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Introduction

The following table includes all of the attributes and metrics that are available for report creation within the Portal NACRS project. This document can be used to plan for report building and to gain a further understanding of each object and its underlying data.

Each folder lists the attributes and metrics in alphabetical order. Please note that the order may not be identical within the tool.

Table NACRS attributes and metrics

Object folder path	Object name	Description	Source	Note
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Disposition Date	The date the main service provider made the decision about the patient's disposition.	NACRS data element 114	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Disposition Time	The time the main service provider made the decision about the patient's disposition.	NACRS data element 115	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	End Date	The date the client presented for services to any ambulatory care functional centre and was officially registered as a patient.	NACRS data element 27	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Patient Left ED Date	The date the patient physically left the ED and did not return.	NACRS data element 116	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Patient Left ED Time	The time the patient physically left the ED and did not return during that encounter.	NACRS data element 117	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Date	The date the client presented for services to any ambulatory care functional centre and was officially registered as a patient.	NACRS data element 27	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Fiscal Month	The fiscal month the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Fiscal Period	The fiscal period the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Fiscal Quarter	The fiscal quarter the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Fiscal Week	The fiscal week the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Fiscal Year	The fiscal year the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Time	The time (in hours and minutes) the client was registered at the facility on the day of the visit.	NACRS data element 28	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Week Day	The day of the visit's date of registration.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Registration Weekend Flag	Indicates whether the patient was registered on a weekend.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Start Date	The date the client presented for services to any ambulatory care functional centre and was officially registered as a patient.	NACRS data element 27	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Submission Fiscal Year	Fiscal year the record was submitted.	NACRS data element 00C	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Time Hour	The hour of the visit's time of registration, based on the 24-hour clock.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Visit End Date Time	The latter of visit complete time or decision to admit time (prior to 2007) OR the latter of disposition time or patient left ED time (2007+).	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date	Visit Start Date Time	The earlier of registration or triage time.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Ambulance Arrival Date	Date the ambulance/EMS pulled into the hospital driveway and arrived at the hospital.	NACRS data element 118	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Ambulance Arrival Time	Time the ambulance/EMS pulled into the hospital driveway and arrived at the hospital.	NACRS data element 119	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Ambulance Transfer of Care Date	Date ambulance personnel turned over care of the patient to ED staff.	NACRS data element 120	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Ambulance Transfer of Care Time	Time ambulance personnel turned over care of patient to the ED staff.	NACRS data element 121	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Arrival Date	The date the client arrived at the ED for service. Prior to or the same as the mandatory date of registration.	NACRS data element 22	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Arrival Time	The time (in hours and minutes) the client arrived at the ED for services. Prior to or the same as the visit registration time.	NACRS data element 23	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Physician Initial Assess Date	The date the physician (first physician) first assessed the patient.	NACRS data element 29	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Physician Initial Assess Time	The time (in hours and minutes) the physician (first physician) assessed the patient.	NACRS data element 30	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Arrival and Assessment	Referral Date	The date a client was referred to an ambulatory care service. Prior to or the same as the mandatory registration date.	NACRS data element 104	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Calendar	Registration Calendar Month	The calendar month the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Calendar	Registration Calendar Quarter	The calendar quarter the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Calendar	Registration Calendar Week	The calendar week the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Calendar	Registration Calendar Year	The calendar year the patient was registered.	Derived based on Registration Date (NACRS data element 27)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Triage and Admission	Clinical Decision Unit Date In	Date the patient arrived in the CDU.	NACRS data element 123	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Triage and Admission	Clinical Decision Unit Date Out	Date the patient left the CDU. Should be the same as the date the patient left the ED.	NACRS data element 125	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Triage and Admission	Clinical Decision Unit Time In	Time the patient arrived in the CDU.	NACRS data element 124	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\ Triage and Admission	Clinical Decision Unit Time Out	Time the patient left the CDU. Should be the same as the time the patient left the ED.	NACRS data element 126	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\Triage and Admission	Triage Date	The calendar date the client was triaged in the ED.	NACRS data element 24	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\1. Date\Triage and Admission	Triage Time	The time (in hours and minutes) the client was triaged in the ED.	NACRS data element 25	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Acute Care Facility Num	The institution number for the specific ambulatory care reporting institution.	Facility Information File	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Acute Hospital Peer Group	The CIHI-assigned facility group — Teaching Hospital (based on full membership in the ACAHO) or Community Hospital (based on its inpatient cases, inpatient days and total weighted cases).	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Amb Care Visit Group	The Ambulatory Care Group that is linked to the MIS FC the record was submitted under.	Derived from Visit MIS Functional Centre Account Code (NACRS data element 13)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Amb Care Visit Type	Used to identify the type of record: ED, surgical day/night care, clinics (renal dialysis, oncology, cardiac catheterization) and other.	Derived based on Visit MIS Functional Centre (NACRS data element 13)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	CHC Comparable Paediatric Centres	Groups multiple facility numbers into a single facility centre name for each of the CHC centres that submit to NACRS.	Derived based on unique facility	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	CHC Comparable Paediatric Groups	Groups facilities into 1 of 3 CHC-defined categories — CHC Academic, CHC Community or Non-CHC.	Derived based on unique facility	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	CHC Comparable Paediatric Sites	Groups multiple facility numbers into a single facility site name for the submitting sites that fall under the larger CHC centres.	Derived based on unique facility	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	ED Peer Group	8 peer groups have been defined for NACRS based on ED volumes, acuity and hospital type.	Derived based on ED volumes, acuity and hospital type	Retired in 2012–2013

