, making searching and reporting data simpler.

For more information, see: Plan Entry and Order Entry.

First Level - Subjective Items



All of these items in the previous screen shot are used within the Subjective field within a SOAPnote.

Chief Complaint- The main header...Chief Complaint(s)/Reason for Visit.

Chief Complaint Specific Findings- The actual list of chief complaints used in documentation.

HPI- The main header...HPI.

HPI Findings- The 8 HPI pick lists.

HPI Specific Findings- The actual list of HPI items used in documentation.

ROS- The main header...ROS.

ROS Findings- The 14 ROS pick lists plus a generic pick list.

ROS Specific Findings- The actual list of ROS items used in documentation.

For more information, see Subjective Entry and HPI.



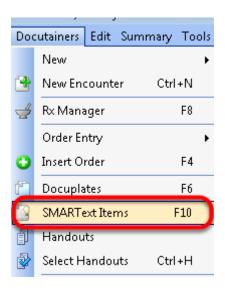
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SMARText Items Manager

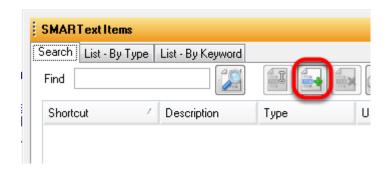


All SMARText items are created in the SMARText Items Manager.

To open the SMARText Items Manager, Click on Docutainers > SMARText Items. Or press **F10** on the keyboard.

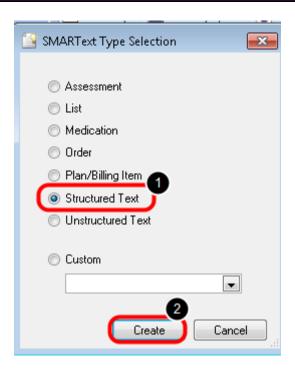


Create a Structured SMARText Item



Click on the green + button to create a new SMARText item.

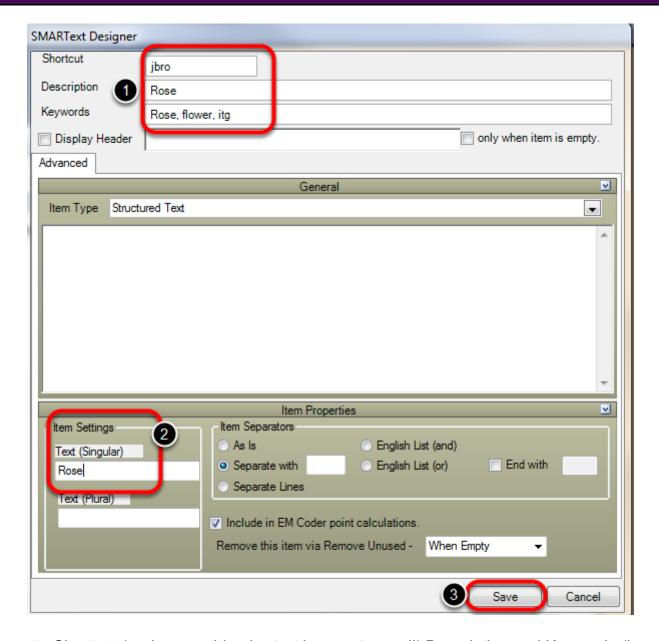
SMARText Type Selection



- 1. Select "Structured Text"
- 2. Click Create



SMARText Designer: Structured SMARText Items



- Insert a Shortcut, (make sure this shortcut is easy to recall) Description and Keywords (be sure to always include a unifying keyword for searching purposes and separate keywords with a comma and a space). Adisplay header is not needed for a Structured SMARText item.
- 2. In the Item Settings box, under "Text (Singular), enter the text that should be displayed within the documentation when this strucutred SMARText item is entered.
- Click Save.



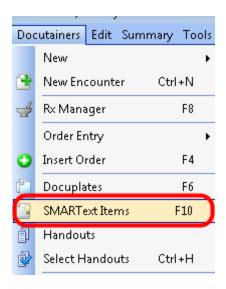
The structured SMARText item may now be entered directly into a patient's chart, or placed in a pick list, bundle, cluster or toggle. For an example of the latter, please refer to our Toggle lesson.



Single Select Lists

This SMARText item type presents a display of SMARText items to which the user can only select one item to enter into the documentation. Please continue to read below for steps on how to create a single select list SMARText item type.

Step 1: SMARText Items Manager



All SMARText item types are created in the SMARText Items Manager.

To open the SMARText Items Manager, Click on **Docutainers > SMARText Items**. Or press **F10** on the keyboard.

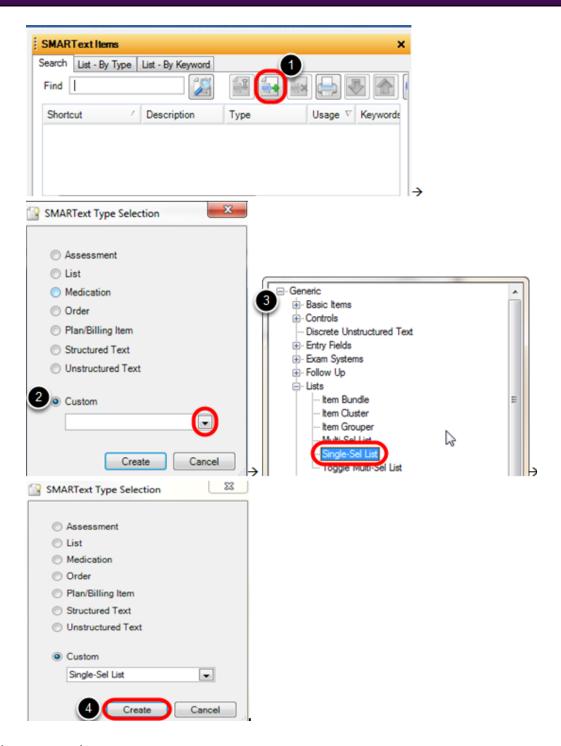
Step 2: Create Structured SMARText Items

To view a lesson on how to create structured SMARText items, Click here.

In the example given in the steps below, a user would create the structured items "Married" and "Single" in preparation for the single select list creation.



Step 3: SMARText Type Selection



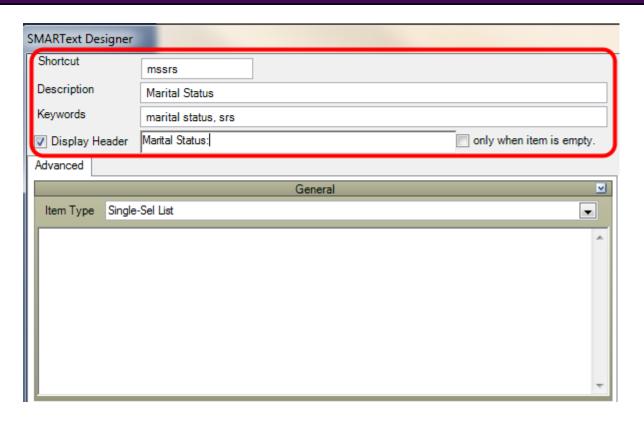
- 1. Click on the green plus.
- 2. Choose "Custom" and Click on the drop-down arrow.
- 3. Click to expand the expander nodes next to "Generic" and "Lists." Double-Click on "Single-Sel



List."

4. Click Create.

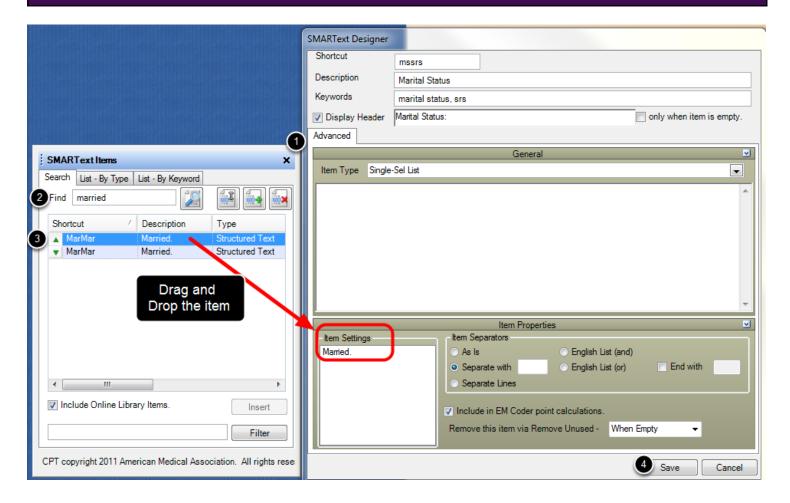
Step 4: SMARText Designer - Part 1



Give the single select list an easy to remember shortcut, and a description. Within keywords, remember to include a unique keyword for easy retrieval purposes. Lastly, enter a display header which will display first in the documentation when the shortcut is entered and the spacebar is pressed.



Step 5: SMARText Designer - Part 2



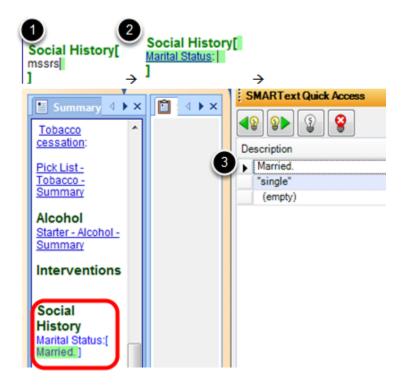
- 1. Drag the SMARText Designer to the right, and the SMARText Items Manger to the left of the screen.
- 2. Within the SMARText Items Manager, search for the structured items for this single select list--in this example--we searched for married.
- 3. Click to highlight the structured item, and drag and drop the item into the Item Settings box.

Repeat steps 2 and 3 until all desired structured items are within the Item Settings box

4. Click Save.



Step 6: Insert Single Select List



- 1. Insert the shortcut into the desired field and press the spacebar.
- 2. The display header will appear. Left-click on the display header.
- 3. The structured item choices will be available within SMARText Quick Access to the right of the screen. Select an item, and it will display in the documentation.

Since this item was created as a Single Select List, only one option will be able to be selected from the SMARText Quick Access window. If the user wishes to create a list where multiple items can be selected and inserted into the documentation, a Multi-Sel list will need to be created. For instructions, please see: **Creating SMARText Pick Lists.**

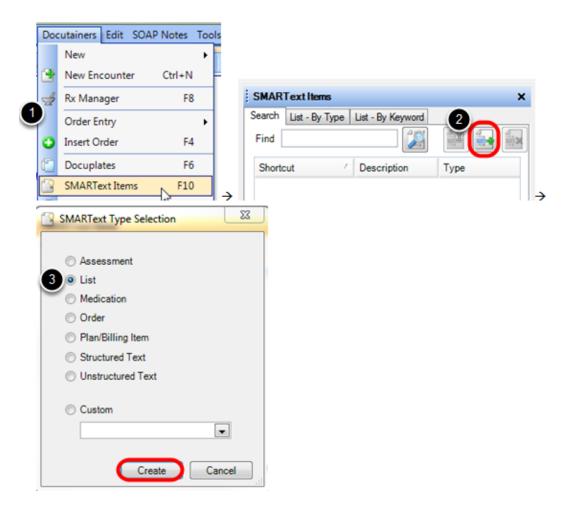


Create a Pick List Within a Pick List

Customized pick lists are one of the most efficient data entry methods. Creating custom pick lists that contain the items that a user commonly and repeatedly utilizes, allows data entry to be performed quickly and efficiently via a click for insertion into documentation.

Below are the steps necessary to create a pick list within a pick list. Our example we will build is a medication pick list comprised of various categories of medications a user might commonly prescribe to his/her patients.

Step 1 - Create Multiple Multi Sel Lists

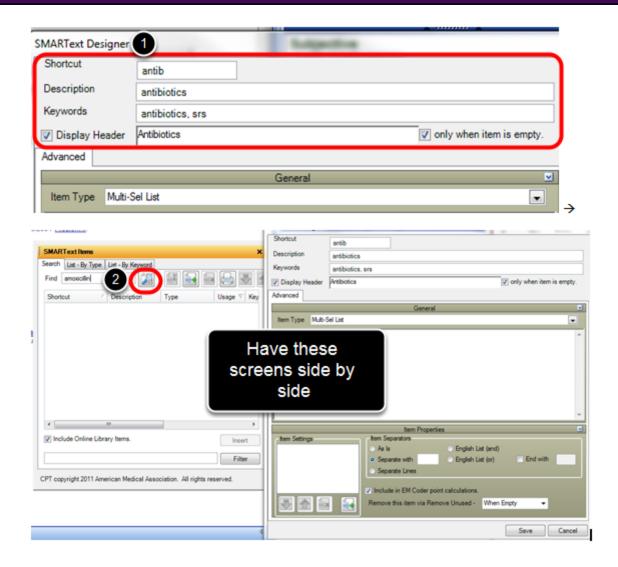


- 1. Open the SMARText Items Manager by Clicking Docutainers > SMARText Items or Clicking F10 on the keyboard.
- 2. Click on the green + to create a new item.



3. Within in the SMARText Type Selection box, Select "List" and Click Create.

Step 2 - SMARText Designer Part 1



1. Create a shortcut, description, keywords, and a display header.

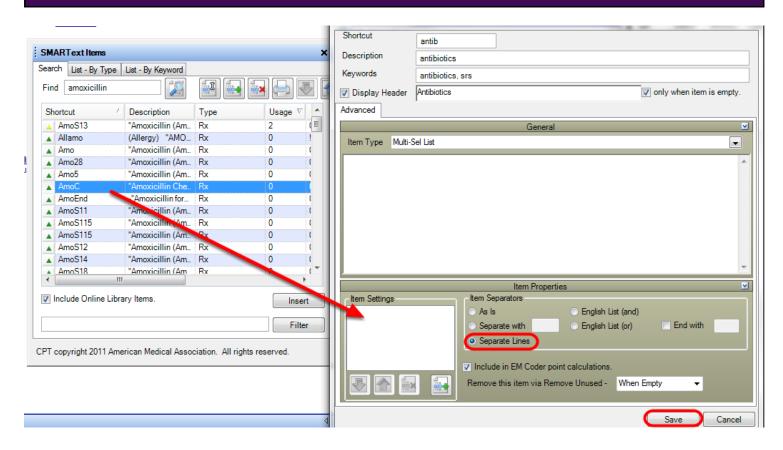
Tips: Create a short shortcut that is easy to recall. SOAPware also recommends to not use actual words or medical abbreviations, as others typing these words in notes would have these words expand on them each time they would hit the spacebar after typing the word or medical abbreviation.

Keywords--always include a unique keyword for easy retrieval purposes. Check the box next to "only when item is empty," by the display header.



2. Have the SMARText Designer to the right of the screen, and the SMARText Items Manager to the left of the screen. Type in the SMARText item and Click the Search button-in this example, a medication was typed in.

Step 3 - SMARText Designer Part 2



Drag and Drop each-in this case- medication into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer for this particular pick list. Click "Separate Lines: within the Item Properties box, so that if multiple medications are selected from this list, they will enter on separate lines within the documentation. Click Save when all items are in the pick list.

Tip: ASMARText item will not be able to be drag and dropped if the item is not downloaded onto the network-so make sure the item has a green triangle next to it. If not, it will be necessary to download the item first.

Repeat searching for drugs in the SMARText Items Manager and dragging them to the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer, until all items desired are in the pick list.

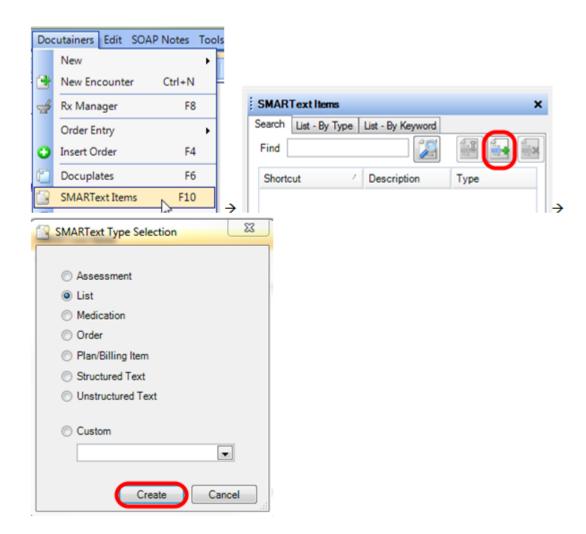


To see how to remove an item from the Item Settings box if need be, see the **Creating SMARText Pick Lists** lesson.

Repeat

Repeat Steps 1-3 for each pick list. In this example, a pick list was made for antibiotics as shown above, as well as Nsaids, BP meds, injectables, and Diabetic meds.

Step 4 - Create Master Multi Sel List

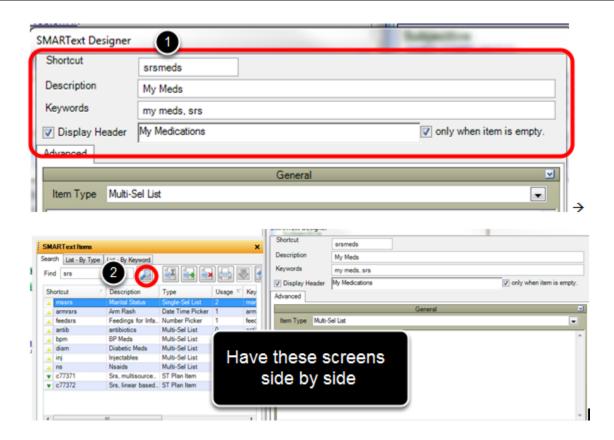


- 1. Open the SMARText Items Manager by Clicking Docutainers > SMARText Items or Clicking F10 on the keyboard.
- 2. Click on the green + to create a new item.



3. Within in the SMARText Type Selection box, Select "List" and Click Create.

Step 5 - SMARText Designer Part 3



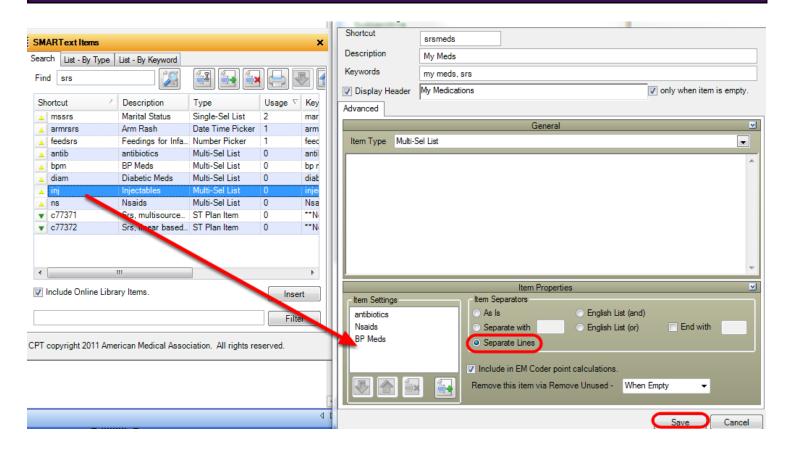
1. Create a shortcut, description, keywords, and a display header.

Tips: Create a short shortcut that is easy to recall. For this example, this will be the shortcut that will be entered into the documentation. SOAPware also recommends to not use actual words or medical abbreviations, as others typing these words in notes would have these words expand on them each time they would hit the spacebar after typing the word or medical abbreviation. Keywords--always include a unique keyword for easy retrieval purposes. Check the box next to "only when item is empty," by the display header.

2. Have the SMARText Designer to the right of the screen, and the SMARText Items Manager to the left of the screen. Type in the SMARText item and Click the Search button-in this example, "srs" which is the unique keyword that has been entered for each pick list that has been created, was typed in.



Step 6 - SMARText Designer Part 4



Drag and Drop each-in this case- medication pick list, into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer for this particular pick list. Click "Separate Lines: within the Item Properties box, so that each medication selected from these lists, will enter on separate lines within the documentation. Click Save when all items are in the pick list.

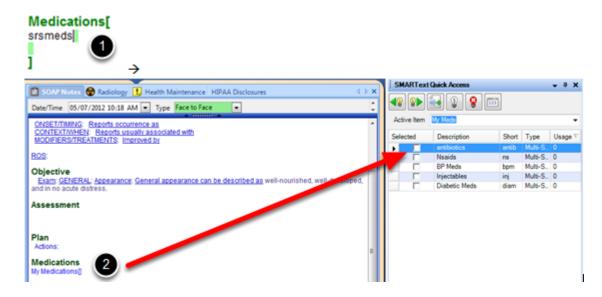
Tips: ASMARText item will not be able to be drag and dropped if the item is not downloaded onto the network-so make sure the item has a green triangle next to it. If not, it will be necessary to download the item first. Also, drag and drop each pick list into the Item Settings box in the order in which you would prefer them to display in the documentation.

Continue to drag and drop each pick list into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer, until all pick lists are within the master pick list.

To see how to remove a pick list from the Item Settings box if need be, see the **Creating SMARText Pick Lists** lesson.



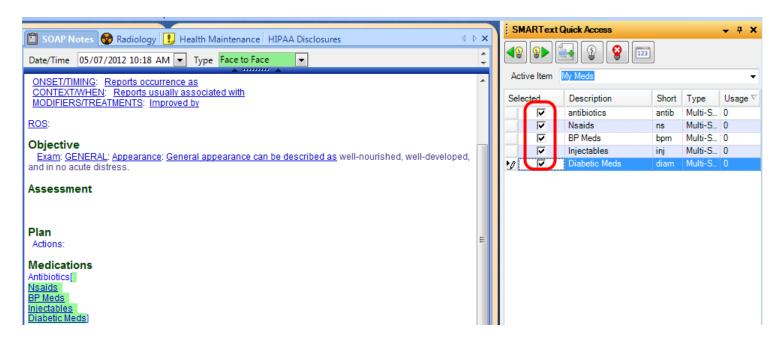
Step 7 - Enter Master Pick List into Documentation



- 1. Type in master pick list shortcut followed by hitting the spacebar on the keyboard, or Click F11 if this is the initial insert of this pick list.
- 2. The Display Header for the master pick list will be inserted into the documentation. To the right of the screen within SMARText Quick Access, the user will see a list of all the other pick lists within the master pick list.



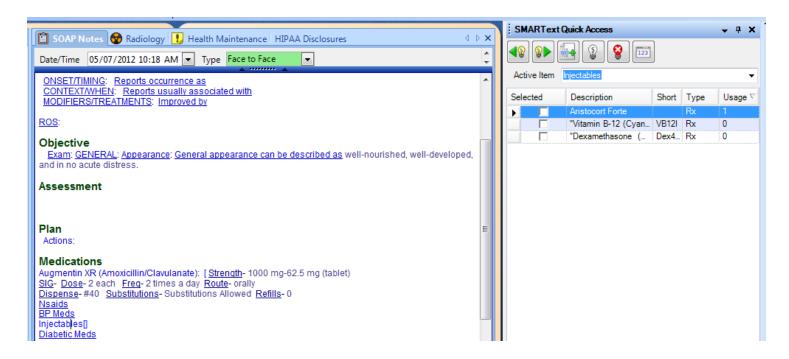
Step 8 - SMARText Quick Access



Select each pick list to be entered, within SMARText Quick Access. Remember, a user can de-select a pick list within SMARText Quick Access if he/she desires.



Step 9 - Select Medications from Various Pick Lists



Left-Click once on a pick list display header to display all the SMARText items within the pick list. Select as many medications-in this case-from within SMARText Quick Access, which will then display within the designated field in the documentation. Auser can always de-select an item by unchecking its box within SMARText Quick Access.



Remove Unused Items



- 1. Right-Click on the field header, in this example, Medications, and Select "Remove Unused Items."
- 2. Only the medications or items that were selected for this particular patient will display in the field-meaning the display headers for pick lists that were not used on a patient, will be removed from the documentation.

Additional Information

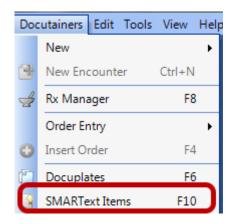
For more information on pick lists in general, see: **SMARText Items in Pick Lists** and **Editing Pick Lists**.



Create a Date Time Picker SMARText Item

Auser would utilize the Date Time Picker SMARText item type if he/she wanted to document information that could be best displayed with a particular date or time.

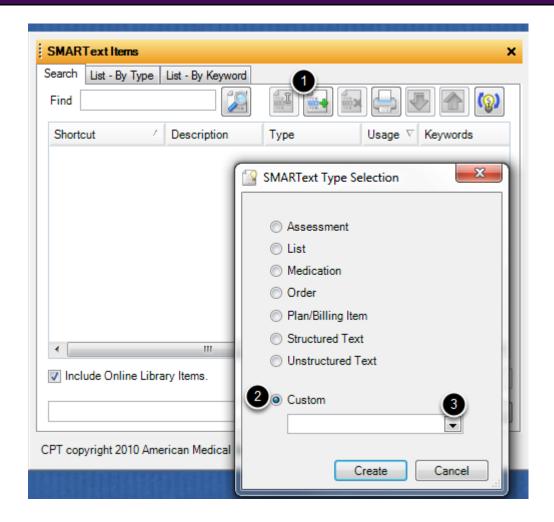
Access the SMARText Manager



Go to Docutainers > SMARText Items. Auser can also press F10 on the keyboard.

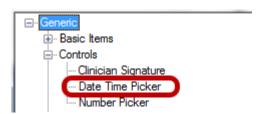


SMARText Type Selection



- 1. Press the Create a new SMARText item button.
- 2. Fill in the radio button next to Custom.
- 3. Click on the drop-down arrow.

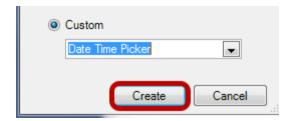
Drill Down



Click on the + next to Generic, as well as the + next to Controls. Double-click on Date Time Picker.

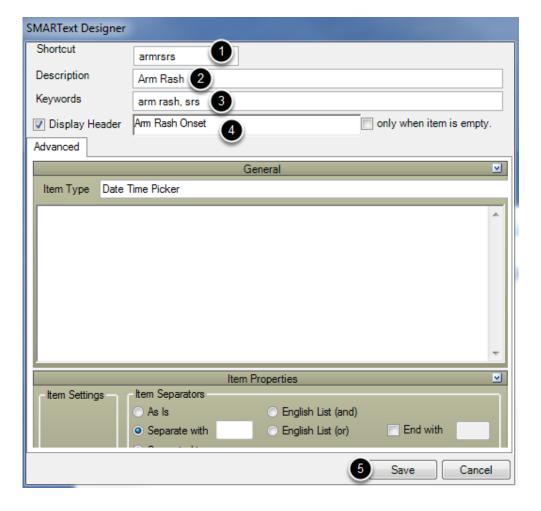


Create



Click Create.

SMARText Designer



1. Assign this SMARText Item a shortcut. (user will need to make sure this shortcut is not too long, is not a real word, and has a unique identifier--in this example, initials are attached to, "armr," and easy to remember).



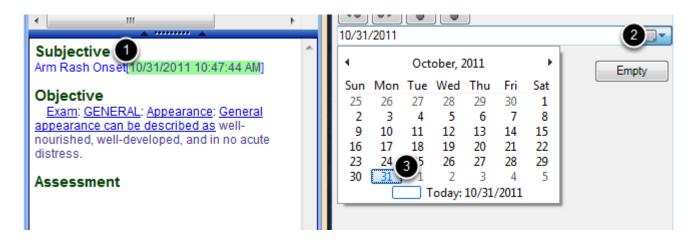
- 2. Assign a description.
- 3. Assign keywords. (user will need to make sure he/she includes a unique keyword--in this example, the initials 'srs' is the unique identifier. This will help with searching for this SMARText item in the future).
- 4. Assign the SMARText item a display header. The words typed in this box will display within the encounter notes.
- 5. Click Save.

Insert Shortcut



With a patient's chart open, and an encounter note field active, type the shortcut assigned to the Date Time Picker SMARText item, and press the spacebar on the keyboard.

Use the Date Time Picker SMARText Item



Notice that once the shortcut was entered and the spacebar was pressed, the text entered into the note is the Display Header.

1. Single-click on the display header.



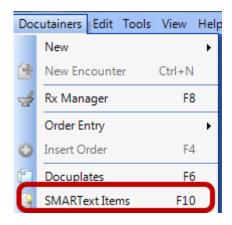
- 2. Click the drop-down arrow to display the calendar.
- 3. Select a date from the calendar displayed in the SMARText Quick Access (which is mostly likely docked to the right of a user's screen). The current time will also display within the note, next to the date selected.



Create a Number Picker SMARText Item

This lesson will take a user through the steps necessary to create a Number Picker SMARText item. Auser would utilize the Number Picker SMARText item type if he/she wanted to document information that could be best displayed with a number.

