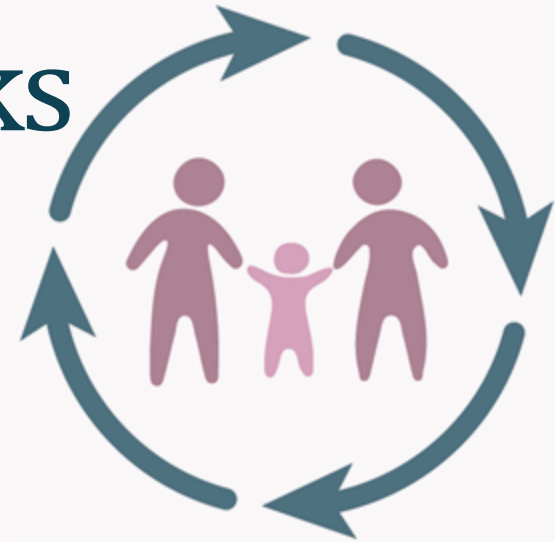


A multifaceted approach to advancing data quality and fitness standards in multi-institutional networks

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Background

Previous PEDSnet Data Quality Program

- Reliant on Github
- Lacked visualizations and researcher access
- Checks were oriented for an informatics audience

Current Research

- Common vocabularies and taxonomies
- Learn from other networks and programs

Objectives

Assess research readiness

- Flexible checks that can be customized
- Results accessible to wide audience

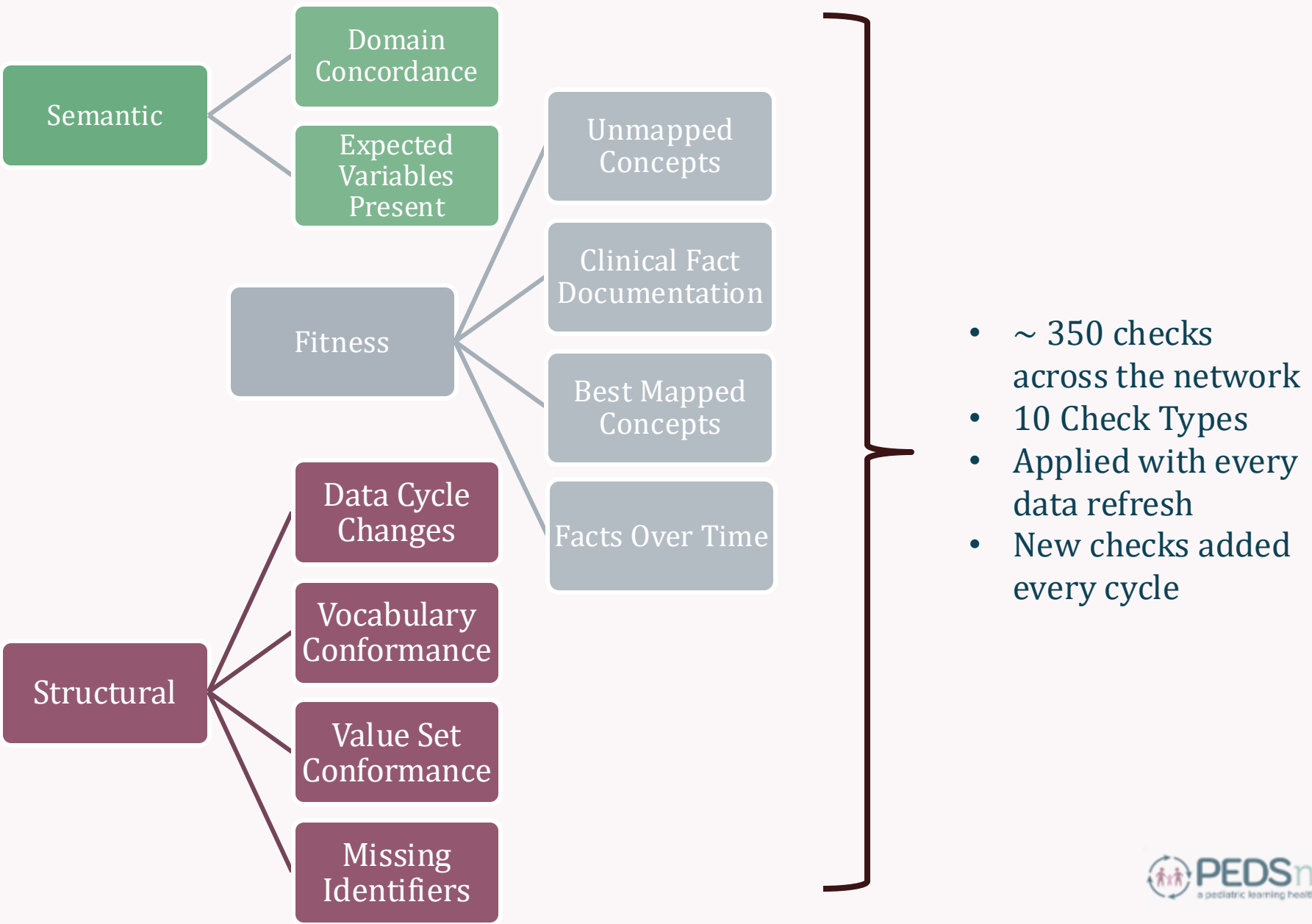
Portable across networks

- Compatible with OMOP data model
- Eventual compatibility with PCORnet
- Packaged on Github

