

## “Proactive” Maintenance of MedDRA

Hello MedDRA Users:

Over the past several months, you may have heard the MSSO discuss developing a more “proactive” approach to MedDRA maintenance. In part, this means the MSSO may make corrections or improvements to MedDRA that we identify without receiving specific change requests from users. Another part of proactivity relates to making more general changes to MedDRA – perhaps correcting a series of outdated terms or addressing an area of inconsistency – based on user input outside the change request process.

Please e-mail your ideas for “proactive” improvements to MedDRA to the [MSSO Help Desk](#). Be as specific as possible in describing your idea. Here’s an example: “Please identify all HLTs with only one PT and determine if the PT can be consolidated into other existing HLTs. Consolidating these ‘single’ PTs into existing HLTs could work to improve safety signal strength.”

A justification for the submitted idea would also be appreciated.

The MSSO will evaluate all input received for potential implementation in a future version of MedDRA. *Please note that – unlike the change request process – the MSSO will not be obligated to respond to users on the disposition of their submitted “proactivity” ideas.* The “proactivity” approach does not take the place of usual change requests for individual changes in MedDRA. The MSSO will not process individual change requests submitted as “proactivity” ideas.

The status of submitted proactivity suggestions can be reviewed at on the [proactivity section](#) of the MSSO Web site.

Thank you for your consideration and support of MedDRA.

The MSSO