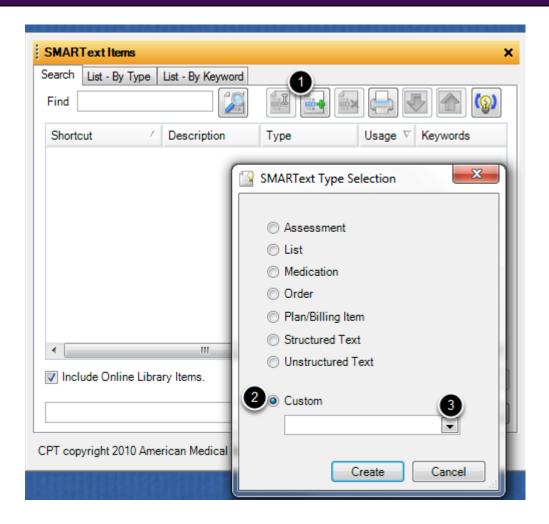
Access the SMARText Manager



Go to Docutainers > SMARText Items. Auser can also press F10 on the keyboard.

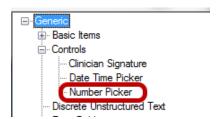


SMARText Type Selection



- 1. Press the Create a new SMARText item button.
- 2. Fill in the radio button next to Custom.
- 3. Click on the drop-down arrow.

Drill Down



Click on the + next to Generic, as well as the + next to Controls. Double-click on Number Picker.

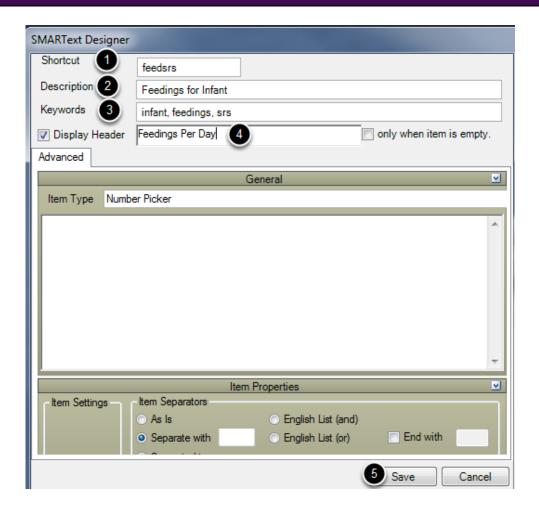


Create



Click Create.

SMARText Designer



1. Assign this SMARText Item a shortcut. (user will need to make sure this shortcut is not too long, is not a real word, and has a unique identifier--in this example, initials are attached to the word, "feed," and easy to remember).



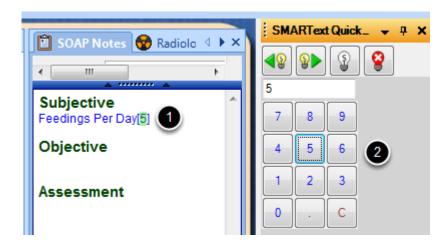
- 2. Assign a description.
- 3. Assign keywords. (user will need to make sure he/she includes a unique keyword--in this example, the initials 'srs' is the unique identifier. This will help with searching for this SMARText item in the future).
- 4. Assign the SMARText item a display header. The words typed in this box will display within the encounter notes.
- 5. Click Save.

Insert Shortcut



With a patient's chart open, and an encounter note field active, type the shortcut assigned to the Number Picker SMARText item, and press the spacebar on the keyboard.

Use the Number Picker SMARText Item



Notice that once the shortcut was entered and the spacebar was pressed, the text entered into the note is the Display Header.



- 1. Single-click on the display header.
- 2. Select a number from the number pad displayed in the SMARText Quick Access (which is mostly likely docked to the right of a user's screen).



Creating Toggles

Creating Toggles is an advanced functionality in SOAPware.

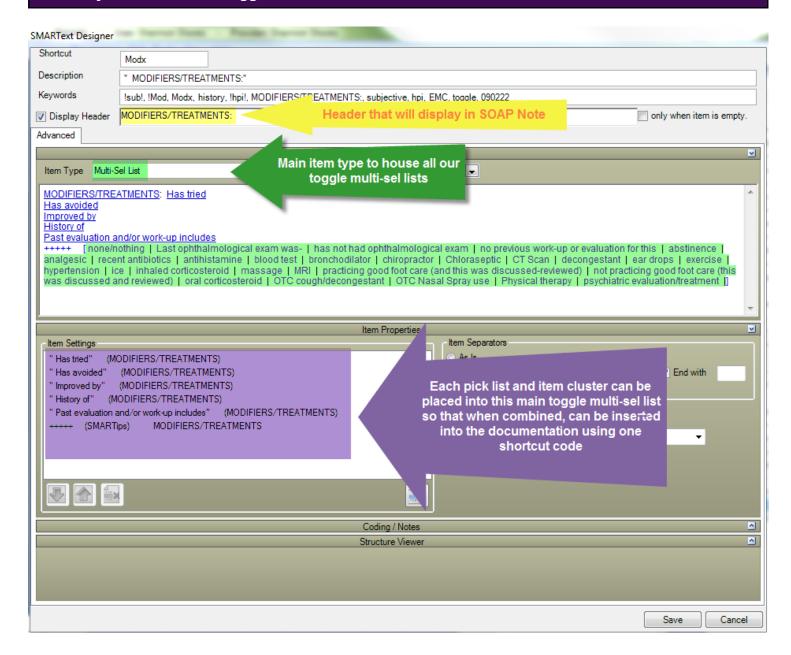
Before a user would create his/her own toggles the user should:

- 1. Have an understanding of what a Toggle is and how it functions.
- 2. Have a basic knowledge of SMARText including creating macros and pick lists.

<u>Please Note: Toggle SMARText Items are NOT EM Coder compatible.</u>



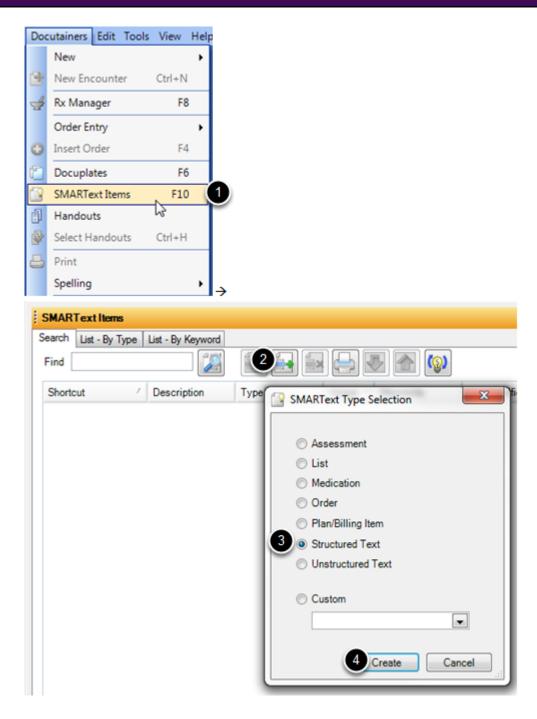
Anatomy of the Finished Toggle



The screen shot above depicts a finished toggle, and its components.



Step 1 - Create Structured Text Items



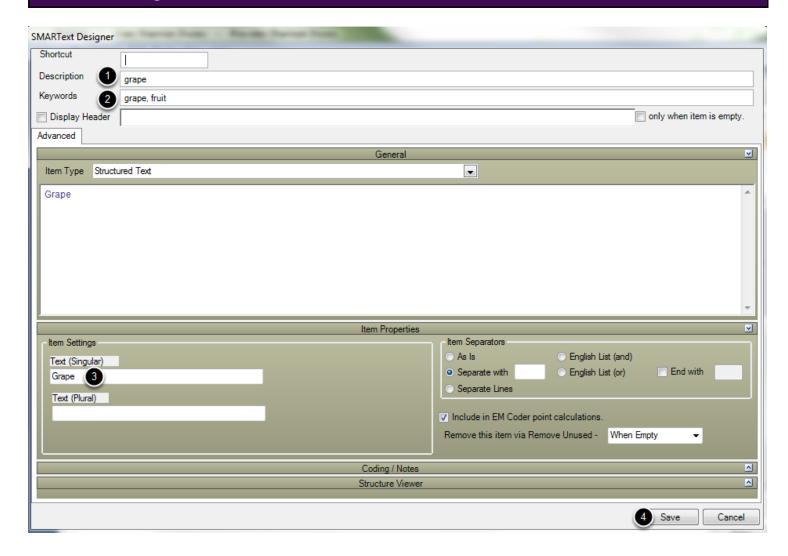
Toggles are created "from the ground up," meaning, the user is to first create each component prior to putting the toggle together as a whole.

Structured Text SMARText items will be the components that will be used to "toggle" between, in the user's documentation.



- 1. Click on Docutainers > SMARText Items. (or Click F10 on the keyboard)
- 2. Click on the green plus within the SMARText Items Manager.
- 3. Select "Structured Text."
- 4. Click Create.

SMARText Designer: Structured Item



For demonstration purposes, we will create a fruit toggle, that will allow us to report what fruits are our favorites, and what fruits we deny that we like.

We are currently creating our individual fruits, which will serve as our structured text, or the components of our toggle.



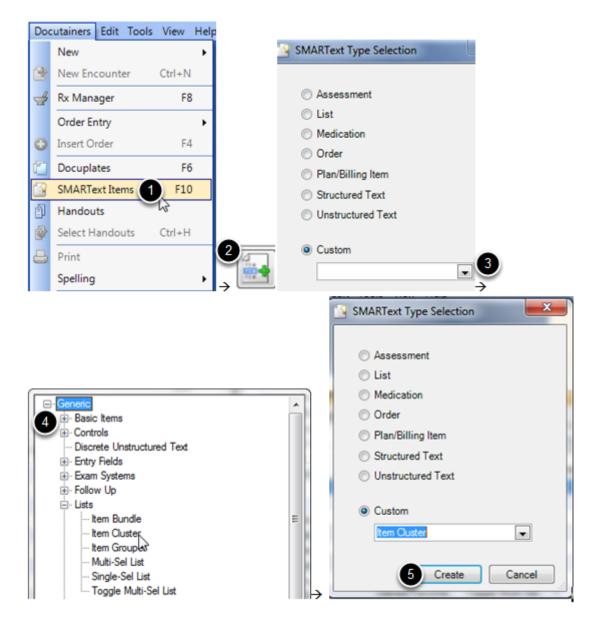
Structured items do not require or need a shortcut

- 1. Give the item a description.
- 2. Give the item keywords. (all keywords need to be separated by a comma and space and be sure to have a unifying keyword that will be used for quick retrieval of all a user's SMARText created items)
- 3. In the Item Settings box, under Text (Singular), type the word or words to be displayed in the documentation.
- 4. Click Save.

Repeat steps 1-4 for each Structured Item.



Step 2 - Create an Item Cluster



An Item Cluster combines all our previously made Structured items into one SMARText item group, which eliminates individual dragging and dropping of each item.

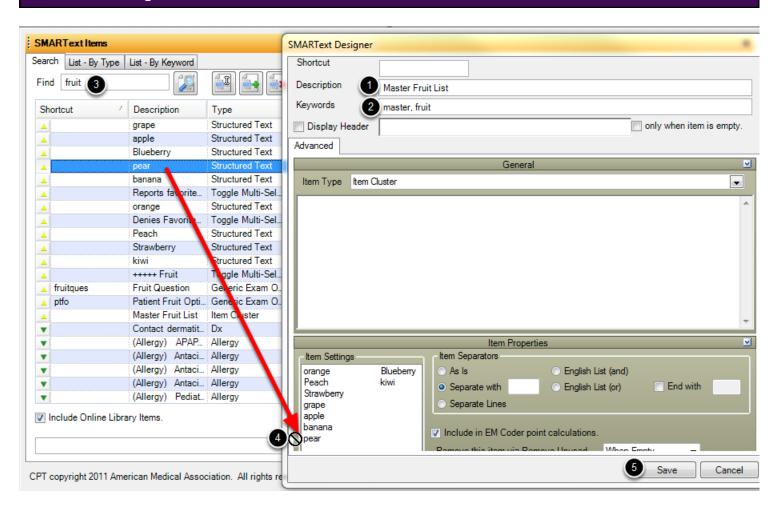
- 1. Click on Docutainers > SMARText Items. (or Click F10 on the keyboard)
- 2. Click on the green plus within the SMARText Items Manager.
- 3. Click "Custom" and Click on the drop-down arrow.
- 4. Click on the + (expander node) next to Generic. Then Click on the + next to Lists, and



Double-click on Item Cluster.

Click Create.

SMARText Designer: Item Cluster



An Item Cluster does not require or need a shortcut

- 1. Give Item Cluster a description.
- 2. Give Item Cluster keywords. (all keywords need to be separated by a comma and space and be sure to have a unifying keyword that will be used for quick retrieval of all a user's SMARText created items)

Drag the SMARText Items Manager to the left side of the screen and the SMARText Designer to the right side of the screen.

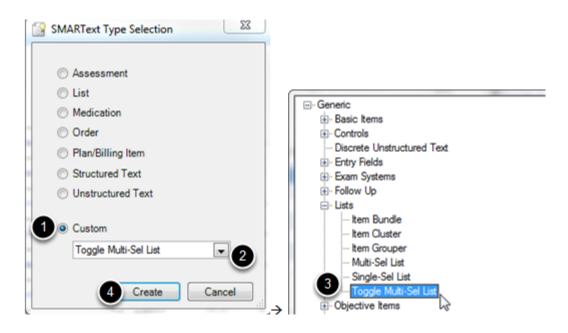


- 3. In the SMARText Items Manager, type in the unifying keyword of the structured items for quick retrieval. In this case, our unifying keyword is, fruit.
- 4. One at a time, Click to highlight, then drag and drop each individual structured item into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer. The user will see a circle with a line through it-while holding a left-click of the mouse--until the user sees an arrow, meaning he/she is in the clear to release the left-click, and the structured item will be placed into the Item Cluster.

Repeat step 4 until all structured items and placed within the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer.

Click Save.

Step 3 - Create a Toggle Multi-Sel List



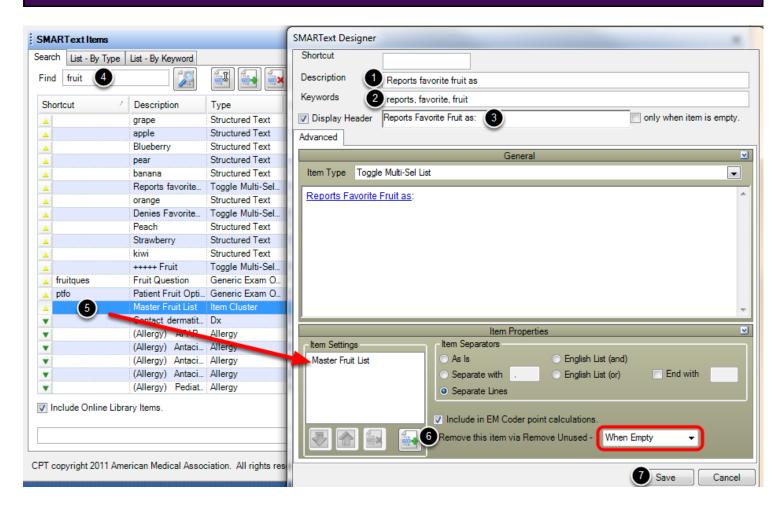
It is time to create a Toggle Multi-Sel SMARText item for each header the user wants the structured items he/she previously built in this lesson, to toggle between while documenting. For this example, we are going to create a toggle multi-sel list for "Reports favorite fruit as." A user could also create another list for what the patient denies. Users could even create lists for positive findings, as well as one for negative findings.

Unseen in the screen shot above...Click on Docutainers on the menu bar, and Select SMARText Items. Click on the green plus within the SMARText Items Manager.



- 1. Click on the radio button next to "Custom."
- 2. Click on the drop-down arrow.
- 3. Click on the + (expander node) next to Generic. Then Click on the + next to Lists, and Double-click on Toggle Multi-Sel List.
- 4. Click Create.

SMARText Designer: Toggle Multi-Sel List



A Toggle Multi-Sel List does not require or need a shortcut

- 1. Give the list a description.
- 2. Give the list keywords. (all keywords need to be separated by a comma and space and be sure to have a unifying keyword that will be used for quick retrieval of all a user's SMARText created items)

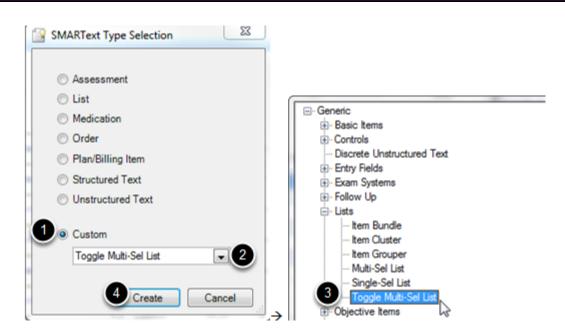


3. Give the list a Display Header. The header will be what displays within the documentation.

Drag the SMARText Items Manager to the left side of the screen and the SMARText Designer to the right side of the screen.

- 4. In the SMARText Items Manager, type in the unifying keyword of the item cluster we made previously, for quick retrieval. In this case, our unifying keyword is, fruit.
- 5. Click to highlight, then drag and drop the item cluster into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer. The user will see a circle with a line through it-while holding a left-click of the mouse--until the user sees an arrow, meaning he/she is in the clear to release the left-click, and the item cluster will be placed into the Toggle Multi-Sel list.
- 6. Under "Remove this item via Removed Unused," Select "When Empty."
- Click Save.

Repeat steps 1-7 for the next Toggle Multi-Sel List-such as "denies favorite fruit as."



Step 4 - Create a SMARTips Toggle Multi-Sel List

ASMARTips Toggle Multi-Sel list will always be the final multi-sel list created in this process. The user will use SMARTips, as his/her display header, and this list will function as a holding place for all toggle items.

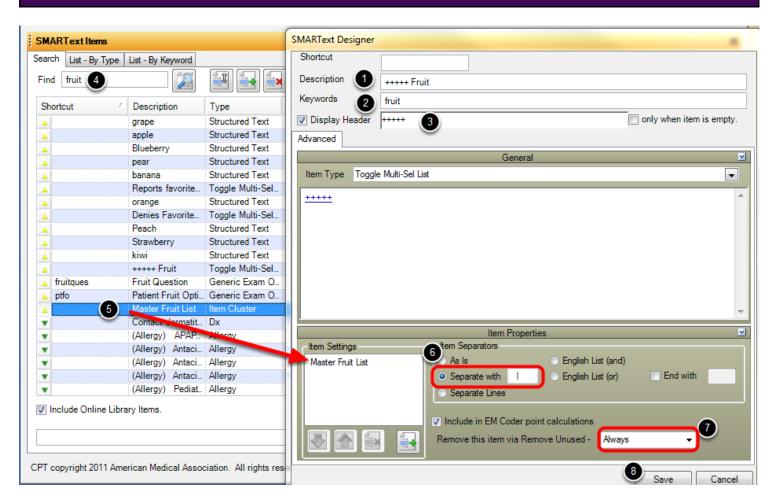
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Items. Click on the green plus within the SMARText Items Manager.

- 1. Click on the radio button next to "Custom."
- 2. Click on the drop-down arrow.
- 3. Click on the + (expander node) next to Generic. Then Click on the + next to Lists, and Double-click on Toggle Multi-Sel List.
- 4. Click Create.

SMARText Designer: SMARTips Toggle Multi-Sel List



A SMARTips Toggle Multi-Sel List does not require or need a shortcut

- 1. For the description of a SMARTips Toggle Multi-Sel list, use five + signs and the name of the Toggle Multi-Sel List. For this example, we typed +++++ [space] Fruit.
- 2. Give the list keywords. (all keywords need to be separated by a comma and space and be sure to have a unifying keyword that will be used for quick retrieval of all a user's SMARText created



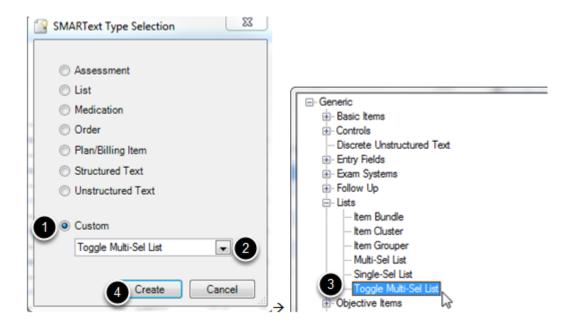
items)

3. As the display header type, +++++.

Drag the SMARText Items Manager to the left side of the screen and the SMARText Designer to the right side of the screen.

- 4. In the SMARText Items Manager, type in the unifying keyword of the item cluster we made previously, for quick retrieval. In this case, our unifying keyword is, fruit.
- 5. Click to highlight, then drag and drop the item cluster into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer. The user will see a circle with a line through it-while holding a left-click of the mouse--until the user sees an arrow, meaning he/she is in the clear to release the left-click, and the item cluster will be placed into the Toggle Multi-Sel list.
- Under "Item Separators," Click "Separate with." In the box to the right of "Separate with," indicate to separate with [space] [space] [space]
- 7. Under "Remove this item via Removed Unused," Select "Always."
- 8. Click Save.

Step 5 - Create the Main Toggle Multi-Sel List



We are now going to create the main toggle multi-sel list, which will house all of the previous multi-sel lists we made.

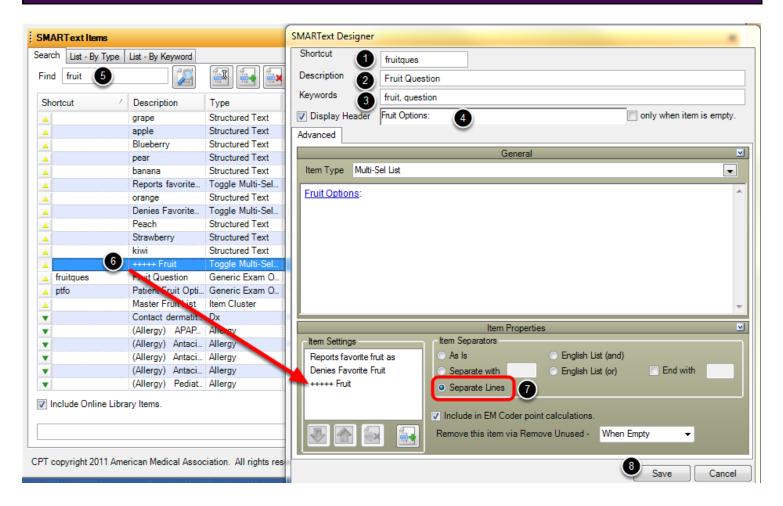
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Items. Click on the green plus within the SMARText Items Manager.

- 1. Click on the radio button next to "Custom."
- 2. Click on the drop-down arrow.
- 3. Click on the + (expander node) next to Generic. Then Click on the + next to Lists, and Double-click on Toggle Multi-Sel List.
- 4. Click Create.

SMARText Designer: Main Multi-Sel List [Part 1]

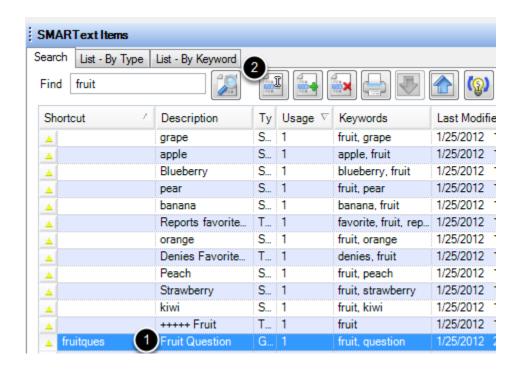


- 1. This list WILL need a shortcut!
- 2. Give the list a description.
- 3. Give the list keywords. (all keywords need to be separated by a comma and space and be sure to have a unifying keyword that will be used for quick retrieval of all a user's SMARText created items)
- 4. Give the list a display header.



- 5. In the SMARText Items Manager, type in the unifying keyword of all the multi-sel lists we made previously, for quick retrieval. In this case, our unifying keyword is, fruit.
- 6. Click to highlight, then drag and drop each multi-sel list into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer. The user will see a circle with a line through it-while holding a left-click of the mouse--until the user sees an arrow, meaning he/she is in the clear to release the left-click, and the Toggle and SMARTips multi-sel lists, will be placed into the main Toggle Multi-Sel list.
- 7. Under "Item Separators," Click "Separate Lines."
- 8. Click Save.

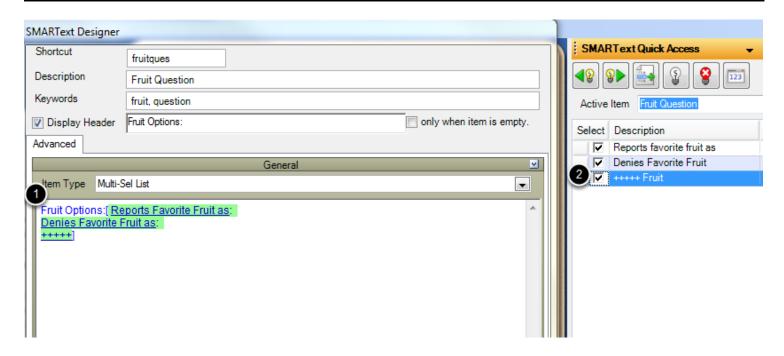
Step 6 - Edit the Main Toggle Multi-Sel List



- 1. Click to highlight the main toggle multi-sel list.
- 2. Click the edit button.



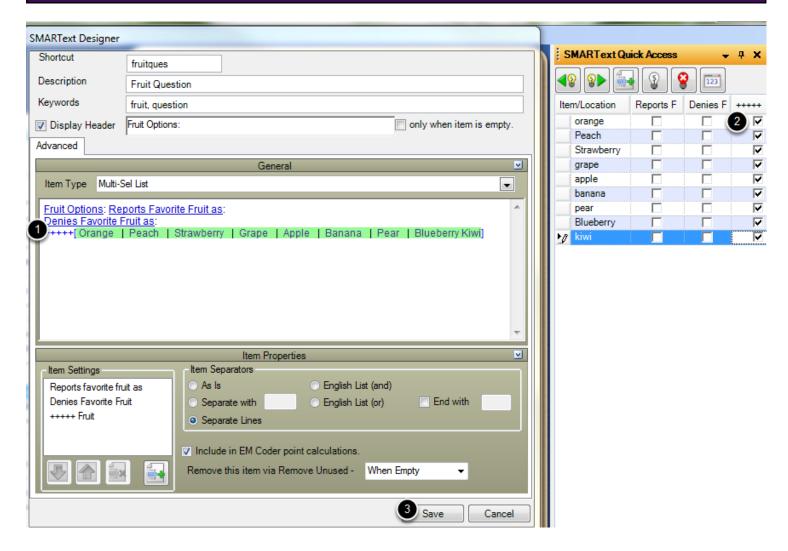
SMARText Designer: Main Multi-Sel List [Part 2]



- 1. Click on the main header (in our case, Fruit Options) within the large white box. This will bring up SMARText Quick Access.
- 2. Select each toggle multi-sel list in SMARText Quick Access, in the order desired. This will place each sub header within the large white box.



SMARText Designer: Main Multi-Sel List [Part 3]



- 1. Click on the SMARTips header within the large white box. This will bring up the individual structured items within SMARText Quick Access.
- 2. Select each structured item, under the SMARTips column within SMARText Quick Access. The structured item will now be visible within the large white box within the SMARText Designer.
- Click Save.

Step 7 - Insert Main Toggle into SOAPnote

It's time to insert the toggle into a SOAPnote!

Type your main toggle multi-sel list shortcut into the active header, then hit the F11 button on the



keyboard to access the local database since this is the first time the toggle is being used. (for future occasions of using the toggle, the user can just insert the shortcut and press the space bar)

How to Use the Toggle

Objective

Fruit Options: Reports Favorite Fruit as: Peach, Pear Denjes Favorite Fruit as: Strawberry, Kiwi
+++++ Orange | Grape | Apple | Banana | Blueberry

Double-click on a structured item within the SMARTips header, and the item will be placed under the first toggle list. (in our case, Reports Favorite Fruit as:)

Double-click on a SMARTips structured item that has been placed in the first toggle list, to send the item to the second toggle list. (in our case, Denies Favorite Fruit as:)

Extra Tid Bit



Should a user place a structured item under one of the toggles in the documentation and desire to remove that item from one of the toggle lists, in order to place it back into the SMARTips list, follow the steps listed below.

- 1. Click on the SMARTips header.
- 2. Re-check the structured item under the SMARTips column within SMARText Quick Access.

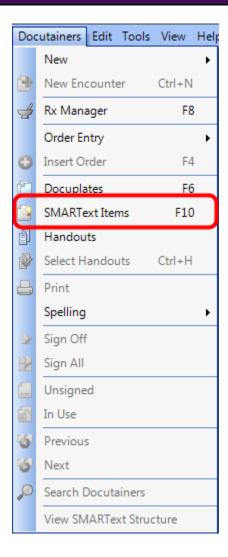


Create Item Clusters and Bundles

An Item Cluster contains a group of structured SMARText items that can be placed inside different multi-sel pick lists, bundles and groupers. Examples of structured SMARText items that might be used in a "Severity" cluster would be: "Mild," "Moderate," and "Severe."

*Note: It is not possible to insert an Item cluster directly into a patients chart.

