



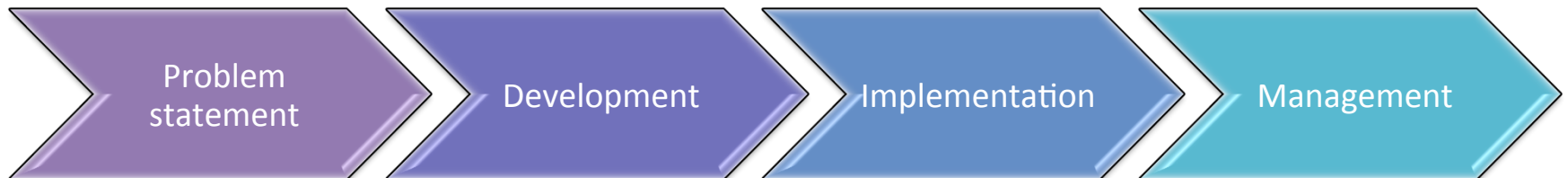
# Hands-on experience developing a reference set for optometrists

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# What will be covered?

- Problem statement
- Development process of reference set
- Implementation of reference set
- Management of reference set
- What we have learned



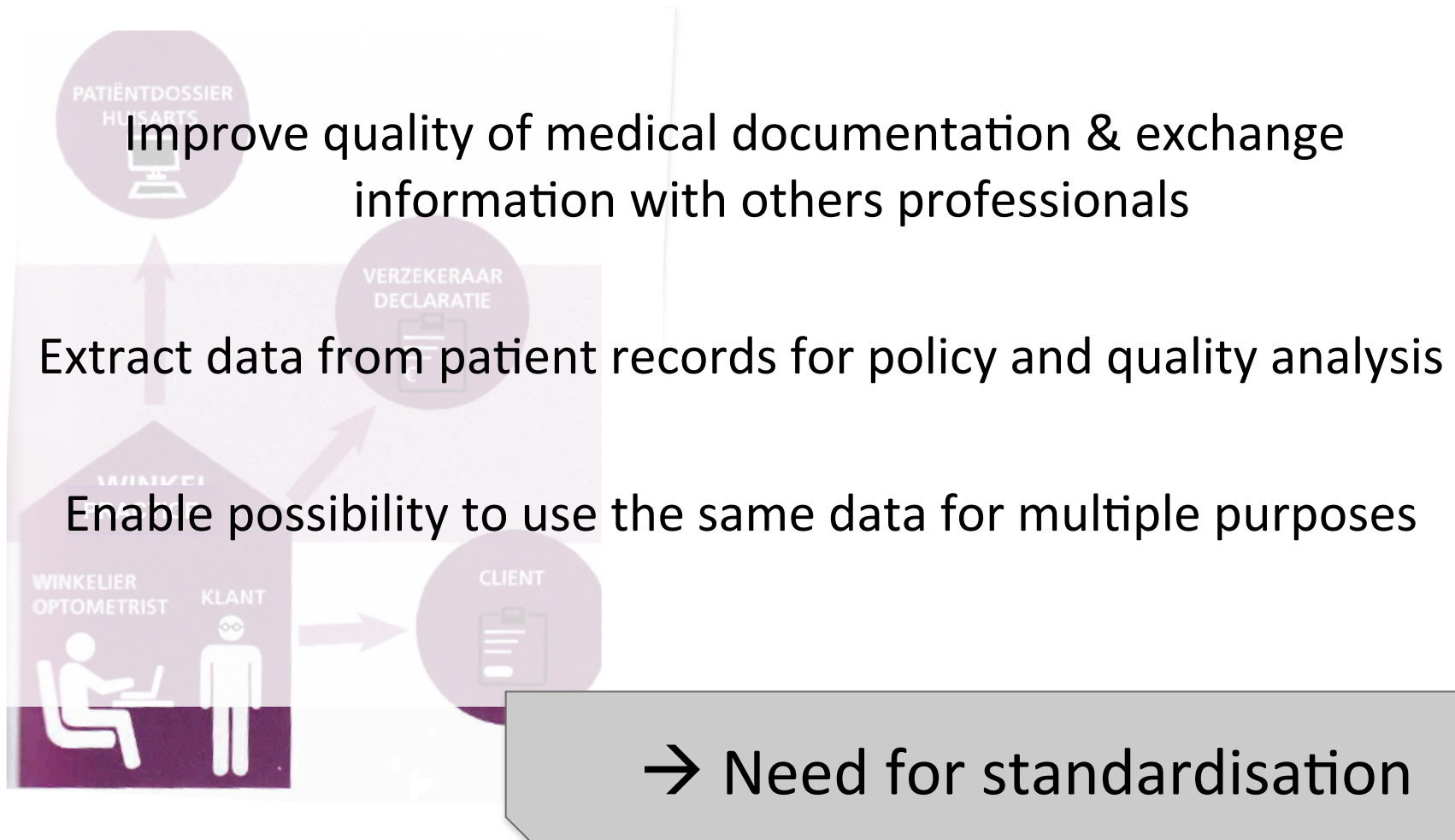
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- Policy advisor Dutch Optometric Association
- Background in clinical practice, research and education





