Translate Code

Notice
The official version of the OHIE workflows can be found in the OpenHIE Architecture Specification.

Overview

Description: This transaction allows a PoS, or any OHIE component, to access terminological information in the terminology service and retrieve the translation, or “mapping” of a Concept in one Code System to a Concept in another Code System. Mapping is frequently required when patient data is collected using Concepts/Codes from one Code System but the data must be reported or aggregated, say for decision support, in a different Code System. The set of such associated Concepts, usually for a specific use-case, are stored in the Terminology Service in a FHIR Resource called a ConceptMap.

Both external systems and systems inside the HIE may perform this transaction directly with the TS. The sequence diagram below shows the steps that occur for a system using this transaction.

1. Mapping: Using the ConceptMap 'ICD-10 to SNOMED CT Diseases', retrieve the SNOMED CT Concept Code(s) that is associated with ‘123XYZ’ in ICD-10.

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Status: This operation has been extensively tested in FHIR Connectathons.

Referenced Standards and APIs

- The FHIR ConceptMap translate operation: [http://build.fhir.org/conceptmap-operation-translate.html](http://build.fhir.org/conceptmap-operation-translate.html). HL7 FHIR Specifications v3.0 or higher support translate. The response is a set of FHIR Parameter objects that include a ‘result’ (whether there is an acceptable match) and a list of possible matches. The list of matches may include notes of Codes for which mappings are specifically excluded, and qualifications on the applicability of matches.

- This workflow implements the IHE IT Infrastructure Technical Framework Supplement - Sharing Valuesets, Codes, and Maps (SVCM) Transaction: Translate Code ITI-Y7.

Assumptions and Prerequisites

- The required ConceptMap and associated CodeSystem(s) have been preloaded into the Terminology Service.

Actors

- PoS - The point-of-service system or other HIE component that is requesting the translation.
- TS - Stores the curated, official version of the ConceptMap for the health system.

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[1] Translate code request


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