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CPC NOTICE OF CHANGES 866

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The following classification changes will be effected by this Notice of Changes:

Action	Subclass	Group(s)
SCHEME:		
Symbols Deleted:	A61J	17/002, 17/003, 17/005, 17/006, 17/007, 17/008
Symbols New:	A61J	17/10, 17/101, 17/1011, 17/1012, 17/103, 17/105, 17/107, 17/109, 17/111, 17/1111, 17/1115, 17/113
Warning New:	A61J	17/00, 17/001, 17/02, 17/10, 17/101, 17/1011, 17/1012, 17/103, 17/105, 17/107, 17/109, 17/111, 17/1111, 17/1115, 17/113
DEFINITIONS:		
Definitions Modified:	A61J	17/00

The following subclasses/groups are also impacted by this Notice of Changes (indicate subclasses/groups outside of the project scope, such as those listed in the CRL): A44B, A63H

This Notice of Changes includes the following *[Check the ones included]* :

1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

    ☒   A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

    ☒   B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning(s)

    ☐   C. New, Modified or Deleted Note(s)

    ☐   D. New, Modified or Deleted Guidance Heading(s)

2. DEFINITIONS

    ☐   A. New or Modified Definitions (Full definition template)

    ☒   B. Modified or Deleted Definitions (Definitions Quick Fix)

3. ☒   REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

4. ☒   CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

5. ☒   CHANGES TO THE CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

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1. CLASSIFICATION SCHEME CHANGES

    A. New, Modified or Deleted Group(s)

SUBCLASS A61J – CONTAINERS SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR MEDICAL OR PHARMACEUTICAL PURPOSES; DEVICES OR METHODS SPECIALLY ADAPTED FOR BRINGING PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS INTO PARTICULAR PHYSICAL OR ADMINISTERING FORMS; DEVICES FOR ADMINISTERING FOOD OR MEDICINES ORALLY; BABY COMFORTERS; DEVICES FOR RECEIVING SPITTLE

Type *	Symbol	Indent Level Number of dots (e.g. 0, 1, 2)	Title (new or modified) "CPC only" text should normally be enclosed in {curly brackets}**	Transferred to#
C	A61J 17/00	0	Baby-comforters; Teething rings	A61J17/00, A61J17/001, A61J17/02, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
C	A61J 17/001	1	{Baby-comforters}	A61J17/001, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
C	A61J 17/02	1	Teething rings	A61J17/02, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
N	A61J 17/10	1	{Details; Accessories therefor}	
N	A61J 17/101	2	{Emitting means, e.g. for emitting sound, light, scents or flavours}	
N	A61J 17/1011	3	{Emitting sound, e.g. having rattles or music boxes}	
N	A61J 17/1012	3	{Emitting light}	
N	A61J 17/103	2	{Temperature sensing means}	
N	A61J 17/105	2	{Nipple attachments}	
N	A61J 17/107	2	{having specific orthodontic properties}	
N	A61J 17/109	2	{Decorative elements}	
N	A61J 17/111	2	{Holders therefor, e.g. to prevent loss or to hold in place}	
N	A61J 17/1111	3	{conjoined with soft cushions or toys}	
N	A61J 17/1115	3	{Straps, cords or chains}	
N	A61J 17/113	2	{Protective covers therefor, e.g. for protecting during disuse}	
D	A61J 17/002	2	{with music box}	< administrative transfer to A61J17/1011 >

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D	A61J 17/003	2	{with thermometer}	< administrative transfer to A61J17/103 >
D	A61J 17/005	2	{with light-emitting means}	< administrative transfer to A61J17/1012 >
D	A61J 17/006	2	{releasing medication}	< administrative transfer to A61J7/0053 >
D	A61J 17/007	2	{mounted on soft cushions or dolls}	< administrative transfer to A61J17/1111 >
D	A61J 17/008	2	{with protective shields}	< administrative transfer to A61J17/113 >

*N = new entries where reclassification into entries is involved; C = entries with modified file scope where reclassification of documents from the entries is involved; Q = new entries which are firstly populated with documents via administrative transfers from deleted (D) entries. Afterwards, the transferred documents into the Q entry will either stay or be moved to more appropriate entries, as determined by intellectual reclassification; T= existing entries with enlarged file scope, which receive documents from C or D entries, e.g. when a limiting reference is removed from the entry title; M = entries with no change to the file scope (no reclassification); D = deleted entries; F = frozen entries will be deleted once reclassification of documents from the entries is completed; U = entries that are unchanged.

