Closing the data gap in ambulatory care

NACRS Clinic Lite

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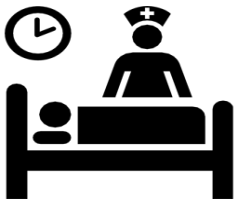
Ambulatory data needs

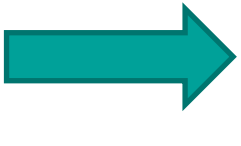


Inpatient

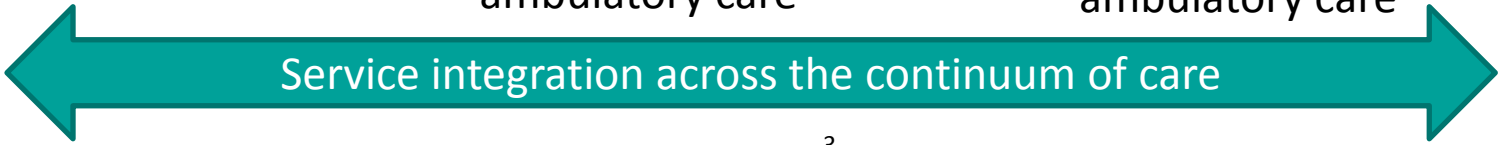
Ambulatory
or Outpatient

Most jurisdictions have summary information, but there is a gap in patient-level clinical, operational, quality and utilization data on ambulatory care.

