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# Preface

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- [Diversity and Inclusion](#)
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# 1

## Basics

In this chapter:

- [How do I log on?](#)
- [How do I change my password?](#)
- [How do I get help?](#)

### How do I log on?

1. Using Microsoft Edge, navigate to the following address: `http://<application server name>/CentralDesignerInstall`.
2. Click **Start Central Designer Client**.
3. Do one of the following:
  - Enter your **User Name** and **Password**, and click **Log On**.
  - If the web browser connects to the network through a proxy server that requires authentication, click **Proxy Settings** to enter the user name, the password, and the domain used to authenticate the connection to the proxy server.

You are logged on to the application, and the application opens. By default, the Home Page appears, but you can choose what you see after logon.

### How do I change my password?

1. In the upper-left corner of the application window, select **File**, and select **Change Password**.
2. Enter your old and new passwords. You must enter your new password twice for confirmation.
3. Click **OK**.

### How do I get help?

Do any of the following:

- Press **F1**, and then click the area of the application for which you want more information. A Help window appears with the relevant page displayed.
- Select **Help > Central Designer Documentation** to open the Oracle Help Center.
- Hover Help  
If you hold your mouse pointer over a button, tab, or icon without moving it, a tooltip appears with a brief description of the item that you are pointing to.

If you need the version of the application, you can view it in the About Central Designer dialog box. The dialog box also contains copyright information.

# 2

## Build a study

In this chapter:

- [Step 1: Open your study](#)
- [Step 2: Set the default appearance of ayour forms \(study-level styles\)](#)
- [Step 3: Add library objects to your study \(optional\)](#)
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- [Step 9: Select a primary layout for the study](#)
- [Step 10: Lock and protect your study objects \(optional\)](#)
- [Step 11: Validate and deploy your study](#)

### Step 1: Open your study

- The first time you log in, or any time you want to open a study you haven't recently opened:
  1. In the upper-left corner of the application window, click **File**, and select **Open**.
  2. From the list, double-click the study's name.
- To open a study you have recently opened, from the Home page, in the **Recent Projects List** on the left, double-click the icon for the study you want to work on.

 **Tip:**

If you want to see your most recent project as soon as you log in:

1. In the upper-left corner of the application window, click **Tools**, and select **Options**.
2. In the **At Startup** drop-down list, select **Load Most Recent Project**.

### Step 2: Set the default appearance of ayour forms (study-level styles)

[Show me how to set study-level styles.](#)

 **Tip:**

- We recommend that you set these study-level styles, for two reasons:
  - To save time. When you set the styles at the study level, the settings are propagated to all forms, codelists, and items in the study. As a result, you do not need to set styles for each study object, unless you want to override the study-level settings.
  - To enforce standards and consistency across a study.
- This setting applies to all existing and new study objects that inherit the study-level styles.

1. In the upper-left corner, click **Tools**, and select **Edit Study Level Styles**.
2. You can set the following styles.

**Form styles**

- **Question column width**—Percentage of the width of the layout table to use for the question column.

For example, if you enter 50 in the field, the question occupies half of the form, and the control where the InForm user enters data takes up the remaining half.

**Codelist styles**

- **Control orientation**—Display codelist items (radio buttons or checkboxes) horizontally or vertically.
- **Single selection settings**—Display a list of options as radio buttons or in a drop-down list.
  - For radio buttons:
    - \* **Use pulldown when item count exceeds**—When the number of radio buttons exceeds the specified number, display them in a drop-down list.
    - \* **Display vertically when item count exceeds**—When the number of radio buttons exceeds the specified number, display them as a vertical list.

**Compound item styles**

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Control orientation**—For a control with sub-controls (also called nested controls), indicate whether you want the nested controls to be displayed horizontally or vertically.

**Date time item styles**

- **Year range**—First and last years that you want to appear in the Year field for date time items.

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.

#### Float item styles

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox width**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use each item's length as the width for the item's control.
  - **Use this width**—Enter the number of characters wide you want for the item's control, which is used instead of the control's specified width.
- **Unit control type**—For an item with more than one unit control, display the unit controls as radio buttons or in a pull-down.

#### Integer item styles

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox width**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use each item's length as the width for the item's control.
  - **Use this width**—Enter the number of characters wide you want for the item's control, which is used instead of the control's specified width.
- **Unit control type**—Display unit controls as radio buttons or in a pull-down.

#### Text item styles


- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox size**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use each item's length as the width for the item's control.
    - \* **Increase the height by one line for every \_\_ chars**—The control's height is 1 line per the number of characters entered for the item's length. Use this field to increase the control's height by one line for every additional specified number of characters used for its width.
 

For example, if you use the default value of 50 characters, an item with a length of 10 has a height of 1 line, and an item with a length of 60 has a height of 2 lines.
  - **Use the following width and height**—Enter a width (in number of characters) and height (in number of lines) for text boxes.
- **Character set restriction**—Indicate whether you want to require InForm users to enter only ASCII characters in text items without codelists, or if InForm users can use any character set for text items.

The ASCII Only restriction is enforced if you're deploying to InForm release 5.0 or higher.

3. Click **Apply**, and click **Close**.

## Step 3: Add library objects to your study (optional)

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the **Study Design** folder.
3. Continue expanding as needed and select the study object you want to add the library object to. For example, if you are adding a library item to a form, expand the Study Design folder and the visit the form is in, and select the form.
4. Search for the library object you want to add to the study.
  - a. Click the **Libraries** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

### **Tip:**

If you don't see the Libraries tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Libraries** is selected.

- b. Do one or more of the following:
  - i. To open a saved search, select **Actions > Open Search from Repository**.
  - ii. To search for a library object by category, click **Categories**.
  - iii. To search for a library object using keywords, click **Keywords**.
  - iv. To specify the libraries you want to search in, click **Libraries**.
  - v. Select the checkboxes for the libraries you want to search in, or, to select all available libraries, click **Check All Libraries in Repository Results**.
  - vi. Optionally, to search on the latest versions of each library object in the selected libraries, click **Include latest object revisions in Repository**.
- c. Enter the search criteria for the library object, and click **Find**.

### **Tip:**

If you are adding a library object that references other objects, we recommend that you add the referenced objects first. For example, if you want to add a library section with a link to a library item on another form, add the library item to the other form before you add the library section.


5. Drag the library object from the **Libraries** tab and drop it on the object you want to add it to in the Project Explorer.

## Step 4: Create special Oracle InForm visits, forms, and items

In this section:

- [Step 4a: Create a screening visit](#)
- [Step 4b: Create a screening form in the screening visit](#)
- [Step 4c: Create an enrollment visit](#)
- [Step 4d: Create an enrollment form in the enrollment visit](#)
- [Step 4e: Create a subject identification form](#)
- [Step 4f: Create a final visit](#)
- [Step 4g: Create a study completion in the final visit](#)
- [Step 4h: Create a randomization form \(Optional\)](#)
- [Step 4i: Create a visit report form \(optional\)](#)
- [Step 4j: Create a regulatory document form \(optional\)](#)
- [Step 4k: Create a Visit Approval form \(optional\)](#)

### Step 4a: Create a screening visit

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **New Event**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the new visit, and click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

 **Tip:**

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

5. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Screening**.
6. Next, [Step 4b: Create a screening form in the screening visit](#).

### Step 4b: Create a screening form in the screening visit

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click the screening visit, select **New**, and select **Form**.
2. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
4. Click the **Properties** tab.
5. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Screening**.
6. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, and select **New Section**.

7. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
8. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected, and create the following items in the section:

### Subject initials

- a. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
  - **Type**—Text Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#). If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#).
- b. In the **Item Required** column, select the checkbox.
- c. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
  - **Length**—Maximum number of characters that a user can enter for the item.

#### Tip:

Sites in some countries might not collect subject initials due to data privacy concerns. In this case, you can do the following:

- In the **Display Override** column for the item, select **Hidden**.
  - Create a rule to populate the item with something other than the subject's initials. For example, you might want to populate the item with dashes (---). For more information, see the *User Guide*.
- d. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - e. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Initials (Screening)**.

### Date of birth (optional)

- a. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:



- **Type**—Date Time Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- b. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
- **Date Time Component Settings**—Select the date and time components that you want to appear in Oracle InForm, specify whether each is required, and indicate whether an Oracle InForm user can select Unknown as an option for the component.

 **Tip:**

Sites in some countries might not collect subjects' date of birth information due to data privacy concerns. In this case, you can make only the Year date time component required, and set all other components to optional.

- **Year Range**—Enter the first and last years that you want to appear in the Year field.
- c. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
- d. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **DOB (Screening)**.


#### Screening date (optional)

- a. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
- **Type**—Date Time Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more

information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#). If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.

- **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- b. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
    - **Date Time Component Settings**—Select the date and time components that you want to appear in Oracle InForm, specify whether each is required, and indicate whether an InForm user can select Unknown as an option for the component.
    - **Year Range**—Enter the first and last years that you want to appear in the Year field.
  - c. Click **OK**.
  - d. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - e. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Screening date (Screening)**.
9. Create a layout for your form:
- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.
- By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).
10. Next, [Step 4c: Create an enrollment visit](#).

## Step 4c: Create an enrollment visit

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **New Event**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the visit, and click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

### Tip:

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

5. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Enrollment**.

6. Next, [Step 4d: Create an enrollment form in the enrollment visit](#).

## Step 4d: Create an enrollment form in the enrollment visit

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click the enrollment visit, select **New**, and select **Form**.
2. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
4. Click the **Properties** tab.
5. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Enrollment**.
6. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
7. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
8. Create the following item in the section:

### Subject number (optional)

- a. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
- b. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
  - **Type**—Text Item or Integer Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- c. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
  - **Length**—Maximum number of characters (including the decimal point) that a user can enter for the item.

### Tip:

If you want the subject number to be automatically populated, you can do the following:

- In the **Display Override** column for the item, select **Hidden**.
  - Create a rule to populate the item.
- d. Click **OK**.
  - e. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - f. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Patient No. (Enrollment)**.
9. Create a layout for your form:
- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.
- By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).
10. Next, [Step 4e: Create a subject identification form](#).


## Step 4e: Create a subject identification form

### Why create a subject identification form?

To allow Oracle InForm users to edit the subject initials or subject number items.

In Oracle InForm, if you only include the subject initials and subject number items on the screening and enrollment forms, a user cannot edit the items after a subject is screened or enrolled. However, if you create a subject identification form and add those items to it, users can edit the items on the subject identification form.

To create a subject identification form:

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. In the Project Explorer, right-click the visit you want to add the form to, select **New**, and select **Form**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. Click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

#### Note:

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

6. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Patient Identification**.
7. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
8. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

9. If you created a Subject Number item on the enrollment form, add it as a link to the section:
  - a. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - b. Right-click the item, select **Copy**, and select **Link**.
  - c. In the Project Explorer, select the Subject Identification form, right-click the form, and select **Paste**.

10. Create the following item in the section:

#### Subject initials (optional)

- a. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
  - **Type**—Text Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- b. In the **Item Required** column, select the checkbox.
- c. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
  - **Length**—Maximum number of characters that a user can enter for the item.

#### Tip:

Sites in some countries might not collect subject initials due to data privacy concerns. In this case, you can do the following:

- In the **Display Override** column for the item, select **Hidden**.
- Create a rule to populate the item with something other than the subject's initials. For example, you might want to populate the item with dashes (---). For more information, see the *User Guide*.
- d. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
- e. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Initials (Screening)**.

 **Tip:**

You can also map the items on the screening and enrollment forms directly to the subject identification form, and create a rule to populate the items.

11. Create a layout for your form:
  - a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.

By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

 **Tip:**


We recommend that you contact your study's librarian to add this form to a library for reuse across studies. For more information, see the *User Guide*.

12. Next, [Step 4f: Create a final visit](#)

## Step 4f: Create a final visit

### Why create a final visit?

Use the final visit to contain the Study Completion form, where Oracle InForm users enter data such as the date of study completion or subject drop-out reason.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **New Event**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. Next, [Step 4g: Create a study completion in the final visit](#).

## Step 4g: Create a study completion in the final visit

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click the final visit, select **New**, and select **Form**.
2. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
4. Click the **Properties** tab.
5. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the Oracle InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Study Completion**.
6. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
7. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

8. Create the following items in the section:

### Study completion status

- a. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
- b. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
  - **Type**—Text Item or Integer Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the item.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- c. In the **Item Required** column, select the checkbox.
- d. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
  - **Length**—Maximum number of characters (including the decimal point) that a user can enter for the item.
- e. Click **OK**.
- f. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
- g. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Completion status (Study Completion)**.
- h. Add a codelist with a drop-down list or set of radio buttons to so that the Oracle InForm user can select the subject's status.
  - i. In the Project Explorer, right-click the item, and click **New Codelist**.
  - ii. Enter a Title, RefName, and Description for the codelist.
  - iii. Click **OK**.
  - iv. In the grid, create two codelist items so that an Oracle InForm user can indicate whether a subject completed the study. For example, you can create a codelist item called **Complete**, and one called **Incomplete**.
- i. In the Project Explorer, select the item, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
- j. In the **Codelist Settings** section, make sure **Select Single Value** is selected, and click **OK**.
- k. In the Project Explorer, expand the study completion form, the study completion status item, and the completion status codelist.

- I. For each codelist item, select the codelist item, click the **Properties** tab, and select the following in the **Study Completion Status Items** drop-down list:
  - Complete Study (Study Completion)
  - Incomplete Study (Study Completion)

#### Drop-out reason

- a. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
- b. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
  - **Type**—Text Item or Integer Item
  - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
  - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
  - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
  - **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- c. In the **Item Required** column, select the checkbox.
- d. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
  - **Length**—Maximum number of characters (including the decimal point) that a user can enter for the item.
- e. Click **OK**.
- f. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
- g. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Drop-out reason (Study Completion)**.
- h. Add a codelist with a drop-down list or set of radio buttons so that the InForm user can select the reason a subject dropped out of the study.

#### Tip:

If you are implementing a Custom-Defined Database (CDD), and want to map each drop-out reason to a separate CDD column, we recommend that you consider using one of the designs described in CDD design considerations.



- i. In the Project Explorer, right-click the item, and click **New Codelist**.
- ii. Enter a Title, RefName, and Description for the codelist.
- iii. Click **OK**.
- iv. In the grid, create two codelist items so that an InForm user can indicate why a subject dropped out of the study. For example, you can create a codelist item called **Subject's decision to leave the study** and one called **Subject moved**.
- i. In the Project Explorer, select the item, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
- j. In the **Codelist Settings** section, make sure **Select Single Value** is selected, and click **OK**.

 **Tip:**

It is possible to write a rule to ensure that, if a user indicates that a subject didn't complete the study, he must also select a drop-out reason. For more information about writing rules, see the *User Guide*.

9. Create a layout for your form:
  - a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.


By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).
10. On the right of the page, right-click the study completion status codelist, select **Control Type**, and select the type of control you want to create (**Radio Button** or **Pulldown**).
11. On the right of the page, right-click the drop-out reason codelist, select **Control Type**, and select the type of control you want to create (**Radio Button** or **Pulldown**).

## Step 4h: Create a randomization form (Optional)

### Why create a randomization form?

The randomization form has a randomization item that holds a sequence and drug kit number that is generated by InForm randomization processing.

In order to populate the randomization item with the sequence number and drug kit, contact your study's rule developer to create a randomization rule and any additional required components.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. In the Project Explorer, right-click the visit you want to add the form to, select **New**, and select **Form**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
5. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

6. Create the following item in the section:

**Randomization (optional)**

- a. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
  - b. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
    - **Type**—Text Item
    - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
    - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
    - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#). If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
    - **Short Question**—In InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#).
  - c. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
    - **Length**—Maximum number of characters (including the decimal point) that a user can enter for the item.
  - d. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - e. Click the **Properties** tab, click in the **Special Fields** drop-down list, and select **Randomization field (Randomization)**.
7. Create a layout for your form:
- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.


By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

 **Tip:**

We recommend that you contact your study's librarian to add this form to a library for reuse across studies. For more information, see the *User Guide*.

## Step 4i: Create a visit report form (optional)

A visit report form is a form that a monitor fills out when inspecting a site. For example, the visit report form might contain questions about whether a site is following all Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). You do not need to add this form to a visit. During deployment, a visit is created and this form is added to it.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Right-click the **Non-Clinical** folder, and select **New Visit Report Form**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

### Tip:

This form cannot be repeating, but can contain a repeating section.

4. Add a section to the form.
  - a. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
  - b. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
  - c. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
  - d. Optionally, click the **Properties** tab and specify any of the following properties for the section:
    - **Fixed**—Indicate whether the section is a fixed repeating section, which is deployed to InForm as a Repeating Data itemset. If you select True, Repeating is automatically set to True.
    - **Repeating**—Indicate whether the section is a repeating section, which is deployed to InForm as an Add Entry itemset.
  - e. If you selected both **Fixed** and **Repeating**, you must also:
    - [Choose the default view for a fixed repeating section.](#)
    - [Configure a fixed repeating section.](#)
5. Add the Date of visit item.
  - a. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
  - b. In the grid, enter the following, and press the Tab key to navigate through the columns:
    - **Type**—Date Time Item
    - **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
    - **RefName**—Internal reference name for the study object.
    - **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short](#)


**Question?** If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.

- **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- c. In the **Item Properties** column, click the **Edit** link, and enter the following:
    - **Date Time Component Settings**—Select the date and time components that you want to appear in InForm, specify whether each is required, and indicate whether an InForm user can select Unknown as an option for the component.
    - **Year Range**—Enter the first and last years that you want to appear in the Year field.
  - d. Click **OK**.
  - e. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - f. Click the **Properties** tab, and from the **Special Fields** drop-down list, select **DOV (Date of Visit)**.
6. Create a layout for your form:
    - a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
    - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.

By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

## Step 4j: Create a regulatory document form (optional)


A regulatory document form is a form that a monitor fills out when inspecting a site. For example, the regulatory document form might contain questions about whether a site has complied with documentation requirements such as the availability of the study protocol. You do not need to add this form to a visit. During deployment, a visit is created and this form is added to it.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Right-click the **Non-Clinical** folder, and select **New Reg Docs Form**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

### Tip:

A regulatory document form is not repeating by default, but you can mark it as repeating.