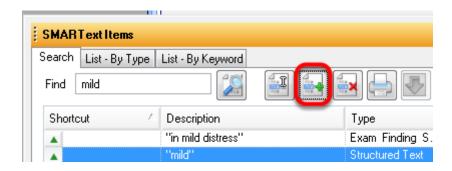
Open the SMARText Items Manager



Open the SMARText Items Manager by going to Docutainers > SMARText Items or by pressing F10 on the keyboard.

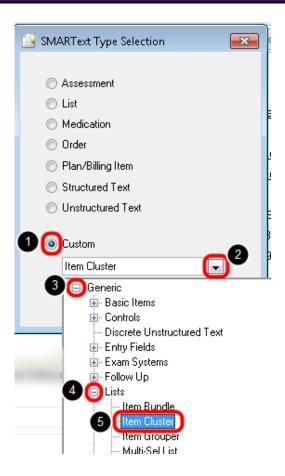


Create the Cluster



To create a SMARText Cluster, Click on the Create New button (green plus).

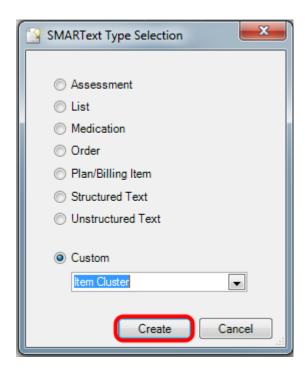
Select the SMARText Type



- 1. Select the "Custom" radio button
- 2. Click on the drop-down arrow
- 3. Click on the + (expander node) next to Generic.



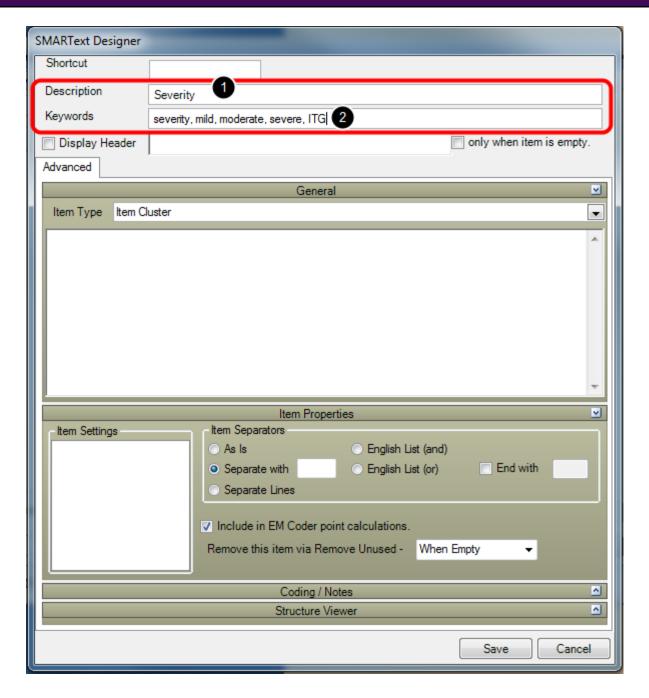
- 4. Click on the + next to Lists
- 5. Double-click on Item Cluster



After the Item Cluster type has been selected, Click the Create button.



Enter Cluster Demographics

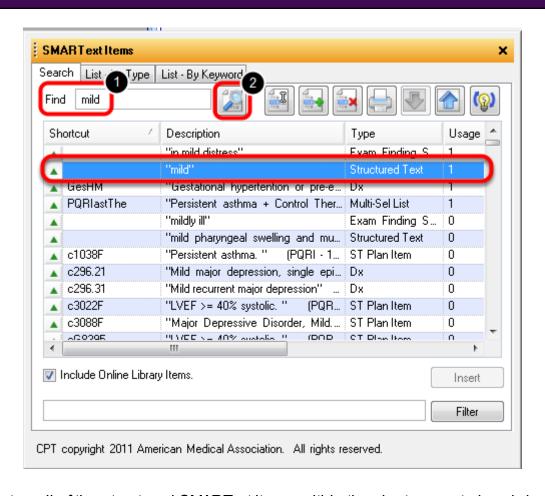


- 1. **Description**: Create a description for the item cluster.
- 2. **Keywords**: Create keywords for the item cluster (All keywords should be one word separated by a comma and a space. We also recommend placing a unique keyword for the clinic on all SMARText items that are created.)



*Note: Item clusters cannot be inserted directly into the patient's chart, therefore, it is not necessary to insert a **Shortcut** or **Display Header** for item clusters.

Locate Sub-Items



To build a cluster, all of the structured SMARText items within the cluster must already be created. Structured SMARText items can be found by searching for the item in the SMARText Items Manager.

To search for an existing SMARText item:

- 1. Type in a keyword for the structured SMARText item.
- 2. Click on the Search button (the magnifying glass) to perform the search.



For instructions on how to create Structured SMARText items, please see: **Create Structured SMARText Items**.

Place Structured SMARText Items into the Cluster SMARText Designer Shortcut Description SMARTextitems Keywords severity, mild, moderate, severe Search List - By Type List - B Display Header only when item is empty. Find moderate Advanced Shortcut Description ▲ DepM Dχ "Depression, Major, Single Episo... Item Type Item Cluster 'in moderate distress (2) Bipolar affective disorder, depres... ▲ ModChrOPD Moderate chronic obstructive pul... Dx PQBlastThe ent asthma + Control Ther... Multi-SelLis Drag and Drop each "moderate Structured 1 Structured Text Item into Moderate ▲ BipMan the Item Setting Box "Bipolar affective disorder Dx ▲ c1038F "Persistent asthma. " (PQRI ST Plan Ite ▲ c296.32 "Moderate recurrent major depres 111 17EE 780% AF 6 ~2021E Include Online Library Items Item Settings Item Separators English List (and) English List (or) End with Separate Lines CPT copyright 2011 American Medical Association. All rights reserved. Include in EM Coder point calculations n header here to group by that column. ∇ Name Owner

Drag the SMARText Items Manager to the left side of the screen and the SMARText Designer to the right side of the screen.

- 1. Search for and locate each Structured Text item that will be placed in the item cluster (as described in the previous step).
- 2. Drag and drop each of the structured items into the Item Settings box within the SMARText Designer window. Repeat this step until all structured items are placed in the Item Settings box of the SMARText Designer.
- 3. In the Item Separators area of the SMARText Designer window, select the desired separator. This setting will tell the item cluster (if multiple items are selected from the cluster) how to display the items within the users documentation. (Ex: If "Separate Lines" is selected, the items would display on separate lines when inserted into the documentation. If "English List (and)" is selected, the items would display as follows: "mild, moderate, and severe" when



entered inserted into the documentation.)

4. Click the Save button to save thew new item cluster.

For another example of the steps just listed, refer to "Step 2" of the lesson found here: **Step 2**: **Create an Item Cluster**.

Insert the Cluster into a Pick List SMARText Designer Shortcut ppain Description Patient states their pain is: SMART ext Items Keywords patient, states, severity, pain, list, jb, itg Search List - By Type List - By Keyword Display Header Patient states their pain is nly when item is empty Advanced Item Type Multi-Sel List HPI Finding Spec ecent blood sugar was "highest recent peak flow was-" HPI Finding Spec HPI Finding Spec d pressure wa.. Least m... HPI Finding Spec 'measures blood sugar "length in cm-" HPI Finding Spec HPI Finding Spec "measures blood pressure at lea 'average blood sugar is-" inding Spec "measures peak flow at least mon... HPI Find HPI Finding Sp "defect of-" Item Properties Include Online Library Items. Item Settings Item Separators AsIs English List (and) Filter English List (or) End with Separate with Separate Lines CPT copyright 2011 American Medical Association. All rights reserved. Include in EM Coder point calculations. ader here to group by that column. Remove this item via Remove Unused -When Empty Status

The cluster has now been created and may be inserted into multiple pick lists.

Not shown in the screenshot above:

Open the SMARText Item Manager by Clicking on Docutainers > SMARText Items from the menu, or Click F10 on the keyboard.

Click on the green plus.

Click "Custom," and from the drop-down arrow, Click to expand the node by Generic, and well as Lists, and Select "Multi-Sel List."

As shown in the screenshot above:



- In the Designer, give the pick list a shortcut, description, keywords, and a display header. In this example our header that will display in the documentation is: "Patient states their pain is:."
- 2. Type in the keyword for searching purposes into the SMARText Item Manager and Click on the Search button.
- 3. Highlight the Cluster and drop and drop the Cluster into the Item Settings box within the Designer.

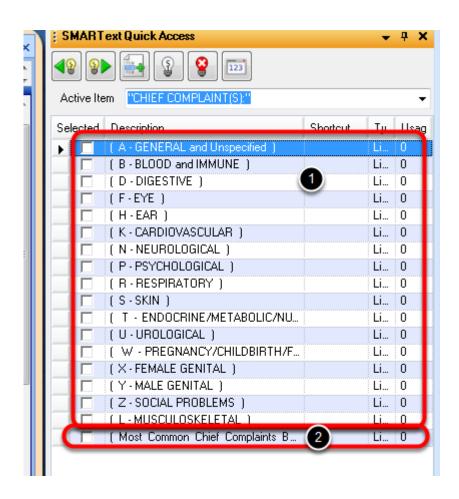
Always Click Save.

The new pick list is ready for use within the patient's chart. Just enter the keyword given to this pick list and Click enter on your keyboard!

Item Bundles vs Item Clusters

Item Bundles are created with the same steps as Item Clusters, however, they will display differently within SMARText Quick Access. Also, just like clusters, bundles cannot be placed directly into a patient's chart and must be placed within another type of SMARText list.





In the example above, the Chief Complaint Pick list contains one Cluster and one Bundle. The cluster automatically displays all of the sub-items while the bundle must be checked within Quick Access, to display it's sub-items.

- 1. Item Cluster
- 2. Item Bundle

The choice between creating an Item Cluster verses an Item Bundle all depends on how the user wishes for the sub-items to display within the pick list.

Creating Item Bundles Using SMARText Item Builder

Item Bundles can also be created using the SMARText Item Builder workspace. For instructions on creating bundles using this workspace, please see: **List Creator**.



Create an Item Grouper

Item Groupers are SMARText items that, when inserted to a patient's chart, enter multiple pick lists, in a particular sequence, at one time.