## Goals of Project



Problem  
statement

Development

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## Target Group

- Optometrists in the Netherlands ( $\pm 1000$ )
- 75% primary care – 25% hospital care





## Which Standard?

ICD

ICPC

Snomed



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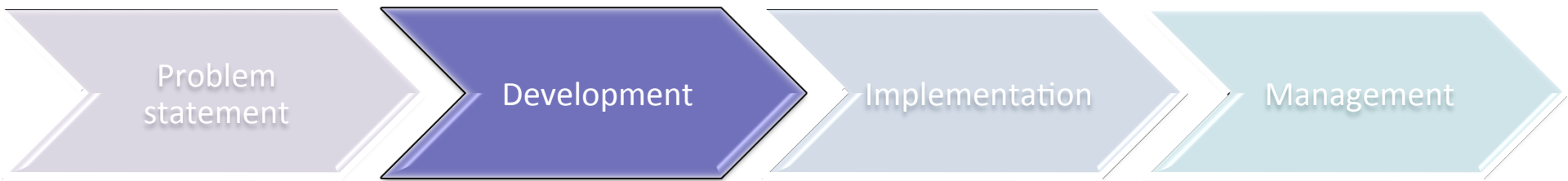
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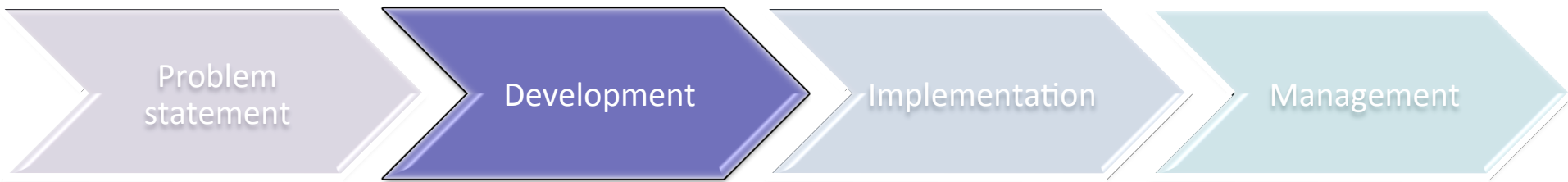
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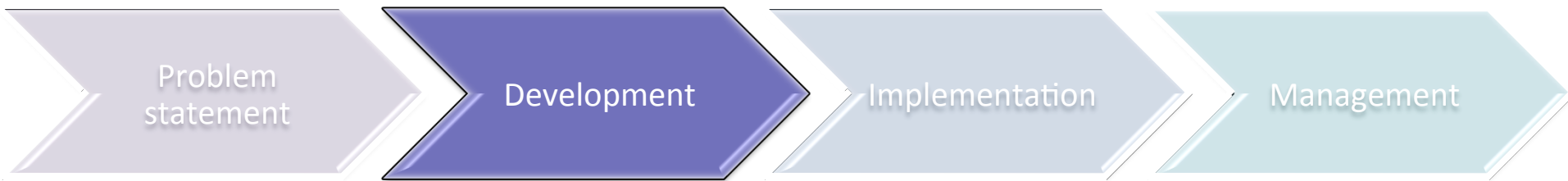
## Where to Start? – Part I

- Step by step approach in development
- Identify different elements of patient record and their priority for standardization
  - Case history: visit reason
  - Optometric tests
  - Findings
  - Diagnosis