4. Add a section to the form

- a. In the Project Explorer, right-click the form, select **New Section**.
  - b. Enter a `title`, `ReName`, and `description`, and click **OK**.
  - c. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
  - d. Optionally, click the **Properties** tab and specify any of the following properties for the section:
    - **Fixed**—Indicate whether the section is a fixed repeating section, which is deployed to Oracle InForm as a Repeating Data itemset. If you select True, Repeating is automatically set to True.
    - **Repeating**—Indicate whether the section is a repeating section, which is deployed to Oracle InForm as an Add Entry itemset.
  - e. If you specified both **Fixed** and **Repeating**, you must also:
    - [Create a fixed repeating section](#)
    - [Choose the default view for a fixed repeating section](#)
5. Add an item to the section.
- a. In the library project, at the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
  - b. Expand the visit and form with the section you want to add the item to.
  - c. In the Project Explorer, select the section, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
  - d. Above the grid, click the **Columns** button, and add the columns for the properties you want to configure for the item.
  - e. Do one of the following:
    - In the grid, enter data in the columns, as needed.


 **Note:**

We recommend that you add the items in the order you want them to appear in the section. However, if you need to reorder the items, see [Reorder the items in a section](#).

- If the **Dynamic Grid** checkbox in the upper-right above the grid is selected, you

must click the **Edit Dynamic Grid** () to add items to the section. For more information, see [Create a section to collect related data \(a dynamic grid\)](#).

### Item columns


- a. In the library project, at the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
- b. Expand the visit and form with the section you want to add the item to.
- c. In the Project Explorer, select the section, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.

- d. Above the grid, click the **Columns** button, and add the columns for the properties you want to configure for the item.
- e. Do one of the following:
  - In the grid, enter data in the columns, as needed.

 **Tip:**

We recommend that you add the items in the order you want them to appear in the section. However, if you need to reorder the items, see [Reorder the items in a section](#).

- If the **Dynamic Grid** checkbox in the upper-right above the grid is

selected, you must click the **Edit Dynamic Grid** icon (  ) to add items to the section. For more information, see [Create a section to collect related data \(a dynamic grid\)](#).

### Item columns

- **Type**—Select one of the following:
  - **Blood Pressure Item**—Used to collect blood pressure information.
  - **Compound Item**—Has one or more child items that can have different data types.
  - **Date Time Item**—Used to collect date and time information.
  - **Float Item**—Used to collect numerical values with decimal points, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Integer Item**—Used to collect numerical values without decimal points, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Text Item**—Used to collect alphanumeric information, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Yes No Item**—Used to collect yes or no answers to questions. A Yes No item contains a predefined codelist with Yes and No options.

 **Tip:**

To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change this setting after you have deployed your study. Instead, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated setting. For example, do not change a Float item to an Integer item.

- **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
- **RefName**—Internal reference name for the item.
- **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#). If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.
- **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#).
- **Item Properties**—Contains an **Edit** link, which you can click to edit additional item properties.
- **Item Required**—Indicate whether the item is required for data entry on the form to be complete.
- **SDV Required**—Indicate whether the item requires source document verification.
- **SDV Critical**—Indicate whether the item is considered critical for source verification. The SDV Critical setting for an item can be overridden in Oracle InForm.
- **Conditional On**—To configure the item so that it only appears on the form when a particular option is selected in another item, select the item in the Conditional On column, and the required option in the Conditional Value column.  
This column contains items with a drop-down list, set of radio buttons, or set of checkboxes.
- **Conditional Value**—To configure the item so that it only appears on the form when a particular option is selected in another item, select the item in the Conditional On column, and the required option in the Conditional Value column.  
This column contains the code and label of drop-down list options, radio buttons, or checkboxes on the item that you selected in the Conditional On column.
- **Display Override**—Determines the default behavior of an item when a layout is generated.
  - **ReadOnly**—The item is visible but not editable.
  - **Editable**—The item is visible and editable by any user, regardless of the rights assigned to the user.
  - **Hidden**—The item is not visible.
  - **None**—The item is visible to all users, and visible and editable by any user who has the rights to view and/or edit the item.
- **Key**—For key items, displays icons and numbers that indicate:

- Type of key item uniqueness (None, Individual, or Group).
- Order of the items in the drop-down navigation list that appears in the summary view of a repeating form in InForm.

In Oracle InForm, key items are used to make it easier to navigate among the instances of a repeating form and to enforce data uniqueness in specific items.

- **Codelist**—For text, float, and integer items, select an existing and eligible drop-down list, set of radio buttons, or set of checkboxes to add to the item.
- **Codelist Subset**—Select a predefined set of drop-down list options, radio buttons or checkboxes (a codelist subset) for the selected codelist.
- **Collapsible**—Indicate whether the item is always visible on the form in InForm, or is collapsed and not visible until a condition is met.  
For more information, see [Make an item conditional on another object](#).
- **Data Label**—Text label for the item. The data label enables access to the item in a target table with the Patient To Control key type of any of the pivot key types.
- **Description**—Description of the item.
- **Identifier**—Unique internal identifier for the item.
- **Length**—For text, float, and integer items, enter the length to use for the item.

 **Note:**

Enter a value of less than 4,000 characters if you anticipate that this item's data will be sent to Data Management Workbench.

- **Locked**—Indicates whether the item is locked.
- **MaxProperty**—If a MaxValue is specified for the item, indicates whether the value can be less than or less than or equal to the MaxValue.
- **MaxValue**—Maximum value that InForm will allow to be typed for the item.
- **MinProperty**—If a MinValue is specified for the item, indicates whether the value can be greater than or greater than or equal to the MinValue.
- **MinValue**—Minimum value that the InForm application will allow to be typed for the item.
- **Modified**—Indicates that the item is modified, and hasn't yet been saved.
- **New**—Indicates that the item is new, and hasn't yet been saved.
- **PHI**—Indicate whether an Oracle InForm user might enter Personal/ Protected Health Information (PHI) for the item. If you select True:



- A warning appears when you close the Rule Wizard if you create a rule with an email action and you add the item to the subject or body of the email.
  - A validation error occurs if a rule with an email action contains the item in the subject line or body of the email.
  - **Protected**—Indicates that the item is protected. An item can be marked as Protected explicitly, or by default if its parent item is protected. You cannot update a protected item.
  - **Revision**—Item's revision number.
  - **Special Fields**—Used for items on special InForm forms.  
For more information, see [Step 4: Create special Oracle InForm visits, forms, and items](#).
  - **Timestamp**—Date and time when the item was most recently updated.
  - **Version**—Item's version number.
- f. In the **Item Properties** column, click **Edit**, and enter data for the additional properties:
- **Base Unit**—The default unit you want to capture data in for the item. The data for the item is saved in this base unit in the study database. (For integer and float items only.)
  - **Conversion Units**—Optional units an Oracle InForm user can choose to enter data in. If you specify one or more conversion units, the Oracle InForm user can enter data and then select which unit he used. When the item data is stored in the study database, the conversion unit value is converted to the base unit. (For integer and float items only.)
  - **Signed Value**—Reserved for future use. (For Integer items only.)
  - **Date Time Component Setting**—Select the date and time components that you want to appear in InForm, specify whether each is required, and indicate whether an InForm user can select Unknown as an option for the component. (For date time items only.)
  - **Year Range**—First and last years that you want to appear in the Year field for the item. (For date time items only.)
  - **Precision**—Number of characters that a user must enter after the decimal point in a number. For example, if an item has a precision of two, you must enter **1.00**, instead of **1.0**. (For float items only.)
6. Create a layout for your form:
- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.
- By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

## Step 4k: Create a Visit Approval form (optional)

A visit approval form allows study designers to assign a visit level signature to signature groups. This is useful if data entered into CRFs needs to be verified as soon as possible after the visit is complete.

When creating a Visit Approval form, consider that:

- Visit Approval CRFs can be used regardless of other CRF signature groups.
- There can only be one Visit Approval form per visit.
- There are no restrictions on the type of visit (such as normal, dynamic, repeating, or common) a Visit Approval form can be associated to.

 **Note:**

It is not recommended to set a Visit Approval for a common visit, as it is not a discrete timepoint.


- Common and Repeating forms cannot be set as Visit Approval forms.
- When a Visit Approval form exists in a visit, all other forms within that visit, except common forms, fall under the visit level signature. Any change to any of the forms within that visit will then invalidate a Visit Approval form previously signed in Oracle InForm.

 **Note:**

If you are using visit approvals in your study and want the common form to be signed as well, it will need to have its own CRF level signature associated with it, as it is not part of the visit signature.

- You must create an item question for the Oracle InForm user to note whether the visit is ready for signature.
- Oracle recommends that you create a section level note describing the visit level signature.
- Creating signature groups that include Visit Approval can be done in the same way as with regular CRF signature groups.

To create a Visit Approval form:

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Right-click the visit where you want to add the Visit Approval form, select **New**, then select **Form**.
3. Enter a **Title**, **RefName**, and **Description**, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the new form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. Click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

 **Tip:**

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.


6. At the top of the **Properties** tab, in the Oracle InForm section, click in the **Special Forms** field, and select **Visit Approval**.
7. Add the Visit Approval form or forms to the CRF signature group, along with any other CRFs that need to be signed.
8. Update the signature affidavit text as needed on a per language basis.
9. Complete the study build, validate the study, create a deployment package and deploy to Oracle InForm.

## Step 5: Create all other visits, forms, and items

In this section:

- [Step 5a: Create a visit](#)
- [Step 5b: Create forms in your visits](#)
- [Step 5c: Organize forms by creating sections](#)
- [Step 5d: Create items to collect data on forms](#)

### Step 5a: Create a visit

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **New Event**.
3. Enter a `title`, `RefName`, and `description`, and click **OK**.
4. Click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

 **Tip:**

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

5. Optionally, specify any of the following properties for the visit:
  - **Repeating**—Set the visit as repeating or non-repeating.


 **Tip:**

To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change this setting after you have deployed your study. Instead, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated setting.

- **Short Title**—Used as the visit mnemonic, which is used to identify the form in the InForm user interface and reports. You can enter up to 63 characters.

6. Next, [Step 5b: Create forms in your visits](#).

## Step 5b: Create forms in your visits

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Right-click the visit you want to add the form to, select **New**, and select **Form**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the new form, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. Optionally, in the upper-right above the grid, select one or more checkboxes:
  - **Repeating**—Indicates whether the form can have more than one instance within a visit. For example, you might want to mark an Adverse Event form as repeating.
  - **Common**—Indicates whether the form is a common form. Data entered on a common form is carried forward from visit to visit so that the form contains cumulative data for a subject. For example, you might want to create one Logs form, which collects data throughout the study, as common.

### Tip:

- To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change these settings after you have deployed your study. If you need to make changes, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated settings.
- If you plan to include items from this form, or a section on this form, in a dynamic grid section so that it can be collected in a set of related data (for example for submission to Argus Safety), do not mark the form as Common.

6. Click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

### Tip:

If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

7. Optionally, specify any of the following properties for the form:
  - **Item Required**—Indicates whether an Oracle InForm site user is required to fill out the form.
  - **SDV Critical**—Indicates whether the form must be source verified in Oracle InForm for all subjects in a study at a site, even for subjects who are not part of the SV Pool. If you select True, SDV Required is automatically set to True as well.
  - **SDV Required**—Indicates whether the form must be source verified in Oracle InForm for all subjects in a study at a site who are part of the SV Pool.

- **Short Title**—Used as the form mnemonic, which is used to identify the form in the Oracle InForm user interface and reports. You can enter up to 63 characters.

 **Tip:**

- If this is the first form in a visit, you must include the Date of Visit item if you are planning to use the **Enforce visit date entry** system configuration option in Oracle InForm.
- If this is the first form in a repeating visit, you must include the date of visit item.
- We recommend that you include 20 or fewer items on each form, and split any extensive data capture requirements across multiple forms. Although there is no predefined item limit in Oracle Central Designer, including 20 or fewer items per form ensures optimal system performance and prevents impact on integrated or downstream applications. For example, an in-place revision on a study that contains a large form might create a database table with more than 1000 columns. As a result, the study deployment fails because the number of columns exceeds an Oracle database column limit.

8. Create a layout for your form:
  - a. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.


By default, the layout for the form uses the study-level styles that you or your study administrator configured. If you want to change the form's appearance, or the appearance of one or more of its study objects, see [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#) and [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

9. Next, [Step 5c: Organize forms by creating sections](#).

For more information, see:

- [Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects \(form-level styles\)](#)
- [Preview a form](#)
- [Rename a form layout](#)

## Set the default appearance for a single form and its study objects (form-level styles)

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select the form.
3. Select the **Layout** tab, and click **Edit Styles**.
4. You can set the following styles.

### Form styles

- **Question column width**—Percentage of the width of the layout table to use for the question column.  
For example, if you enter 50 in the field, the question occupies half of the form, and the control where the InForm user enters data takes up the remaining half.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

### Codelist styles

- **Control orientation**—Display codelist items horizontally or vertically.
- **Single selection settings**—Display codelist items as radio buttons or within a drop-down list.
  - **Use pulldown when item count exceeds**—When the number of codelist items exceeds the specified number, display them in a pulldown control.
  - **Display vertically when item count exceeds**—When the number of codelist items exceeds the specified number, display them as a vertical list of radio buttons.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

### Compound Item styles

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Control orientation**—If you have a control and it has sub-controls (also called nested controls), you can indicate whether you want the nested controls to be displayed horizontally or vertically.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

### Date/Time Item styles

- **Year range**—The range of years to display in date time items.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

### Float Item styles

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox width**—The width of the text box for the item.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use each item's length as the text box width.
  - **Use this width**—Enter a width for the text box.
- **Unit control type**—Display the unit controls as radio buttons or in a pulldown.

- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

#### Integer Item styles


- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox width**—The width of the text box for the item.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use the item's length as the text box width.
  - **Use this width**—Enter a width for the text box.
- **Unit control type**—Display the unit controls as radio buttons or in a pulldown.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

#### Text Item styles

- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox width**—The width of the text box for the item.
  - **Use the item variable's length as the width**—Use the item's length as the text box width.
    - \* **Increase the height by one line for every \_\_\_ chars**—Increment the height of the text box by one line for every specified number of characters entered for the item.
    - \* **Use the following width and height**—Enter a width (in number of characters) and height (in number of lines) for the text box.
  - **Use this width**—Enter a width for the text box.
- **Character set restriction**—Indicate whether you want to require InForm users to enter only ASCII characters in text items without codelists, or if InForm users can use any character set for text items.  
The ASCII Only restriction is enforced if you're deploying to InForm release 5.0 or higher.
- **Inherit**—You must deselect this option to override the default study-level styles, or the styles that your study administrator set up.

5. Click **OK**.

## Preview a form


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Perform one of the following:
  - Select a form, and select the **Layout** tab.
  - If the layout is not generated, click **Create Layout**.
3. To generate a preview or an annotated preview, perform one of the following:

- Right-click a section header or the area below the layout table, and select **Preview Form**.
- In the upper-left corner, click **Preview**, then select **Preview Form**.

 **Tip:**

- You can generate a form preview with or without annotations.
- You can preview one form at a time.
- To preview all forms in a study, generate an annotated study book.
- You can print a form preview if you have the Adobe Acrobat PDF Distiller print driver.

## Rename a form layout

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form or item, and select the **Layout** tab.
3. At the top of the **Layout** tab, click **Layouts**, then **Rename Layout**.
4. From the **Layout to rename** drop-down list, select a layout.
5. From the **New layout name** drop-down list, do one of the following:
  - To use a new layout name, select **New**, and type a name for the layout. The name is added to the list of registered names for the study, and you can select it from the drop-down list.
  - To use an existing name, select it from the drop-down list. The list includes all of the study's registered names that have not been used for the form or item.

 **Tip:**

- The layout name must not already be in use for the form.
- You can rename a layout for a single form only.


## Step 5c: Organize forms by creating sections

In this section:

- [Create a non-repeating section](#)
- [Create a repeating section](#)
- [Create a fixed repeating section](#)
- [Create a section to collect related data \(a dynamic grid\)](#)
- [Optional tasks](#)



## Create a non-repeating section

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit with the form you want to add the section to, right-click the form, and select **New Section**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.


 **Tip:**

We recommend adding the sections in the order you want them to appear on the form. However, if you need to reorder the sections, see [Reorder the sections on a form](#).

4. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. Next, create items in the section.

## Create a repeating section

A repeating section is deployed to Oracle InForm as an Add Entry itemset. Add Entry itemsets include the items in the section, and the ability for the Oracle InForm user to add items to the section from within Oracle InForm.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit with the form you want to add the section to, right-click the form, and select **New Section**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

 **Tip:**

We recommend adding the sections in the order you want them to appear on the form. However, if you need to reorder the sections, see [Reorder the sections on a form](#).

4. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. In the upper-right above the grid, select the **Repeating** checkbox.

 **Tip:**

To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change this setting after you have deployed your study. Instead, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated setting.


6. Next, create items in the section.

## Create a fixed repeating section

### Why create a fixed repeating section?

You might want to design a form that allows a user to enter the same piece of data multiple times for the same item. For example, a user might need to record a subject's heart rate while the subject is sitting and then standing, at specified time intervals after the subject receives a drug.

To do this, you can create a fixed repeating section in Oracle Central Designer. A fixed repeating section is deployed to Oracle InForm as a Repeating Data itemset. For more information, see [How can I use a fixed repeating section on a form?](#).

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit with the form you want to add the section to, right-click the form, and select **New Section**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

#### **Tip:**

We recommend adding the sections in the order you want them to appear on the form. However, if you need to reorder the sections, see [Reorder the sections on a form](#).

4. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. In the upper-right above the grid, select the **Fixed** and **Repeating** checkboxes.

#### **Tip:**

To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change this setting after you have deployed your study. Instead, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated setting.

