Sample Assignment: Vocabulary Exercise

Purpose:

The purpose of this exercise is to demonstrate knowledge of at least one of the standardized vocabularies by mapping selected terms from the clinical use case in assignment # 1 to at least one of the standardized terminologies. The assignment provides an opportunity to more clearly demonstrate knowledge about how to support interoperability of clinical information for the eHealth initiative. You can select one of the ANA approved nursing vocabularies or another nationally recognized standardized vocabulary for this assignment.

Directions:

1. Describe the use case you selected for Assignment #1 (you can copy from your previous paper).
2. Describe the selected standardized vocabulary for this assignment – what is it, what is included, how are terms organized (describe the hierarchical or organizational structure).
3. Describe the rules you use for mapping terms from the clinical use case to the standardized vocabulary.
4. Create a table that includes
   o The local term (your terms form the use case)
   o Vocabulary name – name of the nationally recognized vocabulary you are selecting
   o Definition of term
   o Vocabulary Term (that matches your local term)
   o Vocabulary Code (used by the terminology to represent the term)

5. List the terms you will map for this assignment that are from the use case.
6. Map the terms to the nationally recognized terms (If there are terms that do not map, leave it blank)
7. Propose new terms needed in the standardized terminology including the term, definition, and where it fits in the hierarchy or organizational structure.
8. Write up your discussion/ conclusions from this exercise addressing how this related to the eHealth initiative.
9. Be sure to have appropriate references and APA format for the paper.