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Facility	Unique listing of a facility resulted from concatenation of facility number and facility name.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Facility Administrative Region	A provincially or territorially defined area within a province or territory that is responsible for the planning, coordination, funding and delivery of health services within an area.	CIHI Organization Index	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Facility Country	The country of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Facility Province/Territory	Province or territory of submitting facility.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF and CIHI's Organization Index	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Facility Region	A provincially or territorially defined administrative body or area of interest to health authorities.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	National MIS Functional Centre	The MIS account number that represents the statistical and financial reporting related to the service provided. Mapped to the national MIS Standards functional centre.	NACRS data element 13	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Provincial Organization	Valid values are PEI DoH, Ontario MoH, NS DoH, BC MoH, Yukon DoH.	Organizational Index	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Reporting Level Code	Identifies whether a facility will be submitting the Level 1 minimum data set or a Level 3 full NACRS abstract. Must not change for a fiscal year once data has been accepted.	Facility Information File	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Submit Facility Province	Province or territory of the facility that has submitted records to NACRS.	NACRS data element 00A	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility	Unique Facility	The institution number assigned to a facility by the provincial or territorial ministry of health. The first character identifies the reporting province or territory and the next 4 identify the ambulatory care facility.	NACRS data element 00B	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Census Division	The census division of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Census Sub Division	The census subdivision of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Census Sub Division Type	The census division type (town, city, hamlet, etc.) of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility CSizeMiz	The urban area community size or rural area SAC type for the facility.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility DA	The dissemination area of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility FSA	The forward sortation area (or first 3 characters of the postal code) of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Latitude	The geographic latitude of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Longitude	The geographic longitude of the facility associated with the visit.	Derived based on the facility's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility Postal Code	The 6-digit number assigned by Canada Post to identify the facility's mailing address.	Provided as part of the NACRS submission file	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\2. Facility\ Geography Sub Region	Facility SAC Type	The SAC type of the census subdivision the facility is located in.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Age	A derived attribute that represents how old the patient is at the time of admission by concatenating age unit and age code. Calculated using the patient's birth date.	Derived based on difference between the registration date and Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Age Group By 01	The patient's age in years. To qualify on this attribute, use the ID form and be aware that it is a 3-digit field that must be front-filled with a 0 (e.g., 65 years old must be entered as 065).	Derived from Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Age Group By 10	Recipient's age in 10-year increments.	Derived based on difference between the registration date and Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	CACS Age Category	CACS assigns each record to 1 of 4 age categories used in the calculation of the base RIW.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	CACS Age Group	A grouping of the age groups used in the CACS methodology, as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0–17 years (All Paediatric) (G + H) • 18+ years (All Adult) (R + S) 	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Gender	The sex of the patient.	Gender (NACRS data element 07)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	NACRS Age Group	Broad eNACRS- specific age grouping.	Derived based on difference between the registration date and Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	NACRS Age Group By 05	This version of 5-year age groups includes patients younger than 1 year in the first group (00–04 years).	Derived from Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Older Adult Age Group	The older adult age group falls into 5-year age groupings starting at 65 years.	Derived from Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Paediatric Age Group	The paediatric age group broken down into unequal and representative segments ranging from 0 to 17 years.	Derived from Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Recipient Country	The patient's country based on the visit postal code, including U.S. state mini-codes.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Recipient Province	The patient's province based on the visit postal code.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Recipient Region	The patient's region based on the visit postal code. For Ontario this is the LHIN.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Recipient Residence Code	Area the patient resides in, assigned by patient's home province or territory.	Residence Code (Geographic Code) (NACRS data element 06)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Special Age Groups	A 5-year age grouping that accommodates special pediatric and adult age groups (i.e., 15–17 and 18–24). Available for standard rate population analysis.	Derived based on Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient	Standard Age By 5	This age grouping includes 00–04 years as the first category.	Derived based on Birthdate (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Area Income Deciles	Area-based income per person equivalent (IPPE) split into 10 equal categories. IPPE is a household size-adjusted measure of income based on the most recent census.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF and Income File	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Area Income Quintiles	Area-based income per person equivalent (IPPE) split into 5 equal categories. IPPE is a household size-adjusted measure of income based on the most recent census.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF and Income File	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	National Income Deciles	National income per person equivalent (IPPE) split into 10 equal categories. IPPE is a household size-adjusted measure of income based on the most recent census.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF and Income File	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	National Income Quintiles	National income per person equivalent (IPPE) split into 5 equal categories. IPPE is a household size-adjusted measure of income based on the most recent census.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF and Income File	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient Census Division	The census division for the patient based on the visit postal code.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient Census Sub Division	The census subdivision for the patient based on the visit postal code.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient Census Sub Division Type	The census subdivision type (town, city, hamlet, etc.) for the patient.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient CSizeMiz	The urban area community size or rural area SAC type for the recipient.	Not applicable	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient FSA	The forward sortation area (or first 3 characters of the postal code) of the patient associated with the visit.	Derived based on the recipient's postal code using Statistics Canada's PCCF	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\3. Recipient\ Geography Sub Region	Recipient SAC Type	The SAC type of the census subdivision the recipient is located in.	Not applicable	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Indicators	ED Visit Indicator	Indicates whether the day surgery and/or clinic type visit was scheduled with an appointment date and time.	NACRS data element 99	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Indicators	GCS	A clinical evaluation of response for head injuries on a 03–15 scale. Required for patients over 3 years old.	NACRS data element 100	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Indicators	Helmet Indicator	Indicates whether the client was wearing a helmet at the time of the accident (where helmet use would be warranted).	NACRS data element 102	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Indicators	Seatbelt Indicator	Indicates whether the patient was wearing a seatbelt at the time of the motor vehicle collision.	NACRS data element 101	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Direct Diagnostic Imaging	Diagnostic imaging not in relation to other interventions.	Derived from NACRS data element 46	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention CCI	CCI code for the main intervention.	Main Intervention (NACRS data element 46)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Duration	The length of time it took to complete a procedure. The duration of the intervention is expressed in minutes and is defined by the reporting facility.	NACRS data element 51	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Extent Attribute	Used to indicate, where appropriate, a quantitative measure related to the intervention (e.g., length of laceration repaired, number of anatomical structures involved).	NACRS data element 50	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Group	CCI code sections are subdivided into blocks, then into groups that represent body systems and their specific anatomy sites (digits 2–3 of full 9-digit CCI code).	Derived based on Main Intervention (NACRS data element 46)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Location Attribute	Used to identify additional anatomical detail or information (e.g., laterality — (L)eft, (R)ight, (B)ilateral).	NACRS data element 49	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Location Num	Denotes the location in a facility where an intervention took place.	NACRS data element 52	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention OOH Flag	Indicates whether the procedure was performed at another facility during the current ambulatory visit.	NACRS data element 55	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention OOH Inst Num	To be used in conjunction with data element 55, indicates the facility where the OOH intervention took place during an ambulatory care visit.	NACRS data element 56	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Rubric	The first 5 characters of the main procedure/intervention.	Derived based on Main Intervention (NACRS data element 46)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Section	The top level (i.e., the first digit) of the CCI code hierarchy. For example, code 1.AA.13.HA-C2 belongs to Section 1.	Derived based on Main Intervention (NACRS data element 46)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Start Date	The calendar date the Main Intervention was performed on the patient.	NACRS data element 109	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Start Time	The time (in hours and minutes) the main intervention was started.	NACRS data element 110	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Intervention	Main Intervention Status Attribute	Used to further describe interventions (e.g., repeats/ revisions, abandoned after onset, converted, delayed, staged).	NACRS data element 48	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Problem	Main Problem Chapter	The ICD-10 chapter code for the patient's main problem.	Derived based on Main Problem (NACRS data element 44)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Problem	Main Problem ICD10CA	The problem that is deemed to be the clinically significant reason for the client's visit, and which requires evaluation and/or treatment or management.	NACRS data element 44	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Problem	Main Problem Prefix	An alpha prefix added to further distinguish or group ICD diagnoses for study purposes as required by the client.	NACRS data element 43	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\ Main Problem	Main Problem Partial	ICD-10-CA code for the main problem at the rubric level.	Derived from Main Problem (NACRS data element 44)	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\Main Problem\MR Provider Service	MR Provider Service	The primary health service professional responsible for providing services to the client during the ambulatory visit.	NACRS data element 40/41	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\Main Problem\Reason for Visit	Reason for Visit Chapter	The ICD-10 chapter of the patient's reason for visit code.	Derived based on the Reason for Visit (NACRS data element 113)	Retired in 2011–2012
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\Main Problem\Reason for Visit	Reason for Visit ICD10CA	The symptom, complaint, problem or reason for seeking emergency medical care as identified by the client, represented by an ICD-10-CA code.	NACRS data element 113	Retired in 2011–2012
1. NACRS Common Attributes\4. Clinical\Main Problem\Reason for Visit	Reason for Visit Partial	The first 3 characters of the reason for visit code.	Derived based on the Reason for Visit (NACRS data element 113)	Retired in 2011–2012
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Discharge Status	Referral To After Visit	The service the client was referred to at completion of the ambulatory care visit, if a referral was made.	NACRS data element 38	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Transfer Status	Transfer From Unique Facility	Institution code defined by the reporting province. Used when transferring clients from another health care facility for further treatment.	NACRS data element 32	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Transfer Status	Transfer To Unique Facility	Institution code defined by the reporting province. Used when transferring clients to another health care facility for further treatment.	NACRS data element 39	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Triage	Admit Via Ambulance	Indicates whether the patient was brought to the facility by ambulance.	NACRS data element 14	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Triage	Status After Triage	Indicates whether a stretcher was used for a client at any point during the ED visit starting at triage. Includes clients awaiting pronouncement of death.	NACRS data element 138	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Triage	Triage Level	A scale to categorize patients according to the type and severity of their initial presenting signs and symptoms.	Triage Level (CTAS) (NACRS data element 26)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Triage	Triage Level Group	A grouping of triage codes to describe the severity of the patient's presenting signs and symptoms as follows: Complex (triage codes 1, 2, 3) Non-complex (triage codes 4, 5)	Derived from Triage Level (CTAS) (NACRS data element 26)	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Visit Status	Access To Primary Health Care Code	Identifies whether a patient has access to primary health care through a family physician, family health team, walk-in clinic or other setting.	NACRS data element 129	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Visit Status	Clinical Decision Unit/Observation Unit Flag	Indicates whether the patient was placed in a CDU during their emergency visit.	NACRS data element 122	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\Visit Status	DQ Warning	Indicates the record had 1 or more data quality warnings when the facility file was processed.	Derived based on CIHI file processing warnings.	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Mode of Visit	The method of the contact with the client. See the NACRS abstracting manual for code descriptions.	NACRS data element 20	Mode of Visit code descriptions changed in 2022–2023. Prior to 2022–2023: 1 Visit (face-to-face) with individual patient 2 Visit (face-to-face) with group of patients at facility 3 Telephone or email contact 4 Videoconference contact 5 Visit with patient in patient’s home 6 Visit with patient at outreach setting 7 Visit with patient in other setting 2022–2023 onward: 1 Visit (in-person) 2 Email contact 3 Telephone contact 4 Videoconference 5 Messaging 6 Other Refer to the NACRS Abstracting Manual for the year(s) of interest for full code descriptions.
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Referral Source	The source that referred the patient to an ambulatory care service in the reporting facility. Valid values are 01–11, 98, 99 or blank.	NACRS data element 31	Not applicable