Hospital-based
ambulatory care



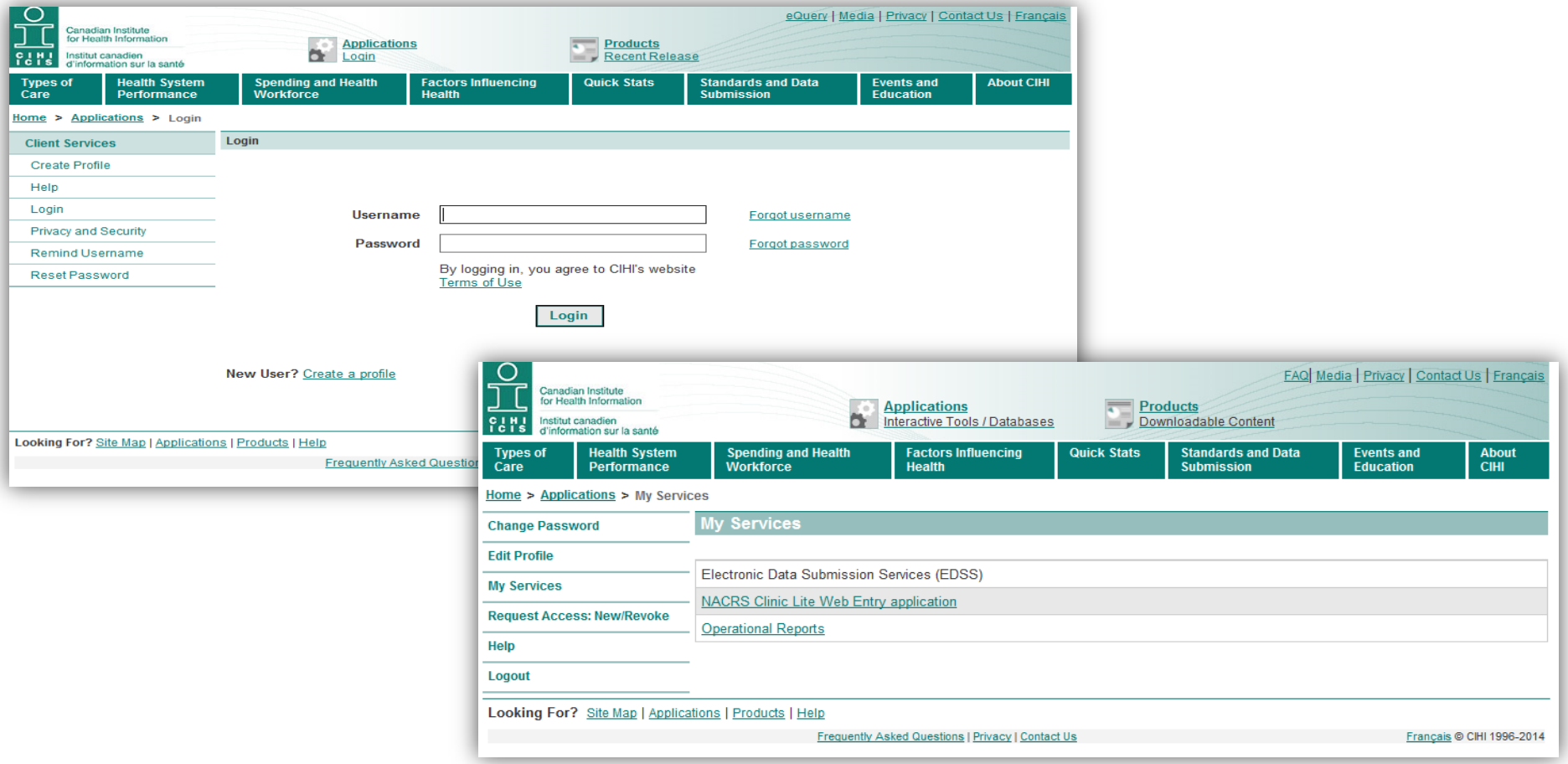
Community-based
ambulatory care



Overview of NACRS Clinic Lite

- **Low cost/low burden submission option in NACRS that minimizes manual data capture and retrospective coding.**
- **Suitable and customizable for many clinic types across the continuum of care.**