6. Next, create items in the section.
7. Do the following:

#### Configure the fixed repeating section

- **Pre-requisites:** Create an item on the section. For an item that you want to use as a fixed column in the section, do one of the following:
  - [Create radio buttons on your item](#)
  - [Create checkboxes on your item](#)
  - [Create a drop-down list on your team](#)
- a. In the upper-right above the section's table, click the **Fixed Table** icon (



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- b. In the Edit Fixed Table dialog box, in the **Define Fixed Columns** section, select the items to use as the columns in the section. For example, if you want to record a subject's heart rate while the subject is sitting and then standing, at specified time intervals after the subject receives a drug, the fixed items might be:

- Time point
- Position
- Heart rate

A fixed item must:

- Be a top level item with no nested items.
- Be a text, integer, or float item.
- Have a codelist with:
  - \* At least one codelist item defined. If the codelist has a defined subset, you can only select a codelist item in the subset.
  - \* A control type of radio button or pulldown.

 **Note:**

You cannot mark all items in a fixed repeating section as fixed.

- c. Optionally, to view only fixed items in the fixed repeating section in the table, deselect **Show non-fixed columns**.
- d. Click **Add Row**.
- e. Optionally, to indicate that you do not want a user to enter data for a particular cell, right-click the cell and select **Set as Blank**.
- f. Optionally, to modify the rows, use the buttons on the right of the dialog box.
- g. Click **OK**.

#### Choose the default view for the fixed repeating section

- a. In the upper-left corner of the application window, click **Tools**, and select **Options**.
- b. In the **Environment** section, click **Fixed Repeating Section**, and in the **Default view type** field, select one of the following:
  - **Grid landscape**—Short questions for top-level items are arranged horizontally across the top of the preview, and the labels for codelist items are laid out vertically for each fixed item.  
In the grid landscape view, blank cells have a gray background.
  - **Portrait**—Short questions for top-level items are laid out vertically, and the labels for codelist items are laid out horizontally for each fixed item.
- c. Click **OK**.


For more information, see:

- [Configure a fixed repeating section](#)
- [Choose the default view for a fixed repeating section](#)

## Configure a fixed repeating section

**Pre-requisites:** Create an item on the section. For an item that you want to use as a fixed column in the section, do one of the following:

- [Create radio buttons on your item](#)
- [Create checkboxes on your item](#)
- [Create a drop-down list on your team](#)

1. In the upper-right above the section's table, click the **Fixed Table** icon ().
2. In the Edit Fixed Table dialog box, in the **Define Fixed Columns** section, select the items to use as the columns in the section. For example, if you want to record a subject's heart rate while the subject is sitting and then standing, at specified time intervals after the subject receives a drug, the fixed items might be:
  - Time point
  - Position
  - Heart rate

A fixed item must:

- Be a top level item with no nested items.
- Be a text, integer, or float item.
- Have a codelist with:
  - At least one codelist item defined. If the codelist has a defined subset, you can only select a codelist item in the subset.
  - A control type of radio button or pulldown.

### Note:

You cannot mark all items in a fixed repeating section as fixed.

3. Optionally, to view only fixed items in the fixed repeating section in the table, deselect **Show non-fixed columns**.
4. Click **Add Row**.
5. Optionally, to indicate that you do not want a user to enter data for a particular cell, right-click the cell and select **Set as Blank**.
6. Optionally, to modify the rows, use the buttons on the right of the dialog box.
7. Click **OK**.

## Choose the default view for a fixed repeating section

1. In the upper-left corner of the application window, click **Tools**, and select **Options**.
2. In the **Environment** section, click **Fixed Repeating Section**, and in the **Default view type** field, select one of the following:

- **Grid landscape**—Short questions for top-level items are arranged horizontally across the top of the preview, and the labels for codelist items are laid out vertically for each fixed item.  
In the grid landscape view, blank cells have a gray background.
  - **Portrait**—Short questions for top-level items are laid out vertically, and the labels for codelist items are laid out horizontally for each fixed item.
3. Click **OK**.


## Create a section to collect related data (a dynamic grid)


[Show me how to create a section to collect related data \(dynamic grid\)](#)

### Why create a dynamic grid?

A dynamic grid section is a type of repeating section on a form, which contains a pointer to a different repeating form or section, and a set of items from that source repeating form or section. You can create a form with a set of dynamic grid sections, and when the study is deployed to Oracle InForm, each dynamic grid section becomes an itemset, which allows a site user to select items from across forms and visits that he deems to be related. The data that appears in each dynamic grid is the most up-to-date data. For more information, see [How can I use a dynamic grid desction on a form?](#)

#### Note:


If you mark an existing section as a dynamic grid section, the items that exist in the section are removed, and you must click the **Edit Dynamic Grid** icon (  ) and follow the steps to add new items to the section. However, you are warned before the items are removed, and you can choose not to mark the section as a dynamic grid section.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** (  ) button.
2. Expand the visit with the form you want to add the section to, right-click the form, and select **New Section**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.

#### Tip:

We recommend adding the sections in the order you want them to appear on the form. However, if you need to reorder the sections, see [Reorder the sections on a form](#)

4. Make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
5. In the upper-right above the grid, select **Dynamic Grid**, and click the **Edit Dynamic Grid**

icon (  ).

6. In the Edit Dynamic Grid Section dialog box, enter the following information:
  - In the **Source Repeating Object** section at the top of the dialog box, select the visit, repeating form, and (optionally) repeating section that contains the items you want to make available to the InForm site user to include in the collection of related data.
  - In the **Item Selection for the Dynamic Grid** section at the bottom of the dialog box, in the **Available items from source** field, select the items to include in the dynamic grid section, and use the buttons to move those items to the **Selected items** field.
7. Optionally, use the **Move Up** and **Move Down** buttons to configure the order of the items in the dynamic grid section.
8. Click **OK**.
9. In the Project Explorer, select the form with the dynamic grid section, and select the **Layout** tab.
10. To ensure that data is most accurately transferred from the source object to the dynamic grid in Oracle InForm, make sure that the layout settings for the dynamic grid and its items match the layout settings used on the items' source form.

 **Tip:**

Pay careful attention to settings for date controls including the year range, date components, and so forth.

## Optional tasks

In this section:


- [Create keys in a repeating form or section](#)
- [Hide a section header](#)
- [Reorder the sections on a form](#)
- [Remove an item from a dynamic grid section](#)
- [Disable a workflow](#)
- [Create a reference copy of a study object in a workflow diagram](#)
- [Create a site-specific layout](#)
- [Add or remove layout names](#)
- [Remove another user's lock on a study object](#)
- [Transfer another user's lock from a different session](#)
- [View the differences between two versions of a form](#)
- [View in-place revision changes for a study](#)
- [View a history of all in-place revisions for a LIVE deployment instance](#)
- [Remove the association between a deployment instance and an in-place revision](#)
- [Copy an IPR configuration from one deployment instance to another](#)
- [Lock an in-place revision object](#)

## Create keys in a repeating form or section

In repeating forms and repeating sections, you can identify certain items as key items. In Oracle InForm, key items are used to:

- Simplify navigation to a specific instance of a repeating form. The values of key items appear in a drop-down list in the summary view of the repeating form, and users can navigate to a specific instance of the form by clicking the key item values for that instance.
- Verify that the values of certain items are unique among instances of a repeating form or an itemset.

For more information, see [What are key items?](#) and [What are the requirements for key items?](#).

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** , and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a repeating form or section, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
3. Right-click the row of an item, and select **Keys**.

The key items can come from the repeating form or from a non-repeating section on the form.

4. In the **Data uniqueness for selected keys** section, select one of the following:
  - **None**—Key items appear in a drop-down list in the summary view of a repeating form as navigation aids. The key items are not used to enforce uniqueness of key values across instances of the repeating form.
  - **Individual**—Each key item must be unique across all instances of the repeating form or itemset in the Oracle InForm application.
  - **Group**—The combination of all key items evaluated together must be unique across all instances of the repeating form or itemset in the Oracle InForm application.
5. In the **Key selection** section, move the key items from the **Items available as keys** list to the **Selected keys** list, then click **OK**.
6. If you are creating keys for a repeating form, and you selected **Individual** in Step 4, select the **Unique** checkbox for each item to designate as a unique key. (In a repeating section, the **Unique** checkbox is selected and disabled for all selected key items.)


### Tip:

A set of key items for a repeating form can include items that are individually unique and items that appear in the drop-down list but are not used to enforce uniqueness.

7. To specify the order in which the items will appear in the Oracle InForm drop-down summary list of the repeating form, select an item and click the **Move Up** or **Move Down** button. Repeat this step for each item you want to move.
8. Click **OK**,


## Hide a section header

A form can have multiple section headers. The top section header is the form title. An additional section header, displaying the section title, appears for each section on the form. Use this feature to prevent a section header from appearing on the form.


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form, and select the **Layout** tab.
3. Right-click a section header and from the drop-down menu select or de-select **Section Header**:

If hidden, a dashed line appears above and below the header.

## Reorder the sections on a form

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form with two or more sections, and then select the **Design** tab.
3. At the top of the Design tab, click **Reorder Sections**.
4. Select a section, and use the **Move Up** and **Move Down** buttons to reorder the form.
5. Click **OK**.


## Remove an item from a dynamic grid section

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select the form with the dynamic grid section, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
3. In the upper-right above the grid, select **Dynamic Grid**, click the **Edit Dynamic**

**Grid** icon ()

4. In the Edit Dynamic Grid Section dialog box, in the **Selected items** field at the bottom right, select the item that you want to remove, and click the **Remove** button.
5. Click **OK**.

## Step 5d: Create items to collect data on forms


1. In the library project, at the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit and form with the section you want to add the item to.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the section, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.



4. Above the grid, click the **Columns** button, and add the columns for the properties you want to configure for the item.
5. Do one of the following:
  - In the grid, enter data in the columns, as needed.

 **Tip:**

We recommend that you add the items in the order you want them to appear in the section. However, if you need to reorder the items, see [Reorder the items in a section](#).

- If the **Dynamic Grid** checkbox in the upper-right above the grid is selected, you must click the **Edit Dynamic Grid** icon (  ) to add items to the section. For more information, see [Create a section to collect related data \(a dynamic grid\)](#).

### Item columns

- **Type**—Select one of the following:
  - **Blood Pressure Item**—Used to collect blood pressure information.
  - **Compound Item**—Has one or more child items that can have different data types.
  - **Date Time Item**—Used to collect date and time information.
  - **Float Item**—Used to collect numerical values with decimal points, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Integer Item**—Used to collect numerical values without decimal points, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Text Item**—Used to collect alphanumeric information, or information for a question with a codelist (a control such as a drop-down list, a set of checkboxes, or a set of radio buttons).
  - **Yes No Item**—Used to collect yes or no answers to questions. A Yes No item contains a predefined codelist with Yes and No options.

 **Tip:**

To ensure that data is captured and maintained properly, do not change this setting after you have deployed your study. Instead, deactivate this study object and create a new object with the updated setting. For example, do not change a Float item to an Integer item.

- **Title**—Internal name for the item. You can choose to see study object titles or RefNames in the Project Explorer by using the **Options** drop-down list at the top of the Project Explorer. The Title can have 1-63 characters.
- **RefName**—Internal reference name for the item.
- **Question**—Item question that appears on the form. The question can have 0-1000 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see

[Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#) If you enter a customized label or translation for the item, it overrides the Question text.

- **Short Question**—In Oracle InForm, the short question appears as a column heading in a repeating form, an itemset, and in reports. The short question can have 0-255 characters. Certain words may be reserved for this field. For more information, see [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)
- **Item Properties**—Contains an **Edit** link, which you can click to edit additional item properties.
- **Item Required**—Indicate whether the item is required for data entry on the form to be complete.
- **SDV Required**—Indicate whether the item requires source document verification.
- **SDV Critical**—Indicate whether the item is considered critical for source verification. The SDV Critical setting for an item can be overridden in InForm.
- **Conditional On**—To configure the item so that it only appears on the form when a particular option is selected in another item, select the item in the Conditional On column, and the required option in the Conditional Value column.  
This column contains items with a drop-down list, set of radio buttons, or set of checkboxes.
- **Conditional Value**—To configure the item so that it only appears on the form when a particular option is selected in another item, select the item in the Conditional On column, and the required option in the Conditional Value column.  
This column contains the code and label of drop-down list options, radio buttons, or checkboxes on the item that you selected in the Conditional On column.
- **Display Override**—Determines the default behavior of an item when a layout is generated.
  - **ReadOnly**—The item is visible but not editable.
  - **Editable**—The item is visible and editable by any user, regardless of the rights assigned to the user.
  - **Hidden**—The item is not visible.
  - **None**—The item is visible to all users, and visible and editable by any user who has the rights to view and/or edit the item.
- **Key**—For key items, displays icons and numbers that indicate:
  - Type of key item uniqueness (None, Individual, or Group).
  - Order of the items in the drop-down navigation list that appears in the summary view of a repeating form in Oracle InForm.

In Oracle InForm, key items are used to make it easier to navigate among the instances of a repeating form and to enforce data uniqueness in specific items.
- **Codelist**—For text, float, and integer items, select an existing and eligible drop-down list, set of radio buttons, or set of checkboxes to add to the item.

- **Codelist Subset**—Select a predefined set of drop-down list options, radio buttons or checkboxes (a codelist subset) for the selected codelist.
- **Collapsible**—Indicate whether the item is always visible on the form in Oracle InForm, or is collapsed and not visible until a condition is met. For more information, see [Make an item conditional on another object](#).
- **Data Label**—Text label for the item. The data label enables access to the item in a target table with the Patient To Control key type of any of the pivot key types.
- **Description**—Description of the item.
- **Identifier**—Unique internal identifier for the item.
- **Length**—For text, float, and integer items, enter the length to use for the item.

 **Tip:**

Enter a value of less than 4,000 characters if you anticipate that this item's data will be sent to Data Management Workbench.

- **Locked**—Indicates whether the item is locked.
  - **MaxProperty**—If a MaxValue is specified for the item, indicates whether the value can be less than or less than or equal to the MaxValue.
  - **MaxValue**—Maximum value that Oracle InForm will allow to be typed for the item.
  - **MinProperty**—If a MinValue is specified for the item, indicates whether the value can be greater than or greater than or equal to the MinValue.
  - **MinValue**—Minimum value that the Oracle InForm application will allow to be typed for the item.
  - **Modified**—Indicates that the item is modified, and hasn't yet been saved.
  - **New**—Indicates that the item is new, and hasn't yet been saved.
  - **PHI**—Indicate whether an Oracle InForm user might enter Personal/Protected Health Information (PHI) for the item. If you select True:
    - A warning appears when you close the Rule Wizard if you create a rule with an email action and you add the item to the subject or body of the email.
    - A validation error occurs if a rule with an email action contains the item in the subject line or body of the email.
  - **Protected**—Indicates that the item is protected. An item can be marked as Protected explicitly, or by default if its parent item is protected. You cannot update a protected item.
  - **Revision**—Item's revision number.
  - **Special Fields**—Used for items on special InForm forms. For more information, see [Step 4: Create special Oracle InForm visits, forms, and items](#).
  - **Timestamp**—Date and time when the item was most recently updated.
  - **Version**—Item's version number.
6. In the **Item Properties** column, click **Edit**, and enter data for the additional properties:


- **Base Unit**—The default unit you want to capture data in for the item. The data for the item is saved in this base unit in the study database. (For integer and float items only.)
- **Conversion Units**—Optional units an InForm user can choose to enter data in. If you specify one or more conversion units, the InForm user can enter data and then select which unit he used. When the item data is stored in the study database, the conversion unit value is converted to the base unit. (For integer and float items only.)
- **Signed Value**—Reserved for future use. (For Integer items only.)
- **Date Time Component Setting**—Select the date and time components that you want to appear in InForm, specify whether each is required, and indicate whether an InForm user can select Unknown as an option for the component. (For date time items only.)
- **Year Range**—First and last years that you want to appear in the Year field for the item. (For date time items only.)
- **Precision**—Number of characters that a user must enter after the decimal point in a number. For example, if an item has a precision of two, you must enter 1.00, instead of 1.0. (For float items only.)

For more information, see:

- [Add a caption to a control](#)
- [Align the position of a control's caption](#)
- [Change the orientation of a group control](#)
- [Create a drop-down list on your team](#)
- [Create radio buttons on your item](#)
- [Create checkboxes on your item](#)
- [Add a predefined set of drop-down list options, radio buttons or checkboxes \(a codelist subset\) to your item](#)
- [Make an item conditional on another object](#)
- [Mark an item as hidden or read-only in Oracle InForm](#)
- [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#)
- [Reorder the items in a section](#)
- [Revert control style changes to use form- or study-level styles](#)
- [View the parents of a linked study object](#)

## Add a caption to a control

For a nested item, the Item Question becomes a caption in the Layout tab. For other items, you can add a caption if you want to change the Item Question that appears for a particular item instance. For example, you might want to use **Gender** as the question on one form, but **Gender (male or female)** for the same item on another form.


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form or item, and select the **Layout** tab.

3. Right-click a control, and select **Edit Caption**.
4. Type the caption. You can type up to 1000 characters.
5. Click one of these buttons:
  - **Apply/Next**—Apply the caption, and advance to the next control, so that you can edit its caption. The control for which you are editing a caption is outlined with a dotted black line on the Layout tab.
  - **Apply**—Apply the caption.
6. Click **Close**.

 **Tip:**


For a form with multiple layouts, if you add or edit a section note or caption for a locale, the text is visible in all of the layouts.

## Align the position of a control's caption

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form or item, and select the **Layout** tab.
3. In the workspace, select a control, and click **Align Caption** at the top of the Layout tab.
4. From the drop-down, select the alignment position.

## Change the orientation of a group control

The child items (group control) of a compound item and the items in a codelist can appear either horizontally or vertically in a layout.


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form or item, and select the **Layout** tab.

Right-click a group control, point to **Orientation**, and select either **Horizontal** or **Vertical**.

## Create a drop-down list on your team

To add a list of choices that a user can select from a drop-down list to your form, you add a codelist to an item. In Oracle InForm, the item question appears on the left of the page, and the codelist (the drop-down list) appears on the right.