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	RFP	The payment code that identifies the primary group responsible for payment of service(s) rendered.	NACRS data element 04	Additional RFP codes and minor code description changes were introduced in 2022–2023. Refer to the NACRS Abstracting Manual for the year(s) of interest for full code descriptions.
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Visit Disposition	The patient's specific type of separation from the ambulatory care service.	Visit Disposition (NACRS data element 35)	All visit disposition values for data years prior to 2018–2019 have been mapped to 2018–2019 values
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Visit Disposition (as Submitted)	The patient's specific type of separation from the ambulatory care service.	Visit Disposition (NACRS data element 35)	Visit disposition values as originally submitted. This attribute includes the attribute form Period, which distinguishes between values that were valid before 2018–2019 and those that are valid starting in 2018–2019.
1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Visit Disposition Group	A grouping of visit disposition codes to describe the patient's type of separation, as follows: discharged (16, 17), left without assessment and/or full treatment (61, 62, 63, 64), admitted (06, 07), transferred (08, 09, 30, 40, 90), intra-facility transfer (12, 13, 14), deaths (71, 72, 73, 74).	Derived from Visit Disposition (NACRS data element 35)	Based on 2018–2019 Visit Disposition values

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1. NACRS Common Attributes\5. Status\ Visit Status	Visit Status	Used for clients who come to a facility or who receive community services on a recurring or continual basis for the same problem or reason.	NACRS data element 19	Not applicable
1. NACRS Common Attributes\6. Blood	Blood Transfusion Indicator	Indicates the patient received a blood transfusion.	NACRS data element 57	Not applicable
2. NACRS Anaesthetic Tech Analysis\ Attributes	Anaesthetic Tech	A 1-digit code that describes the method of anaesthesia the patient received during an intervention.	NACRS data element 53	Not applicable
2. NACRS Anaesthetic Tech Analysis\Metrics	Anaesthetic Tech Distinct Cases	The distinct number of abstracts associated with the report criteria. Same as Cases (SUM).	Anaesthetic Technique (NACRS data element 53)	Not applicable
2. NACRS Anaesthetic Tech Analysis\Metrics	Number of Anaesthetic Tech (SUM)	The total number of anaesthetic techniques that meet the report criteria. If the same technique was used more than once in a visit, it will be counted for each use.	NACRS data element 53	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Attributes	Consult Arrival Date	The calendar date in year, month and day order when the consultant's services began.	NACRS data element 143a–c	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Attributes	Consult Arrival Time	The time, in hours and minutes when the consultant's services began.	NACRS data element 144a–c	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Attributes	Consult Request Date	The calendar date in year, month and day order when the initial request for a provider consultation was made.	NACRS data element 130a–c	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Attributes	Consult Request Service	The service of the provider requested for consultation during the patient's ambulatory care visit.	NACRS data element 132a–c	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Attributes	Consult Request Time	The time in hours and minutes when the initial request for a provider consult was made.	NACRS data element 131a–c	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Consult Distinct Cases	The number of distinct cases (records) with at least one associated consultation.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Consult Request to Arrival Minutes (90th Percentile)	90th percentile value in minutes from the time the consult request was made to the time the consultant's services began.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable

