WHO concept note and collaboration proposal for International Nomenclature, coding and classification of medical devices (ICMD)

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Interest in ICMD: Collaboration in development based on existing UNSPSC segment designed and focused on the ICMD domain (Segment 42) and used by governments, public and private sector organizations since 1999.

General comment on the concept note, especially on the principles:
The design, development, and management of the UNSPSC incorporate and have been based on all the principles listed in the Concept Note since the inception of the UNSPSC in 1999. Related work in the domain of healthcare services (Segment 85) involving ICD codes is currently underway in partnership with WHO.

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If you would like to propose your nomenclature/coding or classification system from your institution/country, in order to support the development of an international system for medical devices, ICMD, please provide your information below:

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Name of the system: United Nations Standard Products and Services Code® (UNSPSC®)
Website: http://www.unspsc.org/
Owner: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) managed by GS1 US
Country: USA
Please feel free to explain your proposal Reasons why your system can be used to support the development of an international system that could be used by all medical devices stakeholders. *(You would be contacted in September, once the responses are analysed)*

The United Nations Standard Products and Services Code® (UNSPSC®) is owned by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the UNDP appointed GS1 US as code manager in May 2003. UNSPSC is an open, global, multi-industry and multi-sector standard for efficient, accurate classification of products and services bought, sold or otherwise exchanged around the world. The UNSPSC Codeset is refreshed at least once a year with changes supplied by the member community. The current Member community includes commercial companies of various sizes, government organisation on all levels of administration other standard development organisations and educational organisations. UNSPSC development is governed by development guidelines and standards procedures which outline how changes are made to the standard in order to accommodate the ever changing requirements of the marketplace and the requirements from regulators from all over the world. UNSPSC is designed to support world commerce as well as supporting and enabling economic development of countries all over the world. The UNSPSC has always been, and continues to be, a community-based standard with existing infrastructure to support concurrent, multi-sector standards development with contributions from members all over the world.

In the current version of the UNSPSC Codeset the standard contains 3,450 codes for Medical Devices and over 8,469 codes in medical related areas like Drugs and Pharmaceuticals. The codeset currently contains the ICD-10 diagnostic codes and with the next version in November 2018, we will add more than 40,000 ICD-10 procedure codes. In 2017 there were more than 350 members companies globally, the standard was downloaded 12,477 times and the website had 678,959 Visits made from 220 countries. The current version of the UNSPSC Codeset, v20.0601 has a total code count of 87,477 codes for all levels.

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