For example, your form might include a Gender item. To add a drop-down list that allows the user to select a subject's gender, you add a codelist, and codelist items Male and Female.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule**  button.
2. Expand the visit and form with the item you want to add the codelist to.
3. In the grid, highlight the item's row by clicking the box on the left.
4. At the top of the **Design** tab, click **Codelist**, and select **New**.

5. In the New Codelist dialog box, in the **Design** tab, enter a title, RefName, and description for the codelist.
6. In the **Data type** drop-down list, select a data type for the codelist.

 **Tip:**

The data type must match the data type of the codelist's parent item, and all codelist items (the options in the drop-down list) that you add to the codelist.

7. In the **Pulldown display order** dropdown select how you want the codelist options displayed to the end user. Click **Create**.
8. In the grid, enter a title, RefName, code, label, and description for each codelist item (option in the drop-down list), and press **Enter** or tab to save each row.

 **Tip:**


The label is the value that appears for each option in the drop-down list in InForm. HTML formatting tags are not supported for pulldown controls. Do not use HTML formatting tags in the Label of any of the codelist items.

9. In the Project Explorer, select the item you added the codelist to.
10. On the **Design** tab, in the **Codelist Settings** section, click **Select Single Value**.
11. At the top of the page, select the **Layout** tab.
12. If you haven't already done so, click **Create Layout**.
13. On the right of the page, right-click the codelist that you just created, select **Control Type**, and select **Pulldown**.

## Create radio buttons on your item

To add a set of radio buttons to your form, you add a codelist to an item. In Oracle InForm, the item question appears on the left of the page, and the codelist (the set of radio buttons) appears on the right.

For example, your form might include a Gender item (itmGender). To add radio buttons that allow the user to select a subject's gender, you add a codelist (cdlGender), and codelist items Male (cdlitmMale) and Female (cdlitmFemale).

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit and form with the item you want to add the codelist to.
3. In the grid, highlight the item's row by clicking the box on the left.
4. At the top of the **Design** tab, click **Codelist**, and select **New**.
5. In the New Codelist dialog box, in the **Design** tab, enter a title, RefName, and description for the codelist.
6. In the **Data type** drop-down list, select a data type for the codelist.

 **Tip:**

The data type must match the data type of the codelist's parent item, and all codelist items (the options in the drop-down list) that you add to the codelist.

7. In the grid, enter a title, RefName, code, label, and description for each codelist item (option in the drop-down list), and press **Enter** or tab to save each row.

 **Tip:**


The label is the value that appears for each option in the drop-down list in Oracle InForm.

8. On the **Design** tab, in the **Codelist Settings** section, click **Select Single Value**.
9. At the top of the page, select the **Layout** tab.
10. If you haven't already done so, click **Create Layout**.
11. On the right of the page, right-click the codelist that you just created, select **Control Type**, and select **Radio Button**.
12. To configure the display of the codelist items, right-click the codelist that you just created, select **Orientation**, and select **Horizontal** or **Vertical**.

## Create checkboxes on your item

To add a set of checkboxes to your form, you add a codelist to an item. In Oracle InForm, the item question appears on the left of the page, and the codelist (the set of checkboxes) appears on the right.

For example, your form might include a Gender item (itmGender). To add checkboxes that allow the user to select a subject's gender, you add a codelist (cdlGender), and codelist items Male (cdlitmMale) and Female (cdlitmFemale).

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit and form with the item you want to add the codelist to.
3. In the grid, highlight the item's row by clicking the box on the left.
4. At the top of the **Design** tab, click **Codelist**, and select **New**.
5. In the New Codelist dialog box, in the **Design** tab, enter a title, RefName, and description for the codelist.
6. In the **Data type** drop-down list, select a data type for the codelist.

 **Tip:**

The data type must match the data type of the codelist's parent item, and all codelist items (the options in the drop-down list) that you add to the codelist.

7. In the grid, enter a title, RefName, code, label, and description for each codelist item (option in the drop-down list), and press **Enter** or tab to save each row.


 **Tip:**

The label is the value that appears for each option in the drop-down list in Oracle InForm.

8. On the **Design** tab, in the **Codelist Settings** section, click **Select Multiple Values**, and select the minimum and maximum number of checkboxes the user can select.
9. At the top of the page, select the **Layout** tab.
10. If you haven't already done so, click **Create Layout**.
11. To configure the display of the checkboxes, right-click the codelist that you just created, select **Orientation**, and select **Horizontal** or **Vertical**.

## Add a predefined set of drop-down list options, radio buttons or checkboxes (a codelist subset) to your item

A librarian or other study administrator creates a codelist and defines one or more sets of codelist items (radio buttons, checkboxes, or options in a drop-down list), called subsets, for the codelist. You can then add the codelist to an item, and select a subset to use for that item instance. In this scenario, you must select a subset for each item that uses the codelist.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule**  button.
2. Expand the visit, form, and section with the item you want to add the drop-down list or set of radio buttons or checkboxes to.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the item, and do one of the following:
  - To add a codelist from the study, select the codelist with the subset in the drop-down list in the **Codelist** field.
  - To add a codelist from a library:
    - a. Click the **Libraries** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

 **Tip:**

If you don't see the **Libraries** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Libraries** is selected.

- b. Search for the drop-down list or set of radio buttons or checkboxes you want to add:
    - i. Click the **Categories** tab, and select **Codelists**.
    - ii. Click the **Libraries** tab, and select the libraries you want to search in.
    - iii. Click **Find**.
  - c. Drag the codelist from the **Libraries** tab, and in the Project Explorer, drop it on the item you want to add the drop-down list or set of radio buttons or checkboxes to.
4. Add the predefined drop-down list or set of radio buttons or checkboxes to:



**A top-level (a standalone item that does not have a parent item):**

- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form that the item is on.
- b. Make sure that the **Design** tab is selected, and in the grid, in the **Item Properties** column for the item, click **Edit**.
- c. In the **Codelist Settings** section at the bottom of the Item Properties dialog box, in the **Subset** drop-down list, select the subset of options you want to include for the item.
- d. Repeat these steps for each instance of the item in the study. You can select a different subset for each item instance.

**All other items:**

If you select a form in the Project Explorer, you see top-level items and their child items. To add a predefined drop-down list or set of radio buttons or checkboxes (a codelist subset) to items nested at lower levels:

- a. In the Project Explorer, select the form that the item is on.
- b. Make sure that the **Design** tab is selected, and highlight the item's row by clicking the box to the left.
- c. At the top of the **Design** tab, click **Codelist**, and select **Select subset for nested items**.
- d. In the grid, highlight the item's row by clicking the box on the left.
- e. In the **Codelist Subset** column, select the subset that you want to use for the item instance, and press **Enter**.
- f. Click **OK**.
- g. Repeat these steps for each instance of the item in the study. You can select a different subset for each item instance.


## Make an item conditional on another object

You can configure an item so that it is only enabled in Oracle InForm if a user selects a specific option from a drop-down list, a set of radio buttons, or a set of checkboxes. To do so, you make the item conditional on the InForm user selecting a specified option.

- Create an item with a drop-down list, radio buttons, or checkboxes. For more information, see:
  - [Create a drop-down list on your team](#).
  - [Create radio buttons on your item](#).
  - [Create checkboxes on your item](#).
- Make the item a child item of the item with the drop-down list, radio buttons, or checkboxes.

 **Tip:**

If you plan to make more than one item conditional on the codelist selection within a higher level item, include the conditional items in a compound item, and then make the compound item conditional. This practice prevents issues down the line in Oracle InForm reports and RDEs.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit with the form that has the item you want to make conditional.
3. In the Project Explorer, select the form.
4. In the grid, in the row for the item you want to set as conditional, in the **Conditional On** column, select the item with the drop-down list, set of radio buttons, or set of checkboxes.
5. In the **Conditional Value** column, select the option in the drop-down list, radio button, or checkbox that a user needs to select in order to see the conditional item.
6. Optionally, to make the item invisible on the form until the specified conditions are met:
  - a. In the Project Explorer, select the item.
  - b. Click the **Properties** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.

 **Tip:**


If you don't see the **Properties** tab, at the top left of the page, select **View**, and make sure **Properties** is selected.

- c. To make the item invisible on the form, from the **Collapsible** drop-down list, select **True**, and press **Enter**.

## Mark an item as hidden or read-only in Oracle InForm

 **Tip:**


- This value overrides the form and study style settings, and applies to every instance of the item. To configure this setting for a specific instance of the item, use control styles. For more information, see [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).
- If you configure an item to be Hidden or ReadOnly, Oracle InForm site users cannot enter data for the item. However, a rule developer can write a rule to populate the item. For example, you can mark a BMI item as ReadOnly, and then a rule developer can write a calculation rule to automatically populate it using the values entered in the Height and Weight items.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. In the grid, select the item by clicking the box to its left.
3. In the **Display Override** column, expand the drop-down for the item and select **Hidden** or **ReadOnly**.
4. Save your changes.

## Set the appearance of a single study object (control styles)

### Tip:

By following this procedure, you're configuring the styles for a particular study object on a particular form. If the study object is used elsewhere in the study, its other instances will use the default appearance set at the form level.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form, and select the **Layout** tab.
3. Right-click a control, and select **Edit Control Styles**.
4. You can set up the following styles:

#### **Blood Pressure Item**

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Control orientation**—Align the controls of the Blood Pressure item horizontally or vertically.
- **Display Override**—Make the control **Read only** (visible but not editable in Oracle InForm) or **Hidden** (not visible in Oracle InForm).

#### **Compound Item**

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Control orientation**—For a control with sub-controls (also called nested controls), indicate whether you want the nested controls to be displayed horizontally or vertically.

#### **Date Time Item**

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Visible fields**—Date and time fields to make visible in Oracle InForm. For example, you can make only the Month and Year controls visible for a date item.
- **Year range**—First and last years that you want to appear in the Year field for a date item.

#### **Float Item**

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.

- **Textbox size**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
- **Unit control type**—For an item with units or a codelist, indicate whether you want the options to appear as radio buttons or in a drop-down list.
- **Display Override**—Make the control **Read only** (visible but not editable in Oracle InForm) or **Hidden** (not visible in Oracle InForm).

#### Integer Item

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox size**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
- **Unit control type**—For an item with units or a codelist, indicate whether you want the options to appear as radio buttons or in a drop-down list.
- **Display Override**—Make the control **Read only** (visible but not editable in Oracle InForm) or **Hidden** (not visible in Oracle InForm).


#### Text Item

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
- **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
- **Textbox size**—Width of the control in which users can enter alphanumeric characters such as letters, numbers, and punctuation marks.
- **Display Override**—Make the control **Read only** (visible but not editable in Oracle InForm) or **Hidden** (not visible in Oracle InForm).
- **Character set restriction**—Indicate whether you want to require Oracle InForm users to enter only ASCII characters in text items without codelists, or if InForm users can use any character set for text items.  
The ASCII Only restriction is enforced if you're deploying to Oracle InForm release 5.0 or higher.

#### Yes No Item

- **Caption**—Text that appears with the control in Oracle InForm.
  - **Caption alignment**—Align the top-level item's caption to the left, top, right, or bottom of the control.
  - **Control orientation**—Align the controls horizontally or vertically.
  - **Codelist control type**—For an item with a codelist, indicate whether you want the options to appear as radio buttons or in a drop-down list.
  - **Display Override**—Make the control **Read only** (visible but not editable in Oracle InForm) or **Hidden** (not visible in Oracle InForm).
5. Click **Apply**, and click **Close**.


## Reorder the items in a section

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. In the **Forms** folder, select the form or section containing the items to reorder. Don't select an item itself.
3. On the **Design** tab, highlight a row by clicking the button on the left, then drag and drop the button onto the button of the item to appear below it.


## Revert control style changes to use form- or study-level styles

### **Tip:**

Text strings in the layout, including captions, notes, section titles, form titles, and codelist item label overrides, are not affected when you reset.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form or item, and select the **Layout** tab.
3. At the top of the **Layout** tab, click **Layouts**, then **Reset Layout**.
4. From the **Layout to reset** drop-down list, select the name of a layout.
5. Select one of the following options:
  - **Recreate layout using form-level styles and item layouts (if any)**—Recreate the layout using the form styles and existing item layouts.
  - **Replace all control styles with the styles from the following layout**—Recreate the layout using the form styles (which might inherit styles from the study styles) from another layout for the same form. If you select this option, existing item layouts are not used to recreate the layout. If you select this option, select a layout from the drop-down list.
6. Click **OK**.

## View the parents of a linked study object

1. In the Project Explorer, select a study object with a blue icon () in the upper-left corner of its icon. The blue icon indicates that the study object has more than one parent object.
2. Right-click the study object, and select **Show Parents**.

 **Tip:**


- Show Parents is available in both a study and library, but it lists only the parents in the current project.
- Show Parents is not available for a study object on a single parent that appears multiple times, such as an item on a form that is used multiple times in a study.

## Step 6: Create groups of visits (optional)

To create a group of visits in Central Designer, you create an element. It's useful to create elements if your study is randomized and requires multiple treatment arms.

For example, you might create an element that contains the visits and forms for subjects taking a specific drug, and another element that contains the visits and forms for subjects taking a placebo. A randomization rule determines which element a subject progresses to.

To create an element:

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **New Element**.
3. Enter a title, RefName, and description, and click **OK**.
4. In the Project Explorer, select the visit, and click the **Properties** tab.
5. Next, add visits to your element.
  - To move a visit from the study design to the element, in the Project Explorer, select the visit, and drag and drop it onto the element.
  - **To add links or copies of existing visits to the element:**

 **Tip:**

You might want to do this if you want to use a visit in more than one treatment arm.

- Click the **Add to** tab, which appears on the right of the page by default.
- Optionally, search for a specific visit or filter the list by entering a keyword in the **Filter** field.
- Select one visit, or press the **Ctrl** key and select multiple visits.
- At the bottom of the tab, from the drop-down list, select:
  - \* **Add as link**—Add a link to the visit. If you update the visit object, it is updated in the element.

- \* **Add with children**—Add a copy of the visit and its children. If you update the visit object or its children, they are not updated in the element.
- \* **Add without children**—Add a copy of the visit without its children. If you update the visit object, it is not updated in the element.

## Step 7: Design your study workflow

In this section:

- [Step 7a: Specify the order of visits in the study](#)
- [Step 7b: Define a visit schedule](#)
- [Step 7c: Specify the order of forms in each visit](#)
- [Step 7d: Add your rules and global conditions to the workflow](#)
- [Optional tasks](#)

### Step 7a: Specify the order of visits in the study



#### Tip:

By following this procedure, you're placing your visits in the order you want them to be completed in. To specify the amount of time between visits, see [Step 7b: Define a visit schedule](#).

1. On the bottom of the Project Explorer, click **Visit Schedule**, and select **Study Design**.
2. Make sure the **Workflow Diagram** tab is selected.
3. Move the cursor over the first of the two visits you want to connect until it changes to a pointing finger icon, and connect the visits.



#### Tip:

- The numbers next to the screening and enrollment visits (the sequence numbers) must be 1 (for the screening visit) and 2 (for the enrollment visit).
- The screening and enrollment visits must be disconnected from the rest of the workflow.

4. Next, [Step 7b: Define a visit schedule](#).

### Step 7b: Define a visit schedule

[Step 7a: Specify the order of visits in the study](#)

1. On the bottom of the Project Explorer, click **Visit Schedule**, and select **Study Design**.
2. Make sure the **Workflow Diagram** tab is selected.
3. Double-click the arrow that connects the visits.
4. Schedule the interval between the visits:


- **Target event interval**—Number of weeks, days, and hours after the first visit that you want to schedule the second visit.
  - **After event**—The first visit that the second visit is scheduled to start after.
5. Click **OK**.

 **Tip:**

If you define more than one schedule leading into an element or visit (you connect more than one arrow to the element or visit), Oracle InForm sets the interval between visits to the schedule with the greatest amount of time. You might want to use this workflow configuration if your study is randomized and includes more than one treatment arm.


6. Next, for each visit, [Step 7c: Specify the order of forms in each visit](#) and, after your rules have been written, [Step 7d: Add your rules and global conditions to the workflow](#).

## Step 7c: Specify the order of forms in each visit

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Expand the visit you want to schedule forms in.
3. Make sure the **Workflow Diagram** tab is selected.
4. Move the cursor over the first of the two forms you want to connect until it changes to a pointing finger icon, and connect the forms.

## Step 7d: Add your rules and global conditions to the workflow

A rule developer creates rules and global conditions on forms and visits, and they appear in the Workflow Diagram tab after they're created. You can connect the rules to study objects to specify the study object that comes next in the workflow based on the outcome of the rule.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select **Study Design**.
3. Make sure the **Workflow Diagram** tab is selected.
4. Move the cursor over the rule or global condition until it changes to a pointing finger icon, and connect the rule to the next object in the workflow.
5. In the **If the value is** section, indicate when you want the next object in the workflow to appear, and click **OK**.
6. If the workflow branches differently for different outcomes of the rule, repeat the procedure for the other branch.

## Optional tasks


In this section:

- [Create keys in a repeating form or section](#)



- Hide a section header
- Reorder the sections on a form
- Remove an item from a dynamic grid section
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## Disable a workflow

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select a study design, study element, or study event.
3. Select the **Workflow Diagram** tab.
4. Click **Disable Workflow**.

### Tip:


- The workflow arrows turn gray, and the study event sequence numbers reappear and turn gray.
- Central Designer only sends a message on validation about disabled rules. You will not receive a message that lists the disabled workflows in your study.

## Create a reference copy of a study object in a workflow diagram

A reference copy is a duplicate image of a study object in a workflow diagram. If you have a complicated workflow diagram, you can use a reference copy of a study object to separate the tangle of connecting lines and make the workflow diagram less cluttered.

1. In the Project Explorer, select a study design (in a study only), study element, or study event.
2. Select the **Workflow Diagram** tab.
3. Right-click the study object in the workflow diagram, and select the **Create Reference Copy**.

## Step 8: Create a coding map (optional)

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** (  ) button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form, and select the **Coding** tab.
3. Click **New Coding Map**.
4. Fill in the fields in the dialog box, then click **OK**.

### **Tip:**

If you specify an item other than the verbatim item in the **Assign queries to** field, all queries entered in InForm by Oracle InForm Adapter, whether they come from Oracle Central Coding, Oracle DMW, or any other integrated application, are entered on that item.