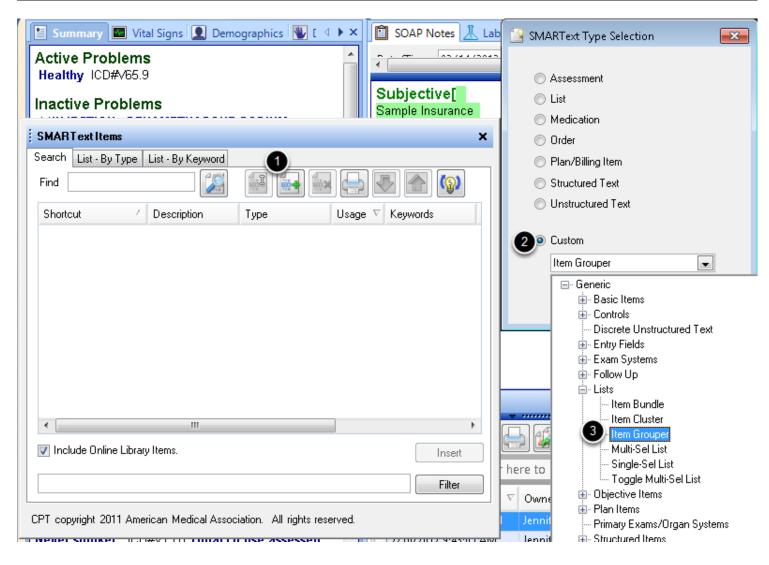
Example of an Item Grouper

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Family History[
PARENTS:
CHILDREN:
GRANDPARENTS:
SIBLINGS:
UNCLES/AUNTS:
OTHERS/DISTANT:
Positive family history for -
Negative family history for -
]
```

The above image is an example of an Item Grouper within the default Summary docuplate. When the shortcut "fam-" (hit the spacebar after typing in the shortcut) is inserted into the patient's chart, multiple pick lists, that are in a pre-defined order, are inserted automatically.



Create an Item Grouper

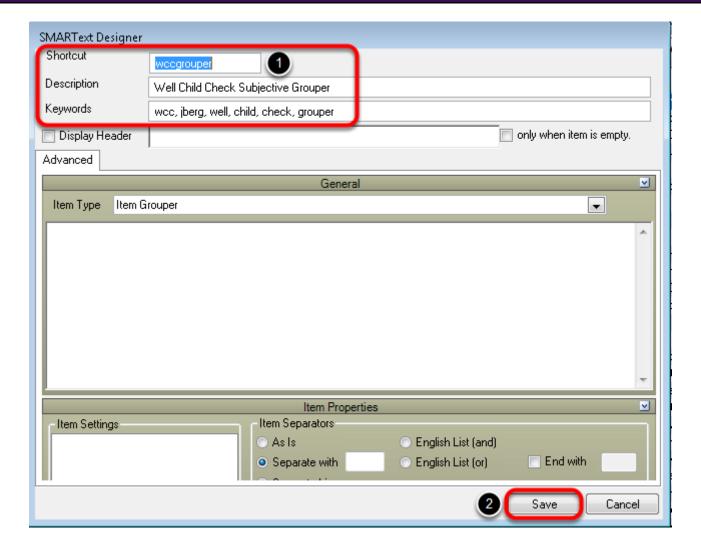


Item Groupers are created in the SMARText Items Manager, then edited in SMARText Builder: Structure Editor.

- 1. Click on the **Green +** to create an Item Grouper
- 2. Select **Custom** in the SMARText Type Selection box
- 3. Click the + next to Lists and select Item Grouper.



SMARText Designer: Item Grouper



- 1. Complete Item Demographics, including the Shortcut code, Description and Keywords.
- 2. Save the Item.

Sub-items to a grouper will need to be inserted using the SMARText Builder: Structure Editor. Please see SMARText Structure Editor for more information.



Create a Custom HPI SMARText Item

This lesson will discuss how to create a custom HPI SMARText item. To complete this lesson, users must have a basic understanding of SMARText items.

Please do not attempt to create a custom HPI item without reviewing the Creating SMARText Items chapter of the Clinical 2012 User Manual and the Create Item Clusters and Bundles lesson in the Advanced SOAPware User Manual.

HPIx

Subjective

HPI:

SYMPTOMS/RELATED: Symptoms include LOCATION: Area of involvement described as

QUALITY/COURSE: Symptoms reported to be

INTENSITY/SEVERITY: Measurement (degree) defined as DURATION: The general length of symptoms is reported to be

ONSET/TIMING: Occurrence reported as CONTEXT/WHEN: Usually associated with MODIFIERS/TREATMENTS: Improved by

The HPI SMARText item shown in the screen shot above is compatible with EM coder. The shortcut for the SOAPware created HPI item is "HPIx". This item contains multiple SMARText items with various item types. Each item must be created with the proper item type and correct hierarchy, or this item will not calculate with EM coder, or operate correctly, when inserted into the patient's chart.



HPI Hierarchy

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5. HENT Ciuster
a. All symptomorie lated items (structured Text)
6. Eyes Ciuster
a. All symptomorie lated items (structured Text)
7. Lung Ciuster
a. All symptomorie lated items (structured Text)
5. Di
8. Shared Ciuster History
d. Shared History Shared History
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ii. NA
iv. unremarkable
v. othewise unremarkable
vi. uncertain
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1. SYMPTOMS/RELATED:

    All Intensity items (structured Text)
    Toggle multi-sell list)
    Intensity/Severity Cluster
    1. All Intensity items (structured Text)

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1. All Modifiers items (structured Text)

e. Past evaluation and/or work-up includes (Toggle multi-sel list)
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    Endocrine Cluster
    A. All symptoms/related items (structured Text)
    Hematologic Lymphatic Cluster
    A. All symptoms/related items (structured Text)

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7. Lung Cluster
a. All symptoms/related items (structured Text)
9. Shared Cluster History
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2. All symptoms/related items (structured Text)

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The HPI SMARText item is similar to a branching tree. The main HPI header is the trunk of the tree. The Symptoms Related, Location, Qualilty/Course, are the branches and the Reports/Denies are the limbs. And finally, the Symptoms are to be considered the leaves.

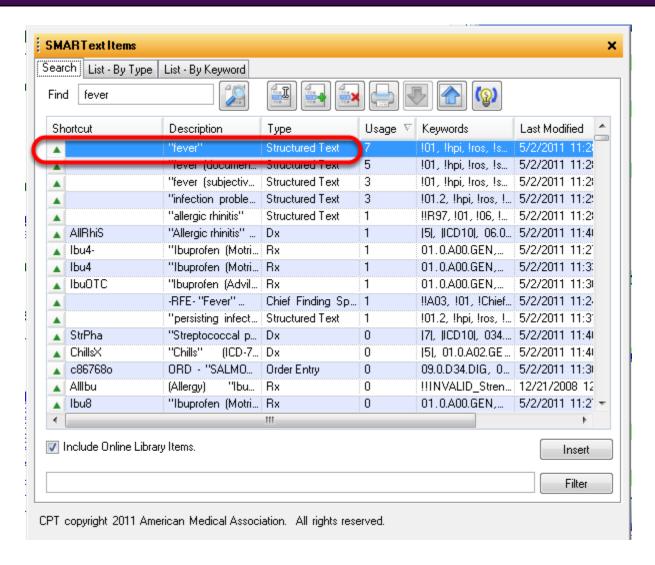
The HPI hierarchy is built backwards, meaning that a user would begin with building the lowest item (the leaves/Symptoms) and work backwards.

Here is a generic list of the steps of creating a custom HPI SMARText item:

- 1. Create or search for the symptoms.
- Place symptoms into clusters (this may be a general cluster or body system specific cluster. Many users create one generic cluster for each HPI Finding item).
- 3. Place those clusters into multi-sel lists.
- Place multi-sel lists into the appropriate HPI Finding item: Symptoms/Related, Location, Quality/Course, Intensivity/Severity, Duration, Onset/timing, Context/When and Modifiers/Treatments.
- 5. Place all of the HPI Finding items inside an HPI SMARText item.



Locate Symptoms



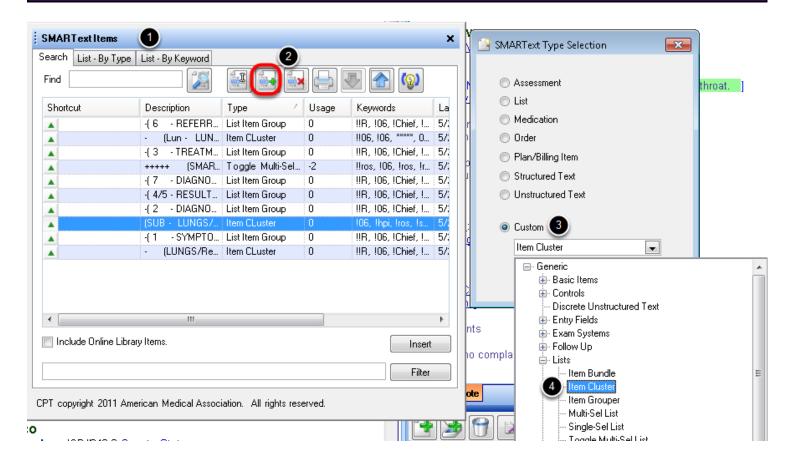
The first step to creating an HPI item is to locate symptoms on the SOAPware Online library, or create these symptoms individually. Symptoms will have an item type of Structured Text.

SOAPware advises using SOAPware-created items when possible, as these contain SNOMED, IPIC and SWIPIC codes in the background.

Should a user need to create his or her own symptom, please refer to Step 1 in the Creating Toggles lesson.



Create a Symptom Cluster

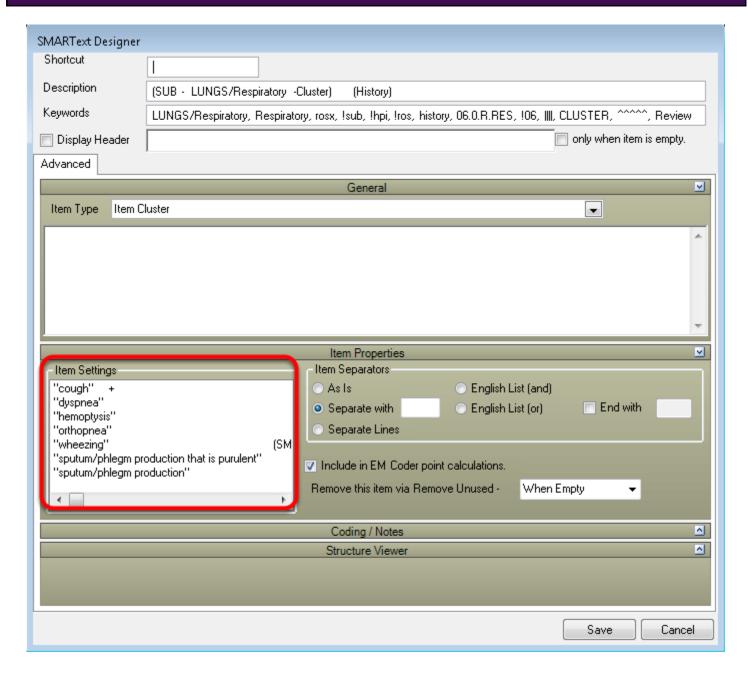


- Open the SMARText Items Manger by pressing F10 on the keyboard (or select Docutainers > SMARText Items from the menu bar).
- Click on the Green + to create a new item.
- 3. In the SMARText Type Selection box, Select **Custom**.
- 4. From the drop down menu, click the expander node next to "**Generic**" as well as "**Lists**", then choose "**Item Cluster**."

Click the Create button.



SMARText Designer: Symptom Cluster



Structured items will then be added to a Cluster in the Items Setting box within SMARText Designer. The screen shot above shows structured respiratory symptoms that have been placed in a "Lungs" cluster. It is not necessary to create a unique cluster for each body system, as many users simply create one generic cluster to be placed in the items under each HPI Finding item.

For information on how to create a cluster, see Step 2 of the lesson, Creating Toggles or review

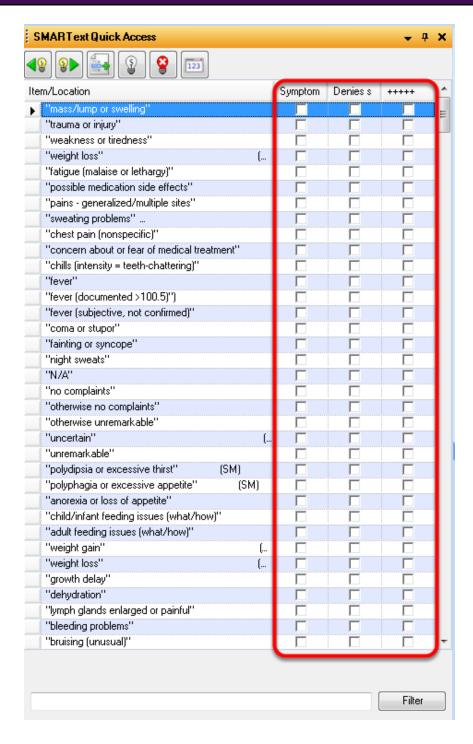


the lesson, Create Item Clusters and Bundles.

*Note: This step will be need to be repeated as necessary, to create clusters for each HPI Finding.



Create a Multi-Sel List



AMulti- Sel list is designed to allow the user to have the same choices in each list and select from multiple lists at all at once within SMARText Quick Access window-as shown above.

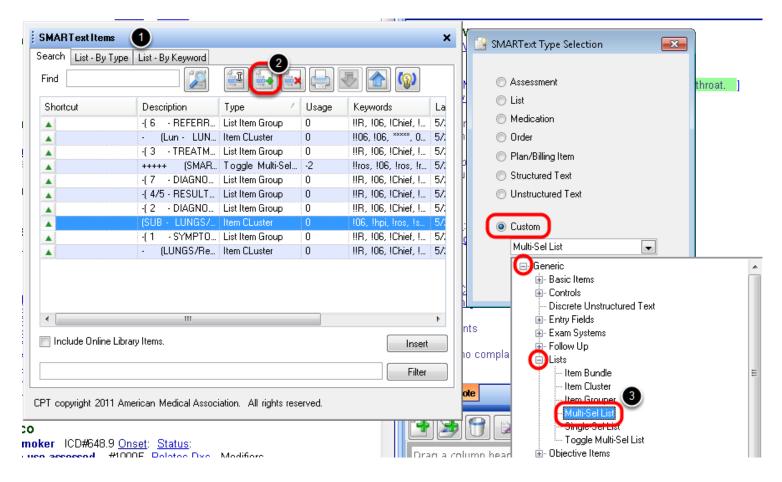
After the cluster has been created, Multi-Sel lists for Reports and Denies must be created. If the



user would like to use the toggle feature (+++++), known as SMARTips, this would be the time to create this feature. To learn how to create a Multi-Sel List, please start at Step 3 on the Creating Toggles lesson.

The image above shows that when a user clicks on either Reports symptoms of, Denies symptoms. or SMARTips (+++++) the same list of symptoms will appear.

Note: If an item is selected under Reports it cannot be selected under Denies as well.



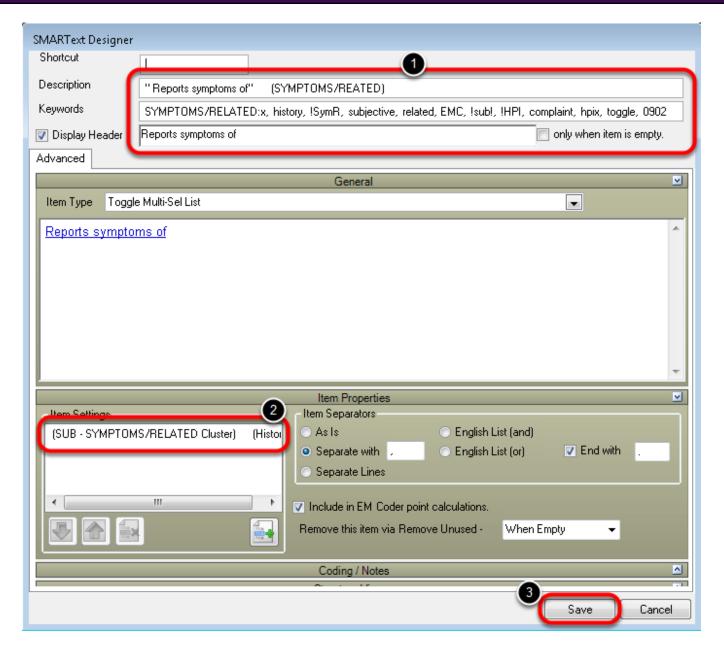
- Open the SMARText Items Manger by pressing F10 on the keyboard (or select Docutainers > SMARText Items from the menu bar).
- 2. Click on the **Green +** to create a new item.
- 3. In the SMARText Type Selection box select **Custom**, click on the expander nodes (+) next to "**Generic**" and "**Lists**", then choose "**Multi-Sel List**."

Click Create.



The cluster of symptoms/choices will be placed within each of the multi-sel lists: Symptoms include, Denies Symptoms or SMARTips(+++++). Basically the same cluster has been placed within each of these separate Multi-Sel lists.

Add the Cluster to the Multi-Sel Lists



1. Complete the Description, Keywords (remember to include a unique keyword for easy retrieval purposes) and Display Header for the list. **Note:** It is not necessary to create a shortcut as this list will be placed inside of another SMARText item.

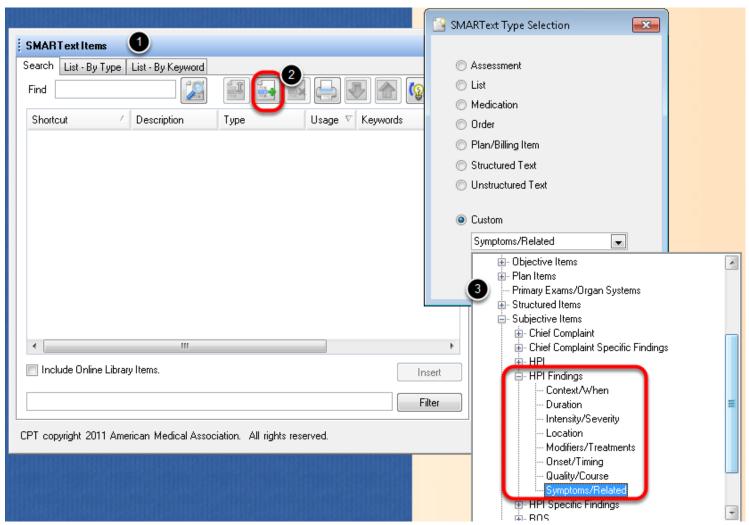


- 2. Drag and drop the Cluster into the Items Settings box, from the SMARText Items Manager.
- Click Save.

Repeat this process for each of the 3 lists, for all HPI Finding items:

- Reports symptoms of
- Denies Symptoms of
- +++++

Create the HPI Finding Item



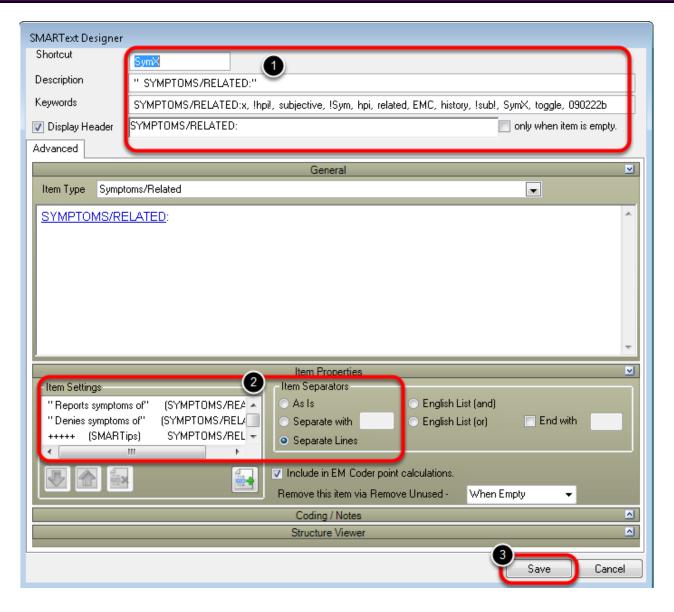
- Open the SMARText Items Manger by pressing F10 on the keyboard (or select Docutainers > SMARText Items from the menu bar).
- 2. Click on the **Green +** to create a new item.



3. In the SMARText Type Selection box select Custom, click on the expander nodes (+) next to "Generic", "Subjective Items", and "HPI Findings" then choose the desired HPI Finding which in this case is "Symptoms/Related."

Click Create.

SMARText Designer: HPI Finding Item



- 1. Complete the Shortcut, Description, Keywords and Display Header for the list.
- 2. Drag and drop the Multi-Sel lists for Reports, Denies and SMARTips (+++++), in the Items Settings box from the SMARText Items Manager. Also indicate in the Item Properties area to



have "Separate Lines."

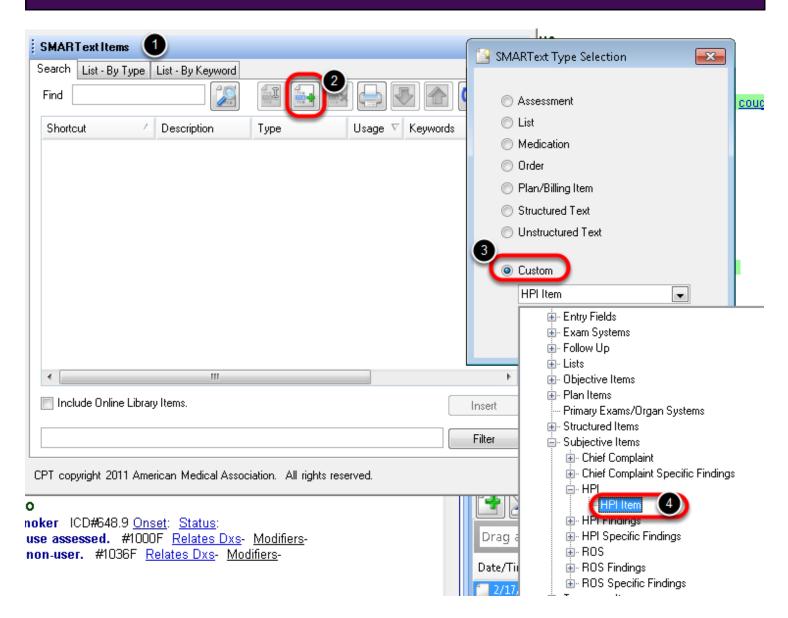
3. Click Save.

Repeat this process for all of the following Multi-Sel lists if desired:

- Context/When
- Duration
- Intensivity/Severity
- Location
- Modifiers/Treatments
- Quality Course
- Symptoms/Related



Create the HPI Item

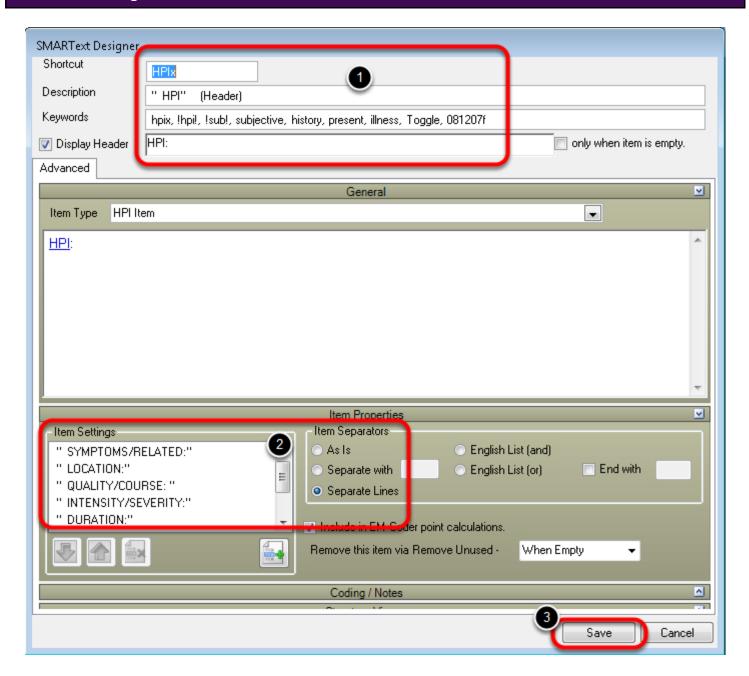


- Open the SMARText Items Manger by pressing F10 on the keyboard (or select Docutainers > SMARText Items from the menu bar).
- 2. Click on the **Green +** to create a new item.
- 3. In the SMARText Type Selection box select **Custom**, click on the expander nodes (+) next to "**Generic**", "**Subjective Items**", and "**HPI**".
- Select "HPI Item".

Click Create.



SMARText Designer: HPI Item



- 1. Complete the Shortcut, Description, Keywords and Display Header for the list.
- Drag and drop the HPI Finding items in the Items Settings box from the SMARText Items
 Manager. Also indicate in the Item Properties area to have "Separate Lines."
- 3. Click Save.

The HPI item is now complete and may be inserted to the patient's chart or desired docuplate.



Using Document Designer Commands in a SOAPnote

Several Document Designer data item commands can be used to pull information from other parts of the patients chart, provider manager, contact manager, or the patient's account. This lesson will discuss how to use the data item commands within the SOAPnote and how to create a docuplate using data item commands.

Example of a Docuplate that Contains Data Item Commands

EXAMPLE DOCUPLATE

Subjective

#\$FirstName\$# is a #\$Age\$# year old (Date of Birth: #\$GeneralDemographicsField Birthdate\$#) #\$Gender male,female\$# and is here today for the following: #\$AskQuestion Patient is here for:,...\$# CHIEF COMPLAINT(S):

MEDICAL HISTORY REVIEWED TODAY:

CURRENT DIAGNOSIS:

#\$SummaryField Active Problems\$#

CURRENT MEDICATIONS: #\$SummaryField Medications\$#

ALLERGIES:

#\$SummaryField Allergies\$#

FAMILY HISTORY:

#\$SummaryField Family History\$#

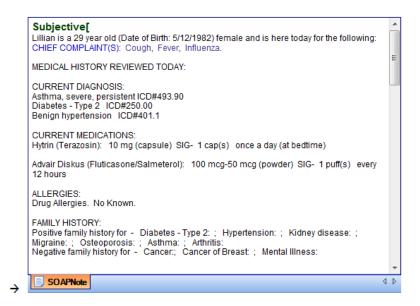
SMOKING STATUS: #\$SummaryField Tobacco\$#

ALCOHOL USAGE:

#\$SummaryField Alcohol\$#

SOCIAL HISTORY: #\$SummaryField Social History\$#

AFTER DOCUPLATE HAS BEEN INSERTED INTO A SOAPNOTE



Document Designer contains multiple data item commands that can pull information from various areas of SOAPware, and place information on a printable document. Data items can come from the patients chart, Provider Manager, Contact Manager and a patient's account.

Many of these data item commands may also be placed into a docuplate. When the docuplate is inserted into the patient's chart, the data item command will automatically place the desired information into the patient's chart.

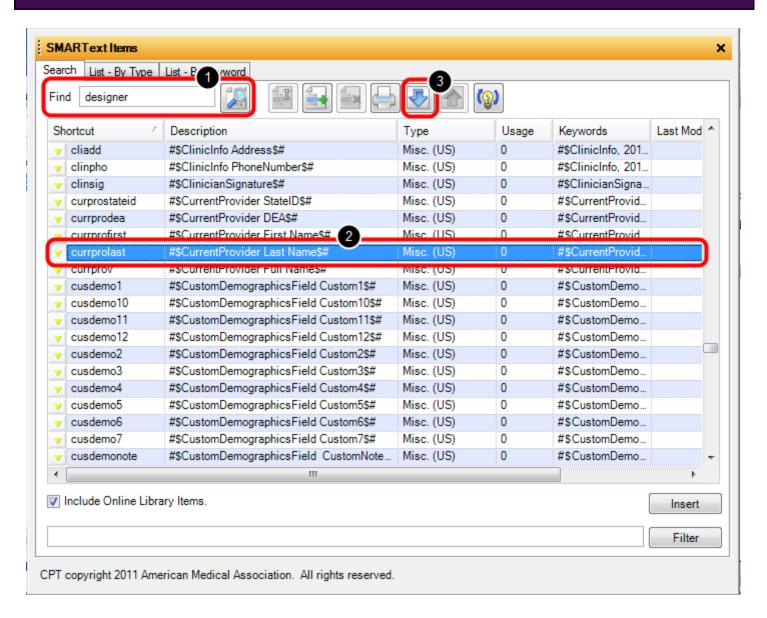
There are several exceptions and specific behaviors that must be understood before attempting to use these data item commands...

Data Commands CANNOT be cut and pasted into the patient's chart.



- Data Commands or SMARText items for data commands must be inserted within the Docuplate Manager, WITHOUT a patient chart open.
- Data Commands for Contact Manager CANNOT be used in the patient's chart.
- Data Commands or SMARText items for data commands CANNOT be used in a Default SOAPnote or Summary Docuplate.

SMARText Items for Data Commands



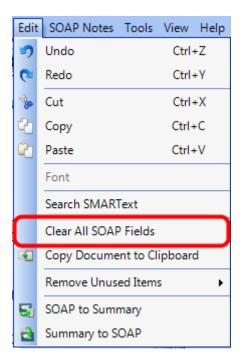
SOAPware has created unstructured SMARText items for all Document Designer commands. The exceptions would be the commands that pull over from contacts, as well as the patient's picture.



These particular commands may be found on the SOAPware online library. To search for them, open the SMARText Items Manager by hitting F10 on your keyboard or by going to Docutainers > SMARText Items.

- 1. Search for the items by using the keyword "designer." Each of these SMARText items have their own unique shortcut code. This shortcut, when inserted into a docuplate or directly into a patient's chart, will automatically enter the corresponding information into the documentation (as shown in the previous example).
- 2. To download an item, highlight the desired item.
- 3. Click the Download button.

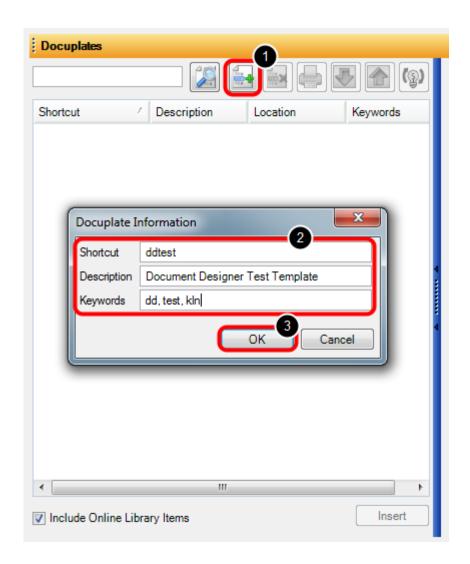
Creating a Docuplate the Contains Document Designer Commands



The following steps will guide the user thorough

- 1. Open a test patients chart
- 2. Create a new SOAPnote
- 3. Clear out all SOAP fields by going to Edit > Clear All SOAP Fields

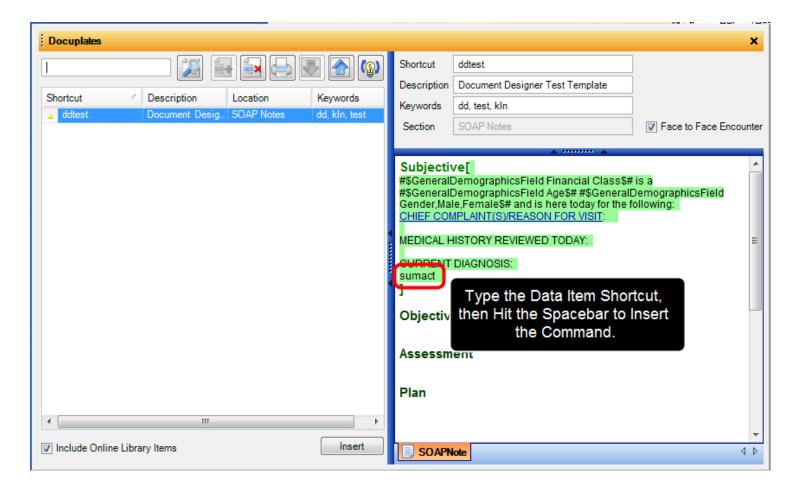




Open the Docuplates Manager by going to Docutainers > Docuplates or by hitting F6 on the keyboard.

- 1. Click the New Docuplate button (green plus) to create a new blank docuplate.
- 2. Enter a Shortcut, Description and Keywords for the new docuplate.
- 3. Click OK.





Now that we have created a blank docuplate, we are ready to add the Document Designer data items to the docuplate. Before adding in the document designer data item commands, remember to close the patient's chart that is opened in the background.

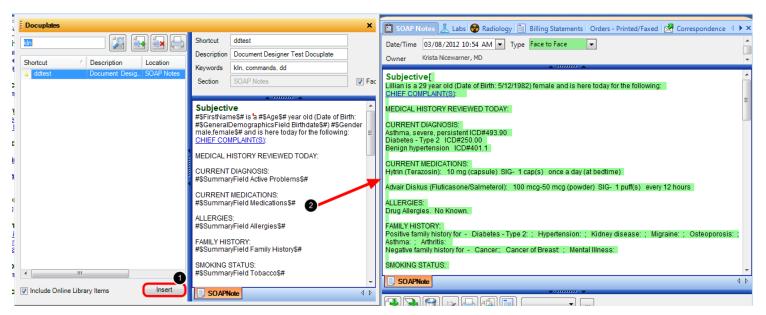