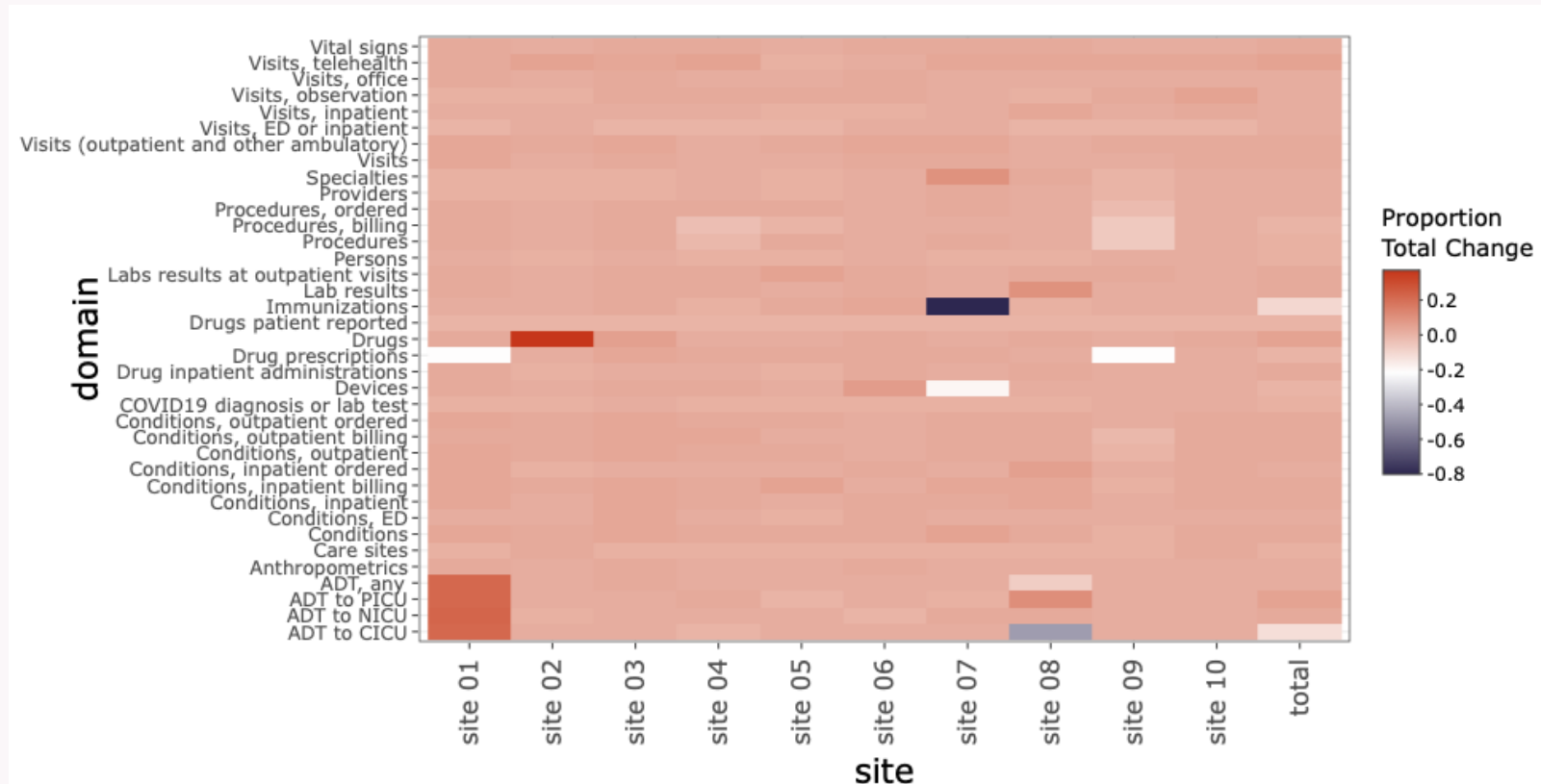
Comprehensive system

- Focus on automation
- Comprehensive tracking and metadata

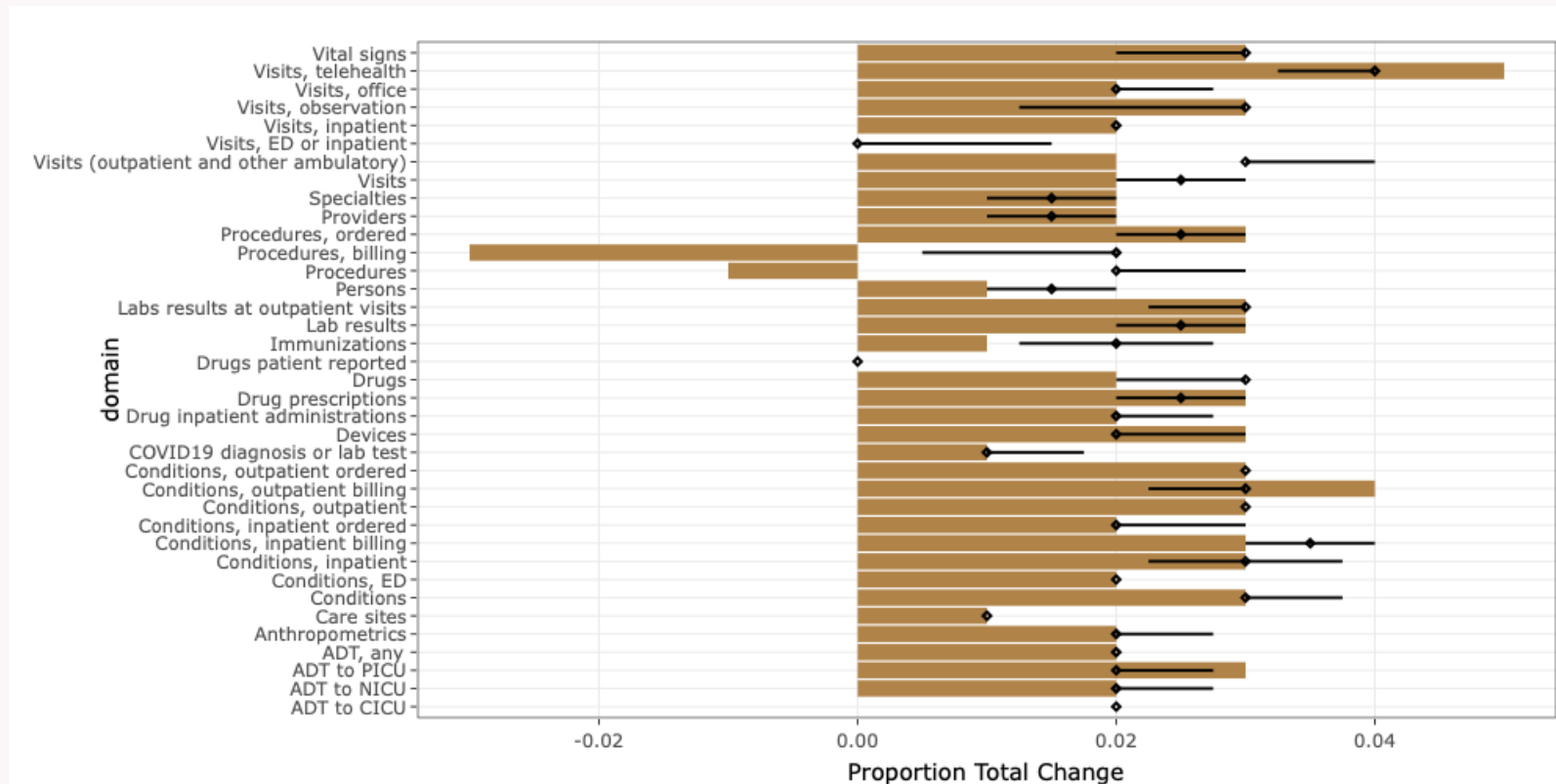