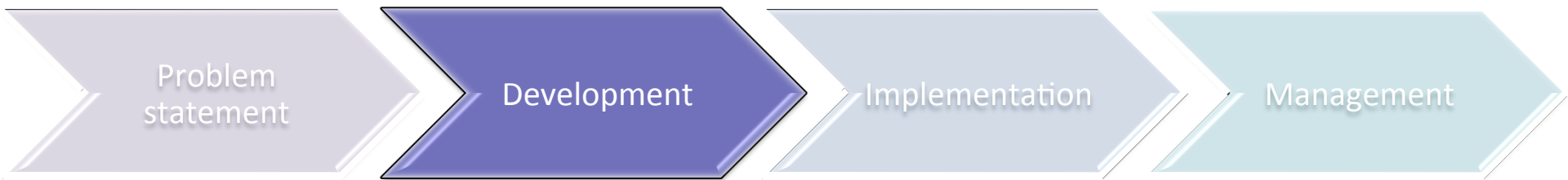
## Where to Start? – Part II

- Development process of a reference set – reference set committee
  - Phase 1: Overview of terminology used in practice
  - Phase 2: Select terms from international Snomed release
  - Phase 3: Translate terminology to Dutch
  - Phase 4: Validate reference set
  - Phase 5: Work out final version in ART-DECOR



## Considerations and Difficulties with the Development of a Reference Set

- General terms and/or specific terms
  - E.g. cataract and/or posterior subcapsular cataract
  - Balance between as complete as possible and practical use
  - Take into account healthcare setting → optometry first line health care
- Committee members and optometrists in validation process tend to think in terms of coding rather than describing findings



## Where are we now?

- ✓ Reference set with diagnosis
  - development completed and → [December 2013](#)
  - implemented → [February 2014](#)
- Reference set with optometric tests
- ✓
  - development completed → [September 2014](#)
- Reference set with visit reason
  - phase 2 development process

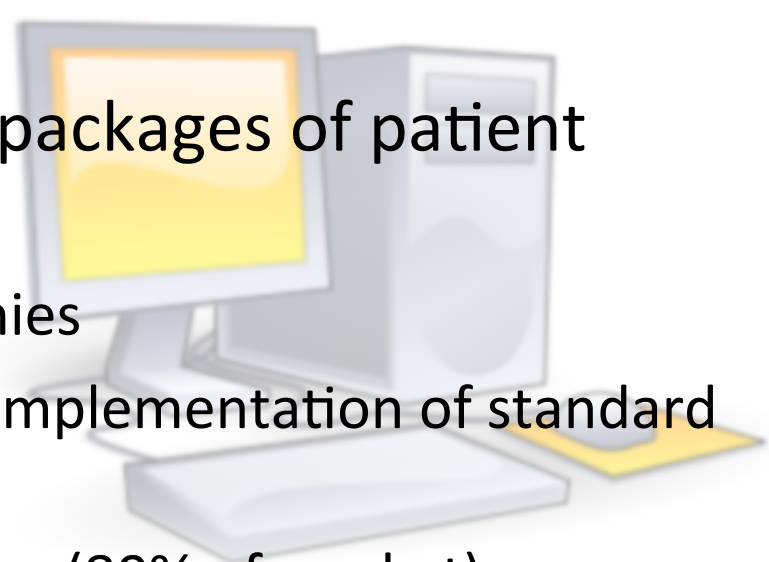


## How do Practitioners Start Using the Reference Set?

Iritis (disorder)  
Irregular astigmatism - corneal (disorder)  
Ischemic diabetic maculopathy (disorder)  
Ischemic maculopathy (disorder)  
Ischemic optic neuropathy (disorder)  
Jaw claudication (disorder)  
Juvenile cataract (disorder)

### • Implementation in software packages of patient records – part I

- Approach all software companies
- Additionally to reference set, implementation of standard for patient records
- Pilot with 3 software companies (80% of market)



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# Optometric software



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Algemeen

Datum         Uitvoerende     Voorschrijver     Product

**Subjectief**

**Huidige correctie**

**Objectief**

Objectief/Bevindingen

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**Evaluatie/Plan**

Primaire Diagnose	Diagnose	Oog	Plan/beleid	Opmerkingen
	glaucom	<input type="text" value="ODS"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Overige Diagnose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Steroid-induced glaucoma</li><li>Secondary angle-closure glaucoma</li><li>Secondary open-angle glaucoma</li><li>Glaucoma</li><li>AACG - Acute angle closure glaucoma</li><li>CNAG - Chronic narrow angle glaucoma</li><li>Pigmentary glaucoma</li><li>Normal pressure glaucoma</li></ul>	<input type="text" value="ODS"/>	<input type="text"/>	

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The screenshot shows a software interface with a search bar containing 'glaucom'. The search results are listed in a table on the left, with 'Glaucoma' selected. The right pane shows a hierarchical tree of glaucoma types and a text area with the search results.