Within the Docuplates Manager (F6) select the new docuplate and edit it within the right side window. Create the docuplate as desired while inserting necessary data item commands using their shortcut codes. For example, type the shortcut code "sumact" then hit the spacebar. This will enter the data item command #\$SummaryField Active Problems\$# which will pull the information from the patient's SummaryActive Problems section and insert it into the SOAPnote once the docuplate is added to the encounter.

Continue creating the docuplate and inserting the shortcut for the desired data item commands. Once the docuplate is complete, it will be automatically saved within the Docuplates Manager.



*Note: Remember that the patient chart must be closed to complete this process. If a chart is open behind the Docuplate Manager, that particular patient's information will be inserted into the docuplate rather than the data item command.

Insert the Edited Docuplate into a Patient's Chart



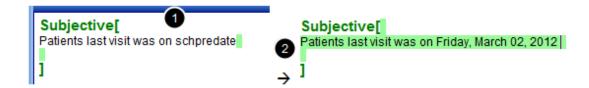
One the user has finished creating the docuplate, it can be inserted into the chart.

- 1. Open a patient's chart and Click "Insert" within the Docuplates Manager
- 2. This will place the docuplate into the patient's chart and convert the data item commands into information that is pulled from other sections of SOAPware.

*Note: Docuplates that contain data item commands, may be used as a user's default docuplate. However, these data item commands will NOT pull information into the patient's chart. In order for the data item commands to work, the docuplate must be inserted into the chart and not used as the default docuplate.



Inserting the Document Designer Data Items Directly into the Patient's Chart



Document Designer data items can also be inserted directly into the patient's chart using their shortcut code. For example, in the screenshot above, we can insert the patients last visit date using the shortcut code "schpredate".

To do this:

- 1. Type in the shortcut code "schpredate"
- 2. Hit the space bar on the keyboard to expand the shortcut code.



Creating a SMARText item for a Provider's Cursive Signature

This lesson will demonstrate how to create a SMARText item that contains a physician's cursive signature. In the lesson on Provider Manager, it was demonstrated how to save the provider's signature into Provider Manager. This lesson will show how to take that signature, and create a SMARText item that can be placed into a docutainer.

Entering the Signature in Provider Manager



First scan the Providers signature using the scanners software, and save on the computer.

- 1. Click on the Select Image button.
- 2. Once the image has been located, double click to insert.
- 3. The image will not immediately be in view. Click on the button with the "-" sign repeated to re-size the image and bring it into view. Note that the size percentage changes as the image is

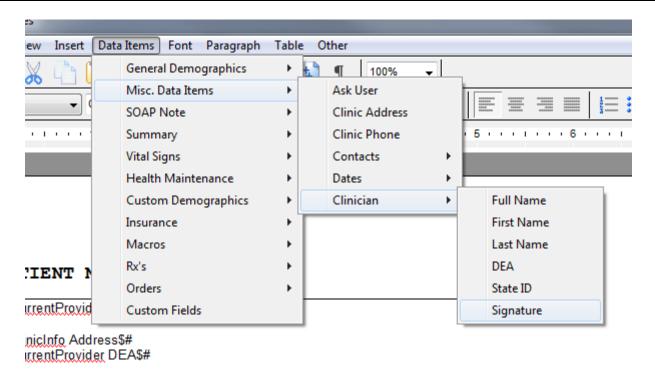


re-sized.

4. To save, Click the Update Button in the lower right hand corner.

To remove the image, simply Click on the Clear button.

Placing Signatures in a Document Design



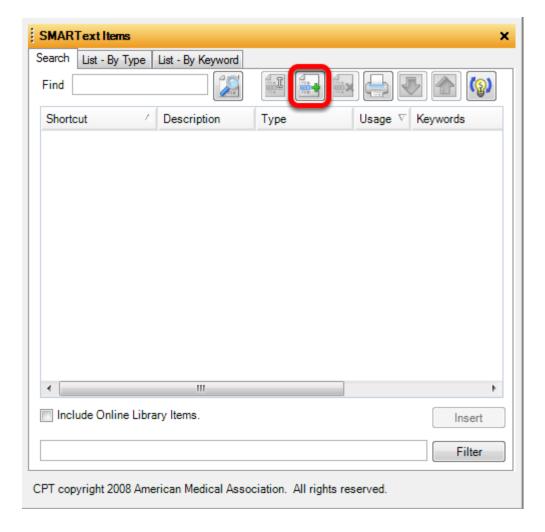
This signature can be placed in a document design for printing for faxing.

To insert a physician's signature on a document design, click Data Items > Misc. Data Items > Clinician > Signature

It is now possible to create a SMARText Signature Item to insert the signature into any docutainer using a shortcut.



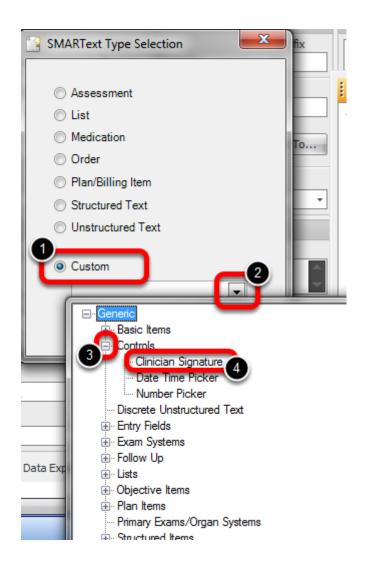
Creating a SMARText Signature Item



Open the SMARText Items Manager by choosing Docutainer > SMARText Items Manager, or Press F10 on the keyboard.

Click on the Green + to create a new SMARText Item.



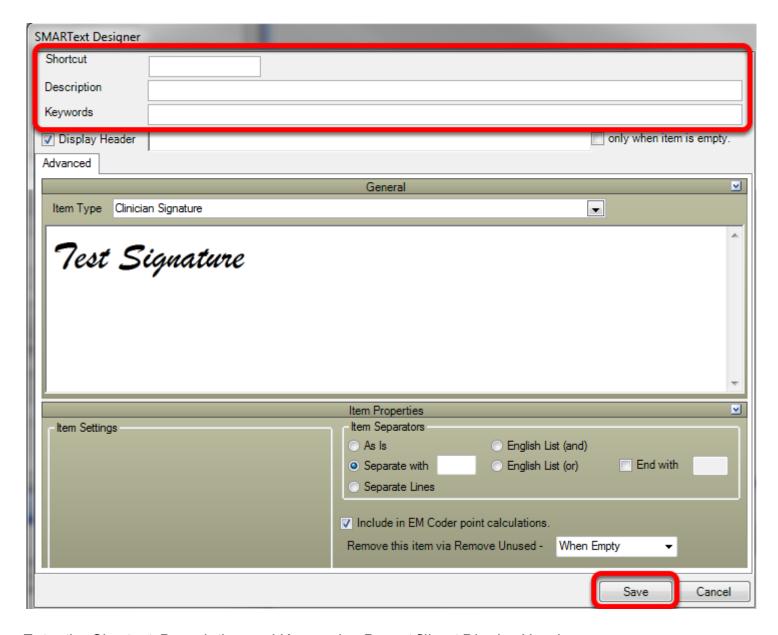


To create a Signature item:

- 1. Click Custom
- 2. Click on the downward facing arrow to display list
- 3. Click on the node next to Controls
- 4. Select Clinician Signature

Click Create.





Enter the Shortcut, Description and Keywords. Do not fill out Display Header.

Click Save.





To insert the SMARText item into the SOAPnote, type in the shortcut in one of the SOAPnote fields, and press the space bar.

The SMARText Item will then be displayed in field.



Creating a Drug Course

Anew concept for SOAPware 2010 and later versions is the ability to have pick lists of customized Drug Courses for each individual medication. Meaning, each Drug Course can be displayed using customized text in the format the user prefers.

What is a Drug Course?

What is a Drug Course? Drug Courses are the directions given (written) when prescribing a medication including, dose, route, frequency, substitutions, refills, etc.

Now, prescription details can match a format the prescribing clinician prefers.

For example, a Drug Course pick list item for Amoxicillin might include:

500mg tab, 1 tid, #30, Substitution-Allowed, R-0 or

250mg chewables 1 po tid for 10 days. Substitution-Not Allowed, 0 Refills

instead of:

500 mg (tablets) Dose- 1 each Freq- 3 times a day Route - orally Quantity-#30 Substitution-Allowed Refills- 0

Drug Courses

The user can create a prescription in whatever format is preferred, and have SOAPware store the values for future use. Even for the same drug, this process can be infinitely repeated to have as many different courses for that drug as desired. Subsequently, when the drug is prescribed, the user simply picks from the list of pre-defined Drug Courses in order to fill in all the prescription sub-items in one step.

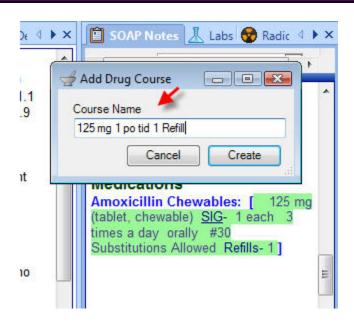
In earlier versions of SOAPware, the user had to first select the drug form, and then select a series of multiple sub-items for each Sig (i.e. Dose, Frequency, Route, etc.), dispense amounts, substitution status and refills. This created the need to have multiple, completed prescriptions for each medication, because a new one had to be created for each set of Form/Sig values.

Other considerations regarding Drug Courses include:



- * Many different medications can have the same Drug Course.
- * Drug Courses can be pre-defined, stored and selected via pick lists.
- * Selecting a particular Drug Course will automatically place that course's values into the prescription.
- * Each Drug Course can be displayed using a user's own custom text (500 mg. tablet BID or 500 mg tab bid etc.).

Creating Drug Courses



IMPORTANT: to use this feature optimally, go to the Tools menu > Options > Structured Rx > Click on the Headers tab and then make sure that there is NOT a check next to "Visible only when empty. Sig Header". Log out of SOAPware and log back in for this to take effect.

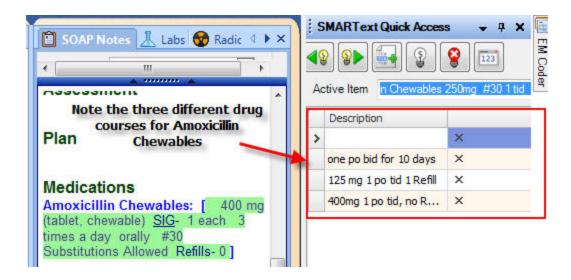
Insert SMARText medication into the medication field of the SOAPnote. To do this, type in the medication name and then press Shift F11 on the keyboard to search SMARText. Double click on the medication to insert it into the field.

Select the strength, SIG, Quantity, Substitutions and Refills.

Now, to create a new Drug Course, Right-click the drug name, and Click the Store Drug Course menu item. In the Store Drug Course dialog, Type the the Drug Course Description, for example, 125 mg 1 po tid. Click Create.



Create as Many Courses as Needed for the Medication



Repeat the above steps for as many Drug Courses as needed for the medication.

Removing a Course

To remove a course, Click the X that is located in Quick Access next to the Description of the one to remove.

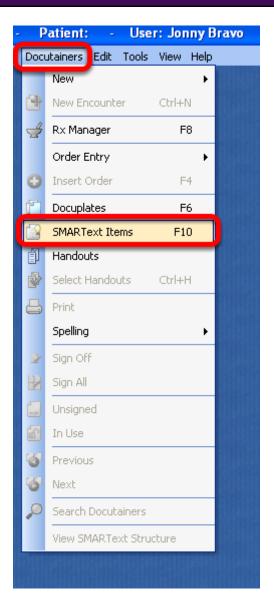


Creating SMARText Prescriptions for Durable Medical Supplies

Durable Medical Supplies can now be created as SMARText Items and <u>printed</u> or <u>faxed</u> from the Rx Manager.

In this lesson we are going to create a prescription for Lancets.

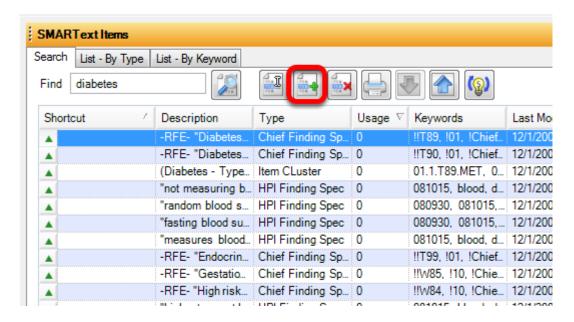
Accessing the SMARText Items Manager



- 1) Click on Docutainers on the Menu Bar
- 2) Click on SMARText Items

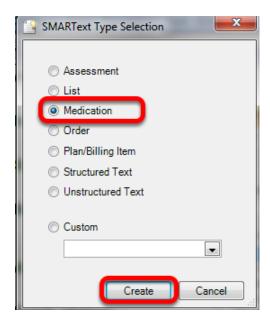


Creating a New Item



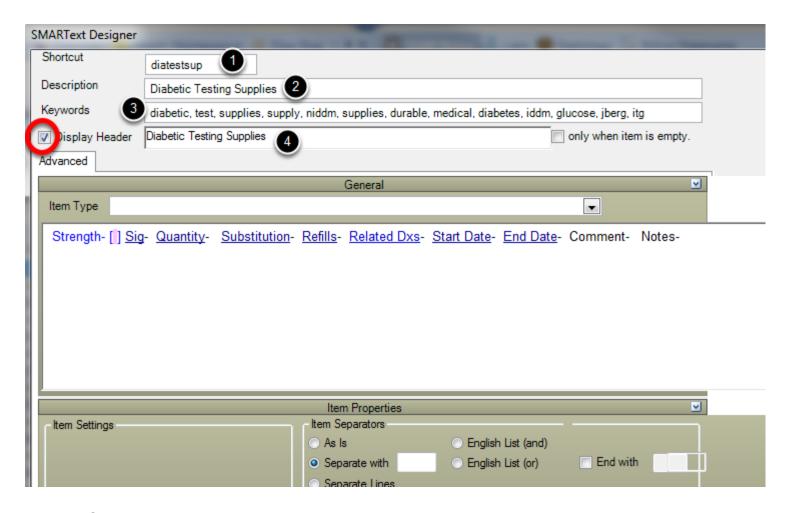
1) Click on the Green + to create a Medication Item.

*Note: this should only be done when creating DME Items. Prescription medications should be duplicated and then edited. See Creating SMARText Items in the SMARText Items Manager.



- 1) Click the radio button next to Medication.
- 2) Click Create.

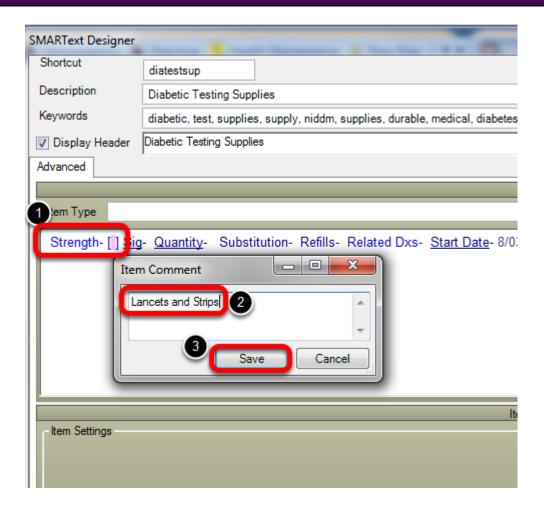




- 1) Enter Shortcut
- 2) Enter Description.
- 3) Enter Keywords
- 4) Check Box next to Display Header and Enter "Diabetic Testing Supplies."



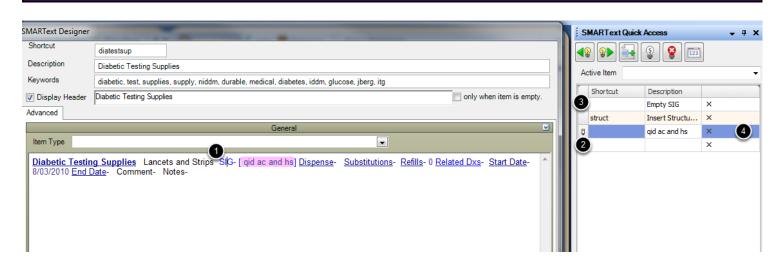
Entering the Strength



- 1) Left-click on Strength to bring up the Item Comment box.
- 2) Type in the Item Comment box "Lancets and Strips."
- 3) Click Save.



Entering the Sig



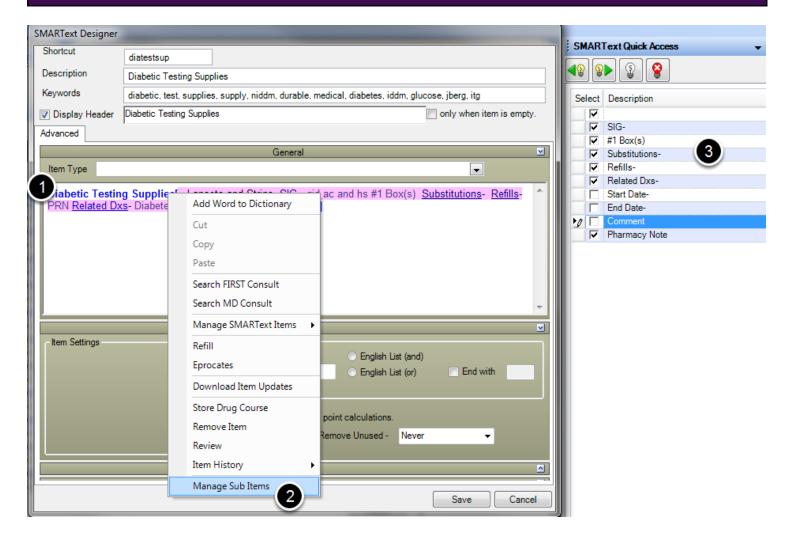
- 1) Left-click over Sig.
- 2) Create a new Sig by clicking in the blank sig line in the SMART Quick Access and enter personal Sig.
- 3) Click on the Empty SIG to save the newly created sig.
- 4) Click on the sig created to Insert this into the SMARText item.



Fill in Dispense number, Substitutions, and Refills.



Removing Sub Items



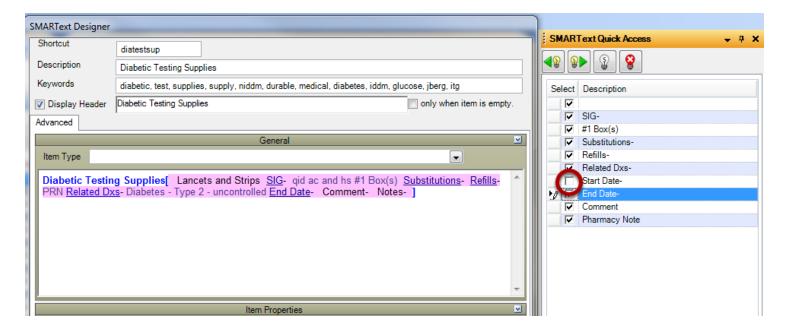
The SMARText item will have sub items associated with a medication.

To remove the sub items not needed:

- 1) Right-click over the SMARText header.
- 2) Choose "Manage Sub items."
- 3) In the SMARText Quick Access, un-check the sub items not needed, leaving only the sub Items Strength, Sig, Quantity, Substitutions Refills, and Related Dx.

DO NOT CLICK SAVE AT THIS POINT

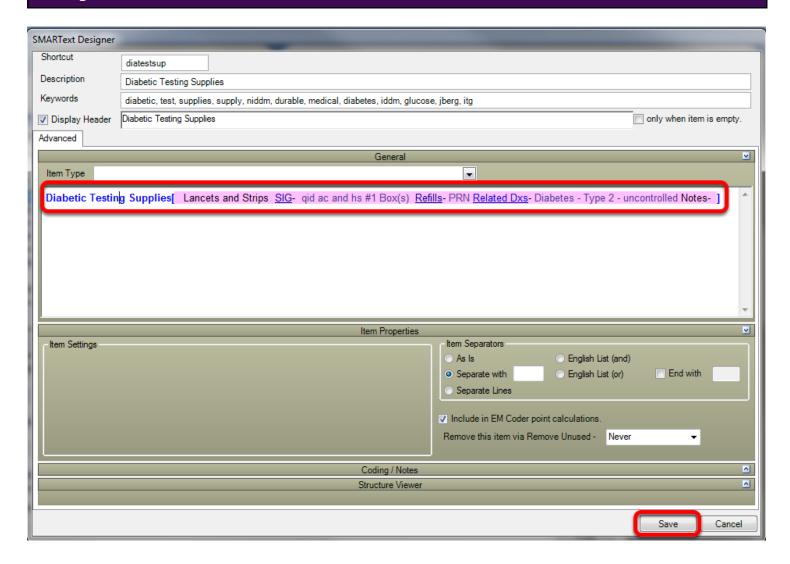




Users are to un-check items he/she does not wish to display on the prescription such as: Start Date and End Date, Comments.



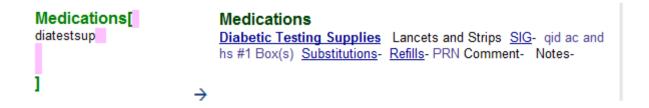
Saving the Item



Complete the item and ensure that the item looks as it should be prescribed. Hit Save.



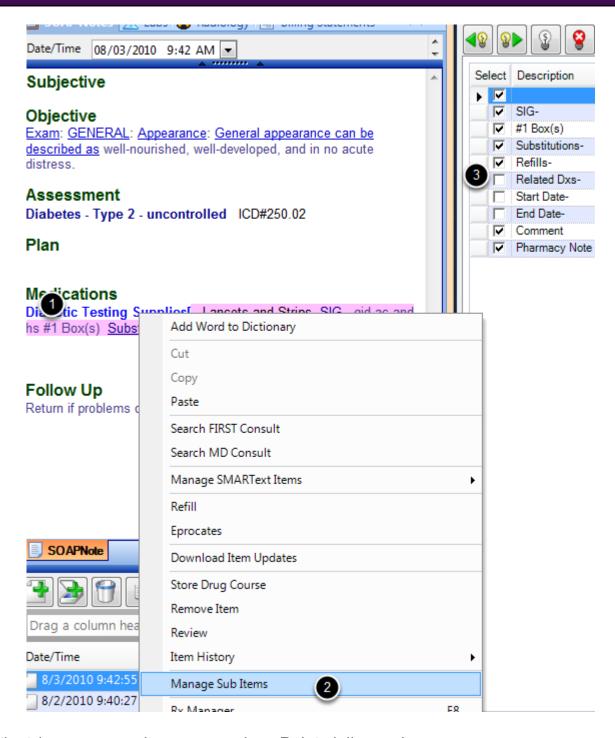
Inserting the Prescription into the Chart



In the Medication field of the SOAPnote, enter the shortcut, followed by the space bar.



Related Diagnosis



If the patient, insurance or pharmacy require a Related diagnosis:

1) Right-click on the Item Header.

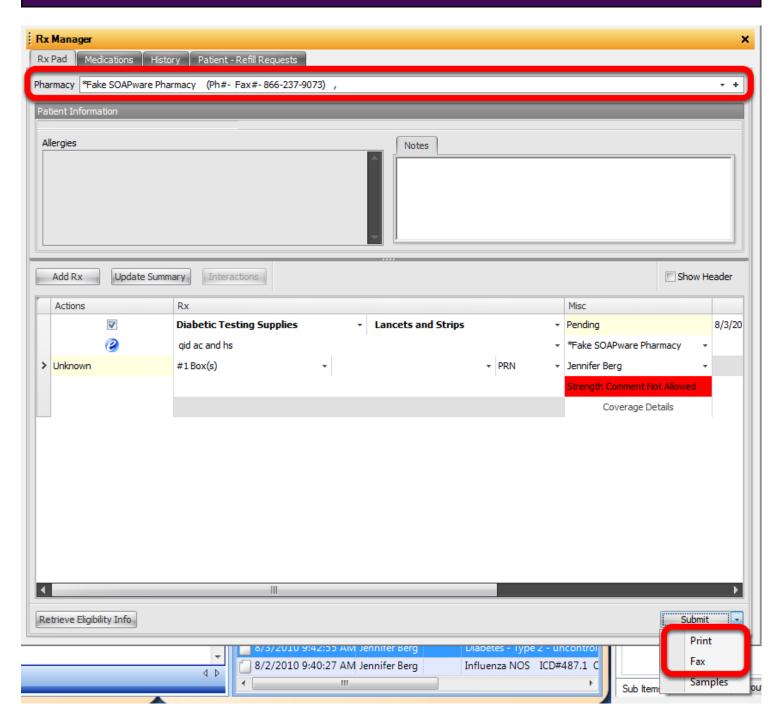


- 2) Select "Manage Sub Items."
- 3) Check "Related Dxs" in the SMARText Quick Access.

** In the Default Layout (Tools > Options > Structured Rx) if the user has Related Diagnosis checked, this will automatically display Related Diagnosis and the user will not need this step**



Printing or Faxing the Prescription

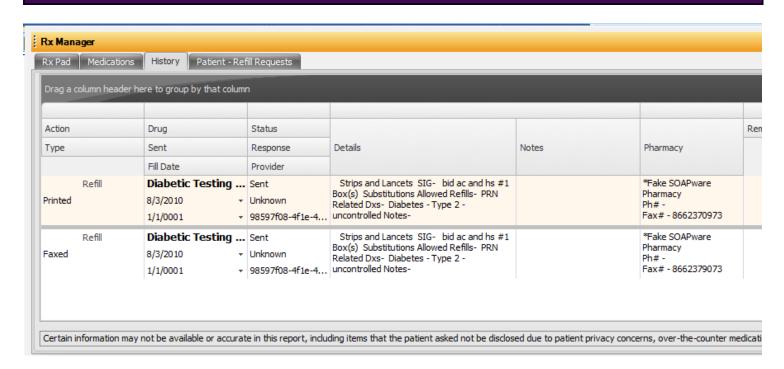


1) Press the F8 key on the keyboard (or right-click over the Medication field header and choose Rx Manager) to bring up the Rx Manager. The dose will say "Strength Comment Not Allowed". This warning will not affect printing or faxing the prescription.



- 2) Click on the drop-down arrow next to the Submit Button.
- 3) Choose Print or Fax.

Item Sent



The item has now been either faxed to the pharmacy or printed. The prescription will now display in the History tab of the Rx Manager.



Creating SMARText Compound Medications

Many compound medications are not available in SMARText because there are unique to the patient.

Users can create SMARText compound medications to be used within the SOAPware Rx Manager. These SMARText items can then be printed or faxed from the Rx Manager; however they cannot be ePrescribed.

In this lesson we will learn how to create a SMARText prescription for a compound medication.

Accessing the SMARText Items Manager



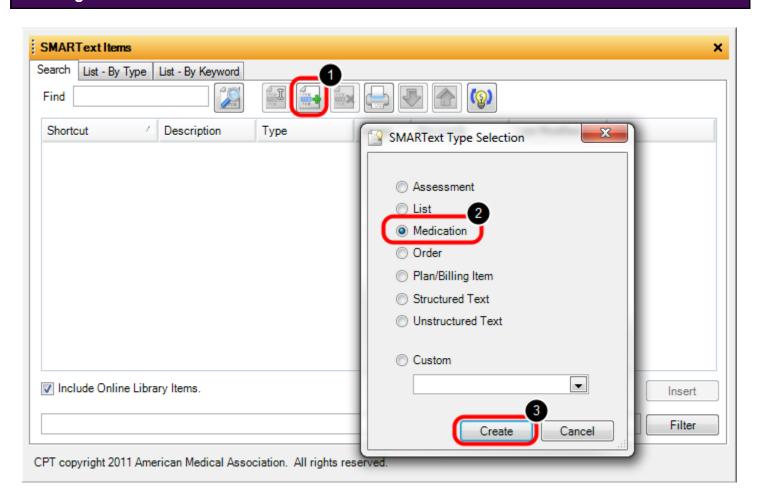
- 1. Click on the Docutainers menu in the Menu Bar.
- 2. Select SMARText Items



OR

Press F10 on the keyboard to open the SMARText Items Manager

Creating a New Item

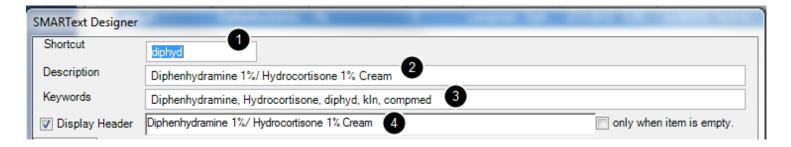


To create a new SMARText Item:

- 1. Click the Green + button
- 2. Select Medication from the SMARText Type Selection window
- 3. Click Create



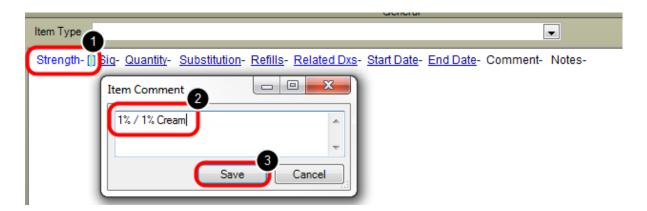
SMARText Designer



The SMARText Designer window will appear. Next, the user will enter a Shortcut code, Description, Keywords and Display Header for the new compound medication.

- Shortcut Code: The shortcut code should be a short code or macro that can be used to insert the newly created medication. SOAPware recommends that users not use actual words or medication abbreviations as shortcut codes.
- 2. **Description:** Enter a brief description of the compound medication.
- 3. **Keywords:** The keywords for an item will allow the user to search for the item at a later date. Keywords should each be one word separated by a comma and a space. SOAPware recommends that users create a "unique keyword" that they place on all SMARText items that they create.
- 4. **Display Header:** In this case, the display header should be the name of the compound medication.

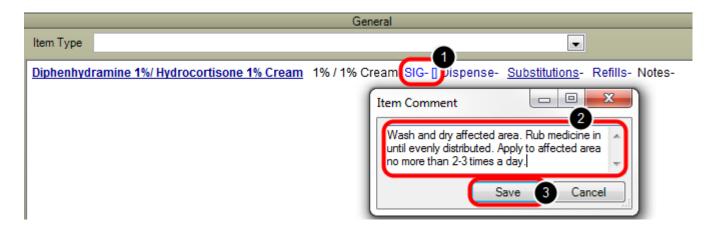
Enter the Strength



- 1. Left-click on the Strength item and begin typing the dosage.
- 2. Type the appropriate dosage in the Strength Item Comment box.
- Click Save.



Entering the Instructions



The instructions (including the dose, frequency and route) will be entered in the medication Sig.

- 1. Click on the Sig item and begin typing the instructions.
- 2. Type the appropriate instructions including the dose, frequency and route into the Item Comment box.
- 3. Click Save.

Complete the Remaining Items

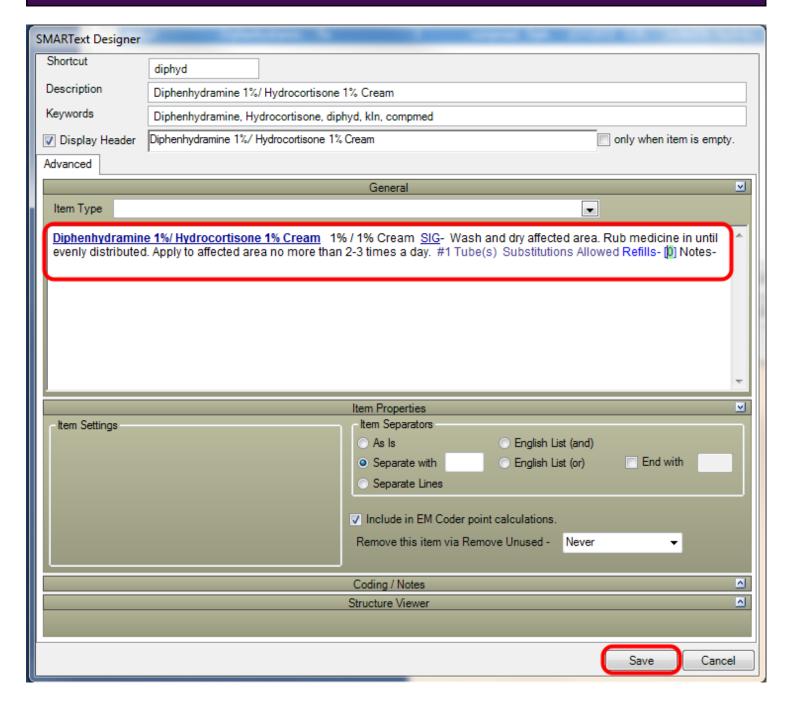
Diphenhydramine 1% Hydrocortisone 1% Cream 1% / 1% Cream SIG- Wash and dry affected area. Rub medicine in until evenly distributed. Apply to affected area no more than 2-3 times a day #1 Tube(s) Substitutions Allowed Refills- [0] Notes-

Complete the remaining sub-items for the compound mediation. This includes the Quantity, Substitution, Refills and Pharmacy Notes as needed.

*Note: Sub-items that are not needed can be removed by right-clicking the sub-item, then selecting "Remove Item".



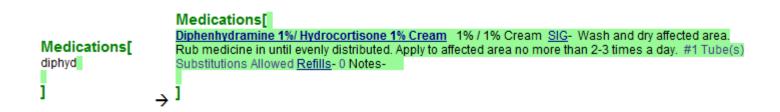
Save the New Compound Medication



To save the new compound medication, first, ensure that the medication appears exactly as it should be prescribed. Then Click Save.



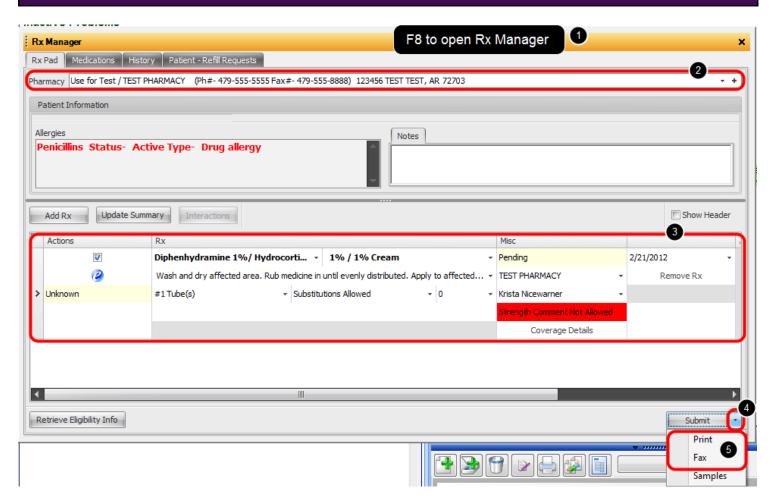
Inserting the Compound Medication



In the Medications field of the SOAPnote, enter the shortcut code for the new compound medication. Then hit the spacebar to expand the medication.



Sending the Prescription to the Pharmacy



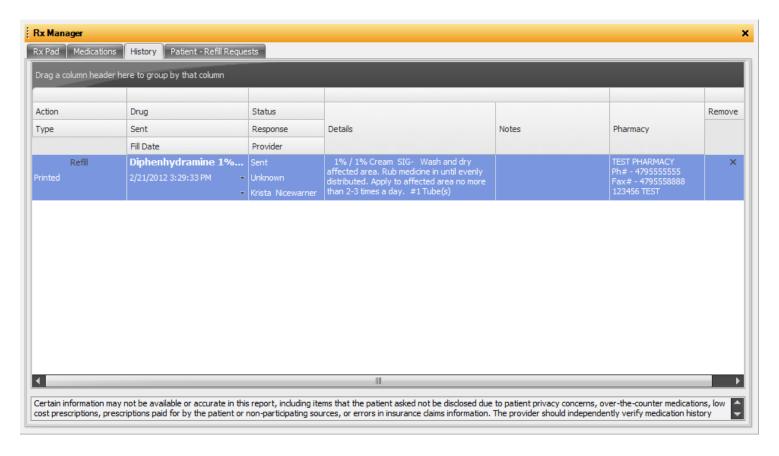
Once the medication is entered into the patient's chart and is ready to be sent to the pharmacy.