- **Allows for rapid onboarding by focusing on data available electronically/already being collected at the point of care.**
- **Provides valuable information for health care organizations, health authorities and ministries.**

Data submissions: web-entry tool



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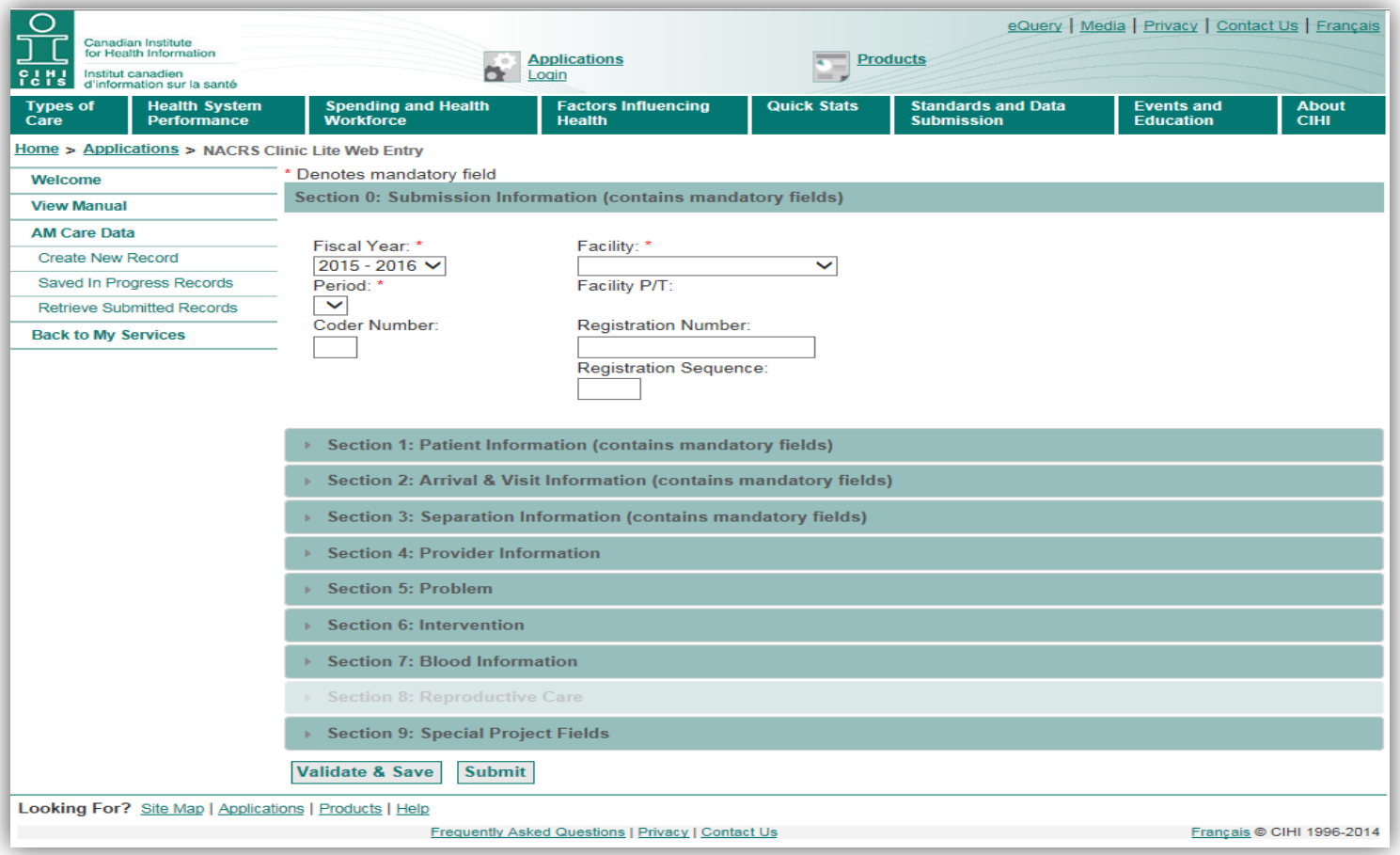

