



NACRS Updates: New Core Data Layout

Effective: January 2024

National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS) is a tool with the capacity to collect data and report on all levels of ambulatory care within Canada including emergency departments (EDs), day surgery, and medical and surgical day clinics within hospitals, the community and private clinics. In BC, NACRS is only used to capture data on ED visits. Currently 30 EDs in BC report to NACRS:

<https://www.popdata.bc.ca/data/health/nacrs>

FIELDS NOW AVAILABLE



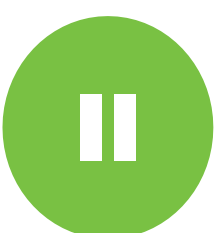
- Record ID to link related DAD hospitalization record
- Wait and time spent in ED
- Transfer information: hospital number and level of care

FIELDS NO LONGER AVAILABLE

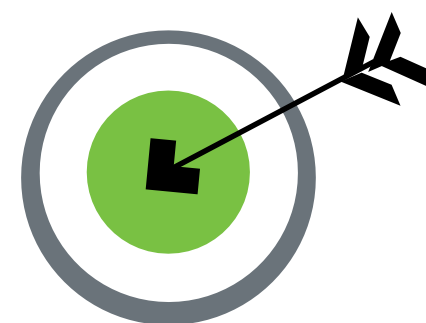


- Age in Days (replaced with Age in Months)
- Institution number (hospital number remains)

NEW FIELDS NOT YET POPULATED



- New intervention and technology fields
- Mental health fields



KEY

TAKEAWAYS

- ✓ Date range: unchanged, i.e., April 1, 2012 onward
- ✓ Field availability: remains consistent with minor changes
- ✓ DAD-NACRS linkage: easier to identify and link to related DAD hospital admission