- 1. Press the F8 key on the keyboard to open the Rx Manager.
- 2. Select the desired Pharmacy.
- 3. Review the medication prior to submitting it. *Note: The medication will say "Strength Comment Not Allowed". This warning will not effect printing or faxing of the medication.
- 4. Click the drop-down arrow next to the Submit button.
- 5. Choose "Print" or "Fax" for the medication.



Item Sent Actions 2/21/2012 Diphenhydramine 1%/ Hydrocorti... 🔻 1% / 1% Cream ▼ Printed Wash and dry affected area. Rub medicine in until evenly distributed. Apply to affected... 🕶 TEST PHARMACY Remove Rx #1 Tube(s) → Substitutions Allowed > Unknown **-** 0 Krista Nicewarner ength Comment Not Allov Coverage Details

The Rx Pad will now note that the medication has been submitted. If Printed, it will display "Printed. If faxed, it will display "Faxed".



In addition, the medication will be stored in the Rx Manager history and the Summary can be updated.



Create a Custom CPT Code

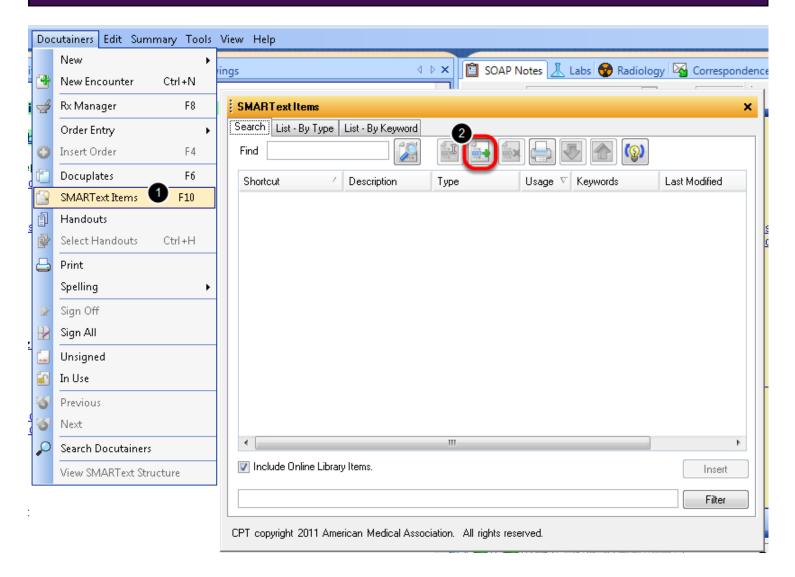
This lesson will explain explain to the user, the steps on how to create custom CPT codes, should a CPT code not be found within the SOAPware Online Library.

SOAPware always advises searching for CPT codes on the SOAPware Online library. All nationally recognized CPT codes will be available on the online library to download for use in the clinic. If a user discovers a nationally recognized CPT code that is not on the online library, please contact clinicaltraining@soapware.com rather than completing the steps in this lesson.

However, in some states or individual practices, there are specific custom CPT codes for various items that are not nationally recognized. Typically these codes will begin with a W, X, Y or Z. These could also include retail items sold at a clinic, which would not be filed with insurance. Follow the steps below to create a custom CPT code.



SMARText Items Manager

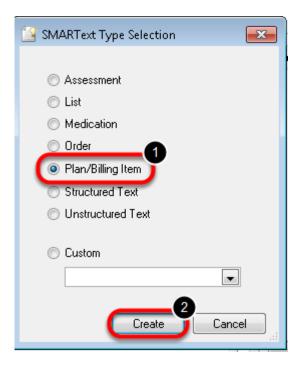


All SMARText items are created within the SMARText Items Manager.

- 1. Open the SMARText Items Manager by pressing **F10** on the keyboard, or by selecting **Docutainers > SMARText Items**, from the menu bar.
- 2. Click the **Green +** button to create a new item.



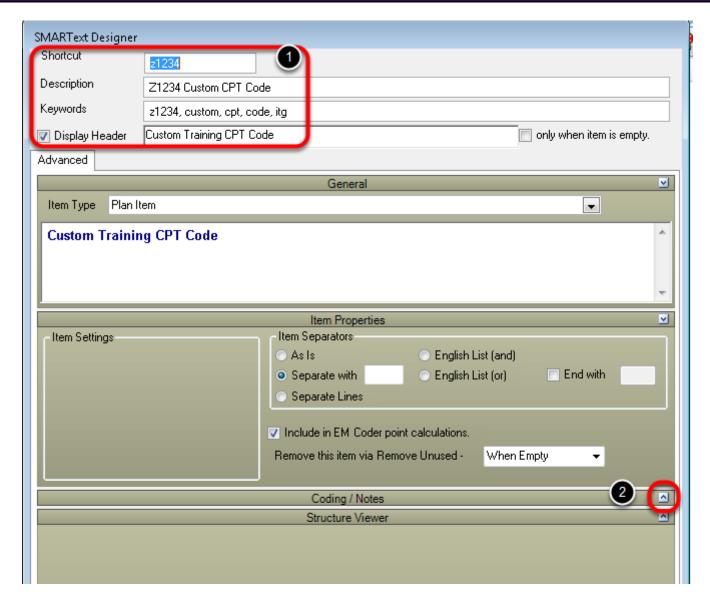
SMARText Type Selection



- 1. Select Plan/Billing Item
- 2. Click Create



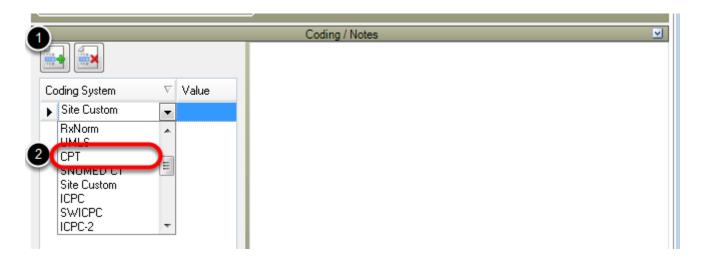
SMARText Designer: Create a Custom CPT Code



- 1. Complete the Demographics for the code including the Shortcut, Description, Keywords (be sure to include a unique keyword for searching purposes) and a Display Header.
- 2. Open the Coding/Notes area of the SMARText Designer by Clicking on the drop-down arrow to the right of this area. (This may require re-sizing the boxes within the Designer to view the Coding/Notes section).



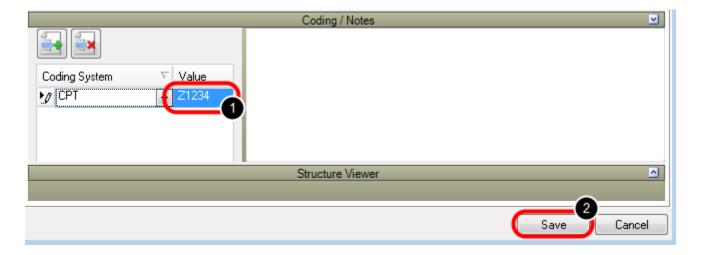
Coding/Notes



In the Coding/Notes Section:

- 1. Click on the **Green +** to create a new coding item
- 2. Select "CPT" from the coding drop-down list

Coding/Notes Value



- 1. Insert a value for the CPT code directly into the "Value" box
- 2. Click Save



Insert the Custom CPT Code

Plan
Custom Training CPT Code #Z1234 Related Dxs- Modifiers-

Insert the shortcut of the custom CPT code into the Plan section of a SOAPnote, followed by the spacebar. This action inserts the newly created CPT code into the patient's chart.

*Note: This CPT code will be transferred to the billing statement when the statement is created for the visit.

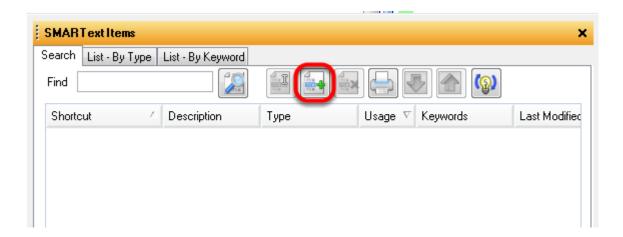


Creating Custom Order Entry Items

This lesson will show how to create a custom Order Entry item. These custom order entry items may be used to place orders in the Order Manager.

*Note: Items created via this lesson WILL NOT Calculate for Meaningful Use, they are not meant to transfer to the Billing Statement and are not meant to be used with the SOAPware Practice Management System.

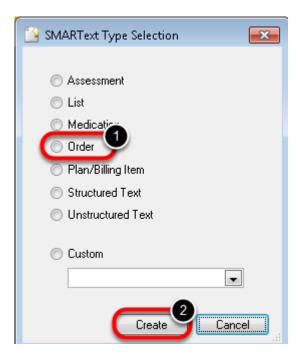
Open the SMARText Items Manager



Press the **F10** key to open the SMARText items Manager then, click the **Green +** button to create a new SMARText item.

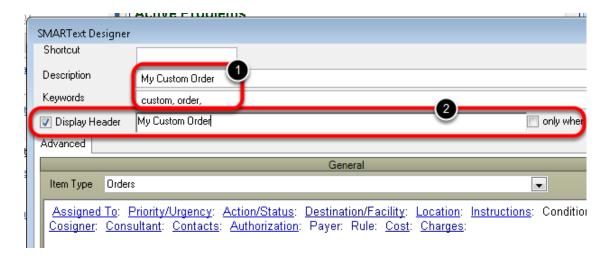


Select Order Type



- 1. In the SMARText Type Selection select **Order**
- 2. Click Create

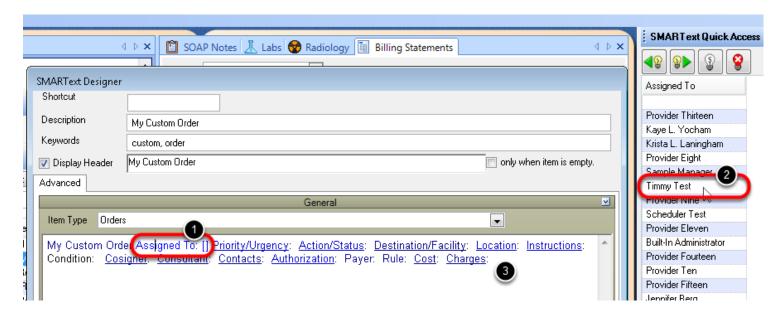
Enter Order Information



- 1. Enter the Description and Keywords for this item.
- 2. Check the Display Header check box and enter a Header for the order. Make sure the "only when empty" box is not checked.



Enter customizations

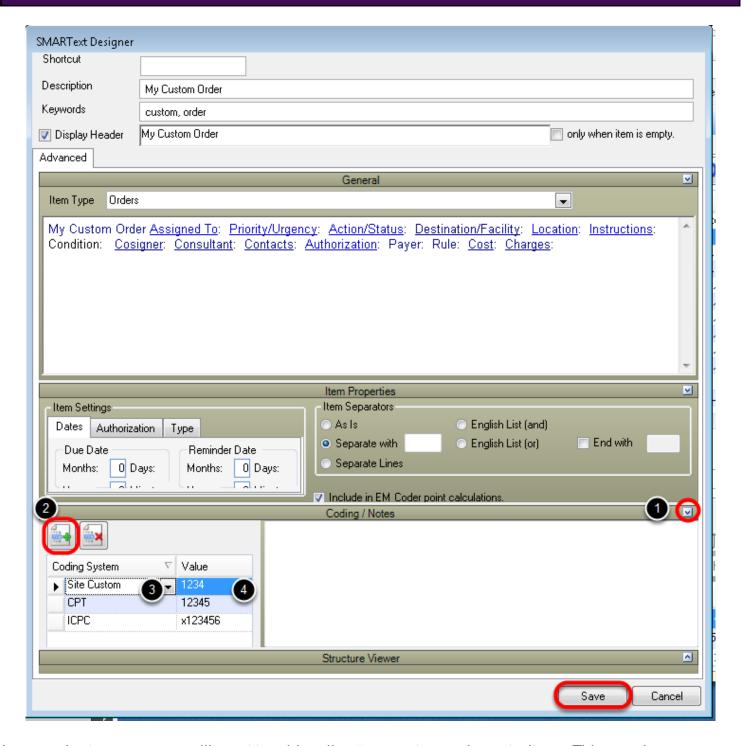


Customizing the sub-items will allow information to be pre-populated when the item is inserted into the Order Manager.

- 1. Click on the sub-item
- 2. In the SMARText Quick Access, select desired information
- 3. Complete other sub-items as desired.



Enter Coding



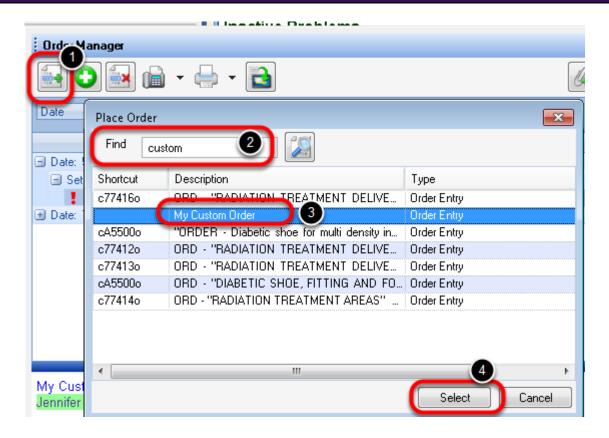
In some instances users will want to add coding to a custom order entry item. This may be a custom code, CPT code, or other type of coding.

1. Open the Coding/Notes Section



- 2. Click the Green + to create a new code
- 3. Select the desired coding type
- 4. Enter the code in the Value box
- 5. When finished click Save.

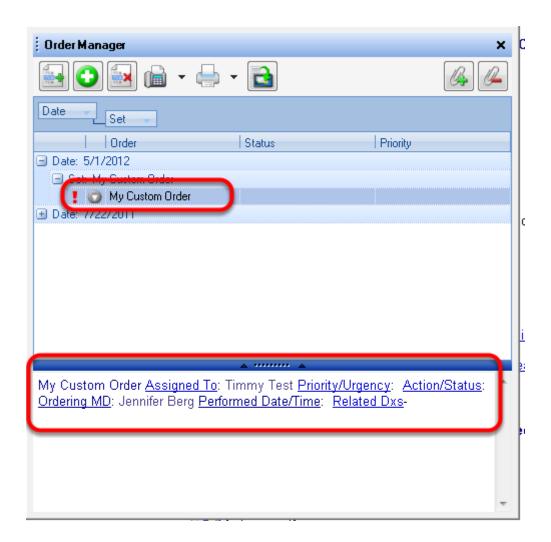
Place the Item in the Patient's Chart



The new custom order entry item may now be placed in the Order Manager. Open the Order Manager (Docutainers > Order Entry > Order Manager) the follow the steps below:

- 1. Click on the Green + to create a new order.
- 2. Enter a keyword to search for the new order item.
- 3. Highlight the desired item.
- Click Select.





The custom order has now been inserted into the Order Manager for this patient. The order may now be completed and transferred to the patients SOAPnote.

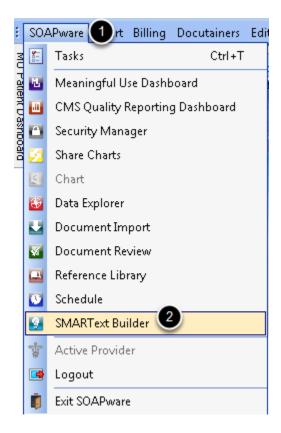


SMARText Builder



SMARText Builder Workspace

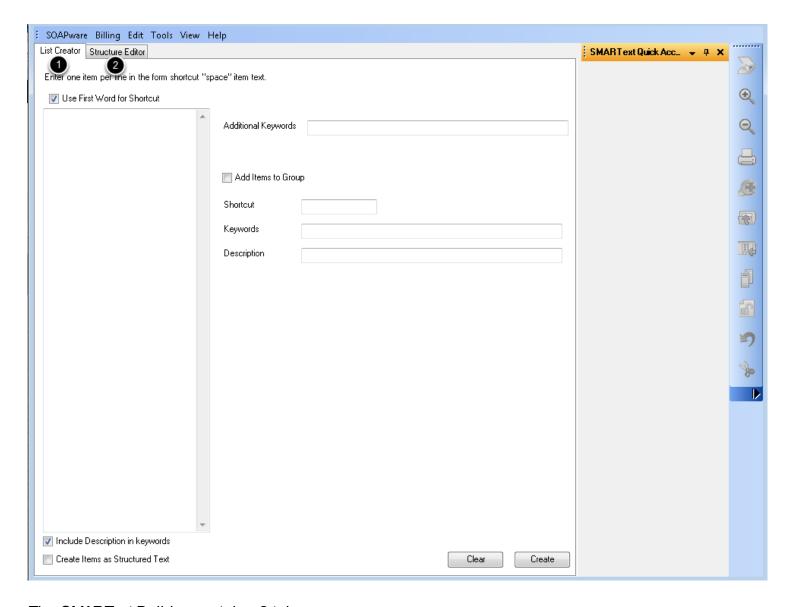
The SMARText Builder is a workspace within SOAPware designed to build advanced SMARText Items.



To Open the SMARTExt Builder Workspace:

- 1. Click on SOAPware menu item.
- 2. Select SMARText Builder





The SMARText Builder contains 2 tabs.

- 1. **List Creator:** This area is used to create various SMARText Lists.
- 2. **Structure Editor:** This area is used to create advanced SMARText items including Order Sets and Item Groupers.

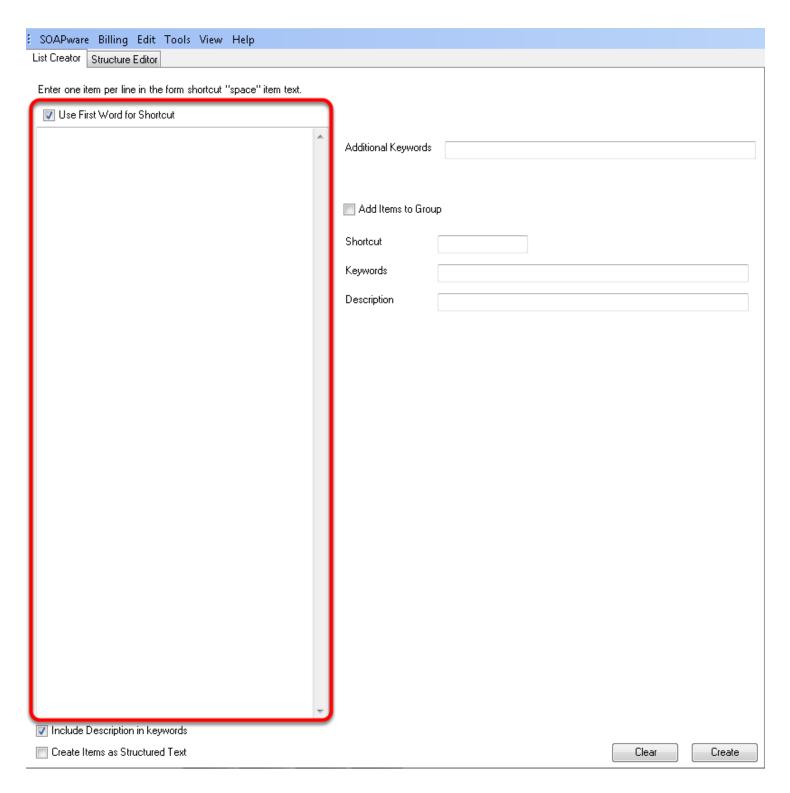


List Creator

The List Creator was designed to allow users to create multiple SMARText items from an existing text list. It gives users the ability to copy and paste items from the existing text list (text or word processor document) and create SMARText for each item.

With the List Creator it is possible to insert a long list of items and it will create all of those items individually. These items may then be directly inserted into the patients chart or added to a Pick list, bundle or cluster. The List Creator can also automatically create a bundle containing all of your items.

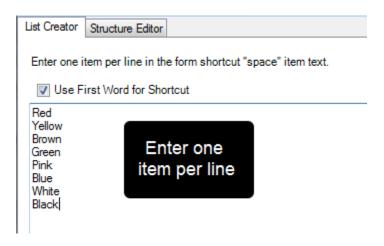




The large white text box on the left will be used to create or copy and paste the list of items. We will also use this box to create shortcut codes for each item.



Entering List Items

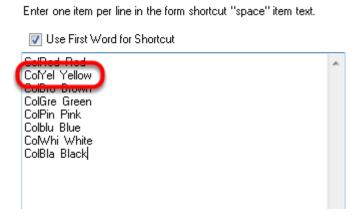


To begin creating the new SMARText items:

1. Enter the text items into the large white text box as shown in the screenshot above.

*Note: Enter 1 item per line by typing in the items or by copying and pasting an existing text list into the text box.

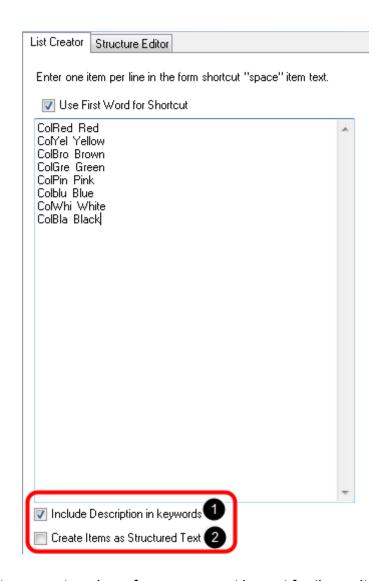
Adding a Shortcut for Each Item



Each text item that was entered in the previous step, will also need a shortcut code. We will enter the shortcut codes before each text item followed by a space (as seen in the screenshot above).

In this example the shortcut would be "ColYel". When this shortcut is placed in the chart, the text "Yellow" will display. "Yellow" will also display as the Description for this SMARText item.



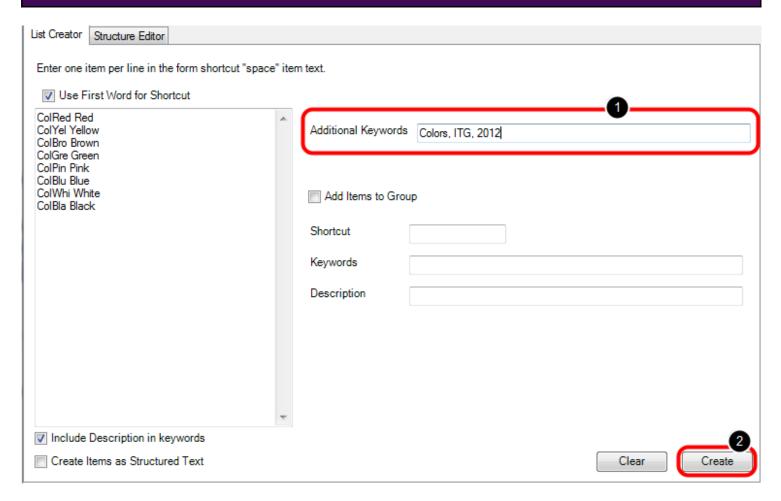


After all text and shortcuts are entered, preferences must be set for these items.

- 1. The "Include Description in Keywords" box will allow the user to search for the new SMARText item by using the items description (ex: Yellow).
- 2. The "Create Items as Strucutured Text" box will designate the new items to be created as Structured Text items. If this box is not checked the items will be created as Unstructured Text SMARText items.



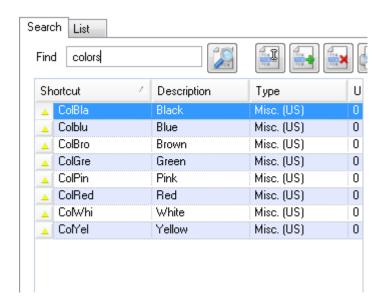
Entering Keywords & Create the Items



Next, enter keywords for the new SMARText Items. Keywords will allow the user to search for the SMARText item within the SMARText Items Manager (F10).

- 1. Add the desired keywords into the "Additional Keywords" box. All keywords that are entered in this box will be added to each item in the list that is created. *Note: Keywords should be one word separated by a comma and a space (as seen in the screenshot above).
- 2. Once the items are completed, Click the Create button. This will create each item in the list as separate SMARText items.

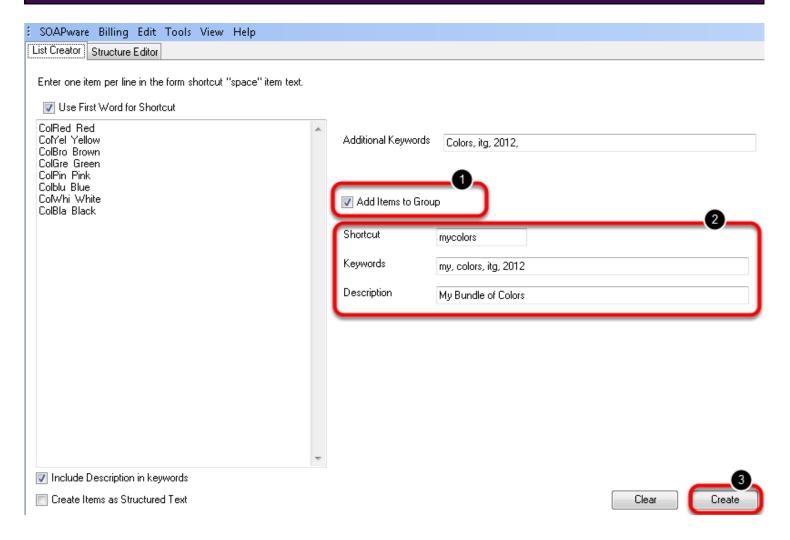




SOAPware has now created an Unstructured SMARText item for each item. These items can be found in the SMARText Items Manager.



Creating a Bundle

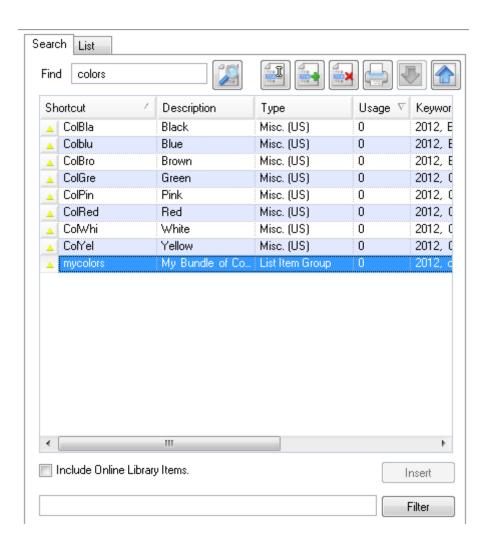


The List Creator can also be used to create a Bundle that will include all of the Unstructured SMARText items.

To create a Bundle out of the SMARText items:

- Check the "Add Items to Group" box. This will not only create the items individually as
 Unstructured text SMARText items, but it will also create one Bundle SMARText item that
 contains all of the Unstructured text items.
- 2. Enter a Shortcut, Keywords and a Description for the SMARText Bundle.
- 3. To save the item, Click the Create button.

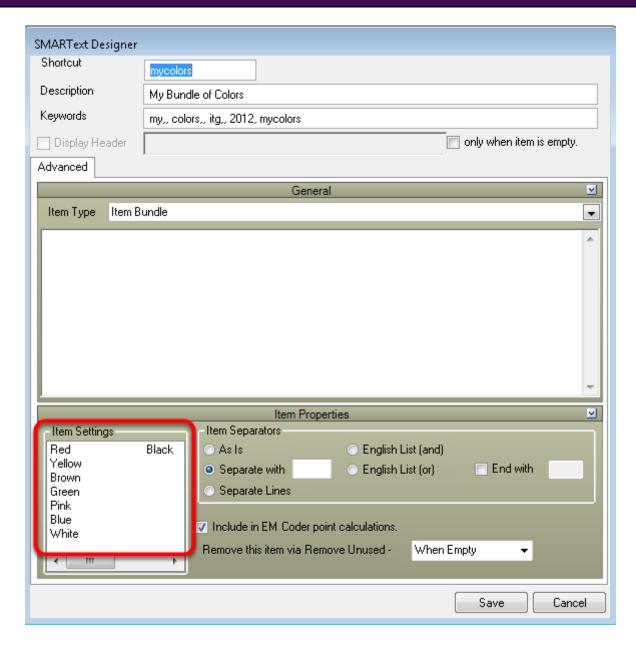




When looking for these items in the SMARText Items Manager (F10) under the common Keyword of "Colors", we can see that all of the new items are created including the SMARText bundle that contains all of the unstructured items.



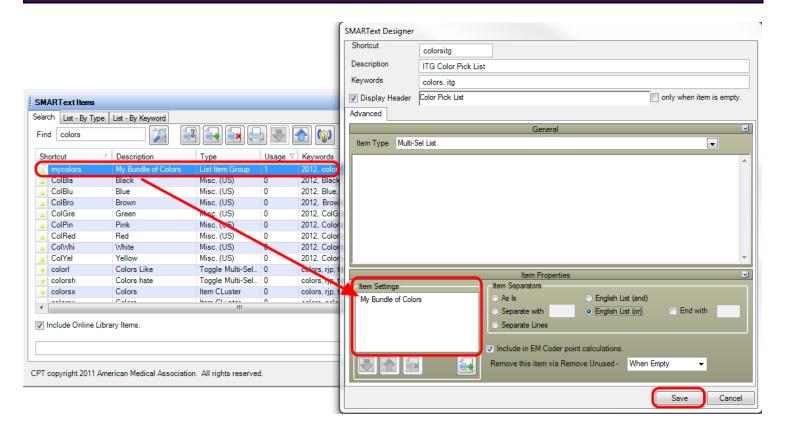
Viewing the Bundle



All of the Unstructured text SMARText items have been added to the Item Settings box in the newly created bundle. This bundle of SMARText Items can now be placed into a pick list.



Placing the Bundle in a Pick List

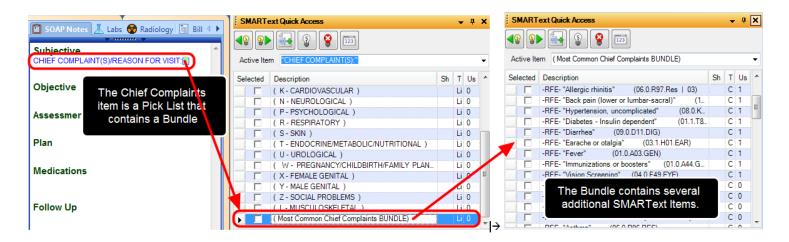


After the SMARText Bundle has been created, it can be placed into a pick list. To do this:

- In the SMARText Items Manager (F10), edit an existing pick list or create a new pick list. For instructions on how to create a pick list, please see: Creating SMARText Pick Lists.
- 2. Search for the new Bundle in the SMARText Items Manager.
- 3. Drag and drop the bundle into the Item Settings box of the pick list (see screenshot above).
- 4. Click the Save button to save all changes.



Example of An Existing Bundle within a Pick List



An an example of how bundles can be used in pick lists is the "CHIEF COMPLAINS/REASON FOR VISIT" pick list. This pick list can be entered using the shortcut code "chix".

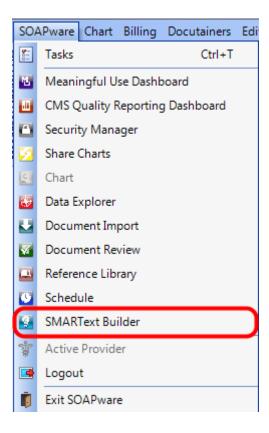
The pick list "chix" contains bundles. When a user clicks on the Chief Complains pick list, they are presented with a list of body systems to choose from and a "Most Common Chief Complaints" item. The "Most common Cheif Complaints" items is a SMARText Bundle. When a bundle is selected, the SMARText Quick Access displays all of the items that are inside the bundle (as seen with the "Most Common Chief Complains Bundle" in the screenshot above).



Structure Editor

The Structure Editor is used to edit multiple SMARText items that are grouped within a single item. It is also used to group multiple SMARText items into a single item and then designate how they are displayed when inserted into documentation. The Structure Editor may also be used to view the structure or hierarchy among the grouped SMARText items.

Opening the Structured Editor



To open the Structured Editor, we will need to go into the SMARText Builder workspace.

Click on the SOAPware menu, then select SMARText Builder.

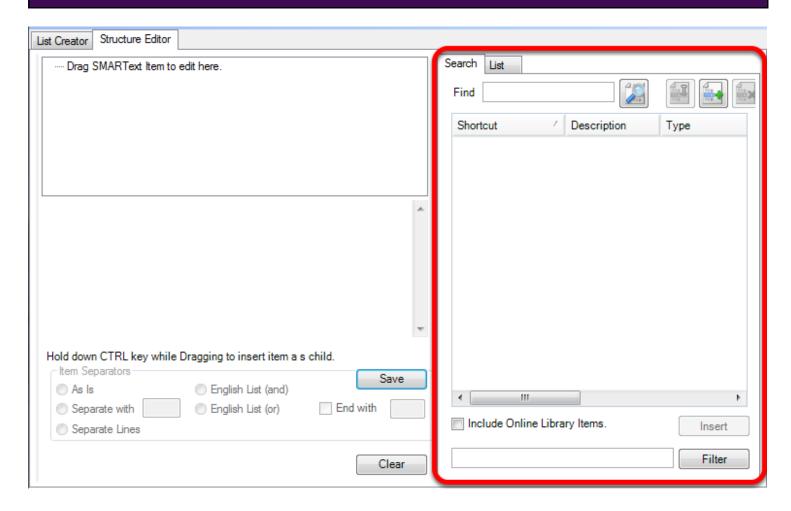


When the SMARText Builder is opened this will open to the List Creator by default.

To view the Structure Editor, Click on the Structure Editor tab.

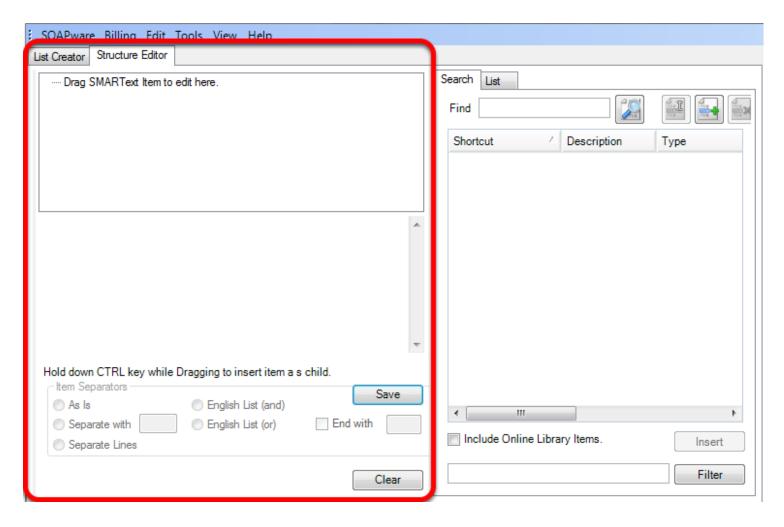


Structure Editor Interface



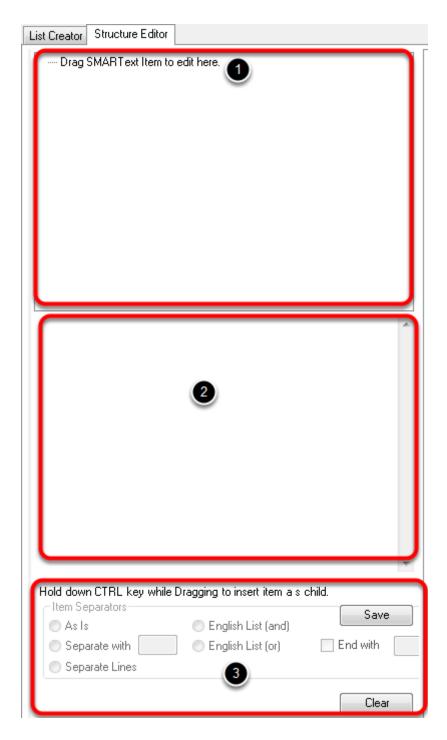
The right side of the Structure Editor contains the SMARText Items Manager. The SMARText Items Manager allows users to search for existing SMARText items and create new SMARText items.





The left side of the Structure Editor can be used to edit and create more complex SMARText items.





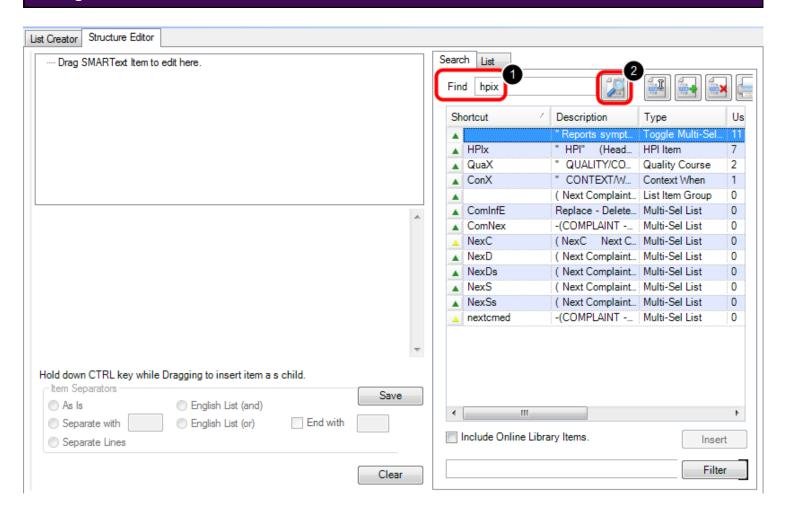
- 1. The top section that displays the text "Drag SMARText items to edit here" is used to add and re-order SMARText items.
- 2. The middle section is very similar to the Display Field within the SMARText Designer. Very little editing is actually performed here, but it does display the edits and changes performed



elsewhere.

3. The bottom properties section will allow the user to define the desired item separators and Clear of Save the SMARText items.

Editing a SMARText Item in Streutred Editor

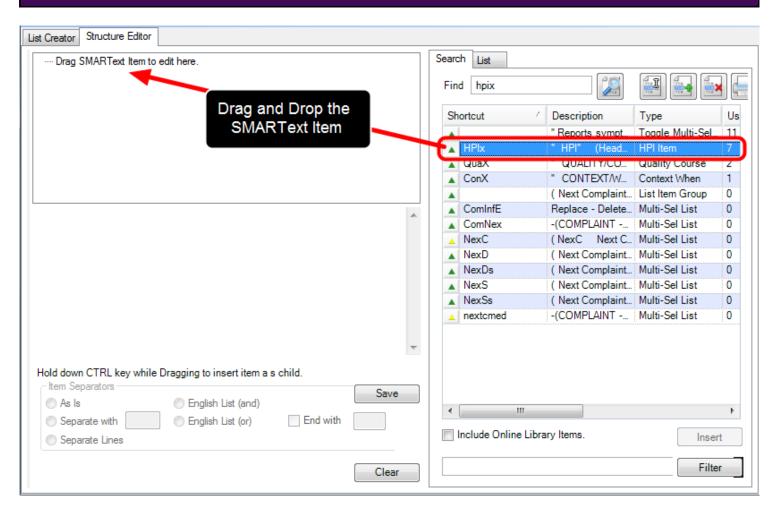


In the SMARText Items Manager that displays on the right side of the Structure Editor, search for the SMARText Item that will be edited.

- 1. Type a keyword for the SMARText Item into the Find box
- 2. Click the Search button



Editing an Item

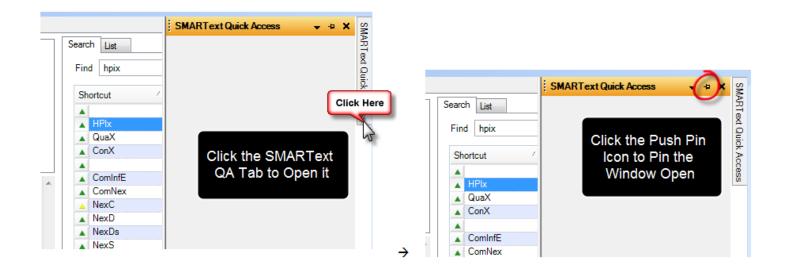


Next, the item should be dragged and dropped into the Structure Editor.

- 1. Select the item that will be edited
- 2. Drag and drop item into the Structure Editor's top display section



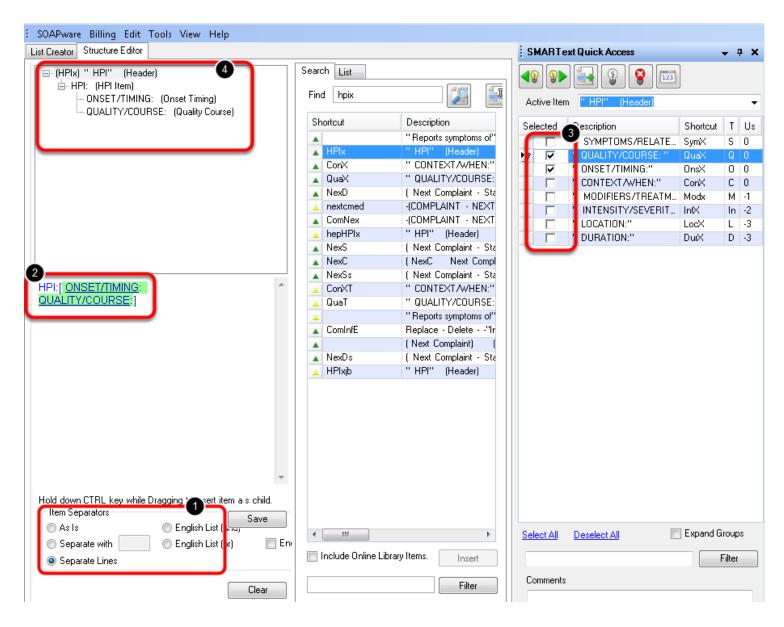
Displaying the SMARText Sub-Items



The SMARText item has now been placed in the Structure Editor.

Next, we will look at displaying any existing sub-items or adding new sub-items to selected SMARText Item. To do this, the user will need to pin open the SMARText Quick Access dialog.





To automatically display the SMARText Items sub-items when inserted into documentation, the following steps will need to be taken:

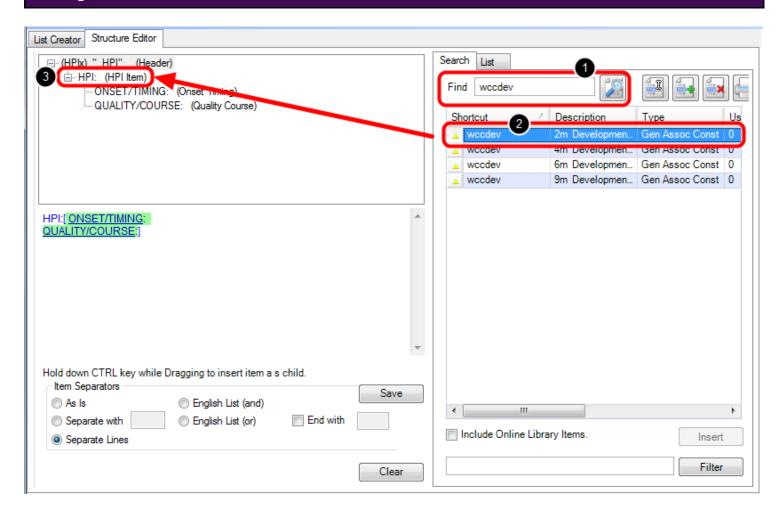
- 1. Select the desired Item Separators (the most common setting will be "Separate Lines")