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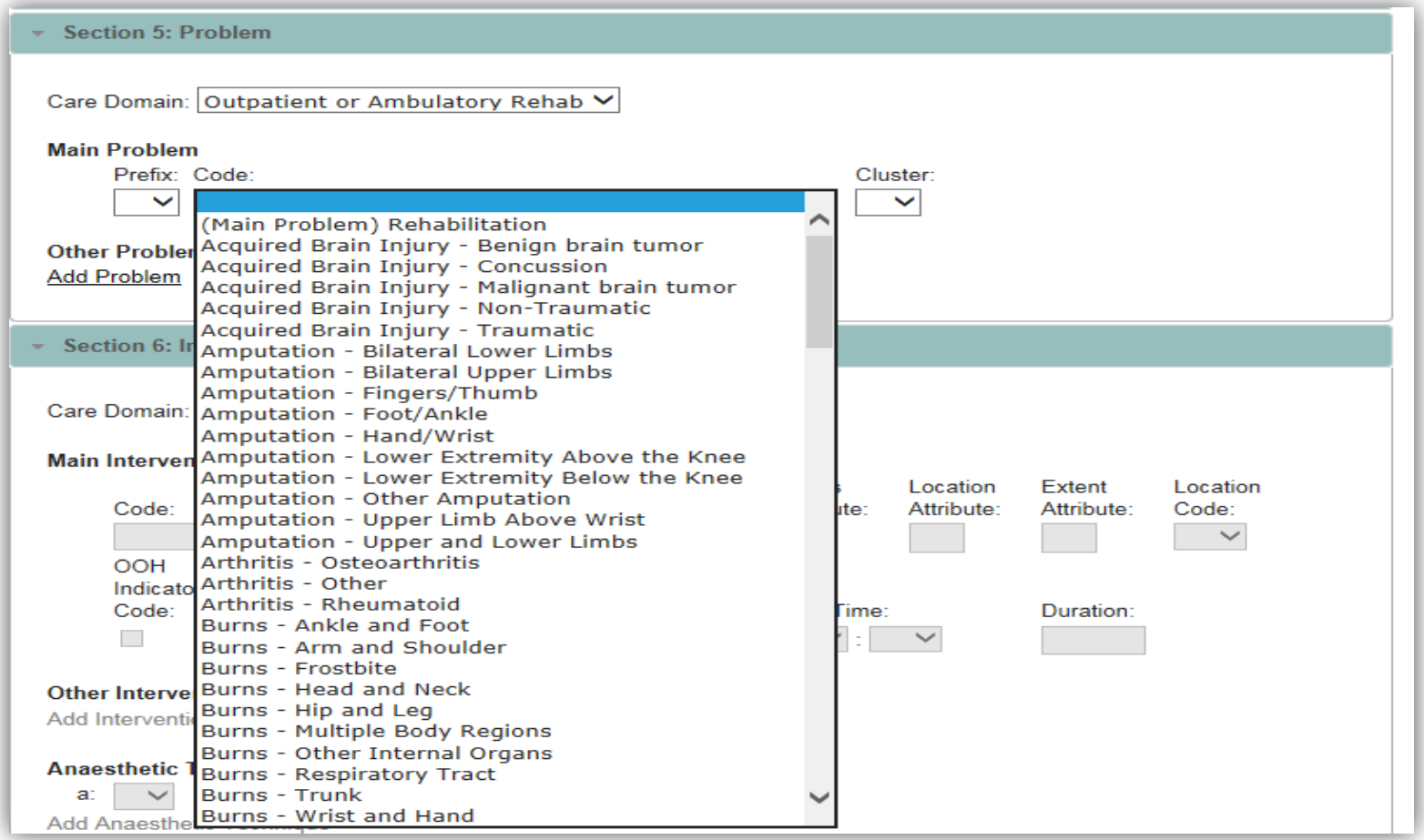

