value set

A uniquely identifiable set of valid concept representations, where any concept representation can be tested to determine whether or not it is a member of the *value set*.

Notes

- This definition is used in HL7 Vocabulary Committee documents and FHIR specifications.
- The role of a *value set* is to constrain the permissible content for a particular use (e.g. data entry into a particular field).
- In SNOMED CT a concept representation may be a concept identifier or a SNOMED CT expression.
- A reference set can be used to represent a *value set* of SNOMED CT concepts each of which is represented by a concept identifier in the *referencedComponentId* field.

Related Links

- Full HL7 definition of Value Set
- Subset
- Reference set