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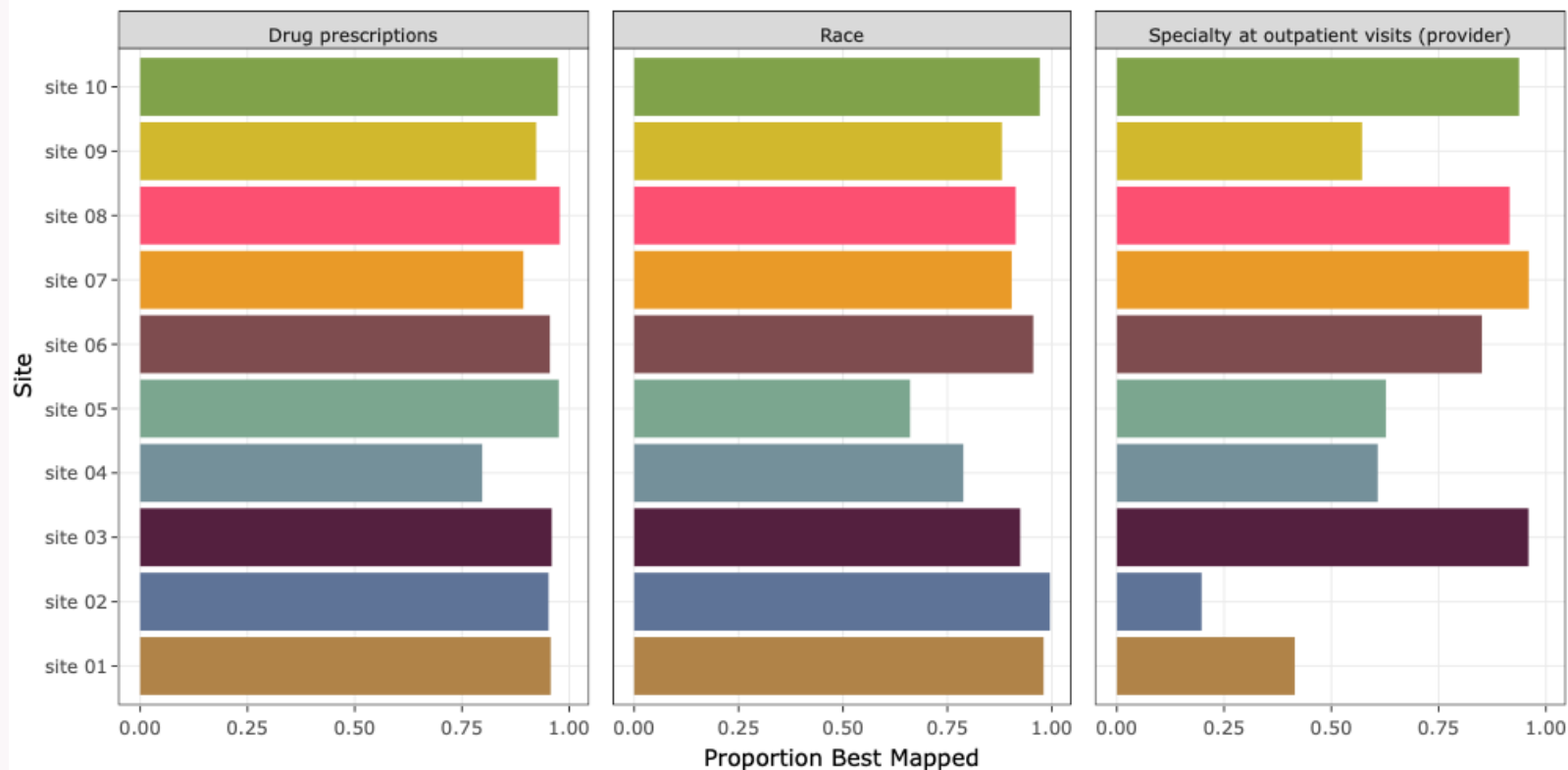
Structural Checks: Data Cycle Changes