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3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Consult Request to Arrival Minutes (AVG)	Average time in minutes from the time the consult request was made to the time the consultant's services began.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Consult Request to Arrival Minutes (MED)	Median time in minutes from the time the consult request was made to the time the consultant's services began.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Consult Request to Arrival Minutes (SUM)	Total time in minutes from the time the consult request was made to the time the consultant's services began.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
3. NACRS Consult Analysis\Metrics	Number of Consults (SUM)	Total number of consults.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS	A methodology that assigns client visits into groups that are clinically and resource homogenous.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS Anaesthetic Code	The value assigned to the anaesthetic type by CACS for use in the factor methodology.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS Extent Attribute	Allows clients to determine which CCI extent attribute was used for CACS assignment, if applicable.	CIHI CACS assignment	For 2009, the CACS grouper was modified to allow for intervention looping
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS Intervention CCI	Allows clients to determine the intervention used for CACS assignment.	CIHI CACS assignment	For 2009, the CACS grouper was modified to allow for intervention looping
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS Location Attribute	Allows clients to determine which CCI location attribute was used for CACS assignment, if applicable.	CIHI CACS assignment	For 2009, the CACS grouper was modified to allow for intervention looping
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\1. CACS	CACS RIW	A resource allocation methodology for estimating a hospital's inpatient-specific costs for both acute and day procedure care.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS	CACS Status Attribute	Allows clients to determine which CCI status attribute was used for CACS assignment, if applicable.	CIHI CACS assignment	For 2009, the CACS grouper was modified to allow for intervention looping
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS	MAC	A high-level grouping of CACS cells generally related to body system or functional grouping.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS	Methodology Year	The year the CACS grouping methodology was introduced. The methodology is updated annually and applied to the current fiscal year plus 5 historical years of data.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS	Program Area	A 2-alpha-character code used to identify the program area providing service.	Program Area (NACRS data element 98)	See the NACRS abstracting manual for code descriptions
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Clinical Lab % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by clinical labs on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Clinical Lab RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in clinical lab functional centres.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Community Health Services % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by community health services on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Community Health Services RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in community health services functional centres.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Indirect Cost % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by indirect costs on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Indirect Cost RIW	The RIW value of indirect expenses reported in all functional centres.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Inpatient Nursing Services % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by inpatient nursing on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS IP Nursing Services RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in inpatient nursing functional centres (except OR and RR), which includes staff costs, supply costs and an allocated portion of drug costs.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Medical Imaging % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by medical imaging on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Medical Imaging RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in medical imaging functional centres.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OP Nursing Services RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in outpatient nursing functional centres (except OR and RR), which includes staff costs, supply costs and an allocated portion of drug costs.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OR and RR Nursing Services % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by OR and RR nursing on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OR and RR Nursing Services RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in OR and RR nursing functional centres, which includes staff costs, supply costs and an allocated portion of drug costs.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Other Professional Services % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by other professional services on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Other Professional Services RIW	The RIW value of direct expenses reported in other professional services functional centres.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Outpatient Nursing Services % RIW	The percentage of resources consumed by outpatient nursing on average in the CACS associated with this record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	Ambulance Transfer Arrival Minutes	Time in minutes between the time the ambulance arrived at the hospital and the time ambulance personnel turned over care of the patient to ED staff.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart (NACRS data elements 120/121 – 118/119)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	CDU LOS Minutes	Time in minutes between the time the patient entered a CDU and the time the patient left the CDU, while a decision was being made whether admission to inpatient bed was required.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart (NACRS data elements 125/126 – 123/124)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	Disposition Left ED Minutes	Indicates the time the patient waited to get an inpatient bed when they were admitted.	Derived from difference between Date Patient Left ED and Disposition Date (NACRS data elements 114/115 – 116/117)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	LOS Minutes	Total LOS from the earlier of registration or triage time to the time the patient physically left the ED.	Derived difference between time patient physically left the ED and the earlier of registration or triage time (NACRS data elements 116/117 – 27/28 or 24/25)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	PIA Disposition Minutes	The difference between PIA and disposition time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 114/115 – 29/30	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	PIA Left ED Minutes	The difference between PIA and left ED time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 116/117 – 29/30	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	Registration Disposition Minutes	The difference between registration and disposition time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 114/115 – 27/28	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Attributes\2. LOS	Registration Left ED Minutes	The difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 116/117 – 27/28	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Triage Disposition Minutes	The difference between triage and disposition time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 114/115 – 24/25	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Triage Left ED Minutes	The difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: NACRS data elements 116/117 – 24/25	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Wait Disposition Minutes	Time in minutes from the earlier of registration or triage time to the time a main provider decided the patient's disposition (e.g., discharged home, admitted).	Derived field in NACRS production, recalculated in minutes (NACRS data elements 114/115 – 27/28 or 24/25)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Wait Inpatient Hours	Difference between disposition date and date patient left ED. Time from when the decision was made to admit a patient (time of disposition) to time patient was transferred to an inpatient bed (time patient left ED).	NACRS data elements 116/117 – 114/115	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Wait PIA Hours	The shortest time interval of physician initial assessment date/time minus registration date/time OR triage date/time.	NACRS data elements 29/30 – 27/28 or 24/25	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\2. LOS	Wait PIA Minutes	The shortest time interval of physician initial assessment date/time minus registration date/time OR triage date/time.	NACRS data elements 29/30 – 27/28 or 24/25	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\3. Hospital Distance	Hospital Distance KM	Calculated as straight-line distance between patient's postal code and the facility's postal code, with respect to the curvature of the Earth.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\4. Main Problem Cluster	Problem Cluster for Main Problem	Assigned to 2 or more valid ICD-10-CA diagnosis codes to indicate when more than one ICD-10-CA code is required to describe a circumstance/condition.	Main Problem Cluster (NACRS data element 127)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\5. Transfer Status Type	Acute Transfer Flag	Indicates the patient was transferred to and/or from an acute facility.	Derived from the DAD institution to/from type tables	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 5. Transfer Status Type	Transfer From Facility Type	Identifies the level of care of the institution the patient was transferred from (e.g., acute inpatient, day surgery, nursing home, psychiatric).	Derived from the DAD institution to/ from type tables	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 5. Transfer Status Type	Transfer To Facility Type	Identifies the level of care of the institution the patient was transferred to (e.g., acute inpatient, day surgery, nursing home, psychiatric).	Derived from the DAD institution to/ from type tables	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 6. Submission Level	Submission Level	Identifies whether a record is a Level 1 minimum data set or a Level 3 full NACRS abstract.	Submission Level Code (NACRS data element 128)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 7. ED Discharge	ED Discharge Diagnosis	The description of the ED discharge diagnosis code.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT P-CATS	A 4-character diagnosis code that represents the P-CATS diagnosis assigned to the patient.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT P-CATS Category	A further detailed breakdown of the medical service associated with the P-CATS diagnosis code.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT P-CATS Service	The medical service associated with the P-CATS diagnosis code.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT P-CATS Sub-Category	Indicates whether the P-CATS diagnosis code is a cancer diagnosis.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT Record Meet Wait Target	A flag indicating whether or not the wait time for this record met the suggested target wait time associated with the related P-CATS diagnosis code.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT Target Time to Surgery	A threshold or maximum time between the date a decision is made to proceed with surgery and the actual surgery date.