## Step 9: Select a primary layout for the study

In this section:

- [Set the primary layout](#)
- [Optional tasks](#)

### Set the primary layout

1. In the upper-left corner, click **Tools**, then select **Layout Names Manager**.
2. In the **Primary layout name** section, select one of the following options:
  - **Use Main as the primary layout name**—The layout named Main is the primary layout.
  - **Use the following as the primary layout name**—The layout that you choose from the drop-down list is the primary layout.
3. Click **OK**.

### **Tip:**

If you rename the primary layout, it is no longer the primary layout.

### Optional tasks

In this section:

- [Create keys in a repeating form or section](#)
- [Hide a section header](#)
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## Create a site-specific layout

Creating a new layout is necessary if, for example, you cannot ask a question at a particular site.

1. Set the **primary layout** for the study, and make sure that a primary layout exists for every form in the study, even the forms for which you have to hide one or more questions for a specific locale.
2. For the form that contains the question that you cannot ask at a site, create a new layout.
  - a. In the **Project Explorer**, select the form.
  - b. Select the **Layout** tab, and click the **Create Layout** button in the middle of the page.

For example, you might call the layout **Hidden Question**. This form still requires a primary layout, even though you will not deploy it.

3. In the **Hidden Question** layout, select the locale for the site that does not allow the question, and hide the question.
4. Create additional layouts called **Hidden Question** for any other forms that must not ask certain questions for the site.
5. When you create a deployment package, choose the **Hidden Question** layout as the layout to deploy.

The **Hidden Question** layout is deployed for all forms that have it. For all other forms, the primary layout is deployed.

## Add or remove layout names



### Tip:

You can add a name to a layout at any time. However, you can use the name once for each form in a study.

1. In the upper-left corner, click **Tools** and select **Layout Names Manager**.
2. Perform one of the following:
  - To add a layout name, click **Add**, type the name of the layout, and click **OK**.
  - To remove a layout name, from the list of layout names, select a layout, and click **Remove**.
3. Click **OK**.

## Step 10: Lock and protect your study objects (optional)

In this section:

- [Step 10a: Lock a study object](#)
- [Step 10b: Protect a study object](#)
- [Optional tasks](#)

### Step 10a: Lock a study object

- In the Project Explorer, right-click the study object, and select **Lock**.

### Step 10b: Protect a study object

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click a study object, and select **Protect**.
2. If the Protect dialog box appears, select the objects you want to protect, and click **Yes**.

### Optional tasks

In this section:

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## Remove another user's lock on a study object

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click the study object, and select **Revoke Lock**.
2. Click **Yes** to confirm.

## Transfer another user's lock from a different session

1. In the Project Explorer, right-click the study object, and select **Transfer Lock**.
2. Click **Yes** to confirm.

# Step 11: Validate and deploy your study

Contact the person in your organization who validates and deploys studies so that he can:

1. Validate the study and create a baseline.
2. Create a deployment package from the validation baseline.
3. Install the deployment package in the Oracle InForm study.

For more information, see the *User Guide*.


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## After your study has been deployed

In this chapter:

- [Make a study version change to a deployed study](#)
- [Make an in-place revision change to a deployed study](#)
- [Optional tasks](#)

### Make a study version change to a deployed study

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, right-click **Study Design**, and select **Create Version**.
3. Select one of the following options:
  - **Increment major number**—Increment the major number by one and reset minor and revision numbers to 0.  
For example, version **1.2.34** changes to **2.0.0**.

 **Tip:**

You might want to choose this option if you are deploying to a live study.

- **Increment minor number**—Increment the minor number by one and reset revision number to 0.  
For example, version **1.2.34** changes to **1.3.0**.


 **Tip:**

You might want to do choose this option if you are deploying to a study in UAT.

4. Type a version label and description.
5. Click **Create**.
6. Edit the study objects as needed.
7. Contact the person in your organization who validates and deploys studies so that he can:
  - a. Validate the study and create a baseline.
  - b. Create a deployment package from the validation baseline.
  - c. Install the deployment package in the Oracle InForm study.For more information, see the *User Guide*.

## Make an in-place revision change to a deployed study

For a study that you deploy to Oracle InForm release 6.1 or later:

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions**  button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form, and then select the **Layout** tab.
3. Select an item question or section header on which to apply the in-place revision.
  - To add or remove a codelist subset, select the item question.
  - To make an in-place revision change to an existing item in a codelist subset, select the section header.
  - To make an in-place revision change to an existing item in a non-repeating section, select the item question.
  - To make an in-place revision change to an existing item in a repeating section, select the section header.
  - To add an item to a section (repeating, or dynamic grid), select the section header.
4. At the top of the **Layout** tab, all the way to the right, click **IPR Configuration**.
5. On the **IPR Configuration** screen, type a description of the change (optional).
6. Select or add the deployment instance to associate with the in-place revision.
7. Optionally, to compare the form containing the revised study object with the same form from an existing InForm study version, click **View Differences**. For more information, see [View the differences between two versions of a form](#).
8. Select the study version or versions to apply the change to, and click **OK**.
9. If your in-place revision includes any of the following changes to a form or section that is used as a source form for a dynamic grid section, you must apply the same in-place revision change to the dynamic grid section:
  - Remove an item from a source form or section.
  - Modify an item in a source form or section.
  - Add an item to a source form or section, and map that item to a dynamic grid section.

 **Tip:**

If you want to add a form or section and use it as a source form for a dynamic grid, you need to create a new study version, rather than an in-place revision.

10. Next, contact the person who does study validation at your organization to validate and deploy the study.

## Optional tasks


In this section:

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### View the differences between two versions of a form

 **Tip:**

- If you manually deploy your study, you must have a successfully deployed baseline to view the differences between two versions of a form.
- If you perform an in-place revision and manually deploy the study, when you attempt to view the differences between two versions of a form, the differences shown are not correct.


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Forms and Transactions** () button, and expand the **InForm** folder and the **Forms** folder, if necessary.
2. Select a form, and then select the **Layout** tab.
3. At the top of the **Layout** tab, all the way to the right, click **IPR Configuration**.
4. In the IPR Configuration dialog box, select a deployment instance and a study version, and click **View Differences**.
5. Do the following:
  - In the **Form** drop-down list, select a form.




- In the **Preexisting version** drop-down list, select a study version with which to compare the form.
  - If your study uses more than one locale, in the **Locale** drop-down list, select a locale.
6. Click **View Differences**.
  7. Optionally:
    - To view details about the differences, at the bottom of the screen, select a study object.
    - To preview or print each version of the form individually, click the **Preview Form** button, and select an action from the drop-down list.

## View in-place revision changes for a study

You can also configure your annotated study book to include a listing of the in-place revisions created for a study. For more information, see the *User Guide*.

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select the study design.
3. Select the **IPR Summary** tab.

## View a history of all in-place revisions for a LIVE deployment instance


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select the study design.
3. Select the **IPR Summary** tab.
4. Click **History**.
5. At the top of the IPR History dialog box, select a baseline with successful deployments to a LIVE deployment instance, and click **Show IPRs**.

### **Note:**

IPR history appears only for in-place revisions applied through automated deployments.

6. Optionally, to view the IPR configuration for an in-place revision, select the in-place revision and click **View Configuration**.

## Remove the association between a deployment instance and an in-place revision


1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select the study design.
3. Select the **IPR Summary** tab.

4. Select one or more in-place revision study objects for which to remove a deployment instance association.
5. Click **IPR Configurations**, and select **Remove**.
6. Select one or more deployment instances, and click **OK**.

 **Note:**

If you delete a deployment instance that is associated with an IPR configuration, and that IPR configuration is not associated with any other deployment instances, Oracle Central Designer deletes the IPR configuration from the study.

## Copy an IPR configuration from one deployment instance to another

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. Select the study design.
3. Select the **IPR Summary** tab.
4. Select one or more in-place revision study objects for which to copy an IPR configuration.
5. Click **IPR Configurations**, and select **Copy**.
6. At the top of the page, select the deployment instance from which to copy IPR configurations.
7. At the bottom of the page, select one or more instances to which to copy the configurations.

 **Tip:**


Click **Refresh** to remove study versions that don't exist in the target deployment instance, and select an existing study version.

8. Click **OK**.

 **Note:**

Oracle Central Designer overwrites IPR configurations that already exist for the deployment instance.

## Lock an in-place revision object

1. At the bottom of the Project Explorer, click the **Visit Schedule** () button.
2. At the top of the Project Explorer, select **Study Design**, and select the **IPR Summary** tab.
3. In the grid, highlight the in-place revision that you want to lock, and at the top of the **IPR Summary** tab, select **Lock and Protect**, and select **Lock**.

# 4

## FAQs

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### General

In this section:

- [What is the difference between a RefName and a title?](#)
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### What is the difference between a RefName and a title?

- RefNames are referenced in rules and are deployed to Oracle InForm. Therefore, they must:
  - Follow C# or CDASH naming standards.
  - Start with a letter or an underscore.
  - Contain only letters, numbers, and underscores.
  - Be unique within a study or library. For example, you cannot have a form and an item with RefNames of DOV in the same study or library.
- Titles are the more readable display names for study objects. They can contain spaces and special characters, but are not referenced in rules and are not deployed to Oracle InForm.

## Which HTML formatting tags are supported?

HTML formatting tags, including but not limited to the following examples, are supported in Oracle InForm when deployed from a Oracle Central Designer study.



### Note:

HTML formatting tags are not supported for pulldown controls. If you format a codelist so that its codelist items appear in a pulldown control in Oracle InForm, do not use HTML formatting tags in the Label of any of the codelist items.

HTML tag	Use
<code>&lt;b &gt;&lt;/b&gt;</code>	Bold text.
<code>&lt;br&gt;</code>	Line break.
<code>&lt;center&gt;&lt;/center&gt;</code>	Centering text.
<code>&lt;i&gt;&lt;/i&gt;</code>	Italic text.
<code>&lt;li&gt;&lt;/li&gt;</code>	List items.
<code>&lt;ol&gt;&lt;/ol&gt;</code>	Numbered list.
<code>&lt;p&gt;&lt;/p&gt;</code>	Paragraphs.
<code>&lt;pre&gt;&lt;/pre&gt;</code>	Preformatted plain text, for example, computer output.
<code>&lt;s&gt;&lt;/s&gt;</code>	Strikethrough text.
<code>&lt;strike&gt;&lt;/strike&gt;</code>	Strikethrough text.
<code>&lt;tt&gt;&lt;/tt&gt;</code>	Monospace font.
<code>&lt;u&gt;&lt;/u&gt;</code>	Underlined text.
<code>&lt;ul&gt;&lt;/ul&gt;</code>	Bulleted list.

## Default appearance of forms

In this section:

- [Can I change the way my forms and their study objects look?](#)

### Can I change the way my forms and their study objects look?

Yes you can, using styles.

- Study styles apply to all forms and items in the study.
- Form styles override study styles and apply to all layouts for a form.
- Control styles override form and study styles for one control only. Keep in mind that some items, such as compound items, contain multiple controls. If you modify a control style, only the selected control is changed.

For example:

- To align all captions on a form in the same way, you can provide a value in the form styles.
- To align all captions on a form differently, you can provide a different value for each control in the control styles.

## Library objects and reuse

In this section:

- [What happens when I add a library object to my study?](#)

### What happens when I add a library object to my study?

- A copy of the object and its children are created in the study. If you change the object in the study, it's not updated in the library, and vice versa.
- The object RefName is appended with **\_1** (or similar) if:
  - There is another object in the study with the same RefName.
  - You use the **Copy > With Children** or the **Copy > Without Children** option.

## Object reuse

In this section:

- [What happens when I copy and apste a study object?](#)
- [What happens when I copy a study object grouped by data mappings?](#)
- [What happens when I break the link of a copied study object?](#)

### What happens when I copy and apste a study object?

#### Tip:

- You can only paste a codelist on an item of the same type. For example, you can add an integer codelist only to an integer item.
- When you copy a codelist item, a copy is created with a new identifier, meaning that a new codelist item is created.

You can copy a study object as a link, with, or without children.

#### **Drag and drop**

- The object and its child objects are copied.
- The original object and its copy **are** linked. If you update the copied object, the original **is** updated, and vice versa.
- The original child objects and their copies **are** linked. If you update the original child object, the copy **is** updated, and vice versa.

- Reference copies of the object, its child objects, or their copies are linked. If you update the copy or the original of the object or its child objects, reference copies of the updated objects are also updated.

**Select Copy, then select Link (either in the Project Explorer, or in the Add To tab)**

 **Tip:**

This option is not available for groups of visits (elements) or visits (events).

- The object and its child objects are copied.
- The original object and its copy **are** linked. If you update the copied object, the original **is** updated, and vice versa.
- The original child objects and their copies **are** linked. If you update the original child object, the copy **is** updated, and vice versa.
- Reference copies of the object, its child objects, or their copies are linked. If you update the copy or the original of the object or its child objects, reference copies of the updated objects are also updated.

**Select Copy, then select With children (either in the Project Explorer, or in the Add To tab)**

- The codelist and its child objects are copied.
- The original codelist and its copy are **not** linked. If you update the original codelist, the copy is **not** updated, and vice versa.
- The original child objects and their copies are **not** linked. If you update the original child object, the copy is **not** updated, and vice versa.

**Select Copy, then select Without children (either in the Project Explorer, or in the Add To tab)**

- The codelist and its child objects are copied.
- The original codelist and its copy are **not** linked. If you update the original codelist, the copy is **not** updated, and vice versa.
- The original child objects and their copies **are** linked. If you update the original child object, the copy **is** updated, and vice versa.

## What happens when I copy a study object grouped by data mappings?

- When you copy a data mapping, data set, or data series, the new study object contains item mappings.
- When you copy a data series, the items that are part of a data series are not copied, but data series mappings to items are copied.  
For example, you add an item to a data series, and the item is mapped to be part of the data series only when the item appears in a specific form, the mapping of the item to the data series for the form is copied.
- When you copy a data set or mapping definition that contains a data series, the mappings are also copied.
  - If you use the new data series in another study, the mappings are retained.


- If you later add the item and form that are mapped to the data series to the study containing the data series, the mapping appears in the Data Series Summary tab.

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<b>Copied study object</b>	<b>Copied within a study or library</b>	<b>Copied from one study or library to another</b>
Data mapping, data set, or data series	Mappings to items that are part of the data series are retained in the new study object.	Item mappings are not copied to the new study object.

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Copied study object	Copied within a study or library	Copied from one study or library to another
Item, form, or visit that is mapped to a data series	<p>The new study object is mapped to the data series.</p> <p>If you break the link between the original and the new study object, the new study object is still mapped to the data series.</p>	The study object is copied, but data mappings are not copied.

 **Note:**

If you drag and drop a study object that is mapped to a data series, and the study object already exists in the library, the database contains a data point for



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the study object, and the drop operation reuses that data point as is. The application warns you that the drag and drop operation is not supported. If you continue, any data mapping

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## What happens when I break the link of a copied study object?

When you break the link of a study object, a new study object is created.

There are two ways to break a link:

- Right-click the object in the Project Explorer, and select **Break link**, then select:
  - **With new children**
    - \* A new study object is created in the original object's place.
    - \* Identical child objects are created as children of the new study object.
  - **With links to children**
    - \* A new study object is created in the original object's place.
    - \* The original child objects become the children of the new study object.

## Forms

In this section:

- [What types of forms I can create?](#)
- [Where do I edit the properties of a form, section, item, or codelist?](#)

## What types of forms I can create?

- **Repeating**—Holds multiple instances of the same set of data.  
To make a form repeating, set the Repeating property to True.
- **Common**—Same data is visible in all study events that contain the form.  
To make a form common, set the Common property to True.
- **Associated** (Two repeating forms in the same study event)—Data from both forms in the association is accessible when a study user works with either form.  
To associate two forms, set the AssociatedForm property of one form to the Title of the other form.

## Where do I edit the properties of a form, section, item, or codelist?

You can edit form and item properties from the grid or on the Properties tab, which appears on the right of the page by default. Almost everything you might want to edit is within the grid on the Design tab or accessible from the buttons at the top of the Design and Layout tabs.

## Sections

In this section:

- [Are sections required on forms?](#)
- [How do sections impact my RDE?](#)
- [What types of sections can I create?](#)
- [How can I use a fixed repeating section on a form?](#)

- [How can I use a dynamic grid desction on a form?](#)
- [Can I use a Hidden item in a dynamic grid section?](#)
- [Can I use an item more than once in a section?](#)

## Are sections required on forms?

Sections are not required components of a form. However, if you create an item outside of a section, you can't edit it after deployment. If you do include a section in a form, the section must have at least one item.

When you select a form that has one or more sections in the Project Explorer, the grid shows the sections in the form.

## How do sections impact my RDE?

The structure of a Report Data Extract (RDE) is impacted by the design of your study. Some considerations for using sections include, but are not limited to:

- For a form with more than one regular, non-repeating section, the RDE contains one row for each section per subject and visit combination.
- For a form with a single regular, non-repeating section, the RDE contains one row for each subject and visit combination.
- If you download an RDE as a set of SAS datasets, the RDE contains a separate SAS dataset for each form and repeating section combination. For example, for a form that contains a regular, non-repeating section and a repeating section, the RDE includes two datasets; one for the non-repeating section, and one for the repeating section.

## What types of sections can I create?

- **Repeating**—Multiple instances of the same set of data appear in the section.
- **Fixed repeating**—Multiple instances of the same set of data appear in the section, organized by one or more fixed items. For more information, see [How can I use a fixed repeating section on a form?](#).
- **Dynamic grid**—Pointers to items on an existing form, which an InForm site user can select to indicate a relationship between the items. For more information, see [How can I use a dynamic grid desction on a form?](#).

## How can I use a fixed repeating section on a form?

You might want to design a form that allows a user to enter the same piece of data multiple times for the same item. For example, a user might need to record a subject's heart rate while the subject is sitting and then standing, at specified time intervals after the subject receives a drug.