Alternate View: Data Cycle Changes

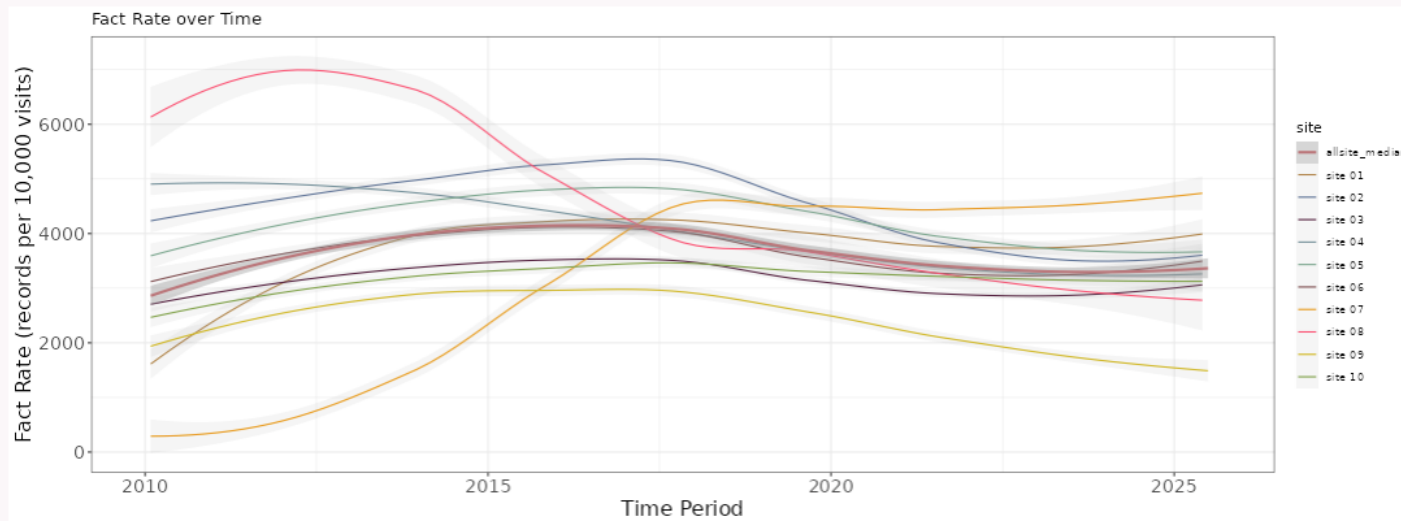


Data Fitness Checks: Best Mapped Concepts (Rx, Race, Provider Specialties)