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT	CPSWT Wait Time	Observed wait time between the CPSWT decision to treat date and the CPSWT intervention episode start date.	Not applicable	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT Dates	CPSWT Decision to Treat Date	The date when the wait for an intervention began.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT Dates	CPSWT Decision to Treat Month	The month when the wait for an intervention began.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT Dates	CPSWT Decision to Treat Quarter	The quarter when the wait for an intervention began.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Attributes\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT\ 8.3. RecipientPSWT Dates	CPSWT Decision to Treat Year	The year when the wait for an intervention began.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS	CACS RIW (AVG)	Average RIW. Relative cost weight value for ambulatory care visits derived from case–cost data. Includes age- and anaesthetic-specific resource estimates unaffected by investigative technology.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS	CACS RIW (MED)	Median RIW. Relative cost weight value for ambulatory care visits derived from case–cost data. Includes age- and anaesthetic-specific resource estimates unaffected by investigative technology.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS	CACS RIW (SUM)	Total RIW. Relative cost weight value for ambulatory care visits derived from case–cost data. Includes age- and anaesthetic-specific resource estimates unaffected by investigative technology.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS	Cases (SUM)*	The total number of ambulatory records pertaining to the results of a given report.	Not applicable	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Clinical Lab RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average clinical lab resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Clinical Lab RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total clinical lab resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Community Health Services RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average community health services resources associated with the specified record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Community Health Services RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total community health services resources associated with the specified record.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Indirect Costs RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average indirect costs associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Indirect Costs RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total indirect costs associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS IP Nursing Services RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average inpatient nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS IP Nursing Services RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total inpatient nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Medical Imaging RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average medical imaging resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Medical Imaging RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total medical imaging resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OP Nursing Services RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average outpatient nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OP Nursing Services RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total outpatient nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OR and RR Nursing Services RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average OR and RR nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS OR and RR Nursing Services RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total OR and RR nursing resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Other Professional Services RIW (AVG)	An estimate of the average other professional resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Other Professional Services RIW (SUM)	An estimate of the total other professional resources associated with the specified records.	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Total Nursing Services RIW (AVG)	Average RIW of the 3 nursing categories associated with the selected records: 1. Inpatient nursing services 2. Outpatient nursing services 3. OR and RR nursing services	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\ Functional Area RIW	CACS Total Nursing Services RIW (SUM)	Total RIW of the 3 nursing categories associated with the selected records: 1. Inpatient nursing services 2. Outpatient nursing services 3. OR and RR nursing services	CIHI CACS assignment	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\HBAM	CACS Weight (AVG) — Ontario Specific	The average Ontario-specific CACS weight.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\1. CACS\HBAM	CACS Weight (SUM) — Ontario Specific	The sum of Ontario-specific CACS weights.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\ Metrics\2. LOS	Ambulance Transfer Arrival Min (AVG)	The average time in minutes between the time the ambulance arrived at the hospital and the time ambulance personnel turned over care of the patient to ED staff.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Ambulance Transfer Arrival Min (SUM)	The total time in minutes between the time the ambulance arrived at the hospital and the time ambulance personnel turned over care of the patient to ED staff.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	CDU LOS Min (AVG)	The average time in minutes between the time the patient entered a CDU and the time the patient left the CDU, while a decision was being made whether admission to inpatient bed was required.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	CDU LOS Min (SUM)	The total time in minutes between the time the patient entered a CDU and the time the patient left the CDU, while a decision was being made whether admission to inpatient bed was required.	Derived field in the NACRS data mart	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Disposition to Left ED Min (AVG)	The average difference between date/time patient left ED and disposition date/time.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Disposition to Left ED Min (SUM)	The total difference between date/time patient left ED and disposition date/time.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Hours (10th Percentile)	Returns the 10th percentile of the LOS minutes and then converts to hours.	Derived: Time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Hours (90th Percentile)	Returns the 90th percentile of the LOS minutes and then converts to hours.	Derived: Time in hours between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Hours (AVG)	The average time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established. Minutes are converted to hours after the average calculation.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Hours (MED)	The median time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established. The median is determined by the LOS Min (MED) and then converted to hours.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Hours (SUM)	The total time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established. Minutes are converted to hours after the total calculation.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Min (AVG)	The average time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Min (MED)	The median time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	LOS Min (SUM)	The total time in minutes between the earlier of registration or triage time and the time visit disposition was established.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	PIA to Disposition Min (AVG)	The average difference between PIA and disposition time.	Derived: The average difference between PIA and disposition time (NACRS data elements 29/114)	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	PIA to Disposition Min (SUM)	The total difference between PIA and disposition time.	Derived: The total difference between PIA and disposition time (NACRS data elements 29/114)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	PIA to Left ED Min (AVG)	The average difference between PIA and left ED time.	Derived: The average difference between PIA and left ED time (NACRS data elements 29/116)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	PIA to Left ED Min (SUM)	The total difference between PIA and left ED time.	Derived: The total difference between PIA and left ED time (NACRS data elements 29/116)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Registration to Disposition Min (AVG)	The average difference between registration and disposition time.	Derived: The average difference between registration and disposition time (NACRS data elements 27/114)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Registration to Disposition Min (SUM)	The total difference between registration and disposition time.	Derived: The total difference between registration and disposition time (NACRS data elements 27/114)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Registration to Left ED Min (AVG)	The average difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: The average difference between registration and left ED time (NACRS data elements 27/116)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Registration to Left ED Min (SUM)	The total difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: The total difference between registration and left ED time (NACRS data elements 27/116)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Triage to Left ED in (AVG)	The average difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: The average difference between registration and left ED time (NACRS data elements 24/116)	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Triage to Left ED Min (SUM)	The total difference between registration and left ED time.	Derived: The total difference between registration and left ED time (NACRS data elements 24/116)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Wait Time to PIA Min (AVG)	The average of the shortest time interval of physician initial assessment date/time minus registration date/time OR triage date/time.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\2. LOS	Wait Time to PIA Min (SUM)	The total shortest time interval of physician initial assessment date/time minus registration date/time OR triage date/time.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\3.Hospital Distance	Hospital Dist Km (AVG)	The average calculated straight-line distance between the patient's postal code and the facility's postal code, with respect to the curvature of the Earth.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\3. Hospital Distance	Hospital Dist Km (MED)	The median value of the straight-line distance between the patient's postal code and the facility's postal code, with respect to the curvature of the Earth.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\3. Hospital Distance	Hospital Dist Km (SUM)	The sum of the straight-line distance between the patient's postal code and the facility's postal code, with respect to the curvature of the Earth.	Derived	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\4. Cases	Cases (SUM)	The total number of records pertaining to the results of a given report. Each abstract is assigned a value of 1.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\4. Cases	Distinct Recipient	Counts the number of distinct service recipients (patients) for given report criteria. Used in patient dimension analysis.	Derived from unique patient ID	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\5. Age Years	Age Years (AVG)	The average age of the patients in years for the selected data set.	Derived from patient date of birth and registration date (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable

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4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\5. Age Years	Age Years (MAX)	The maximum age of the patients in years for the selected data set.	Derived from patient date of birth and registration date (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\5. Age Years	Age Years (MED)	The median age of the patients in years for the selected data set.	Derived from patient date of birth and registration date (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\5. Age Years	Age Years (MIN)	The minimum age of the patients in years for the selected data set.	Derived from patient date of birth and registration date (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\5. Age Years	Age Years (SUM)	The total age of the patients in years for the selected data set.	Derived from patient date of birth and registration date (NACRS data element 08)	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\7. CPSWT	CPSWT Cases (COUNT)	The number of selected cases that have data recorded for the CPSWT special project.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\7. CPSWT	CPSWT Cases Meeting Target(COUNT)	The number of selected cases that met the CPSWT wait time target associated with the record.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\7. CPSWT	CPSWT Wait Time(AVG)	The average wait time between the CPSWT decision to treat date and the intervention episode start date.	Not applicable	Not applicable
4. NACRS Discharge Analysis\Metrics\7. CPSWT	CPSWT Wait Time(MED)	The median wait times between the CPSWT decision to treat date and intervention episode start date.	Not applicable	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention CCI	The procedure or intervention performed during the client's visit.	(NACRS data element 46/47)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Duration	The length of time it took to complete a procedure. Expressed in minutes and defined by the facility.	(NACRS data element 51)	Not applicable