Full Name	Glaucoma

- Glaucoma
  - Chronic angle-closure glaucoma
    - Anatomical narrow angle glaucoma with borderline ii
  - Open-angle glaucoma
    - Open angle with cupping of optic discs
    - Primary open angle glaucoma
  - Secondary open-angle glaucoma
    - Pseudoexfoliation glaucoma
    - Pigmentary glaucoma
  - Drug-induced glaucoma
  - Angle-closure glaucoma
    - Primary congenital glaucoma
    - Glaucoma of childhood
    - Low tension glaucoma

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SnomedNotation

- Abnormal eyelid innervation syndrome
- Xanthelasma of eyelid
- Ptosis of eyelid
- Infective dermatitis of eyelid
- Eyelid turned in
- Blepharitis**
- Blepharospasm
- Disorder of eyelid
- Poor closure eyelids
- Abscess of eyelid
- Oedema of eyelid
- Floppy lid syndrome
- Benign tumour of eyelid
- Naevus of eyelid
- Capillary haemangioma of eyelid
- Malignant tumour of eyelid
- Contact or allergic eyelid dermatitis
- Congenital ptosis
- Lesion of eyelid
- Scar of skin of eyelid

Blepharitis

- Blepharoconjunctivitis
  - Contact lens related conjunctivitis
    - Contact lens related papillary conjunctivitis
  - Giant papillary conjunctivitis
    - Contact lens related giant papillary conjunctivitis

**\*\*Blepharitis\*\***

Ancestors:  
Disorder of eyelid

Synoniem	Inflammation of eyelid
Synoniem	Inflammation of lid m...
Synoniem	Eyelid inflammation
Full Name	Blepharitis





- Updating reference set
  - Service Level Agreement
    - Questions and change requests → Service desk → OVN
    - Assessment of request → OVN committee (every 6 months)
    - Implementation of changes → Nictiz-NRC
    - Distribution of updated reference set → OVN committee (every 12 months if relevant)
- Updating software packages
  - Agreement with software companies: implementation within 2 months after release
  - Notice from OVN, downloadable from Nictiz website
  - SNOMED CT License Agreement software company – Nictiz

# What we have learned...



- Not always easy to define how detailed/specific terminology has to be
  - Take into account health care setting where reference set is used
- Committee members found it hard to keep the purpose of reference sets in mind: recording findings rather than coding
- Committee members were not keen on jointly working on reference set in ArtDecor