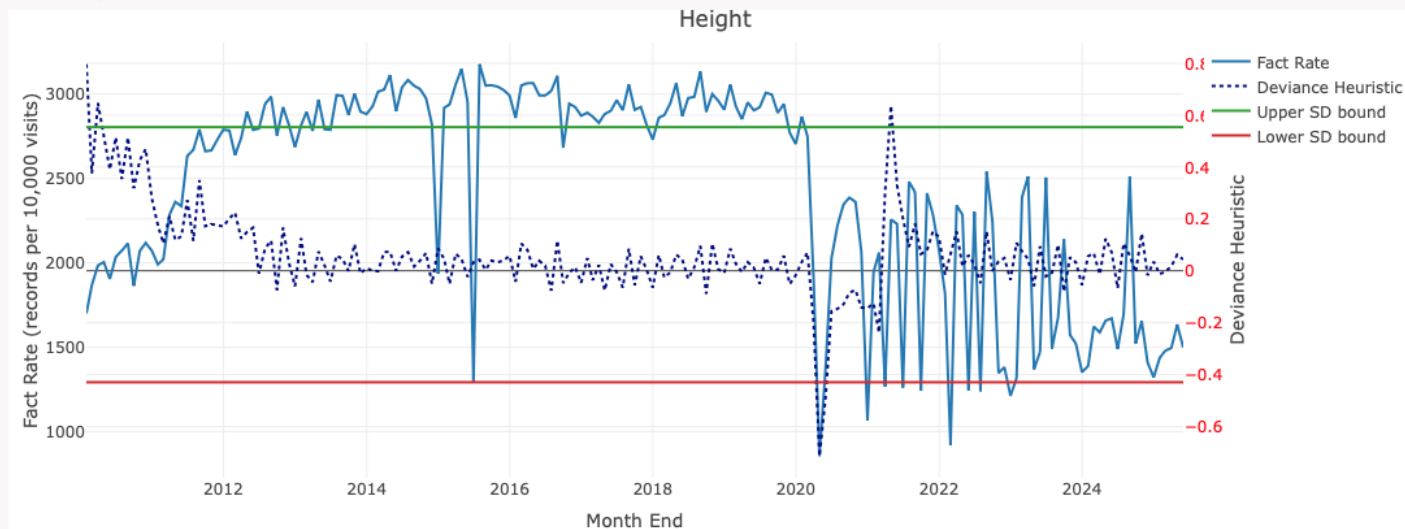


Data Fitness Checks: Facts Over Time (Measured Heights)