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5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Extent Attribute	Used to indicate, where appropriate, a quantitative measure related to the intervention (e.g., length of laceration repaired, number of anatomical structures involved).	NACRS data element 50	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Group	CCI code sections are subdivided into blocks and then into groups that represent body systems and their specific anatomy sites (digits 2–3 of full 9-digit CCI code).	Derived based on All Intervention CCI (NACRS data element 46/47)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Location	Denotes the location in a facility where an intervention took place.	NACRS data element 52	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Location Attribute	Used to identify additional anatomical detail or information (e.g., laterality — (L)eft, (R)ight, (B)ilateral).	NACRS data element 49	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention OOH Flag	Indicates whether the procedure was performed at another facility during the current ambulatory visit.	NACRS data element 55	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention OOH Inst Num	Indicates the facility where the OOH intervention took place during an ambulatory care visit.	NACRS data element 56	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Rubric	The first 5 characters of the procedure or intervention code.	Derived based on All Intervention CCI (NACRS data element 46/47)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Section	The top level (i.e., first digit) of the CCI code hierarchy. For example, code 1.AA.13.HA-C2 belongs to Section 1.	Derived based on All Intervention CCI (NACRS data element 46/47)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Seq Num	The order in which the intervention appears on the NACRS abstract.	Derived based on All Intervention CCI (NACRS data element 46/47)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Start Time	The time in hours and minutes the intervention was started.	NACRS data element 110/112	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	All Intervention Status Attribute	Used to further describe interventions (e.g., repeats/ revisions, abandoned after onset, converted, delayed, staged).	NACRS data element 48	Not applicable