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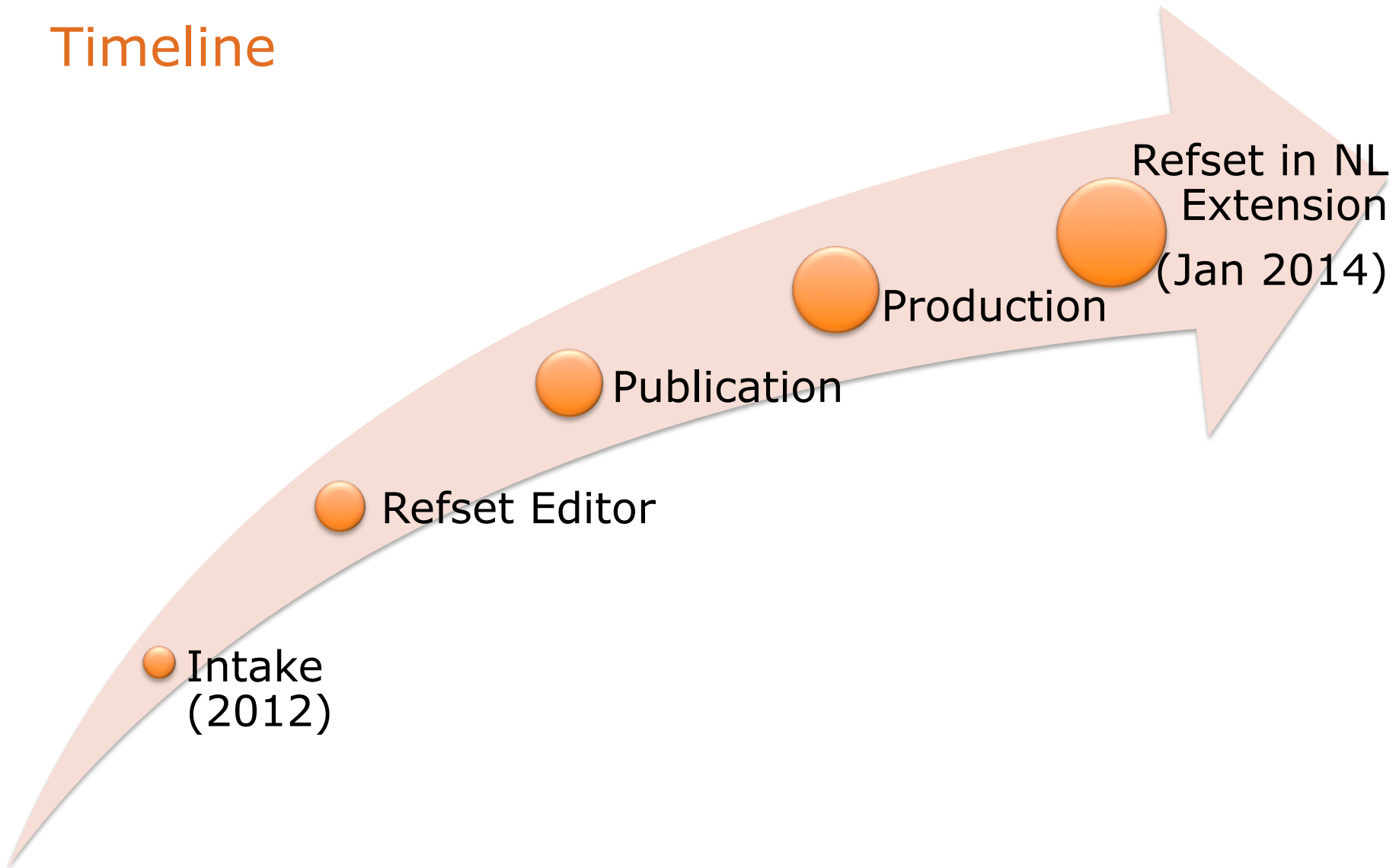
- Coordinator Terminology & NRC
- 2 years Product Manager Semantic Interoperability
- 3 years ALERT Life Sciences Computing
- 11 years Rivierenland Hospital



## Roles Identified

User	Optometrists
Keeper	OVN
Sponsor	OVN
Autorisator	Committee of OVN
Expert	Committee of OVN
Functional Manager	Service Desk of OVN
Technical Manager	Nictiz
Distributor	OVN/Nictiz

# Timeline



# In the Beginning

	A	B	vertalingen
1	<b>originalText</b>	<b>Vertaling</b>	
2	A-pattern vergence	A-patroonvergentie	Is dit nu juist
3	Anterior synechiae	anterieure synechiae	Is dit nu juist
4		Bergmeister papillae	Moet het zijn:
5	Bull's eye macular dystrophy	Bull's eye maculopathie	Ik weet niet h
6	Capsular Fibrosis	nastaar	fibrose van he echter nastaa Waar wordt d term, of de m
7	Central retinal artery occlusion	centraal retinale arterieocclusie	Moet het zijn: wordt ook we centrale arter
8	Central retinal vein occlusion	centraal retinale vene occlusie	Kan het volge stamocclusie
9	Pupillary paralysis	pupilparalyse	klopt de spell
10	Reis Buckler's corneal dystrophy	Reis Buckler's corneadystrofie	of moet het zi
11	Retinal vascular disorder	vaatafwijking van het netvlies	of vasculaire
	Contact lens related giant papillary conjunctivitis	contactlensgerelateerde giant papillary conjunctivitis	ik weet niet z echt een Nede

Zoekterm(en)   Uitsluitend referentie set  Status Actueel

**Resultaten ( 1 van 1 )**

P	<span style="color: green;">●</span> ADHD - attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (disorder)
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**406506008 - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (disorder)**