To do this, you can create a fixed repeating section in Oracle Central Designer. A fixed repeating section includes items for which predefined values are configured by using codelists at study design time, and cannot be modified at runtime.

For the above example, the fixed repeating section contains the following study objects:

Study object	Type	Description
TimePoint item	Text, Integer, or Float	The amount of time before or after a drug is administered when data is collected. Contains predefined values.
Time points codelist	Text, Integer, or Float	Codelist items for each required time point. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Codelist item 1</b>—Pre-dose</li> <li>• <b>Codelist item 2</b>—15 minutes post dose</li> <li>• <b>Codelist item 3</b>—30 minutes post dose</li> <li>• <b>Codelist item 4</b>—45 minutes post dose</li> <li>• <b>Codelist item 5</b>—60 minutes post dose</li> </ul> The codelist items are the predefined values for the TimePoint item.
Position item	Text, Integer, or Float	The subject's position when the data is collected. Contains predefined values.
Position codelist	Text, Integer, or Float	Codelist items for each required subject position: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Codelist item 1</b>—Sitting</li> <li>• <b>Codelist item 2</b>—Standing</li> </ul> The codelist items are the predefined values for the Position item.
HeartRate item	Any type, other than Date	The subject's heart rate at each time point, for each position. Does not contain predefined values.

To create the rows, select an item and click the Fixed Table button at the top of the Design tab. You might create the following rows:

Row	itmTime value	itmPosition value	itmHeartRate
1	Pre-dose	Sitting	–
2	Pre-dose	Standing	–
3	15 minutes post dose	Sitting	–
4	15 minutes post dose	Standing	–
5	30 minutes post dose	Sitting	–
6	30 minutes post dose	Standing	BLANK
7	45 minutes post dose	Sitting	–
8	45 minutes post dose	Standing	–
9	60 minutes post dose	BLANK	–
10	60 minutes post dose	Standing	–

You can also specify a data point that you do not want data for, but that appears in the fixed repeating section. This becomes a blank cell.

The following illustration shows the fixed repeating section in the form layout.

TimePoint	Position	Heart Rate
Pre-dose	Sitting	<input type="text"/>
Pre-dose	Standing	<input type="text"/>
15 minutes post dose	Sitting	<input type="text"/>
15 minutes post dose	Standing	<input type="text"/>
30 minutes post dose	Sitting	<input type="text"/>
30 minutes post dose	Standing	
45 minutes post dose	Sitting	<input type="text"/>
45 minutes post dose	Standing	<input type="text"/>
60 minutes post dose	Sitting	<input type="text"/>
60 minutes post dose	Standing	<input type="text"/>

Image Key	Description
1	HeartRate item that does not contain predefined values.
2	Fixed TimePoint and Position items that contain predefined values.
3	TimePoint codelist item for the Pre-dose predefined value. Each TimePoint codelist item contains two rows; each row corresponds to a Position codelist item.
4	Position codelist with predefined Sitting and Standing values. These predefined values appear five times in the fixed repeating section layout; each instance corresponds to a TimePoint predefined value.
5	Blank cell for an item in a non-fixed column.
6	Blank cell for an item in a fixed column.

In some cases, it might not make sense for you to collect certain data points. To do this, when you create a fixed repeating section, you locate the cell that corresponds to the data point, and set it as blank. In the annotated form preview, a cell that corresponds to data that should not be collected is grayed out. In Oracle InForm, data cannot be entered for that data point.

## How can I use a dynamic grid description on a form?

A dynamic grid section is a type of repeating section on a form, which contains a pointer to a different repeating form or section, and a set of items from that source repeating form or section. By adding a dynamic grid section, when the study is deployed the site user can select which items from the itemset to include relying on clinical judgment.

For example, in Oracle InForm, a site user might want to use one form to collect all of the information about a serious adverse event (SAE) that needs to be submitted to a safety application such as Oracle Argus Safety. Consider a scenario in which a subject suffers a heart attack while taking an investigational medication. Then, while in the hospital, the subject is prescribed a blood thinner, and develops a fever. The Oracle InForm site user has determined that the data entered about the heart attack, the investigational product the subject was taking, the blood thinner, and the subsequent fever is all related to the SAE heart attack. He wants to submit all of this information to Oracle Argus Safety.

To facilitate the collection and transmission of this data, which is entered on multiple forms over the course of multiple visits, you can include a single form in the study design. The form contains dynamic grid sections with all of the items from existing forms that might contain data that the Oracle InForm site user wants to send to Oracle Argus Safety. For example, a dynamic grid section to collect related adverse events and their onset and end dates, a dynamic grid section to collect concomitant medications, and a dynamic grid section to collect data from lab reports created during the subject's hospital stay. When the study is deployed to Oracle InForm, the dynamic grid sections become itemsets in which the site user is presented with the most up-to-date data entered in the items you added to the dynamic grid sections. The site user can select all or some of the data presented in the dynamic grid section to send to Oracle Argus Safety.

## Can I use a Hidden item in a dynamic grid section?

No. Even though Oracle Central Designer does not prevent you from including a hidden item in a dynamic grid, when you deploy your study to Oracle InForm, the Oracle InForm site user can't select items to include on the form from the dynamic grid section with the hidden item.

Therefore, we recommend that you do not:

- Add an item with a Display Override setting of Hidden to a dynamic grid section.
- Set an item's Display Override control-level style to Hidden in the layout of a dynamic grid section.

## Can I use an item more than once in a section?

You can use an item only one time in any level of a particular study object hierarchy. For example, you can use the same item in different sections of a form but not twice in the same section of the form.

In a single section, you can use the same item as a child item in two different compound items.

 **Tip:**

- If you copy an item as a link in different sections on a form, when you produce an RDE, the column names that correspond to each link are appended with a suffix such as **\_1**, **\_2**, and so forth.
- We recommend that you only reuse an item on multiple instances of the same form (for example, on every Vital Signs form, but not on the Vital Signs form and the Baseline form).
- If you copy an item as a link, you cannot make a change to a single instance of the item. Each change is applied to all instances.

## Items

In this section:

- [How do I create multiple choices for users to select from?](#)
- [What are key items?](#)
- [What are the requirements for key items?](#)
- [Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?](#)

## How do I create multiple choices for users to select from?

Codelists enable you to design items in which a user selects from multiple choices. A codelist consists of codelist items, each with a code (the database value) and a label (the value, or choice, that is visible to users). You create a codelist item for each choice.

Certain properties of codelists and codelist items must be unique:

- **Code of a codelist item**—Must be unique within a codelist.
- **Label of a codelist item**—Must be unique within a codelist.
- **RefName of a codelist or codelist item**—Must be unique within study object type.
- **Title of a codelist or codelist item**—Must be unique within a codelist.

You can include a codelist in the definition of a float, integer, or text item, and the Yes No item type includes a predefined codelist that contains Yes and No options. When you create a codelist, specify whether a study user must select only one option or can select multiple options.

Codelist data can appear as a drop-down list, as a set of radio buttons, or as a set of checkboxes. You specify the formatting information when you generate the layout of the form or item containing the codelist.

### Codelists and conditional item relationships

If you want to design more complex items in which a user both selects one or more options and provides additional information about the selected option or options, you



can make an item conditional on an option in a codelist. You can use conditional relationships for collecting:

- Nested levels of multiple-choice data.
- User-entered information along with multiple-choice data.

## What are key items?

In repeating forms and repeating sections, you can identify certain items as key items. In Oracle InForm, key items are used to:

- Simplify navigation to a specific instance of a repeating form. The values of key items appear in a drop-down list in the summary view of the repeating form, and users can navigate to a specific instance of the form by clicking the key item values for that instance.
- Verify that the values of certain items are unique among instances of a repeating form or an itemset.

Key items can have individual or group uniqueness.

- Key items in a repeating section must always be defined as having individual or group uniqueness and are not used as navigation tools for instances of itemsets in Oracle InForm.
- If key items are defined with *individual* uniqueness, an Oracle InForm user cannot add an instance of a repeating form or itemset in which the value of *any* key item is identical to the value of that item in another instance.  
A set of key items for a repeating form can include both items that are individually unique and items that appear in the drop-down list for navigation but are not used to enforce uniqueness. The key items can come from the repeating form or from a non-repeating section in the form.
- If key items are defined with *group* uniqueness, they make up a composite key. An Oracle InForm user cannot add an instance of a repeating form or itemset in which the values of *all* of the items in the composite key are the same as the values of all of the composite key items in another instance.  
If a group of key items is defined with group uniqueness, no other items in the repeating form or section can be defined as non-unique key items. Only the items that are defined with group uniqueness appear in the drop-down list of a repeating form.

## What are the requirements for key items?

A key item must:

- Be in a repeating section if the key is for an itemset.
- Be in a non-repeating section if the key is for a repeating form.
- Be unique in a repeating section.

A key item must not:

- Be a hidden item or be attached to a read-only control.
- Be a child in a compound item.
- Be a child of a conditional item.

- Have a combination of composite keys and individually unique keys in the same repeating form or section.
- Have a conditional child that is a compound item or is formatted as a checkbox or radio control.
- Be formatted as a checkbox.
- Have a caption that is aligned at the top or bottom of the control, including captions for conditional items.
- Be in a nested control structure, unless it is at the top of the hierarchy and conforms to other eligibility requirements.
- Be in a repeating section, if the key is for a repeating form.

## Are there words I can't use in an item's Question or Short Question?

The reserved words below cannot be used for the following item properties:

- Short question.
- Default question or Question if a Short question is not provided, or is populated with a reserved word.

If you specify a reserved word for the item Default question or Question you must provide a Short question that is not a reserved word, or the clinical model in the Reporting and Analysis module fails to generate.



### Note:

You cannot use the English reserved words or Japanese reserved characters for any locale.

For example, to design an item for which a reserved word appears as the question on the form in the Oracle InForm application, specify the following:

- Question—Reserved word such as Subject Number.
- Default question or Short question—A word that is not on the reserved words list, such as Subj Number.

Subject Number appears as the question on the form, and Subj Number appears in the clinical model in the Reporting and Analysis module and as the itemset column header on the form in the Oracle InForm application. In addition, the clinical model is successfully generated.

A warning does not appear in the Oracle Central Designer application if a reserved word is used incorrectly.

English words	Japanese characters
SITECOUNTRY	施設の国名
SITENAME	施設名
SITEMNEMONIC	施設略称
SUBJECTINITIALS	症例イニシャル
SUBJECTNUMBERSTR	症例番号

English words	Japanese characters
VISITMNEMONIC	ビジット略称
VISITORORDER	ビジットオーダー
VISITIDX	ビジットインデックス
FORMMNEMONIC	フォーム略称
FORMIDX	フォームインデックス
DELETED	削除フォーム
ITEMSETIDX	アイテムセットインデックス
DELETEDITEMSET	削除アイテムセット
DOV	ビジット日時
NOTDONE	未実施
CREATEDBYUSERID	基本データ
CREATEDDATETIME	その他のデータ
MODIFIEDBYUSERID	不完全データの理由
MODIFIEDDATETIME	内部 ID
SITEID	施設
SUBJECTID	症例
VISITID	ビジット
VISITINDEX	フォーム
SUBJECTVISITID	セクション
FORMID	アイテム
FORMREV	ルール
FORMINDEX	クエリ
SECTIONID	コメント
ITEMSETID	定義済フィルタ
ITEMSETINDEX	すべての登録済症例
FORMASSOCID	脱落者を除いたすべての登録済症例
CD_COUNT	有効症例
Basic Data	クリニカルビジット
Additional Data	クリニカルフォーム
Incomplete Data Reasons	開始フォーム
Internal Id's	見込フォーム:予定ビジット
Sites	見込フォーム:予定ビジットまたは開始ビジット
Subjects	見込フォーム:現在までの予定ビジットまたは開始ビジット
Visits	見込フォーム:現在までの予定ビジットまたは開始フォーム
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Sections	データ完了(オープンクエリを含まない)
Items	クリーンデータ:完了かつ SDV 済み

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Queries	—
Comments	—
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Active Subjects	—
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Clinical Form	—
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Expected Forms: Scheduled or Started Visits	—
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Expected Forms: Scheduled Visits or Started Forms to Date	—
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Data Complete, No Open Queries	—
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Site Country	—
Site Name	—
Site Mnemonic	—
Subject Initials	—
Subject Number	—
Visit Mnemonic	—
Visit Order	—
Visit Index	—
Form Mnemonic	—
Form Index	—
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Itemset Index	—
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## Group of visits

In this section:

- [What is a study element?](#)

## What is a study element?

In Oracle InForm, a study element is a collection of visits that are scheduled as a unit. They're optional, but provide the following benefits:

- To simplify a complex workflow diagram, create a study element and include several visits in it. Your workflow diagram has more layers but is easier to navigate.
- Study elements make it easy to reuse a collection of visits. If you add several visits to a study element and include the study element in a library, you can reuse all of the visits by reusing the study element.

## Study workflow

In this section:

- [What happens during deployment if I disable a workflow?](#)
- [What kinds of rules can be added to my study?](#)
- [Sample Workflows](#)

## What happens during deployment if I disable a workflow?

If you disable a workflow, all workflow rules and global conditions associated with the workflow are disabled. When you deploy the study, the forms associated with that workflow appear in Oracle InForm in the order specified by their sequence numbers in the Workflow Diagram.

 **Note:**

This functionality only applies to the current workflow, and does not apply to child workflows. For example, if you disable a workflow at the study design level, the child workflows at the event or form level are not disabled.

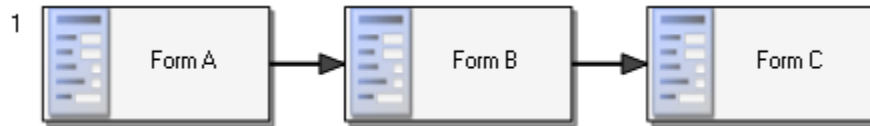
## What kinds of rules can be added to my study?

You might need to work with the following types of rules in a workflow diagram.

- **Data-entry rules**—Checks whether data is valid or that sets the value of an item based on a calculation.
- **Workflow rules**—Tests data values to determine which element, visit, or form a subject progresses to next.
- **Global conditions**—Determines whether the study object will appear for a particular subject.

## Sample Workflows

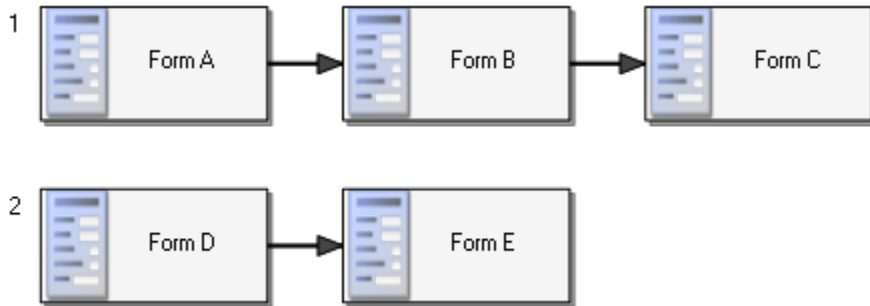
### Simple sequence of forms or visits



**Order in Oracle InForm:** Form A, Form B, Form C.

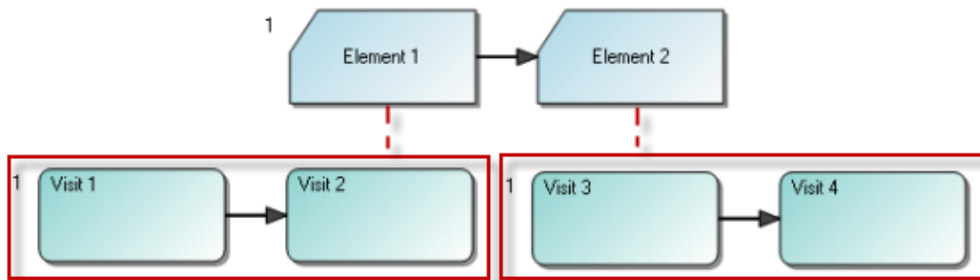
**Multiple sequences of forms or visits**

A workflow can contain multiple sequences of connected study objects. The first study object in each sequence is labeled with a sequence number.



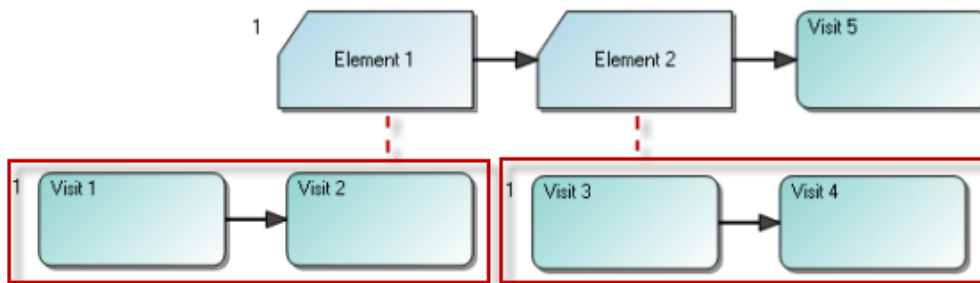
**Order in Oracle InForm:** Form A, Form B, Form C, Form D, Form E.

**Workflow with study elements**



**Order in Oracle InForm:** Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 3, Visit 4.  
(Dotted lines indicate that the study elements contain the visits. These study objects do not appear together in the Workflow Diagram.)