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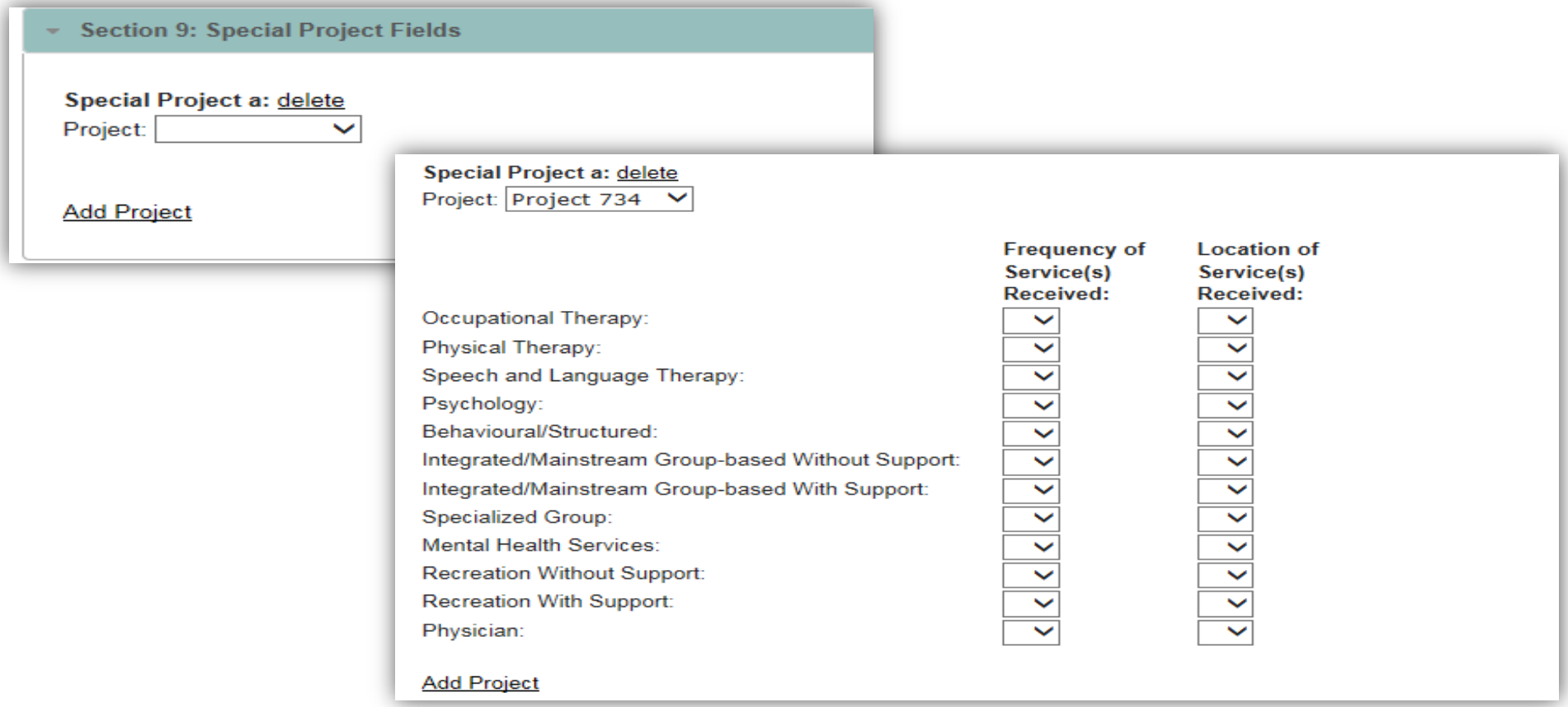
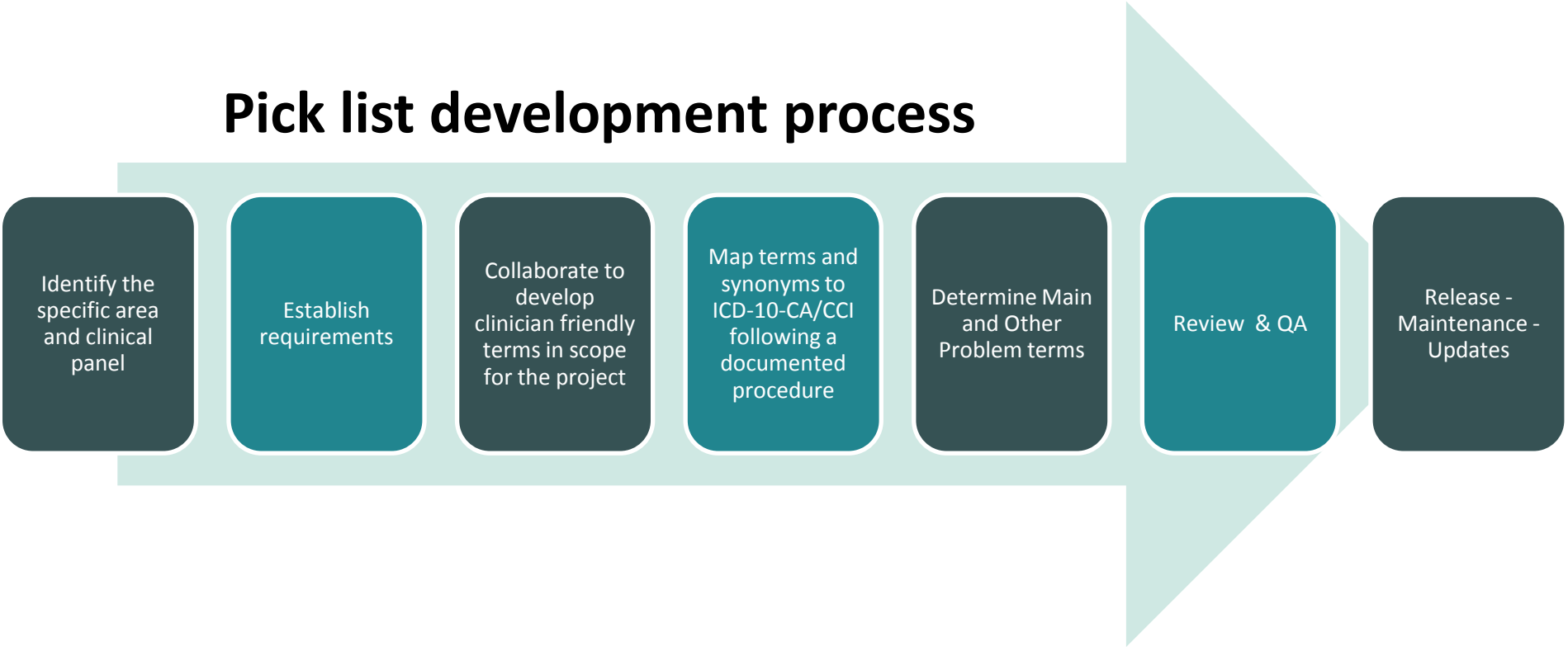