Status	<span style="color: green;">●</span> Actief	Datum	14-08-2013	
Laatste statuswijziging	24-01-2014	Door	Feijke Hielkema	
Vertalingen / Synoniemen	Term	Taal	Type	Status
	ADHD - attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity	Nederlands	Voorkeurterm	<span style="color: green;">●</span> Actief

**Snomed CT context**

- Hiërarchie**
- Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
    - Adult attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
    - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, combined type
    - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, inattentive presentation (restrictive)
    - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, predominantly hyperactive impulsive type
    - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, predominantly inattentive type
      - Child attention deficit disorder
      - Deficits in attention motor control and perception
      - Hyperkinesis with developmental delay
      - Hyperkinetic conduct disorder
      - Undifferentiated attention deficit disorder

**406506008 - Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder**

Volledige naam	Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (disorder)
Synoniemen	ADHD - Attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity Hyperkinetic disorder Hyperkinetic syndrome Minimal brain dysfunction Overactive child syndrome Attention deficit hyperkinetic disorder MBD - Minimal brain dysfunction ADHD - attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity

**Definitie (Primitive)**

Is a	Disorders of attention and motor control
Is a	Mental disorder usually first evident in infancy, childh
Referentieset	Dutch Optometrist simple reference set
CTV3 simple map	XUaas
SNOMED RT ID simple map	D9-00084
ICD-10 complex map reference set	F90.0 TRUE
ICD-9-CM equivalence complex map reference set	314.01



# SNOMED CT - Output

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    @moduleId                               Module waar deze concept versie onder valt
    @definitionStatusId                     Id van de definitie status
    @definitionStatus                       GB voorkeursterm van de definitie status
-->
<concept conceptId="392291006" effectiveTime="20070131" moduleId="90000000000207008"
definitionStatusId="90000000000073002" definitionStatus="Defined">
  <!--
    desc element bevat de Snomed description(s) die bij het concept horen
    soort term. fsn= fully specified name, pref=preferred for language,
    @type                                   id van de description zelf.
    @id                                     aantal 'woorden' in de term
    @count                                  string lengte van de term
    @length                                  Moment van opname description in release
    @effectiveTime                          Module waar deze description versie onder valt
    @moduleId                                tweeletterige taalcode, specificeert alleen taal niet 'dialect'.
    @languageCode                            type id als conceptId
    @typeId                                  aanduiding of description hoofdlettergevoelig is
    @caseSignificanceId                      @count en @length worden door de terminology explorer gebruikt voor het soorten van zoekre:
-->
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  (disorder)</desc>
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    ancestors element bevat een lijst van alle ancestors van het concept.
    Is aanwezig voor supersnel subsumption testing: Is A een subtype van B?
-->
  <ancestors>
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    id element bevat de id van de ancestor
    @distance geeft de minimale 'afstand' tot de ancestor weer
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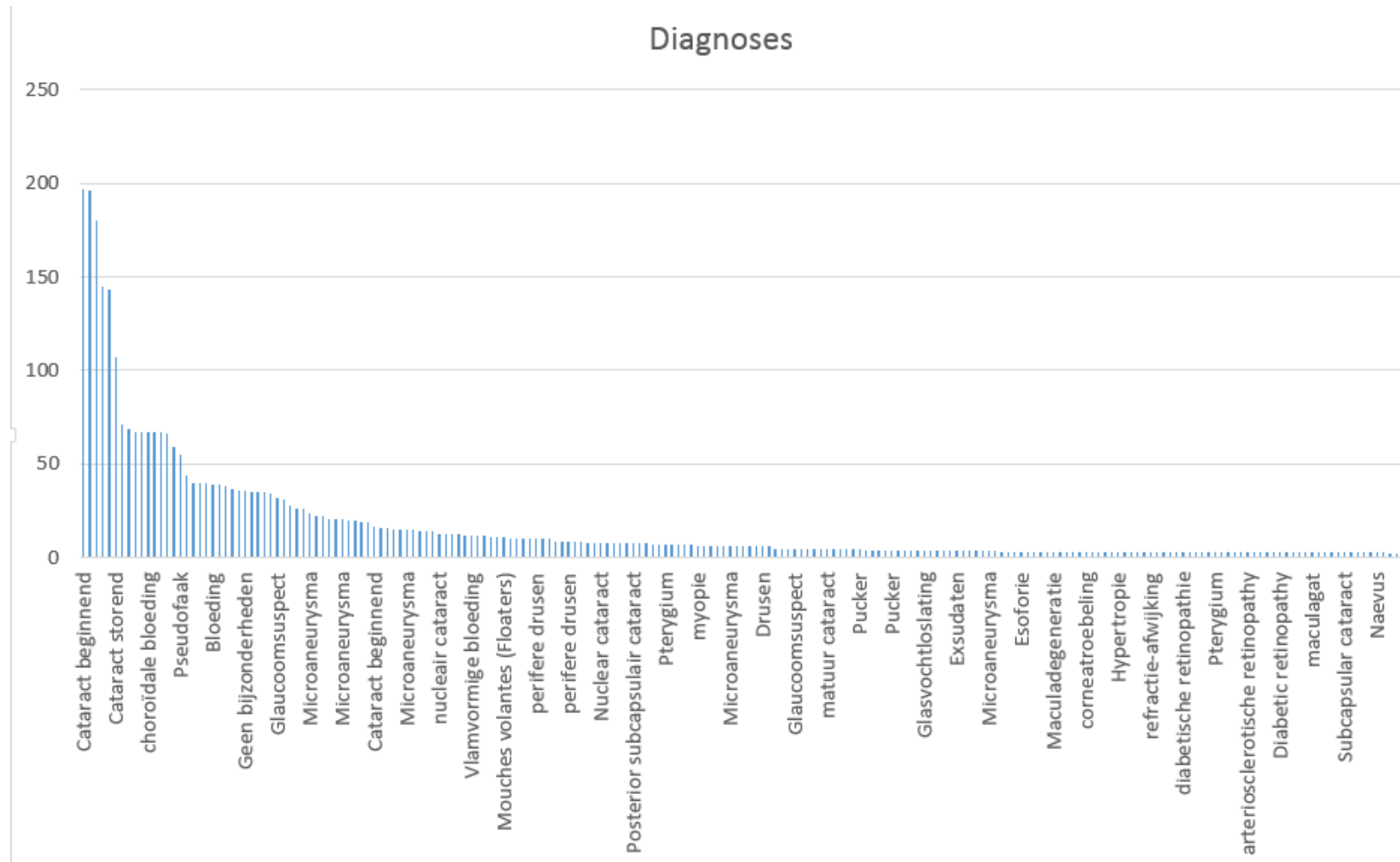
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## Feedback of Software Engineers