- 2. Click on the SMARText Item's header (in our example above, we will Click on "HPI:")
- 3. In the SMARText Quick Access window, place a check mark next to each sub-item that should be automatically displayed when the initial SMARText item is inserted into the documentation.
- 4. As sub-items are checked in the SMARText Quick Access window, they will be displayed next to the initial item header (in our example above, we checked ONSET/TIMING and QUALITY/COURSE, these are now displayed next to our HPI header in both the top and



middle sections of the SMARText Editor.)

Next time the "HPIx" SMARText item is inserted into the documentation, it will automatically display the sub-items "ONSET/TIMING" and "QUALITY/COURSE".

Adding New Sub-Items



Sub-Items can also be added to the list by using the Structure Editor. To add new sub-items to the list:

- 1. In the SMARText Items Manager on the right side of the Structure Editor, search for the sub-item that will be added.
- 2. Press the Control key on the keyboard and then select the item (the Ctrl key must be pressed before highlighting the item)
- 3. While holding down the Control Key, drag and drop the item directly on top of the original

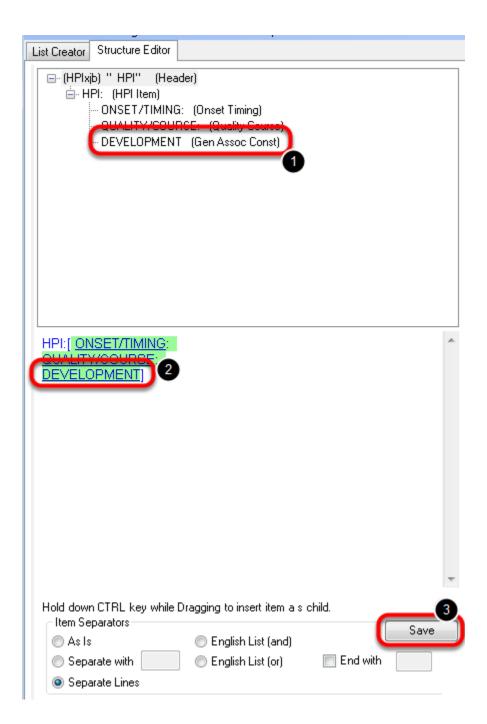


SMARText Items' header within the top section of Structured Editor (see example in the screenshot above). In our example above, we will drag and drop the "wccdev" item directly on top of the HPI: (HPI Item) header.

Creating New SMARText Items to Add as Sub-Items:

New SMARText items must be created in the SMARText Items Manager. For information on how to create a new SMARText Item, please see: **Creating SMARText Items**. After new items are created in the SMARText Items Manager they may be added to the list by using the steps described above.





- The new sub-item has now be added to the original SMARText Item. In our example above, the DEVELOPMENT SMARText item has been added as a "child" or "sub-item" to the original HPI SMARText Item.
- 2. The new sub-item will display in both the top action section and the middle display section.
- 3. To save the changes click on the Save Button.



Inserting the Edited SMARText List



When the SMARText Item is inserted into the documentation using the (1) shortcut code (in our example "hpix"), it will now expand to automatically include the specified (2) sub-items (in our example, ONSET/TIMING, QUALITY/COURSE, AND DEVELOPMENT).

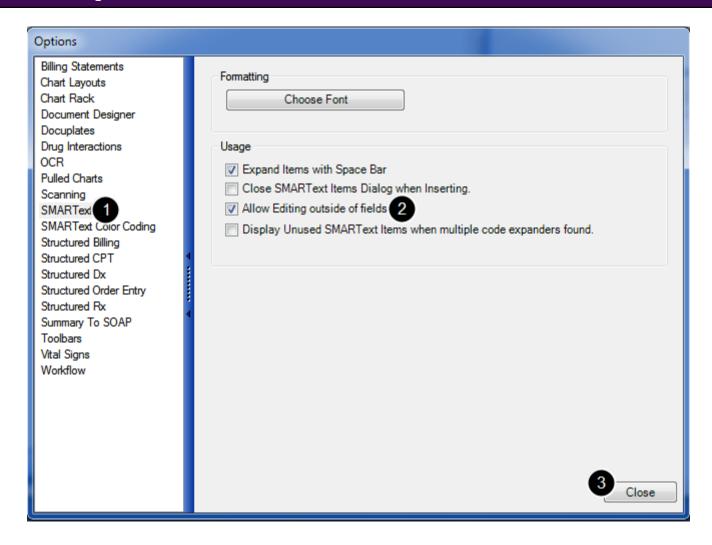


Customizing Fleld Headers



Create Custom Field Headers

Enable Editing of SMARText Outside of the Fields



Click Tools in the menu bar, and Click the Options menu item.

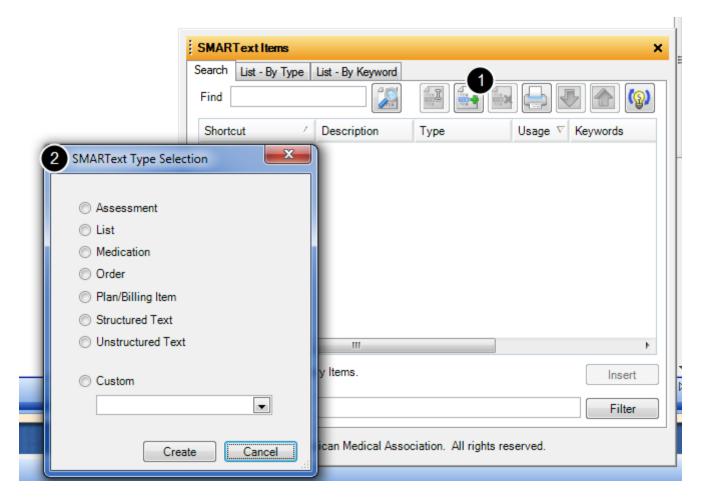
- 1. Click the SMARText list item
- 2. Click the Allow Editing outside of fields check box
- 3. Click Close.

Then, log out of SOAPware and log back in.

NOTE: Changes will not take place until the user has completed the log out/log in process.



Create the New Field Item

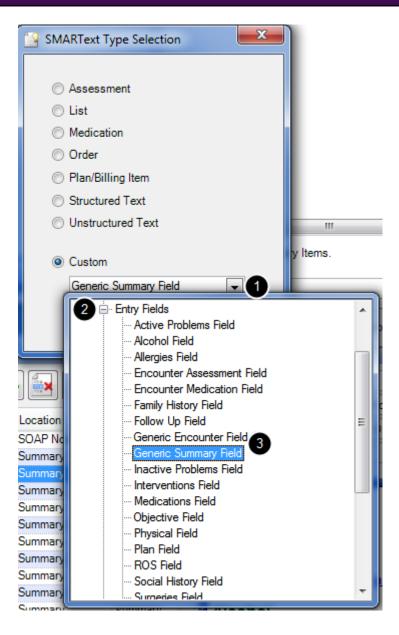


Click Docutainers in the menu bar, and Click the SMARText Items menu item

- 1. When the SMARText Items dialog opens, Click the Create button.
- 2. This will bring up the SMARText Type Selection window.



Select the Item Type

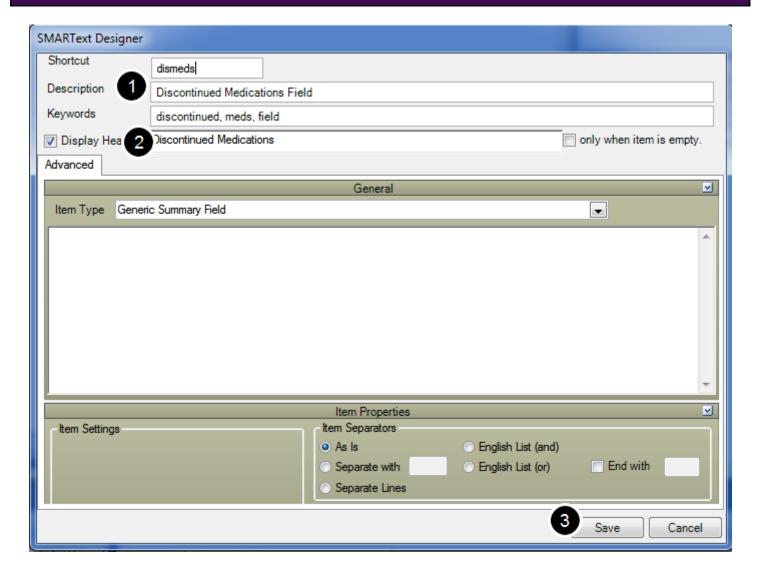


- 1. Click the Item Type drop-down menu near the bottom of the SMARText Type Selection dialog.
- 2. Click the Entry Fields plus-box.
- 3. Double-click the appropriate type of field name (i.e. Generic Summary Field or Generic Encounter Field).

Click Create.



SMARText Designer



- 1. At the top of the SMARText Designer window, Type a Shortcut, Description and Keywords.
- 2. Type the Name of the Field Header in the Display Header box.
- 3. Click the Display Header check box. Click Save.



Insert the New Field

Medications [dismeds]Allergies Starter - Allergies - Summary:

- 1. Open the docuplate to change.
- 2. The user should Click at the location where he/she wants to insert the new field name/header. Aset of small green brackets will appear, indicating that the user is working outside of the fields within the docuplate. Hit enter three or four times to create some space for the new field.
- 3. Type the Shortcut for the new field.

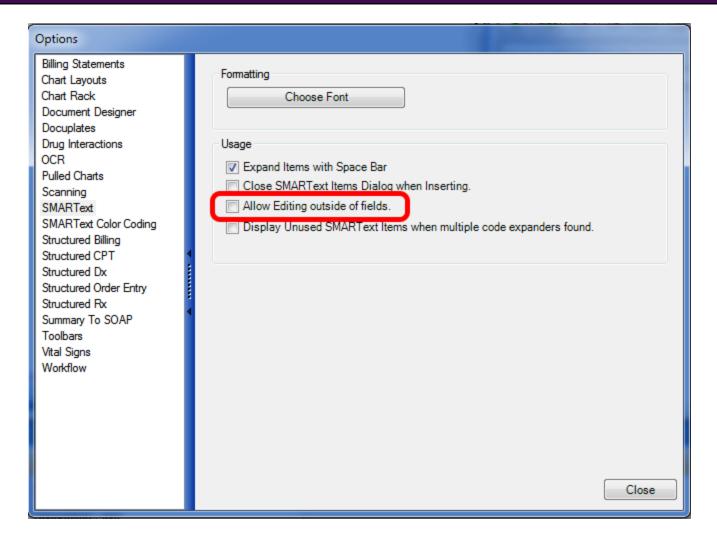
Insert the Field Header

Medications Discontinued Medications []]Allergies Starter - Allergies - Summary:

Then press the space bar, and the field/header is inserted.



Disable Editing Outside of Fields

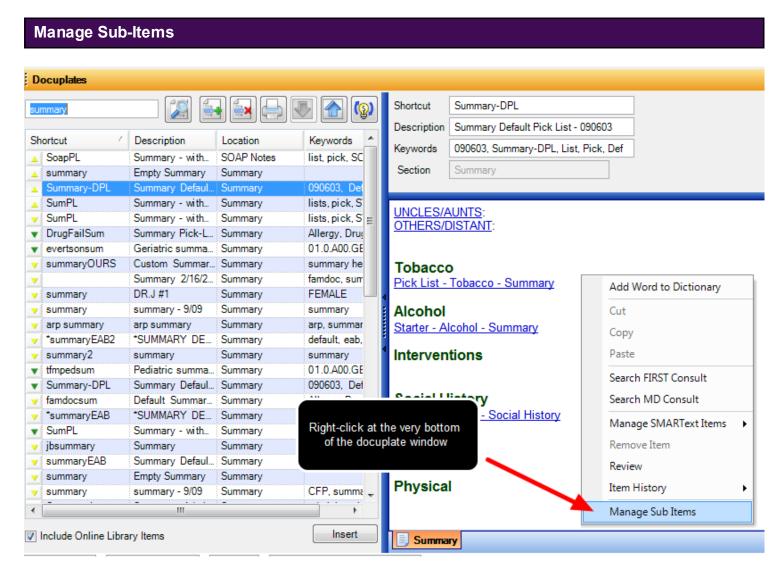


Click Tools in the menu bar > Click the Options menu item > Click the SMARText Items menu item > Click the Allow Editing outside of fields check box to toggle it back to unchecked > Click Close, and Log out/Log in.



Remove or Hide Field Headers

It is possible to hide field/headers in the SOAP or Summary chart sections (i.e. such as hiding the Subjective field in SOAP encounter notes)



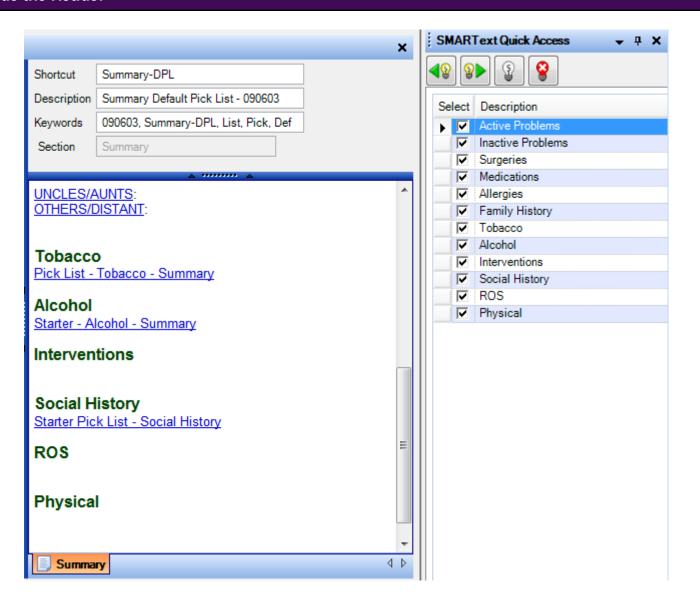
Press F6 to open the Docuplate manager, and Click the docuplate to modify (i.e. usually the choice is the default docuplate for that chart section).

With the docuplate to be edited in view, Right-click just underneath the last field in the docuplate (see screen-shot below). Positioning the cursor can be a little tricky because the right-click has to be in a location just after the last close bracket.



In the right-click menu, Click Manage Sub Items as seen below. (If the user sees a different menu when he/she right-clicks, move the mouse down just a little bit and try again.)

Hide the Header

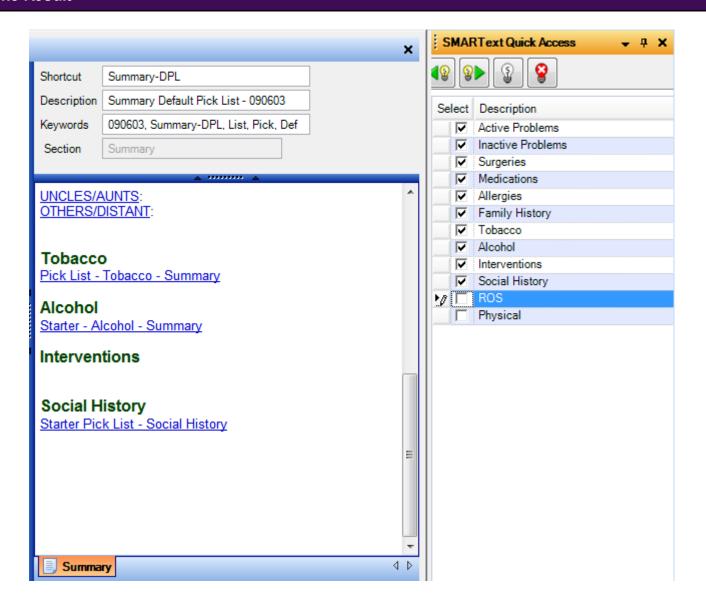


In the SMARText Quick Access, all the fields in the docuplate should be displayed. To hide one, Click its Check-box to UN-check it. This doesn't actually remove the field, but has the same functional purpose.

NOTE: To reactivate the hidden field, simply re-check the field's check-box.



The Result



With ROS and Physical Un-Checked, they are no longer visible in the docuplate.



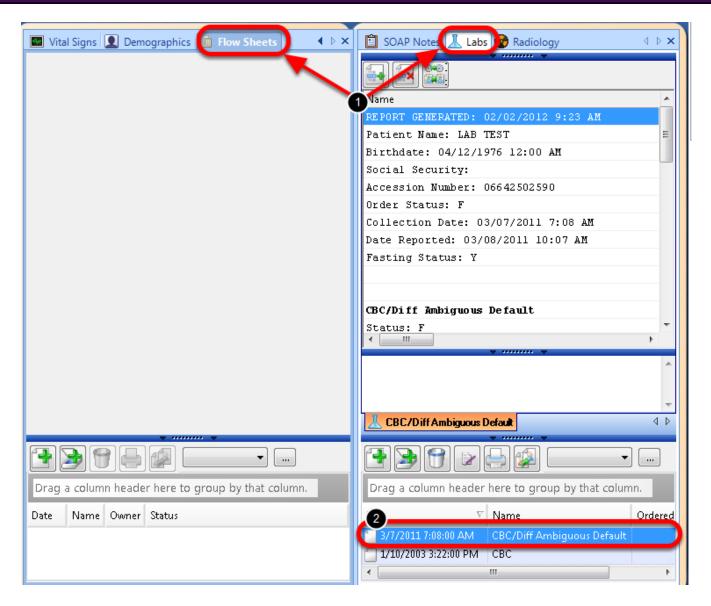
Flow Sheets



Create an HL7 Lab Flow Sheet

Labs that are received via an HL7 interface may be inserted into a flow sheet. Once created, the flow sheet will automatically populate past and future results for a specific test. Lab test results may then be graphed and compared.

Open Chart Sections

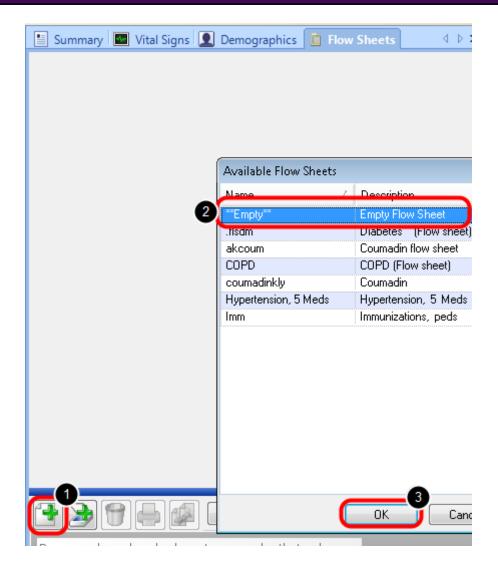


To create an HL7 Flow sheet, the Lab and Flow Sheet chart sections must be visible in the chart workspace.



- 1. Open the Lab chart section and the Flow Sheet chart section.
- 2. Select an HL7 Lab document by double-clicking on the document.

Open an Existing Flow Sheet - Create a New Flow Sheet

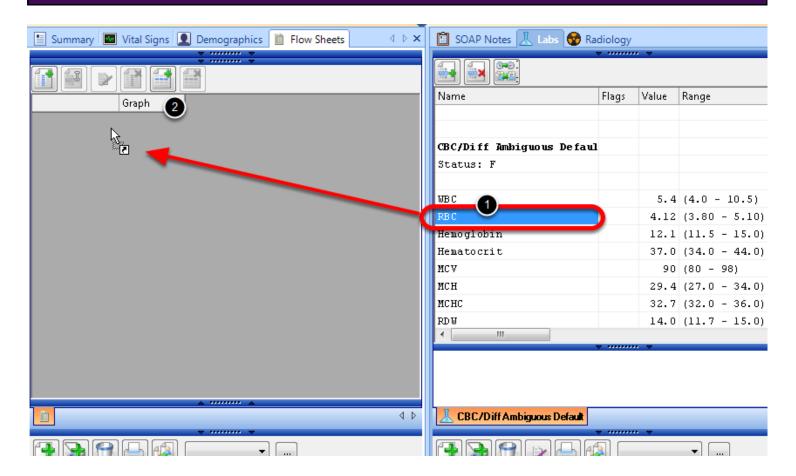


Open an existing flow sheet, or create a new Flow Sheet by following these instructions:

- 1. Within the Flow Sheets chart section, Click on the **Green +** to create a new Flow Sheet.
- 2. Select "Empty Flow Sheet" from the Available Flow Sheets list.
- 3. Click OK.



Transfer the Lab Result



- 1. Select the lab result to be transferred to the flow sheet.
- 2. Drag and drop the result from the HL7 document into the empty flow sheet (remember to left-click the mouse--and not to release the left-click until the symbol changes from a circle with a line in the center, to the arrow show above in the screenshot).

Finished Product



The lab result has now been added to the new flow sheet.

All past and future results for this lab test, from this specific facility, will be transferred to the flow



sheet. If labs are received via an HL7 interface from multiple facilities, only the results from the facility listed on the original HL7 result will be transferred. This same process will need to be repeated for results received from other facilities.



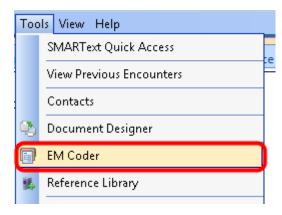
EM Coder



Introduction to EM Coder

The EM Coder is a tool used by providers to determine a level of service for an office visit. The EM Coder, exam scoring is based solely on the General Multi-Systems Exam. Single system exams are not calculated with the EM coder.

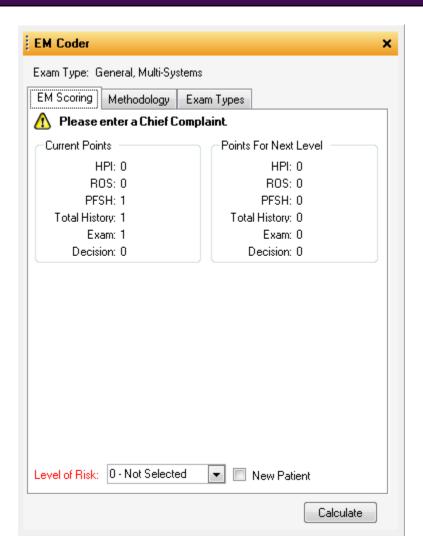
Open the EM Coder



The EM Coder can be opened by going to Tools > EM Coder, while in the Chart workspace.



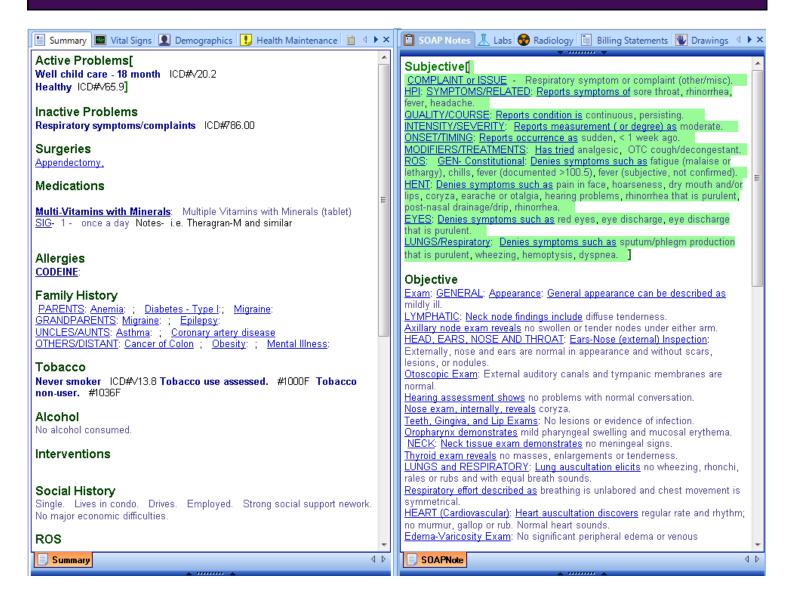
Interface



As the Provider documents throughout the SOAPnote and Summary chart sections using SMARText documentation the EM coder will suggest a level of service.



Documentation



In order for the EM Coder to calculate, specific SMARText items must be used in the Summary and SOAPnote chart sections. Free text items and free text docuplates cannot be calculated by the EM coder.

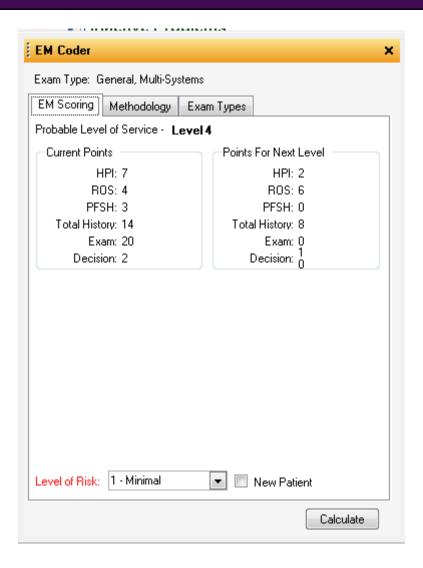
Docuplates created using the following SMARText starter pick lists will calculate with the EM Coder:

- Sub-
- Chix
- Hipx



- Rosx
- Obj-
- Pla-

Calculation

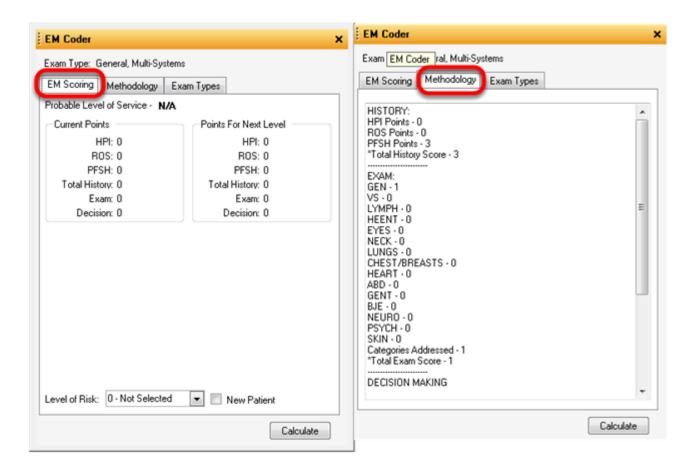


The EM Coder will display the calculation for the active encounter on the EM Scoring tab.



EM Coder: History

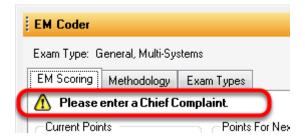
The Evaluation and Management Code allows users to automatically determine the level of service for encounter note documentation. The E&M Coder continually reports the complexity of history, exam, and decision-making, simplifying the process of determining the adequacy of documentation. This lesson will explain how this is calculated for the history in SOAPware.



We advise that levels of service be primarily determined by the nature of the visit and not how much documentation can be created. For example, if a patient comes in with a simple rash and no other problems or issues, then that is most likely going to be a level 3 visit, even though it is very easy to have documentation to support a higher level. Let the reason/nature of the visit determine the level you submit.

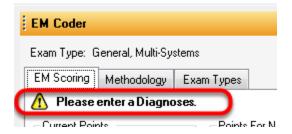


Chief Complaint



In order to justify a level of service for any/all levels of service, there must always be a chief complaint and at least one diagnosis. Until there is a Chief Complaint, a warning will be displayed at the top of the EM Coder.

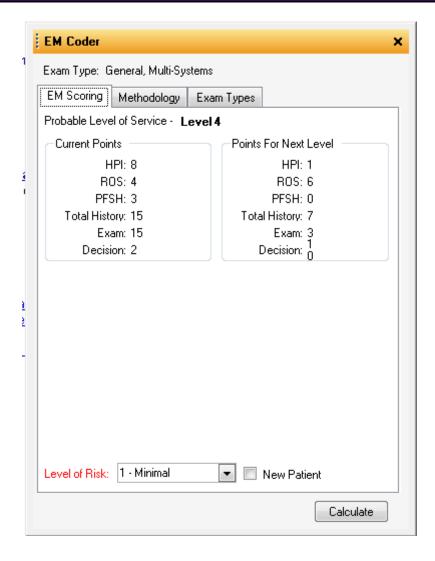
Diagnosis



Subsequently, if a diagnosis hasn't been entered, another warning is displayed.



EM Scoring

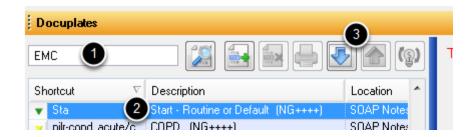


Only after there is both a Chief Complaint and at least one diagnosis will E&M Coder begin to suggest levels of service.

<u>Specific SMARText items and docuplate structure must be incorporated into documentation, in order to get assistance in determining level of service</u>.



EM Coder Compatible Docuplates

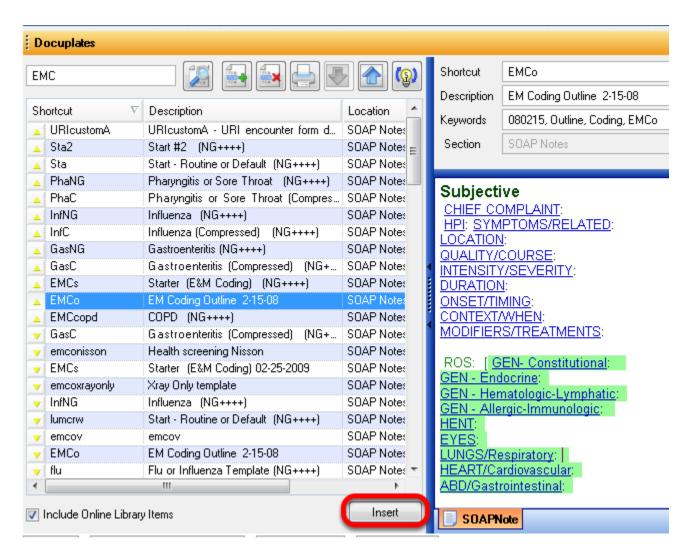


EM coder compatible docuplates may be found in the Docuplates Menu (F6).

To Search for a EM coder compatible docuplate:

- 1. Type "EMC" into the search text box, then Click on the search icon
- 2. Select one of the EMC docuplates
- 3. Click on the blue download icon to download the docuplate to the local database





The above screenshot shows a typical docuplate that is compatible with the SOAPware EM Coder. This docuplate can be entered into an encounter note (SOAPNote) to get started with EM Coding.

To insert this docuplate into an encounter, create an empty SOAPnote, then Click on the Insert button.

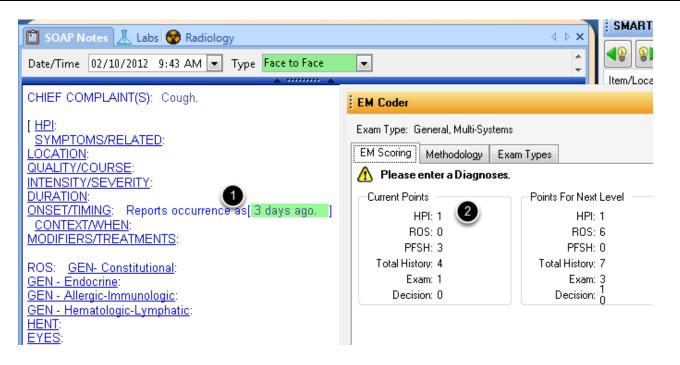
*Note: Rarely are all of these headers in the outline utilized within any single, specific patient encounter. Therefore, "Remove Unused Items" automatically removes all the empty headers (the ones you do not address). Actually, what you are viewing are the SMARText "Headers" for specific types of ST items. These are examples of the types SW uses to calculate the level of service. Each of these SOAPware headers represents an element defined in the documentation guidelines from CMS.





Clicking on the pick list headers (Click on Chief Complaint(s)) in a chart brings up a pick list of items that will display in the SMARText Quick Access window.

HPI

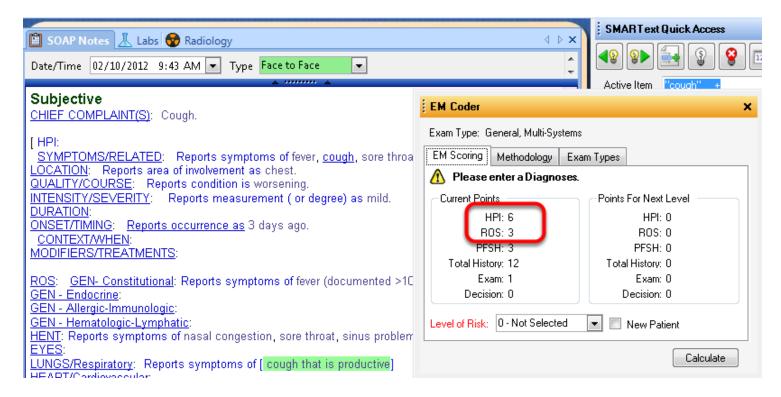


Each header is associated with information (by selecting an item from the associated pick list or by typing comments using the click-and-type method), which then adds a point to the corresponding section.



As an example:

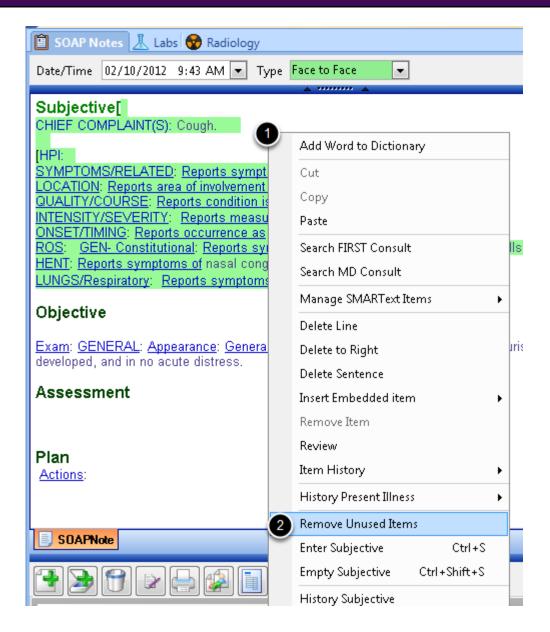
- 1. Select an item from "ONSET/TIMING: Reports occurrence as" (such as 3 days ago)
- 2. One (1) point is added to the EM Coder HPI score



The EM Coder current points will re-calculate after further documentation has been placed in the Chief Complaint, HPI, and ROS.



Remove Unused Items

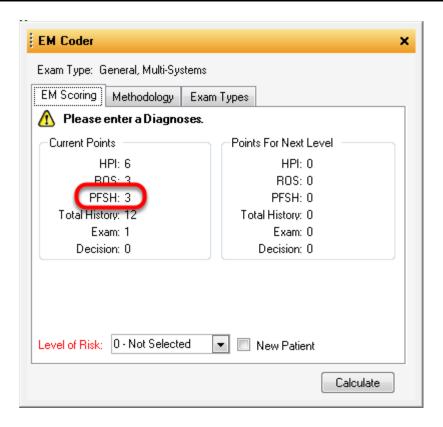


To clean up documentation and remove any unused items.

- 1. Right click in the Subjective field
- 2. Left click on "Remove Unused Items". This will remove any headers left unused.



Past Family Social History (PFSH)



The PFSH information comes from specific sections of the medical summary.

Specific sections in the summary need to contain data elements in order for the coder to be able to add PSFH points to the score. EM coder checks to see if any of 3 groups of sections within the summary contain any data items.





Past History includes any information within any one of the five sections:

- Active Problems
- Inactive Problems
- Surgeries
- Medications
- Allergies

Social History

Social History Single. Lives in condo. Drives. Employed. Strong social support nework. No major economic difficulties.

Any information from the Social History section. This information may be free text or SMARText documentation.

DOG



Family History

Family History

PARENTS: Anemia: ; Diabetes - Type I:; Migraine:

GRANDPARENTS: Migraine: Epilepsy:

UNCLES/AUNTS: Asthma: ; Coronary artery disease

OTHERS/DISTANT: Cancer of Colon : Obesity: : Mental Illness:

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Any information from the Family History Section. This information may be free text or SMARText documentation.

Past Family Social History (PSFH) can add up to 3 points to the history score. One point is added for each of the 3 groups, above, for any data items within them.

Understanding the role of **Social History** and/or **Family History** sections is easy because any data in either one adds a point to the history score. So, if both **Social History** and **Family History** have any information, a total of 2 points arises