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5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	Diagnostic Imaging	Diagnostic imaging as part of ambulatory visit.	Derived from NACRS data element 46	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes	Main Intervention Flag	Indicates the main procedure.	Derived based on Main Intervention (NACRS data element 46)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Month	The month the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Quarter	The quarter the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Start Date	The date the intervention was performed on the patient.	NACRS data element 109/111	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Week Day	The day of the week the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Weekend Flag	Indicates whether the intervention was performed on a weekend.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\All Intervention Date	All Intervention Year	The year the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\Calendar	All Intervention Calendar Month	The calendar month the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\Calendar	All Intervention Calendar Quarter	The calendar quarter the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Attributes\Calendar	All Intervention Calendar Year	The calendar year the intervention was performed on the patient.	Derived based on All Intervention Date (NACRS data element 109/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Intervention Distinct Cases	The distinct number of abstracts associated with the report criteria. Same as Cases (SUM).	Not applicable	Not applicable

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5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Intervention Minutes (AVG)	The average length of time required to complete a procedure. Expressed in minutes and defined by the reporting facility.	NACRS data element 51	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Intervention Minutes (SUM)	The total length of time required to complete a procedure. Expressed in minutes and defined by the reporting facility.	NACRS data element 51	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Number of Interventions (SUM)	The total number of interventions that meet the report criteria. If the same intervention was performed more than once in a visit it will be counted that many times.	Not applicable	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Registration to Intervention Min (AVG)	The average difference between registration and intervention.	Derived: The average difference between registration and intervention time (NACRS data elements 27/111)	Not applicable
5. NACRS Intervention Analysis\Metrics	Registration to Intervention Min (SUM)	The total difference between registration and intervention.	Derived: The total difference between registration and intervention time (NACRS data elements 27/111)	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem Chapter	The ICD-10 chapter code for the patient's problem.	Derived based on All Problem (NACRS data element 44/45)	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem Cluster	Assigned to 2 or more valid ICD-10-CA diagnosis codes to indicate when more than one ICD-10-CA code is required to describe a circumstance/condition.	NACRS data element 127a-i)	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem ICD10CA	Problems, conditions or circumstances that coexist at the time of the client's visit and that influence the client's need for treatment or care.	NACRS data element 44/45	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem Partial	The first 3 digits of the problem ICD-10-CA diagnosis code.	Derived based on All Problem (NACRS data element 44/45)	Not applicable

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6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem Prefix	An alpha prefix added to further distinguish or group ICD diagnoses for study purposes as required by the client.	NACRS data element 43	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	All Problem Seq Num	The order in which the problem appears on the NACRS abstract.	Derived based on All Problem (NACRS data element 44/45)	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Attributes	Main Problem Flag	Indicates that the problem code is the main problem.	Derived based on Main Problem (NACRS data element 44)	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Metrics	Number of Problems (SUM)	The total number of problems that meet the report criteria. If the same problem was captured more than once in a visit it will be counted that many times.	Not applicable	Not applicable
6. NACRS Problem Analysis\Metrics	Problem Distinct Cases	The distinct number of abstracts associated with the report criteria. Same as Cases (SUM).	Not applicable	Not applicable
7. NACRS Provider Analysis\Attributes	All Provider Seq Num	The order in which the service provider appears on the NACRS abstract.	Derived based on All Service Provider (NACRS data element 41)	Not applicable
7. NACRS Provider Analysis\Attributes	All Provider Service	The service(s) of health professional(s) responsible for providing services to the client during the ambulatory visit.	NACRS data element 41	Not applicable
7. NACRS Provider Analysis\Attributes	All Provider Type	Facilitates the identification of service providers according to their role in association with an ambulatory care visit.	NACRS data element 40	Not applicable
7. NACRS Provider Analysis\Metrics	Number of Service Providers (SUM)	The total number of service providers that meet the report criteria. If the provider was captured more than once in a case they will be counted that many times.	Not applicable	Not applicable
7. NACRS Provider Analysis\Metrics	Service Provider Distinct Cases	The distinct number of abstracts associated with the report criteria. Same as Cases (SUM).	Not applicable	Not applicable

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8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Attributes	CACS Investigative Technology Category (*See Report Decoder for interpretation of total results)	Includes CCI codes for interventions such as X-ray, ultrasound, CT scan and MRI. These CCI codes are assigned to 1 of 21 CACS IT categories for use in the factor methodology.	CIHI CACS Grouper assignment	Not applicable
8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Metrics	IT CACS RIW (AVG)	The average CACS RIW by IT category.	CIHI CACS Grouper assignment	Not applicable
8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Metrics	IT CACS RIW (SUM)	The sum of CACS RIW by IT category.	CIHI CACS Grouper assignment	Not applicable
8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Metrics	IT Cases (SUM)	The number of unique IT categories (e.g., if a patient has 2 MRIs from the same category, they are counted only once).	CIHI CACS Grouper assignment	Not applicable
8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Metrics\HBAM	IT CACS Weight (AVG) — Ontario Specific	The average Ontario-specific CACS weight by IT category.	Ontario HBAM methodology	Not applicable
8. NACRS Investigative Technology Analysis\ Metrics	IT CACS Weight (SUM) — Ontario Specific	The sum of Ontario-specific CACS weights by IT category.	Ontario HBAM methodology	Not applicable
9. NACRS Special Project Analysis\ Attributes	Special Project Number	To be used in conjunction with the special project data attribute. Contains the specific special project number that data was submitted for (e.g., 050 Canadian Paediatric Surgical Wait Times).	Not applicable	Not applicable
9. NACRS Special Project Analysis\ Attributes	Special Project Data	To be used in conjunction with the special project number attribute. Contains the text string of data associated with this record for the specified special project number.	Not applicable	Not applicable

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