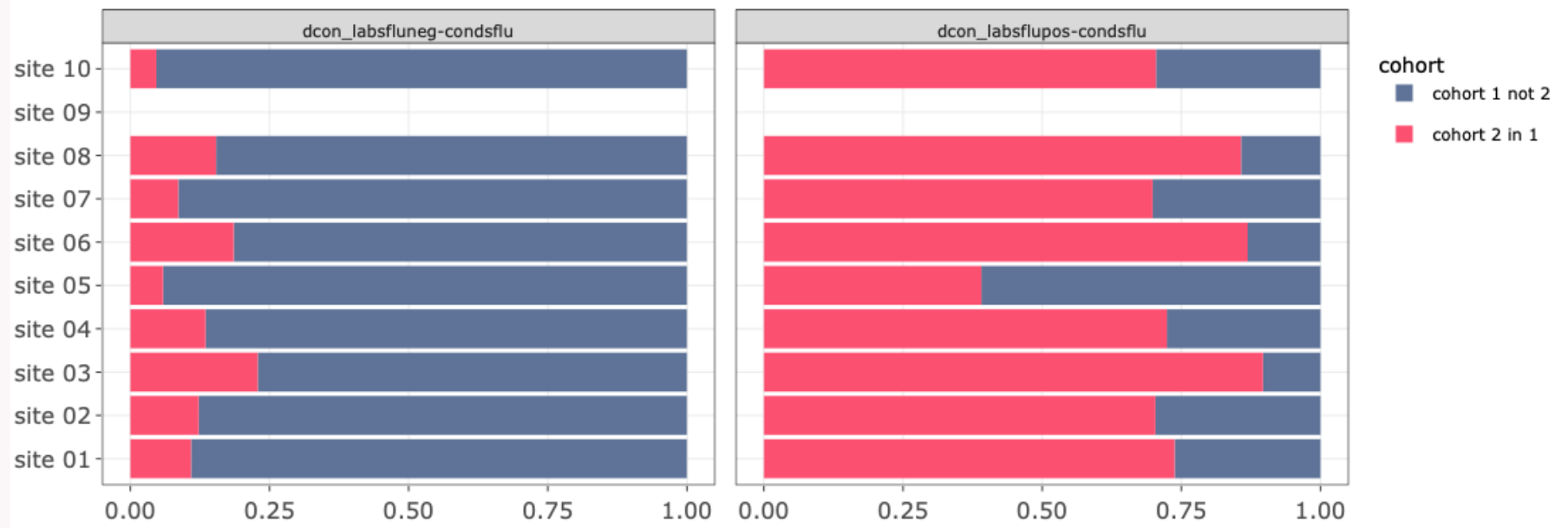
Summary Plot



Site Specific Facts Over Time

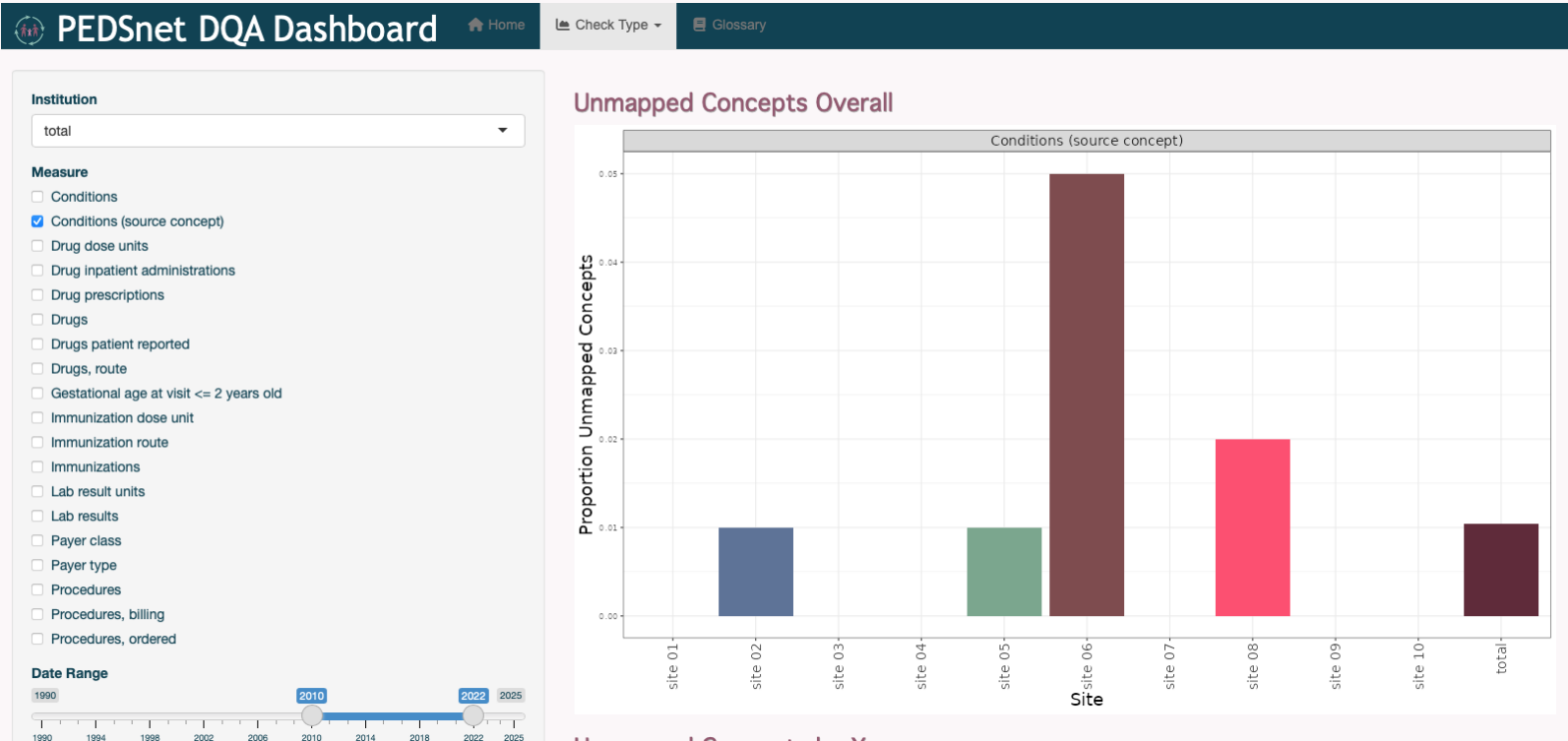


Semantic Checks: Domain Concordance (Flu test / Flu dx)



PEDSnet DQ Dashboard

<https://pedsnet.org/ndq/>



Tracking and Reporting: Data Cycle Level

PEDSnet Current Data Quality Summary

	Plausibility	Consistency	Concordance	Completeness	Conformance	Total
	% Passed (N = 15)	% Passed (N = 72)	% Passed (N = 9)	% Passed (N = 63)	% Passed (N = 15)	% Passed (N = 174)
Site A	93.33%	88.89%	66.67%	93.65%	100.00%	90.80%
Site B	100.00%	98.61%	88.89%	96.83%	100.00%	97.70%
Site C	93.33%	100.00%	88.89%	84.13%	100.00%	93.10%
Site D	93.33%	81.94%	77.78%	93.65%	100.00%	88.51%
Site E	93.33%	93.06%	88.89%	96.83%	93.33%	94.25%
Site F	46.67%	91.67%	88.89%	73.02%	93.33%	81.03%
Site G	86.67%	95.83%	88.89%	95.24%	93.33%	94.25%
Site H	93.33%	100.00%	77.78%	84.13%	100.00%	92.53%
Site J	100.00%	90.28%	88.89%	92.06%	86.67%	91.38%
Site K	66.67%	97.22%	77.78%	84.13%	93.33%	88.51%