The final encounter documentation, which is either printed or stored, must include at least some information from these "summary" sections to justify any level of service above level 3. If a level of service above level 3 is selected, the document design utilized to create the final documentation (either printed or stored) will need to include some of these summary sections in addition to the 6 fields in the SOAP encounter notes.



EM Coder: Exam

The Evaluation and Management Code allows users to automatically determine the level of service for encounter note documentation. The E&M Coder continually reports the complexity of history, exam, and decision-making, simplifying the process of determining the adequacy of documentation. This lesson will explain how this is calculated for the physical exam in SOAPware.

Exam

Objective Exam: GENERAL: LYMPHATIC: HEAD/EARS/NOSE/THROAT: EYES: NECK: LUNGS and RESPIRATORY: HEART (Cardiovascular): ABDOMEN (Gastrointestinal): MUSCULOSKELETAL (BJE): FEMALE-GENITOURINARY: BREASTS: MALE: NEUROLOGICAL: PSYCHIATRIC: SKIN:

The exam documentation is entered into the Objective section in SOAPware. There are 14 exam systems listed in the CMD/AMA documentation guidelines.

Exam Items generally - 1 point.

In the General Multi-Symptoms exam as defined by the CMS/AMA, there are close to 50 specific exam items that can be addressed. In general, each of anyone of these items included within an exam will add 1 point to the total exam score.



Objective

GENERAL

General appearance can be described as

LYMPHATIC:[

Axillary node exam reveals Neck node findings include Groin-Inquinal nodes demonstrate

Lymph node exams (not axillary/neck/groin) reveal)

HEAD/EARS/NOSE/THROAT:

Larynx (mirror): Oral Mucosa: Teeth, Gums: Communication:

Face palpation demonstrates Facial strength demonstrates Head and face exam reveals

Nasopharynx (mirror):

Pharyngeal Walls and Pyriform Sinuses:

Salivary glands reveal

Tonque evaluation demonstrates Tonsil exam reveals

Ears-Nose (external) Inspection:

Otoscopic Exam:

Oropharynx demonstrates Nose exam, internally, reveals Teeth, Gingiva, and Lip Exams: Hearing assessment shows

EYES: Pupils and irises: Ocular Adnexa:

Ocular Motility:

Slit Lamp - Anterior Chambers:

Slit Lamp - Comeas: Slit Lamp - Lenses: Visual Acuity:

Visual Field Intraocular Pressure

Ophthalmoscopy:

SKIN:

Skin Palpation:

Skin Inspection

NECK: Thyroid exam reveals Jugular vein exam reveals Neck tissue exam demonstrates

LUNGS and RESPIRATORY: Lung auscultation elicits Respiratory effort described as Chest palpation reveals Chest Percussion demonstrates

HEART (Cardiovascular): Abdominal aorta exam reveals Edema-Varicosity Exam: Carotid artery findings include Femoral arteries reveal Heart auscultation discovers Heart palpation reveals Pedal pulses demonstrate

ABDOMEN (Gastrointestinal): Abdomen percussion demonstrates Bowel sounds found to be Mass/Tendemess Exam:

Liver/Spleen:

Guaiac testing demonstrates Anus and perineum inspection shows Hemia checking discovers Rectal exam finds

MUSCULOSKELETAL (BJE): Gait and station demonstrate Joint stability checking finds

Range of Motion: Inspection-Palpation: Back and Spine: Right Lower Extremity: Right Upper Extremity: Left Lower Extremity:

Left Upper Extremity:

FEMALE-GENITOURINARY: External genitalia show Urethra findings include Bladder palpation reveals Cervical inspection detects

Uterus bimanual exam demonstrates Adnexa palpation discovers

Vaginal inspection discovers Rectal exam finds

Obstetrical exam demonstrates

Breast inspection demonstrates Breast palpation reveals

MALE: Scrotum inspection shows

Penis exam shows

Prostate digital exam reveals

Epididymides:

Testes palpation reveal Urethral meatus demonstrates

Seminal vesicles demonstrate

NEUROLOGICAL: Reflexes:

Coordination: Knowledge: Language:

Cranial Nerves:

PSYCHIATRIC: Insight and judgment appear

Mood and affect are described as

Knowledge: Language

Psychotic Thoughts:

Speech: Thought Processes:

Memory testing discovers

<u>Associations</u> Orientation is

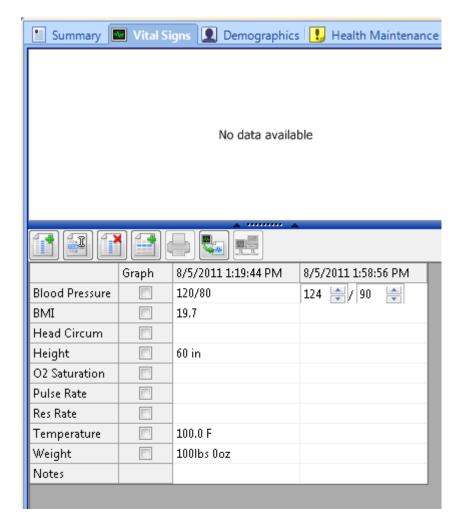
According to the E&M documentation guidelines, a level 5 encounter, must address no less than 18 (of about 50) exam items in no less than 9 (of 14) different systems. In contrast, a level 4 encounter must address at least 12 exam items in at least 2 different systems.

Once the documentation is completed, any of the physical exam elements in the objective field left blank can be automatically removed via the "Remove Unused Items" command in the Objective menu.

Earlier, the general statement was that one exam item would be equal to adding one point to the exam score. However, the rule of one point per item (that also contains associated information) varies slightly in dealing with 2 issues in the exam:



1- Vital Signs



Vital Signs must include at least 5 of the 7 specified by CMS. These are recorded-entered while working within the Vitals manager and then are transferred from the Vitals Section to the encounter for scoring.

2- Lymph

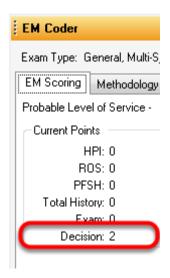
LYMPHATIC: Neck node findings include Axillary node exam reveals Groin-Inguinal nodes demonstrate Lymph node exams (not axillary/neck/groin) reveal

At least 2 of the 4 data item types associated with LYMPH: must have associated data in order to add the one point available for lymph.



Another type of exception to the usual flow within exam systems is encountered when dealing with Genitourinary item types. In this case there is an extra step to designate either male or female exam.

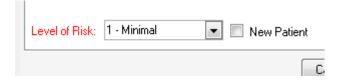
Decision Making:



Decision-Making section of the CMS documentation guidelines is comprised of 3 subcategories:

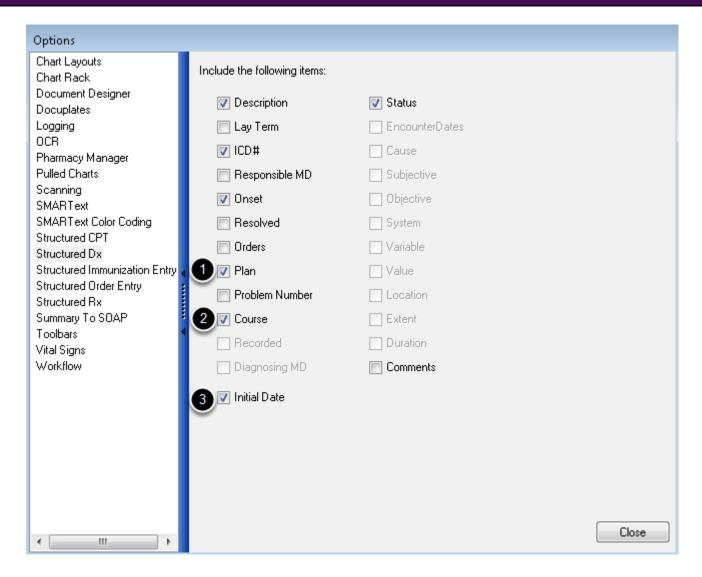
- 1 Number of Problems/Diagnoses
- 2 Data/Studies
- 3 Level of Risk

While the first 2 subcategories are a little more specific, the section dealing with level of risk is open to interpretation and not easily automated. Because the level of risk is very much subjective, there is no good way to accurately automate its value within a computer-based medical record. As a compromise, the SOAPware coding wizard simply adds one point for each diagnosis listed in the assessment field when it is calculating the subcategory dealing with the level of risk. Therefore, it is extremely important to review the calculated risk score before accepting any suggested level of service.





1 - Number of Problems/Diagnoses



To allow the necessary sub-items in the Structured Dx to be automatically placed in the chart and perform EM coding, go to Tools> Options>Structured Dx, and place checks in the boxes in front of:

- 1. Plan
- 2. Course
- 3. Initial Date

For calculating Number of Problems/Diagnosis score, the SOAPware automatic coding wizard will look at each of the lines in the Assessment field...if the line contains a diagnosis and if it also includes the encounter date (i.e. this is to indicate a new diagnosis), and if there are specific



instructions given such as "(See Plan)", and if it includes "uncontrolled" or "worsening" in course, then 4 points are added to the Decision Making score.

There is no maximum point total here with this rule, so if 3 lines meet these criteria, then 12 points are added to the point total. For example, if 3 similar diagnosis ST items (and sub-items) placed into the objective field, then 12 points are added to the score.

2 - Data/Studies

Plan

Actions: Plans for New Diagnosis:

<u>Lab/Tests:</u> X-rays:

Studies (other than lab or x-ray):

Old Records Requested: Discuss with physician: Summary updated:

Second Interpretation:

Plans (Other):

For calculating the Data subset of the Decision Making score, the automatic coding wizard will look into the plan field. In order for the E&M coder to function properly, it is necessary to include specific ST item types designed to be recognized as addressing data, studies, etc. This is an example of the list of headers that are displayed by a set of specialized ST items designed to function within the EM Coder.

Data points are added to the Decision Making score based upon the following formulas:

- Lab/Tests: 1 point
- X-rays: 1 point
- Studies (other than lab or x-ray): 1 point
- Old Records Requested: 1 point
- Discuss with physician: 1 point
- Summary updated: 2 points
- <u>Second Interpretation</u>: 2 points

Data points are only added when data is associated with the pick lists above by either selecting an item from the pick list, or inserting the correct SMARText items.



Data points are added when data is associated with the ST items types designed for use in the Plan. For example, if "Lab/Tests:"is changed to "Lab/Tests: CBC" then 1 point is added to the Data subset of the Decision Making score.

<u>Plans for New Diagnosis</u>: - This would be where you would place plan items for any new diagnosis that have been placed into the Assessment field (i.e. those which have the date added and the text "(See Plan)" as below:

Assessment

Diabetes mellitus type IIICD#250.00<u>Onset</u>:<u>Initial Date</u>:Orders: Plan: See Plan Plan

Plans for New Diagnosis: Diet - Dietary consultation for 1800 cal ADAdiet.

<u>Lab/Tests</u>: - This line is where you would place documentation for planned laboratory studies or testing. For example...

Lab/Tests: 85025 - LAB, CBC-complete....adds 1 point.

X-rays: - This line is where you would place documentation for radiographic items. For example...

X-rays:71020 - X-Ray, Chest, 2 views, AP/lateral. ...adds 1 point.

<u>Studies (other than lab or x-ray)</u> - This line is where you would place documentation for other types of studies other than labs or x-rays. For example...

Studies (other than lab or x-ray):93010 - EKG, Interpretation only. ... adds 1 point.

<u>Old Records Requested</u>: - This line is where you would place documentation of the fact that outside medical records are being obtained. For example...

Old Records Requested: Record Release obtained requesting old records from the hospital....adds 1 point.

<u>Discuss with physician</u>: - This line is where you would place documentation of the fact that you consulted or discussed with another physician. For example...

<u>Discuss with physician</u>: Neurologist, Dr. Davis regarding need for MRI of head....adds 1 point. <u>Summary updated</u>: This line is where you would place documentation of the fact that you have updated information within the medical history which in SOAPware would be the fields on the Summary side. For example...

Summary updated: The summary record was updated with pertinent information from previous records (10-20 minutes)....adds 2 points.

<u>Second Interpretation</u>: - This line is where you would place documentation of the fact that you have rendered a second opinion. For example...

<u>Second Interpretation</u>: The previous treatments were reviewed and an assessment given. ...adds **2 points**.

These 8 elements determine the score for the "Data" portion of the Decision Making section. Any elements left blank are automatically removed by selecting the "Remove Unused Items" in the Plan menu.



3 - Level of Risk.



Determining the third category of Decision Making, the Risk Score, is very difficult to accomplish automatically. Of all the elements of EM coding, it is the least defined. The guidelines list several examples of different patient encounters and then assign risk levels rather than delivering any specific rules. Without rules or logic, it is only possible for the software to make guesses. The "guessing" logic SOAPware E&M coder uses is simply to add one point for each of the first 4 diagnoses that are listed in Assessment. Obviously, this will rarely reflect the actual level of risk. Before accepting any suggested level of service, you should always check for the appropriate risk score. EM Coder auto selects a level of risk that will be labeled be in red...

This tells the user that the machine has selected it for them. The user should select a level of risk by clicking on the down arrow.

- 1 Minimal = 1 point
- 2 Low risk =2 points
- 3 Moderate risk = 3 points
- 4 High risk =4 points



Level of Risk	Presenting Problem(s)	Diagnostic Procedure(s) Ordered	Management Options Selected
Minimal	One self-limited or minor problem, eg, cold, insect bite, tinea corporis	Laboratory tests requiring venipuncture Chest x-rays EKG/EEG Urinalysis Ultrasound, eg, echocardiography KOH prep	Rest Gargles Elastic bandages Superficial dressings
Low	Two or more self-limited or minor problems One stable chronic illness, eg, well controlled hypertension, non-insulin dependent diabetes, cataract, BPH Acute uncomplicated illness or injury, eg, cystitis, allergic rhinitis, simple sprain	Physiologic tests not under stress, eg, pulmonary function tests Non-cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast, eg, barium enema Superficial needle biopsies Clinical laboratory tests requiring arterial puncture Skin biopsies	Over-the-counter drugs Minor surgery with no identified risk factors Physical therapy Occupational therapy IV fluids without additives
Moderate	One or more chronic illnesses with mild exacerbation, progression, or side effects of treatment Two or more stable chronic illnesses Undiagnosed new problem with uncertain prognosis, eg, lump in breast Acute illness with systemic symptoms, eg, pyelonephritis, pneumonitis, colitis Acute complicated injury, eg, head injury with brief loss of consciousness	Physiologic tests under stress, eg, cardiac stress test, fetal contraction stress test. Diagnostic endoscopies with no identified risk factors. Deep needle or incisional biopsy Cardiovascular imaging studies with contrast and no identified risk factors, eg, arteriogram, cardiac catheterization. Obtain fluid from body cavity, eg lumbar puncture, thoracentesis, culdocentesis	Minor surgery with identified risk factors Elective major surgery (open, percutaneous or endoscopic) with no identified risk factors Prescription drug management Therapeutic nuclear medicine IV fluids with additives Closed treatment of fracture or dislocation without manipulation

This table, provided by CMS, demonstrates some examples as to how to determine the risk level.



Changing the Level of Risk: by making a selection causes the text to turn black

Note, leaving the encounter (going to another encounter or chart) causes the EM Coder to change the "Level of Risk" label back to red or unverified.