NOTES:
- **No {curly brackets} are used for titles in CPC only subclasses, e.g. C12Y, A23Y; 2000 series symbol titles of groups found at the end of schemes (orthogonal codes); or the Y section titles. The {curly brackets} are used for 2000 series symbol titles found interspersed throughout the main trunk schemes (breakdown codes).
- U groups: it is obligatory to display the required "anchor" symbol (U group), i.e. the entry immediately preceding a new group or an array of new groups to be created (in case new groups are not clearly subgroups of C-type groups).Always include the symbol, indent level and title of the U group in the table above.
- All entry types should be included in the scheme changes table above for better understanding of the overall scheme change picture. Symbol, indent level, and title are required for all types .
- "Transferred to" column must be completed for all C, D, F, and Q type entries. F groups will be deleted once reclassification is completed.
- When multiple symbols are included in the "Transferred to" column, avoid using ranges of symbols in order to be as precise as possible.
- For administrative transfer of documents, the following text should be used: "< administrative transfer to XX>", "<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>", or "<administrative transfer to XX, YY, ...and ZZ simultaneously>" when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be the source allocation type, unless otherwise indicated.
- Administrative transfer to 2000/Y series groups is assumed to be "additional information".
- If needed, instructions for allocation type should be indicated within the angle brackets using the abbreviations "ADD" or "INV": <administrative transfer to XX ADD> , <administrative transfer to XX INV>, or < administrative transfer to XX ADD, YY INV, ... and ZZ ADD simultaneously>.
- In certain situations, the "D" entries of 2000-series or Y-series groups may not require a destination ("Transferred to") symbol, however it is required to specify "<no transfer>" in the "Transferred to" column for such cases.
- For finalisation projects, the deleted "F" symbols should have <no transfer> in the "Transferred to" column.
- For more details about the types of scheme change, see CPC Guide.

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B. New, Modified or Deleted Warning(s)

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Type*	Location	Old Warning notice	New/Modified Warning notice
N	A61J 17/00		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/00 is impacted by reclassification into groups A61J 17/001, A61J 17/02, A61J 17/10, A61J 17/101, A61J 17/1011, A61J 17/1012, A61J 17/103, A61J 17/105, A61J 17/107, A61J 17/109, A61J 17/111, A61J 17/1111, A61J 17/1115, and A61J 17/113. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/001		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/001 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group A61J 17/00. Group A61J 17/001 is also impacted by reclassification into groups A61J 17/10, A61J 17/101, A61J 17/1011, A61J 17/1012, A61J 17/103, A61J 17/105, A61J 17/107, A61J 17/109, A61J 17/111, A61J 17/1111, A61J 17/1115, and A61J 17/113. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/02		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/02 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from group A61J 17/00. Group A61J 17/02 is also impacted by reclassification into groups A61J 17/10, A61J 17/101, A61J 17/1011, A61J 17/1012, A61J 17/103, A61J 17/105, A61J 17/107, A61J 17/109, A61J 17/111, A61J 17/1111, A61J 17/1115, and A61J 17/113. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/10		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/10 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/101		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/101 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/1011		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/1011 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/1012		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/1012 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/103		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/103 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/105		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/105 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

Type*	Location	Old Warning notice	New/Modified Warning notice
N	A61J 17/107		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/107 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/109		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/109 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/111		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/111 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/1111		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/1111 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/1115		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/1115 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.
N	A61J 17/113		**WARNING** Group A61J 17/113 is incomplete pending reclassification of documents from groups A61J 17/00, A61J 17/001, and A61J 17/02. All groups listed in this Warning should be considered in order to perform a complete search.

*N = new warning, M = modified warning, D = deleted warning

NOTE: The "Location" column only requires the symbol PRIOR to the location of the warning. No further directions such as "before" or "after" are required.

2. B. DEFINITIONS QUICK FIX

Symbol	**Location of change** (e.g., section title)	**Existing reference symbol or text**	**Action; New symbol; New text**
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	With music box A61J 17/002	**Replace** with the following. Details; Accessories therefor A61J 17/10
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	With thermometer A61J 17/003	**Delete**
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	Light-emitting A61J 17/005	**Delete**
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	Releasing medication A61J 17/006	**Delete**
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	Mounted on soft cushion or doll A61J 17/007	**Delete**
A61J 17/00	Special rules of classification	With protective shield A61J 17/008	**Delete**

NOTES:
- The table above is used for corrections or modifications to existing definitions, e.g. delete an entire definition or part thereof; propose new wording or modify wording of a section, change the symbol the definition is associated with, change or delete a reference symbol, etc.
- Do not delete (F) symbol definitions.