Data Quality Cataloging

Check Type	Check Name	Check Domain	Check Application	Full Description	Check Type Short	Check Category
Data Cycle changeds	dc_demog	Person	Demographics/Person	counts in the full person table in the previous and current data submissions	dc	Consistency
Data Cycle changeds	dc_drugsall	Drug Exposure	All Drugs	counts in the full drug_exposure table in the previous and current data submissions	dc	Consistency
Data Cycle changeds	dc_condsall	Condition Occurrence	All Conditions	counts in the full condition_occurrence table in the previous and current data submissions	dc	Consistency
Unmapped Concepts	uc_drugsall	Drug Exposure	All Drugs	for the full drug_exposure table, counts of drug_concept_ids mapped to 44814650, 0, 44814653, or 44814649	uc	Completeness
Unmapped Concepts	uc_drugsip	Drug Exposure	Inpatient Administrations	for inpatient administrations (drug_type_concept_id = 38000180), counts of drug_concept_ids mapped to 44814650, 0, 44814653, or 44814649	uc	Completeness
Unmapped Concepts	uc_drugspresc	Drug Exposure	Prescription Drugs	for prescription drugs (drug_type_concept_id = 38000177), counts of drug_concept_ids mapped to 44814650, 0, 44814653, or 44814649	uc	Completeness
Unmapped Concepts	uc_drugs-doseunits	Drug Exposure	Drug Dose Unit	for the full drug_exposure table, counts of dose_unit_concept_ids mapped to 44814650, 0, 44814653, or 44814649	uc	Completeness


NDQ (Network Data Quality) Package

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Network Data Quality (NDQ)



The Network Data Quality (NDQ) package contains several data quality modules intended to evaluate the overall condition of the data in a clinical research network. These modules, which cover a broad range of data quality domains from conformance to plausibility, are flexible and can be configured to execute checks specific to desired use cases in both the OMOP and PCORnet common data models (CDMs).

Installation

You can install the development version of this package from GitHub:

```
remotes::install_github('PEDSnet/ndq')
```

Current Functionality

The package currently (as of 09/2025) contains 10 distinct analysis types that can be configured to run innumerable data quality checks. See the table below for a list of the current offerings.

Analysis Type	Description	Functions
Data Cycle Changes	Computes row & patient counts in the specified tables for both the current data model version and a previous data model version in order to assess changes across data extractions.	check_dc process_dc

Links

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Flexibility

- Packaged on GitHub
- Applied to multiple networks
- Can be distributed (returns aggregate counts)
- Modular and extensible
- Can be applied to any OMOP database

Executable Function

```
unmapped_concepts <- check_uc(concept_list = unmapped_concepts_args,  
                              produce_mapped_list = TRUE,  
                              check_string = 'uc')
```

User-Defined Input List

```
unmapped_concepts_args <- list(  
  "all drugs" = list(cdm_tbl('drug_exposure'),  
                    'drug_concept_id',  
                    'uc_dr',  
                    'drug_source_value'),  
  
  "prescription drugs" = list(cdm_tbl('drug_exposure') %>%  
                             filter(drug_type_concept_id == 38000180),  
                             'drug_concept_id',  
                             'uc_dp',  
                             'drug_source_value'),  
  
  "all conditions" = list(cdm_tbl('condition_occurrence'),  
                         'condition_concept_id',  
                         'uc_co',  
                         'condition_source_value')  
)
```

Components of List Elements

1 "all drugs"	=	list(cdm_tbl('drug_exposure'),	2
		'drug_concept_id',	3
		'uc_dr',	4
		'drug_source_value')	5

- | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. List Element Identifier | 4. Application Name |
| 2. Interrogated Table or Object | 5. Source Value Column (if exists) |
| 3. Interrogated Element | |

PEDSnet as a Learning Network

Documentation and learnings
(eg, fixable problems vs site characteristic)