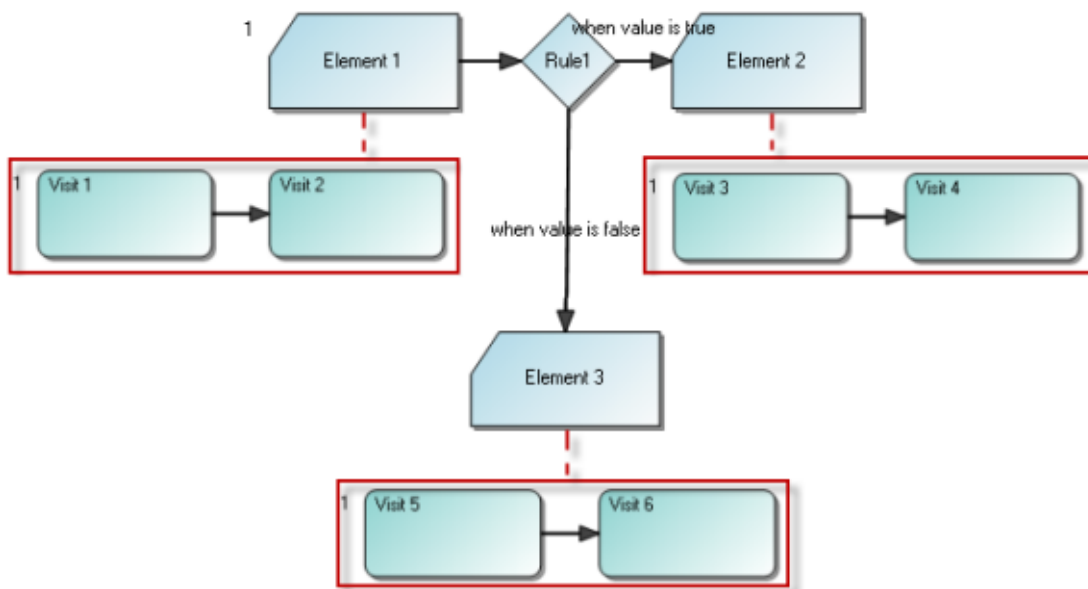
**Workflow with study elements and visits**



**Order in Oracle InForm:** Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 3, Visit 4, Visit 5.

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### Workflow with workflow rule (Example 1)

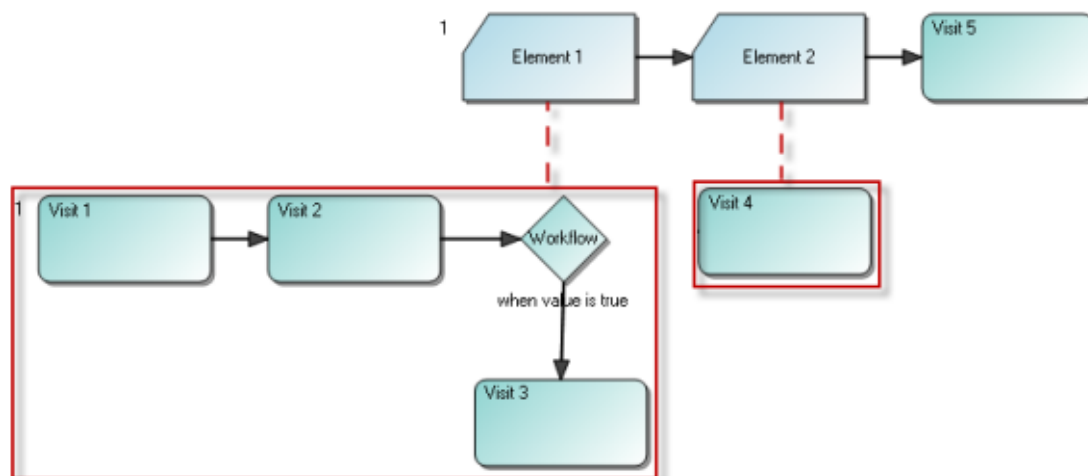


### Order in Oracle InForm:

- **Initially**—Visit 1, Visit 2. Only Visit 1 and Visit 2 are in the Case Book. All other visits are dynamic and depend on the outcome of the rule.
- **If the rule evaluates to True**—Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 3, Visit 4. Visit 5 and Visit 6 are dynamic and do not appear in the Case Book.
- **If the rule evaluates to False**—Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 5, Visit 6. Visit 3 and Visit 4 are dynamic and do not appear in the Case Book.

(Dotted lines indicate that the study elements contain the visits. These study objects do not appear together in the Workflow Diagram.)

### Workflow with workflow rule (Example 2)

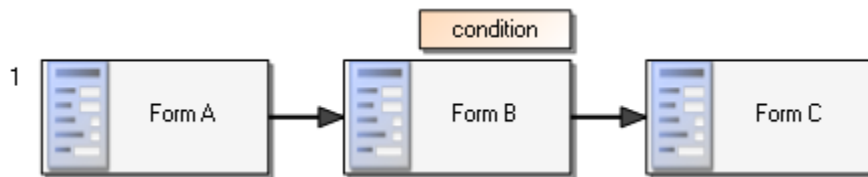


**Order in Oracle InForm:**

- **Initially**—Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 4, and Visit 5. Only Visit 3 is dynamic.
- **If the rule evaluates to True**—Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 3, Visit 4, and Visit 5.
- **If the rule evaluates to False**—Visit 1, Visit 2, Visit 4, and Visit 5. Visit 3 is dynamic and does not appear in the Case Book.

(Dotted lines indicate that the study elements contain the visits. These study objects do not appear together in the Workflow Diagram.)

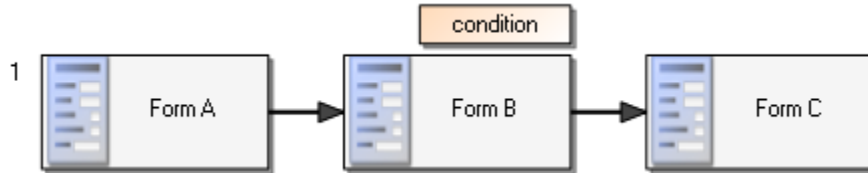
**Workflow with a global condition**



**Order in Oracle InForm:**

- **Initially, or if the condition evaluates to False**—Form A, Form C. Form B is dynamic and does not appear in the Case Book.
- **If the condition evaluates to True**—Form A, Form B, Form C.

**Workflow with a global condition (dynamic)**



**Dynamic status in Oracle InForm:**

- **Initially, or if the condition evaluates to False**—Form A and Form C are in the Case Book. Form B is dynamic and does not appear in the Case Book.
- **If the condition evaluates to True**—Forms A, B, and C are in the Case Book.

**Complex workflow with global conditions (Example 1)**

**Study components**

- Visit1
  - Form1
    - \* Item1
    - \* Item2
- Visit2 (with a global condition)
  - Form2 (with a global condition)

**Behavior**



- Enter a value for Item1 and submit Form1 without entering a value for Item2: Visit2 appears.
- Enter a value for Item2 and submit Form1 without entering a value for Item1: Neither Visit2 nor Form2 appears.
- Subsequently enter a value for Item1 and submit Form1; Both Visit2 and Form2 appear.

### Complex workflow with global condition (Example 2)

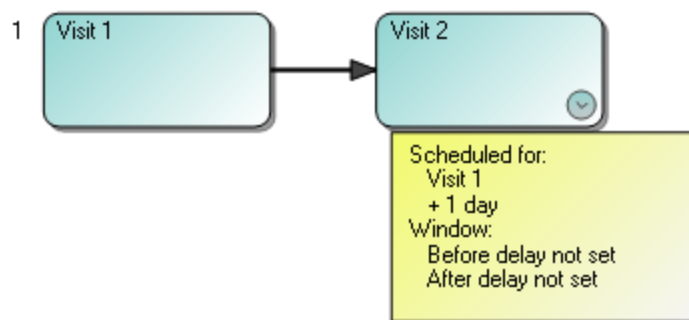
#### Study components

- Visit1
  - Form1
    - \* Item1
    - \* Item2
- Element1 (with a global condition)
  - Visit2
  - Visit3 (with a global condition)

#### Behavior

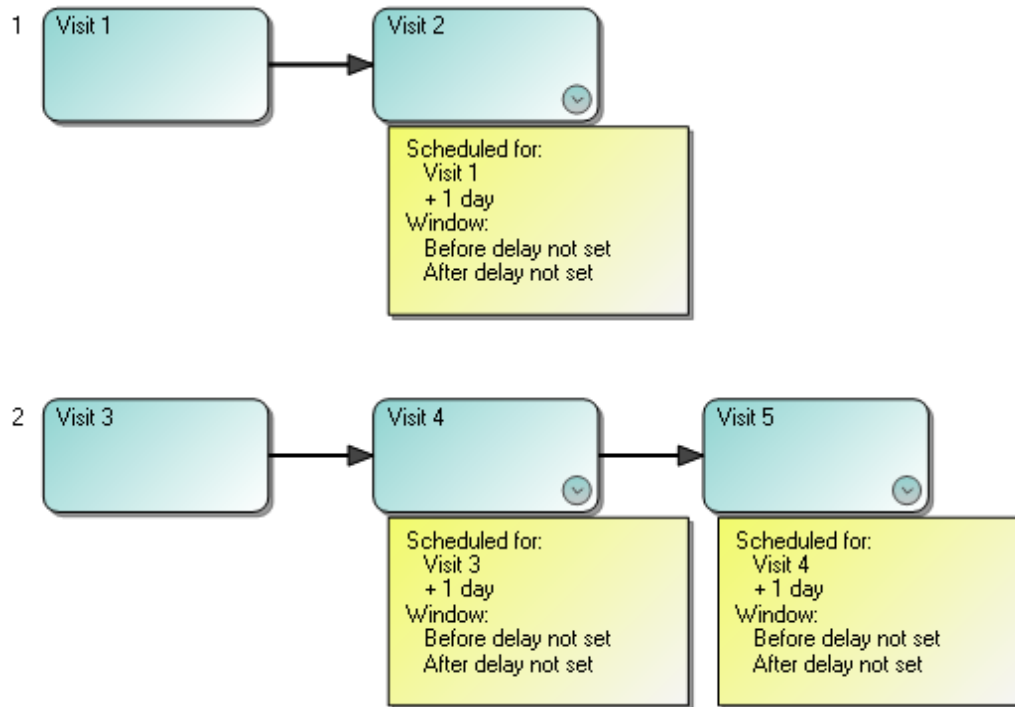
- Enter a value for Item1 and submit Form1 without entering a value for Item2: All the visits in Element1 appear.
- Enter a value for Item2 and submit Form1 without entering a value for Item1: None of the visits in Element1 appear.
- Subsequently enter a value for Item1 and submit Form1: All the visits in Element1 appear.

#### One sequence of visits with scheduling



**Scheduling in Oracle InForm:** Visit 1 and Visit 2 are scheduled. Visit 2 is scheduled one day after Visit 1.

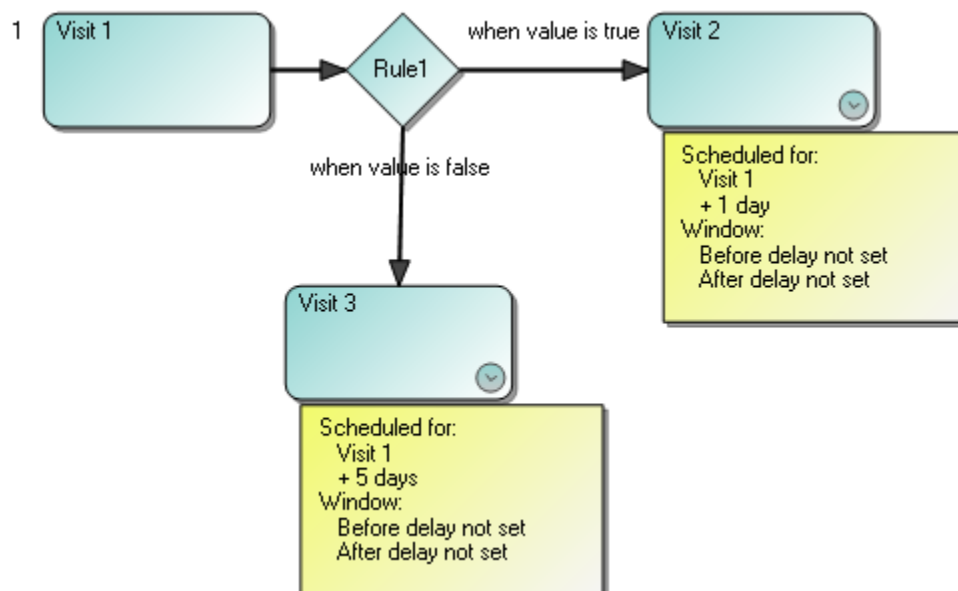
#### Multiple sequences of visits



**Scheduling in Oracle InForm:**

- All visits except Visit 3 are scheduled. Visits 2, 4, and 5 are scheduled one day after the previous visit.
- The STARTHOUR attribute of Visit 3 is one hour after Visit 2.
- Visit 5 is scheduled three days plus one hour after Visit 1.

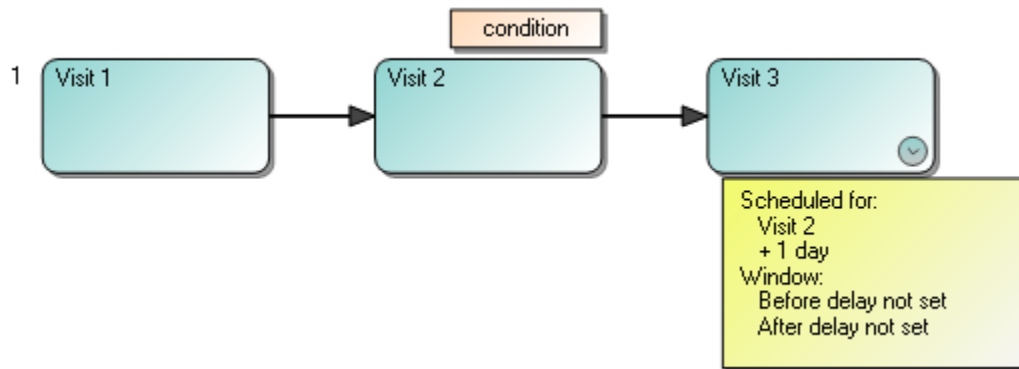
**Workflow rule with scheduled visits**



**Scheduling in Oracle InForm:**

- Visit 1 is scheduled.
- The STARTHOUR attribute of Visit 2 is calculated to be one day after Visit 1, but Visit 2 does not appear in the Visit Calculator when the value of Rule1 is true.
- The STARTHOUR attribute of Visit 3 is calculated to be five days after Visit 1, but Visit 3 does not appear in the Visit Calculator when the value of Rule1 is false.

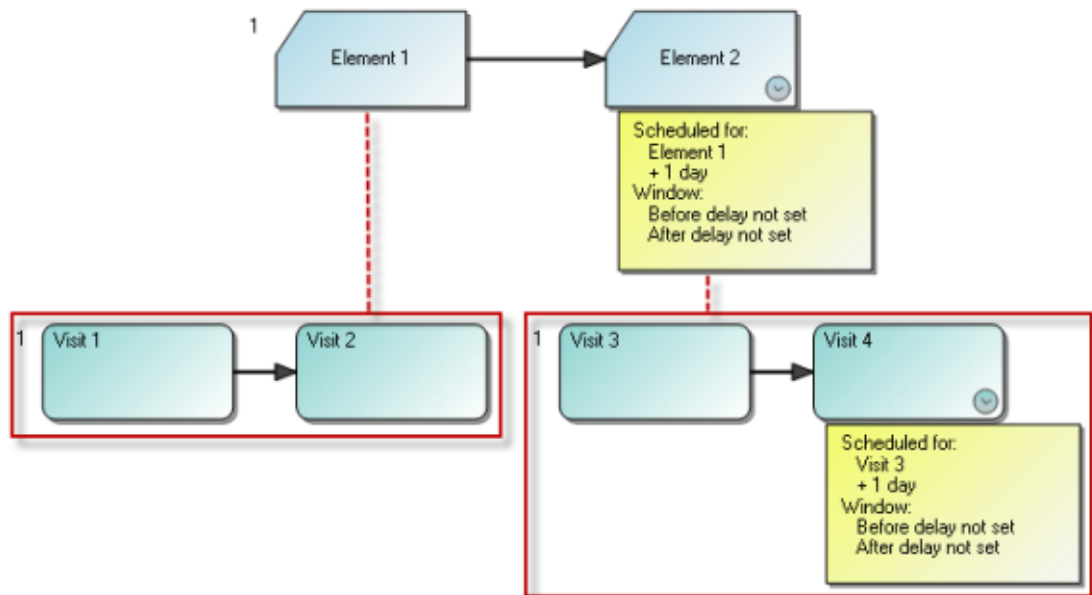
**Global condition with a scheduled and unscheduled visit**



**Scheduling in Oracle InForm:**

- Visit 1 is scheduled.
- The STARTHOUR attribute of Visit 2 is calculated to be one hour after Visit 1, but Visit 2 does not appear in the Visit Calculator.
- Visit 3 is scheduled as one day after Visit 2 and one day plus one hour after Visit 1.

**Scheduled study elements**

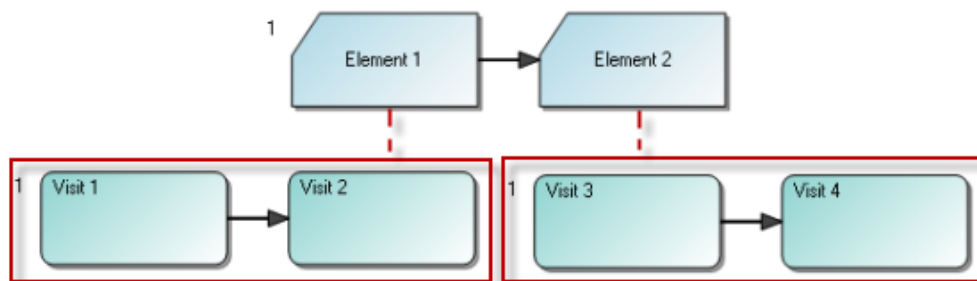


**Scheduling in Oracle InForm:**

- Visit 1 is scheduled.
- Visit 2 is unscheduled. Its STARTHOUR value is one hour after Visit 1.
- Visit 3 is scheduled as one day after Visit 2.
- Visit 4 is scheduled as one day after Visit 3, or two days plus one hour after Visit 1.

(Dotted lines indicate that the study elements contain the visits. These study objects do not appear together in the Workflow Diagram.)

#### Unscheduled study elements



#### Scheduling in Oracle InForm:

- Visit 1 is scheduled.
- Visits 2, 3, and 4 are unscheduled. The STARTHOUR value of each is one hour after the preceding visit.

(Dotted lines indicate that the study elements contain the visits. These study objects do not appear together in the Workflow Diagram.)