- Documentation used
- Offered assistance used
- Looked at the Nictiz browser

They 'simply' implemented it.

# 1<sup>st</sup> Results



## Data in Realtional View

- [Conjunctivitis(9826008)]
  - [bacteriële conjunctivitis(128350005)]
  - [allergische conjunctivitis(473460002)]
  - [seizoensgebonden allergische conjunctivitis(231855007)]
  - [keratoconjunctivitis sicca(302896008)]
  - [contactlensgerelateerde conjunctivitis(416454006)]
  - [virale conjunctivitis(45261009)]
  
- [Keratoconus(65636009)]
  
- [oculaire hypertensie(4210003)]
  
- [strabismus(22066006)]
  - [Exoforie(46343005)]
  - [Hyperforie(421452007)]
  - [Esoforie(62176008)]
  - [Hypertropie(40608009)]
  - [Hypoforie(8016009)]
  - [Esotropie(16596007)]

## Experiences from Different Viewpoints

- End user
- Developer
- Refset manager
- Refset owner
- NRC

## End User View

- Rich choice is appreciated
- Feel more involved
- Upgrade of quality

## Developers View

- Standard Content = Less discussions with Client
- Feel recognized as a more serious player

## Refset Management View

- Stakeholders maintain their own refset
- Assumed and felt ownership



## Refset Owner's View

- SNOMED CT
  - Finding all relevant terms in SNOMED CT not always easy due to different paths – finding terms via different 'mother'-terms
- National Release Center support
  - Committee members were afraid 'to do something wrong' when jointly working on the reference set in ART-DECOR
  - Not so easy to see which sets need to be taken to finalize the reference set
  - Good en quick support from the release centre team

## NRC View

- Greenfield is excellent way to learn to work with Snomed
- Few vendors make communication easy
- Small simple refset was a good learning experience
- Tools in place: refset editor, browser, QC procedures
- Last but not least lucky to start with such a partners

## Lessons Learned NRC

- Do not underestimate the power of Excel
- Guide developers on their level – and sit with them
- Check final output data asap



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