3.   REVISION CONCORDANCE LIST (RCL)

Type*	From CPC Symbol (existing)	To CPC Symbol(s)
C	A61J17/00	A61J17/00, A61J17/001, A61J17/02, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
C	A61J17/001	A61J17/001, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
C	A61J17/02	A61J17/02, A61J17/10, A61J17/101, A61J17/1011, A61J17/1012, A61J17/103, A61J17/105, A61J17/107, A61J17/109, A61J17/111, A61J17/1111, A61J17/1115, A61J17/113
D	A61J17/002	<administrative transfer to A61J17/1011>
D	A61J17/003	<administrative transfer to A61J17/103>
D	A61J17/005	<administrative transfer to A61J17/1012>
D	A61J17/006	<administrative transfer to A61J7/0053>
D	A61J17/007	<administrative transfer to A61J17/1111>
D	A61J17/008	<administrative transfer to A61J17/113>

* C = entries with modified file scope where reclassification of documents from the entries is involved; Q = new entries which are firstly populated with documents via administrative transfers from deleted (D) entries. Afterwards, the transferred documents into the Q entry will either stay or be moved to more appropriate entries, as determined by intellectual reclassification; D = deleted entries; F = frozen entries will be deleted once reclassification of documents from the entries is completed.

NOTES:
- Only C, D, F, and Q type entries are included in the table above.
- When multiple symbols are included in the "To" column, do not use ranges of symbols.
- For administrative transfer of documents, the following text should be used: "< administrative transfer to XX>", "<administrative transfer to XX and YY simultaneously>", or "<administrative transfer to XX, YY, ...and ZZ simultaneously>" when administrative transfer of the same documents is to more than one place.
- Administrative transfer to main trunk groups is assumed to be the source allocation type, unless otherwise indicated.
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- In certain situations, the "D" entries of 2000-series or Y-series groups may not require a destination ("To") symbol, however it is required to specify "<no transfer>" in the "To" column for such cases.
- RCL is not needed for finalisation projects.

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4. CHANGES TO THE CPC-TO-IPC CONCORDANCE LIST (CICL)

CPC	IPC	Action*
A61J17/10	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/101	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/1011	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/1012	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/103	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/105	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/107	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/109	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/111	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/1111	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/1115	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/113	A61J17/00	NEW
A61J17/002	A61J17/00	DELETE
A61J17/003	A61J17/00	DELETE
A61J17/005	A61J17/00	DELETE
A61J17/006	A61J17/00	DELETE
A61J17/007	A61J17/00	DELETE
A61J17/008	A61J17/00	DELETE

*Action column:
- For an (N) or (Q) entry, provide an IPC symbol and complete the Action column with "NEW."
- For an existing CPC main trunk entry or indexing entry where the existing IPC symbol needs to be changed, provide an updated IPC symbol and complete the Action column with "UPDATED."
- For a (D) CPC entry or indexing entry complete the Action column with "DELETE." IPC symbol does not need to be included in the IPC column.
- For an (N) 2000 series CPC entry which is positioned within the main trunk scheme (breakdown code) provide an IPC symbol and complete the action column with "NEW".
- For an (N) 2000 series CPC entry positioned at the end of the CPC scheme (orthogonal code), with no IPC equivalent, complete the IPC column with "CPCONLY" and complete the action column with "NEW".

NOTES:
- F symbols are not included in the CICL table above.
- T and M symbols are not included in the CICL table above unless a change to the existing IPC is desired.

5. CROSS-REFERENCE LIST (CRL)

Definitions references impacted by this revision project

Location of reference to be changed	Referenced subclass or group to be changed	Section of definition	Action; New reference symbol; New text
A44B99/00	A61J17/00	Limiting References	**Replace** the existing symbol with: A61J17/001
A63H33/006	A61J17/00	Limiting References	**Replace** the existing symbol with: A61J17/02

NOTES:
- The CRL tables above are used for changes to locations **outside** of the project scope. Changes to references in scheme titles or definitions <u>inside</u> the project scope will be reflected in the "scheme change" template or one of the "definition" templates.
- In addition to other changes proposed in the tables above, in the column titled "Referenced subclass or group to be changed," **referenced** D symbols should indicate an action of "delete" or should indicate a replacement symbol and **referenced** F symbols should indicate a replacement symbol.
- When a reference is deleted, text related to that reference will also be deleted unless other references or a range of references associated with the same text remain.