Making data submissions easier

Pick list development process



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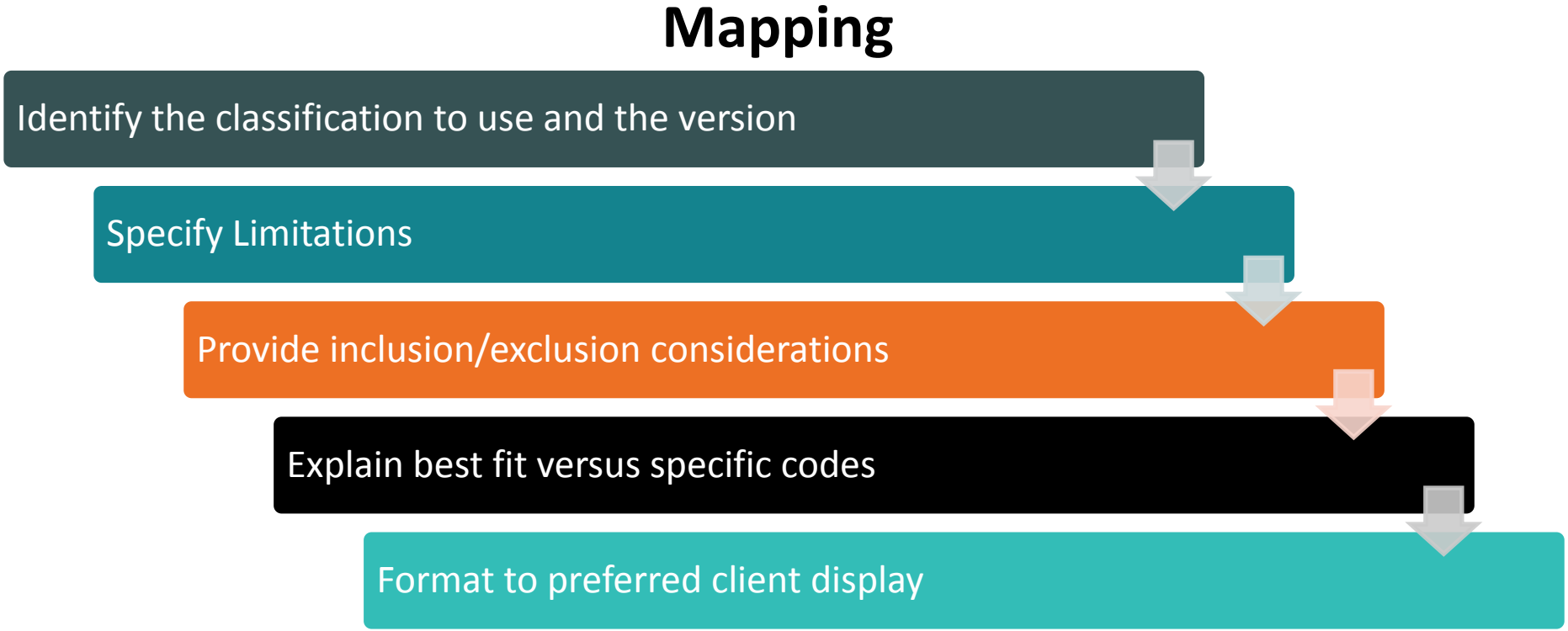

Value of data

- **NACRS Clinic Lite open-year data will be available for analysis and reporting. Data from clinics can also be included in broader analysis.**
- **Can support an ambulatory care planning and management framework and/or to provide indicators for health system performance.**
- **Measures key elements and variables of ambulatory care; can be used to improve quality of service as well as for potential efficiency and effectiveness gains.**
- **Provides patient level data for planning and evaluation of ambulatory care services - equity, access, adherence to policies, sustainability, etc.**

Value of data continued

Who the patient is:	• Health Care Number (HCN) • Gender • Birth date
Where the patient came from:	• Postal code • Province/territory issuing HCN
When the patient visited the clinic:	• Fiscal year • Submission period • Registration date
What brought the patient to the clinic:	• Problem picklist based on ICD-10-CA codes
What services were provided to the patient:	• Reporting facility • Mode of visit

Questions?

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