## Coding maps

In this section:

- [What are the components of a coding map?](#)

### What are the components of a coding map?

When you create a coding map, you specify:

- An item to code.
- One or more items that will receive code or term information from Oracle Central Coding.
- One or more items that contain context information. Context information provides assistance to the person who codes the item.
- A query target. When a Oracle Central Coding user creates a query, the query appears on the query target item in the Oracle Health Sciences InForm application.

If you select a query target item for a coding map, you can only deploy the study to a version of Oracle Health Sciences InForm that supports coding query targets. Only text items without codelists are available for **Item to code** and **Target Item**.

## Layouts

In this section:

- [What is the primary layout and how do I set it?](#)
- [What happens when I delete a layout?](#)

### What is the primary layout and how do I set it?

You set the primary layout for a study at the study level. The first layout that you create for a form or item is given the name of the primary layout.



#### Note:

Changing the name of the primary layout affects all forms. If a form has a layout named Main, and you choose to use the layout named **Spanish** as the primary layout, then all layouts named **Spanish** become the primary layouts.

### What happens when I delete a layout?

You can delete any layout, including the primary layout. All text strings, including captions, notes, section titles, form titles, and codelist item label overrides are saved until you delete the last layout for a form. Questions are not deleted, even if you delete the last layout for a form.

## Lock and protect

In this section:

- [What happens when I revoke a lock held by another user?](#)
- [What happens when I revoke a lock on an object with children?](#)
- [What happens when I protect an object?](#)
- [What happens when I unprotect an object in a study?](#)

### What happens when I revoke a lock held by another user?

When you revoke a lock, any unsaved changes made by the person who holds the lock are lost.

### What happens when I revoke a lock on an object with children?

Remote locks on the child objects are also revoked.

### What happens when I protect an object?

When a study object is protected, its icon changes to reflect its protected state, and you can't:

- Update the object.
- Explicitly or implicitly lock the object.
- Drag and drop an object onto the protected object.
- Paste an object onto the protected study object.
- Delete the object's child objects.

## What happens when I unprotect an object in a study?

- **If you select Unprotect**—Unprotect only the selected study object. You can unprotect a study object that came from a library only if you have the Unprotect study objects from libraries right.
- **If you select Unprotect with children**—Unprotect the selected study object and all of its children.
  - If the study object that you are unprotecting with children was copied from a library, the study object and all of its children are unprotected.
  - If the study object that you are unprotecting with children was created in the study and you copied one or more of its children from a library, the study object is unprotected, but any children copied from the library are not unprotected. You can unprotect them individually.

## After your study has been deployed

In this section:

- [What in-place revision changes are supported?](#)
- [Can I change a form from common to not common?](#)
- [Can I change a form from repeating to non-repeating?](#)
- [What is an in-place revision?](#)
- [How do I mark a shared study object as an in-place revision?](#)

## What in-place revision changes are supported?

In this section:

- [Supported in-place revision changes with no regulatory or data impact](#)
- [Supported in-place revision changes that may affect the meaning of data on a form](#)
- [Supported in-place revision changes that may affect regulatory compliance](#)

## Supported in-place revision changes with no regulatory or data impact

- Expand the year ranges in a date control.
- Change item properties to not required or SDV not required.
- Increase the length of a text, integer, or float field.
- Add hidden items to manage rule modifications.

- Add a new checkbox option for a control used to trigger forms in an Unscheduled Visit.

## Supported in-place revision changes that may affect the meaning of data on a form

- Update item text to correct spelling or punctuation errors, provided the meaning is not changed.
- Add options to radio, pull down, or checkbox controls to allow sites to enter data accurately.
- Add items to an existing section.

## Supported in-place revision changes that may affect regulatory compliance

- Remove items that contain data.
- Reduce the length of text, integer, or float fields.
- Decrease the precision of a float field.
- Reduce the maximum limit or increase the minimum limits on integer or float fields.
- Remove selections from pull down lists, radio controls, or checkbox controls.
- Decrease the date range for a date control.
- Change codelist selection labels.
- Remove UNK or NREQ in date controls.
- Remove date parts, such as hours and minutes.
- Change in control structure, such as adding levels of nesting.

## Can I change a form from common to not common?

This change is not recommended. While this change is allowed in Oracle Central Designer, changing a form from common to not common, or not common to common causes downstream issues that could potentially result in data loss. We recommend creating a new form, rather than modifying an existing form.

## Can I change a form from repeating to non-repeating?

This change is not recommended. While this change is allowed in Oracle Central Designer, changing a form or section from repeating to not repeating causes downstream issues that could potentially result in data loss. We recommend creating a new form, rather than modifying an existing form.

## What is an in-place revision?

An in-place revision (IPR) allows you to make a study design change and apply it to existing study versions that were previously deployed to Oracle Health Sciences InForm. When you update a study by deploying a new study version, you can only modify forms that have not been started in Oracle Health Sciences InForm. However, the in-place revision feature allows you to modify an item on a form and deploy the changes to all instances of the form in a specified study version, including forms that were started or completed in that study version.

You create an in-place revision on a top-level item or a section by selecting the form from the Visit Schedule and displaying the Layout tab. The annotated study book for a study optionally includes a listing of the in-place revisions created for a study.

## How do I mark a shared study object as an in-place revision?

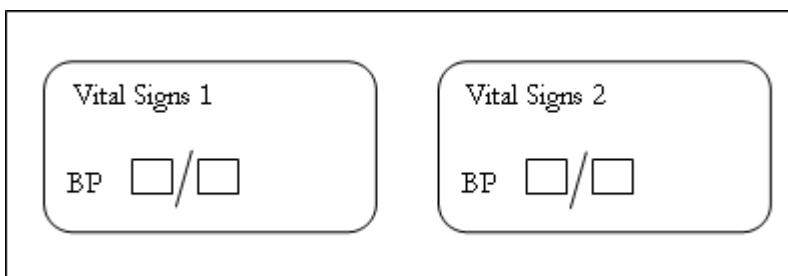
The following examples illustrate two ways to apply an in-place revision to a shared study object, with the same results when deployed to Oracle Health Sciences InForm.

### Method 1

Vital Signs 1 and Vital Signs 2 contain the shared item BP. You deploy the study and later edit both forms by adding mmHg as caption text on the BP item. Next, you create a single in-place revision on the Vital Signs 1 form, specifying that the change applies to the previously deployed Vital Signs 1 and Vital Signs 2 forms upon deployment. The in-place revision icon appears only on the Vital Signs 1 form in Oracle Central Designer.

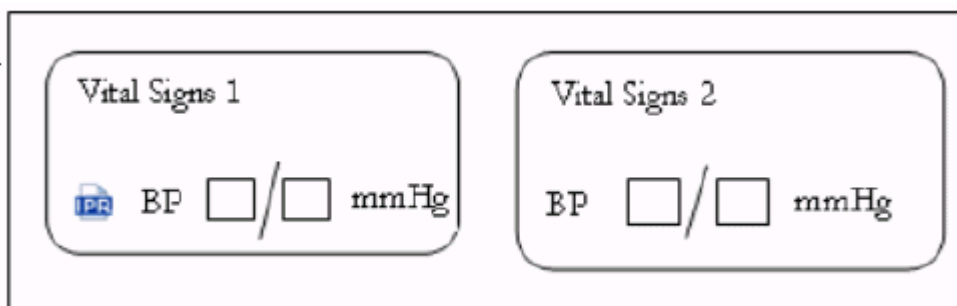
After deployment, the mmHg caption appears on both forms in Oracle Health Sciences InForm.

- Original forms in Oracle Central Designer and Oracle Health Sciences InForm:



The diagram shows two rounded rectangular boxes representing forms. The left box is titled "Vital Signs 1" and contains the text "BP" followed by two empty square input boxes separated by a slash. The right box is titled "Vital Signs 2" and contains the text "BP" followed by two empty square input boxes separated by a slash.

- Forms in Oracle Central Designer after the caption is updated and the in-place revision is created:



The diagram shows two rounded rectangular boxes representing forms. The left box is titled "Vital Signs 1" and contains a blue icon with the letters "IPR" next to the text "BP", followed by two empty square input boxes separated by a slash, and the text "mmHg". The right box is titled "Vital Signs 2" and contains the text "BP", followed by two empty square input boxes separated by a slash, and the text "mmHg".

- Forms in Oracle Health Sciences InForm after deployment of the in-place revision:



The diagram shows two rounded rectangular boxes side-by-side. The left box is titled "Vital Signs 1" and contains the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash, and then "mmHg". The right box is titled "Vital Signs 2" and contains the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash, and then "mmHg".

### Method 2

For the same set of forms with the same caption changes to the deployed study, you create:

- A single in-place revision on the Vital Signs 1 form, specifying that the change applies to the previously deployed Vital Signs 1 form upon deployment.
- A single in-place revision on the Vital Signs 2 form, specifying that the change applies to the previously deployed Vital Signs 2 form upon deployment.

The in-place revision icon appears on both the Vital Signs 1 and Vital Signs 2 forms in Central Designer.

After deployment, the mmHG caption appears on both forms in Oracle Health Sciences InForm.

- Original forms in Oracle Central Designer and Oracle Health Sciences InForm:

The diagram shows two rounded rectangular boxes side-by-side. The left box is titled "Vital Signs 1" and contains the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash. The right box is titled "Vital Signs 2" and contains the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash.

- Forms in Oracle Central Designer after the caption is updated and the in-place revision is created:

The diagram shows two rounded rectangular boxes side-by-side. The left box is titled "Vital Signs 1" and contains a small blue icon with the letters "IPR" to the left of the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash, and then "mmHg". The right box is titled "Vital Signs 2" and contains the text "BP" followed by two square input boxes separated by a slash, and then "mmHg".

- Forms in Oracle Health Sciences InForm after deployment of the in-place revision:

<p>Vital Signs 1</p> <p>BP <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> mmHg</p>	<p>Vital Signs 2</p> <p>BP <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> mmHg</p>
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## What if...

In this chapter:

- A "Predefined value not found" message appears in a form layout
- A study object with a restriction is updated in the library
- I added a dynamic grid section from a library, but it doesn't contain any items
- I added a dynamic grid section from a library, but some items are missing
- I added a set of radio buttons to my form, but when I deployed, it showed up as a drop-down list
- I can't add an item to a section
- I can't create a form or section in my study
- I can't create an item on a form in my study
- I can't copy a form or section
- I can't delete an object
- I can't edit items, codelists, codelist items, or codelist subsets in my study
- I can't find the item I want to add to a dynamic grid section
- I can't mark a section as a dynamic grid section
- I can't revoke the lock on a study object
- I copied a form as a link, but now I can't break the link
- I request an in-place revision for a study version that doesn't exist in the target deployment instance
- There are no studies in my Recent Projects list
- Auto-deployment doesn't complete and I need to open a Support ticket

### A "Predefined value not found" message appears in a form layout

If you create a fixed repeating section, define a codelist item in a subset as a fixed column or row, and subsequently remove the codelist item from the subset or remove the subset from the codelist, an error appears in the form layout. To resolve the error, update the fixed repeating section so that it doesn't include invalid codelist items.

### A study object with a restriction is updated in the library

If you add a library object to a study, and the object is restricted for editing, you can't update it to match the new version in the library. To update the study object to match the library object, you can replace it with the updated version from the library.

## I added a dynamic grid section from a library, but it doesn't contain any items

Check to make sure that the dynamic grid section's source object is the same in the study as it is in the library. For example, if the library dynamic grid contains **item1** on **section1** in **form1** and **visit**, you must include that item in the same path. If your study contains **item1** on **section2** in **form1** and **visit1**, the item is removed from the library dynamic grid when you add it to the study.

As a best practice, if you want to add a dynamic grid section from a library to a study, identify the visits, forms, and sections that its items are on, and add those objects in the correct path before you add the dynamic grid section.

## I added a dynamic grid section from a library, but some items are missing

This could happen if:

- The item in the library dynamic grid section exists in the study, but does not exist on the source form or section that is referenced in the dynamic grid section.
- The item in the library dynamic grid section is a top-level item, but is not a top-level item on the source form or section in the study.
- The item in the library dynamic grid section is a top-level item, but one or more of its conditional items does not exist on the source form or section in the study.
- The item in the library dynamic grid section has conditional items that do not match the study item's conditional items.

To prevent this issue, ensure that all items referenced in a dynamic grid section exist in the study before you add a library dynamic grid to the study.

## I added a set of radio buttons to my form, but when I deployed, it showed up as a drop-down list

The **Use pulldown when item count exceeds** study-level style setting is set to five by default. As a result, if you add a set of radio buttons (a codelist) to your form, and it contains more than five radio buttons (codelist items), it appears in Oracle Health Sciences InForm as a drop-down list when you deploy your study.

To change the setting for a single codelist instance, use the control-level styles. For more information, see [Set the appearance of a single study object \(control styles\)](#).

## I can't add an item to a section

The section might be a dynamic grid section. If it is, it can only contain items from a specified source form or section, and you need to select the **Edit Dynamic Grid**



button ( ) and add items to the section in the Edit Dynamic Grid Section dialog box. To determine if a section is a dynamic grid section:

1. In the Project Explorer, select the form that the section exists on, and make sure the **Design** tab is selected.
2. Check to see if the **Dynamic Grid** checkbox above the section is selected.

## I can't create a form or section in my study

Your study might include restrictions that prevent you from creating new forms or sections in your study. If your study includes these restrictions, you are also prevented from adding an existing section to a form. To view the list of restrictions that are enabled, select the study in the Project Explorer.

## I can't create an item on a form in my study

Your study might include restrictions that prevent you from modifying a form from a library. To view the list of restrictions that are enabled, select the study in the Project Explorer.

## I can't copy a form or section

Your study might include restrictions that prevent you from copying existing forms or sections. To view the list of restrictions that are enabled, select the study in the Project Explorer.

## I can't delete an object

This can happen if:

- The object is protected, or is the child of a protected object. Review the object's protected status and try again.
- The object is an item that is used in a dynamic grid section. (If you try to delete an item that is used in a dynamic grid section, an error appears and tells you why you can't delete the item.) Remove the item from the dynamic grid section, and then try again to delete it from the form.
- The object is a visit, form, or section that is used in a dynamic grid section. Remove the item from the dynamic grid section, and then try again to delete it from the form.
- The object is a child of an item that is used in a dynamic grid section. Remove the item from the dynamic grid section, and then try again to delete it from the form.
- The object is conditional on an item that is used in a dynamic grid section. Remove the item from the dynamic grid section, and then try again to delete it from the form.

## I can't edit items, codelists, codelist items, or codelist subsets in my study

Your study might include restrictions that prevent you from modifying the properties of items from a library, or modifying codelists from a library. To view the list of restrictions that are enabled, select the study in the Project Explorer.

## I can't find the item I want to add to a dynamic grid section

If you want to add an item to a dynamic grid section, but the visit, form, or section that it's on (its source object) doesn't appear when you create the dynamic grid, make sure that the following conditions are met for the source object.

- The source visit is not a repeating visit.
- The source form is not a common form.
- The source form is not the form you're adding the dynamic grid to.
- If the source form is repeating, the item exists in a non-repeating section. (If the item you want to add is in a repeating section on a repeating form, you can't include that item instance in the dynamic grid.)
- The source section is not a dynamic grid section.
- The source objects exist in the Study Design folder in the Project Explorer.

If the source visit, form, and section appear when you create the dynamic grid, but the item doesn't, make sure that the following conditions are met for the item:

- If the source form is repeating, the item is a top-level item on the form or a top-level item in a non-repeating section on the form.
- If the source section is repeating, the item is a top-level item in the section.

## I can't mark a section as a dynamic grid section

If you want to mark a section as a dynamic grid section, but Oracle Central Designer prevents you from doing so, make sure that the following conditions are met for the section.

- The section is repeating.
- The section is not marked as fixed.
- The section doesn't exist on a common form.

## I can't revoke the lock on a study object

This can occur if a study object has a parent object that is locked by another user. Contact the other user to unlock the parent object and try again.

## I copied a form as a link, but now I can't break the link

If your study includes restrictions that prevent you from creating forms or sections in your study, you are also prevented from breaking the link of copied forms and sections, because breaking the link creates a new form or section. To view the list of restrictions that are enabled, select the study in the Project Explorer.

## I request an in-place revision for a study version that doesn't exist in the target deployment instance

Oracle Central Designer ignores the request, and the in-place revision change is not completed for the study version that does not exist. A warning appears in the deployment package.

### Tip:

Click **Refresh** in the IPR Configuration dialog box to remove study versions that don't exist in the target deployment instance before you copy an in-place revision configuration to a new deployment instance.

## There are no studies in my Recent Projects list

One of the following may be true:

- You haven't opened any studies yet. When you open a study, it will appear in the Recent Projects List the next time that you access the list.
- You aren't included in any study teams, and therefore don't have access to any studies. Contact your application administrator to be granted the correct access.

## Auto-deployment doesn't complete and I need to open a Support ticket

If auto-deployment doesn't complete and the trial is left in Maintenance mode, you must submit a ticket to Oracle Support.

1. Log into the [Support home page](#).
2. Submit a Support ticket:
  - a. From the **Issue Category** list, choose **System Unavailable**.
  - b. In the text field, type `Related to Auto-Deployment`.  
This is key to the ticket being routed correctly and effectively at Oracle, which helps minimize resolution time.
  - c. Add any other text you feel is appropriate.
3. Immediately after submitting the ticket, alert other trial users that the trial is unexpectedly in Maintenance mode as a result of an issue while deploying a design change. Say that you have already submitted a ticket to request assistance. Emphasize that:

- Oracle will take the trial out of Maintenance mode at the earliest possible point. If judged to be safe, this would be in parallel to the auto-restore issue being investigated.
- Do not submit further tickets on the issue to Oracle Support as this could detract focus on optimum resolution time.

If other auto-deployment issues occur that you are unable to resolve, you must submit a ticket to Oracle Support.

1. Log into the [Support home page](#).
2. Submit a Support ticket:
  - a. From the **Issue Category** list, choose an appropriate category.
  - b. In the text field, type `Related to Auto-Deployment`.  
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