

## 5.6. Annotation Reference Set

900000000000516008 |Annotation type reference set|allows [String](#) to be associated with components for any specified purpose. So, where the 900000000000521006 |Association type reference set|linked a SNOMED CT component to another SNOMED CT components, the 9000000000000516008 |Annotation type reference set| allow a SNOMED CT component to be linked to a non-standardized string annotation.

Figure 5.6-1: Illustration of the general functionality of Annotation reference sets of the general functionality of Annotation reference sets

### Reference Specific Attributes

Besides from the 4 identification and versioning attributes, the annotation reference set type has following attributes.

| Field                                 | Data type              | Purpose  |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| <a href="#">referencedComponentId</a> | <a href="#">SCTID</a>  | The identifier of the <a href="#">component</a> to be annotated.   |
| <a href="#">annotation</a>            | <a href="#">String</a> | The text <a href="#">annotation</a> to attach to the <a href="#">component</a> identified by <a href="#">referencedComponentId</a> . |



See specification: [5.2.7 Annotation Reference Set](#)