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Advancing Diagnostic Excellence in Rural Areas

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Forum on Advancing Diagnostic Excellence

Statement of Task

The Forum was established in 2023 to provide a structured environment and neutral venue to discuss data, policies, practices, and systems that affect the quality of diagnosis in health care. The Forum convenes key stakeholders to foster ongoing dialogue on opportunities for action to improve diagnosis within the U.S. health care system, with emphasis on conditions and populations with the greatest risk of harm from diagnostic errors.

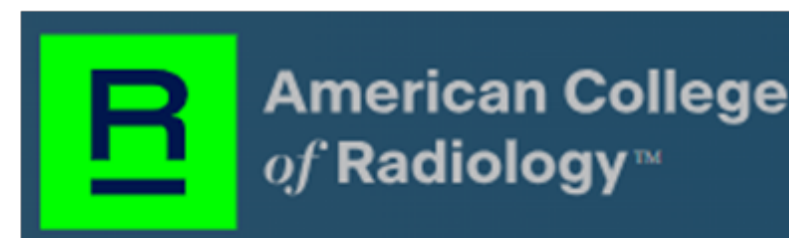
The Forum addresses cross - cutting areas in diagnosis such as:

- Delivery of patient-centered, family-oriented care
- Initiatives that aim to lower costs and redundancies
- Technologies and diagnostic innovations
- Professional education and development
- Access to high-quality diagnosis
- Research priorities to address evidence gaps

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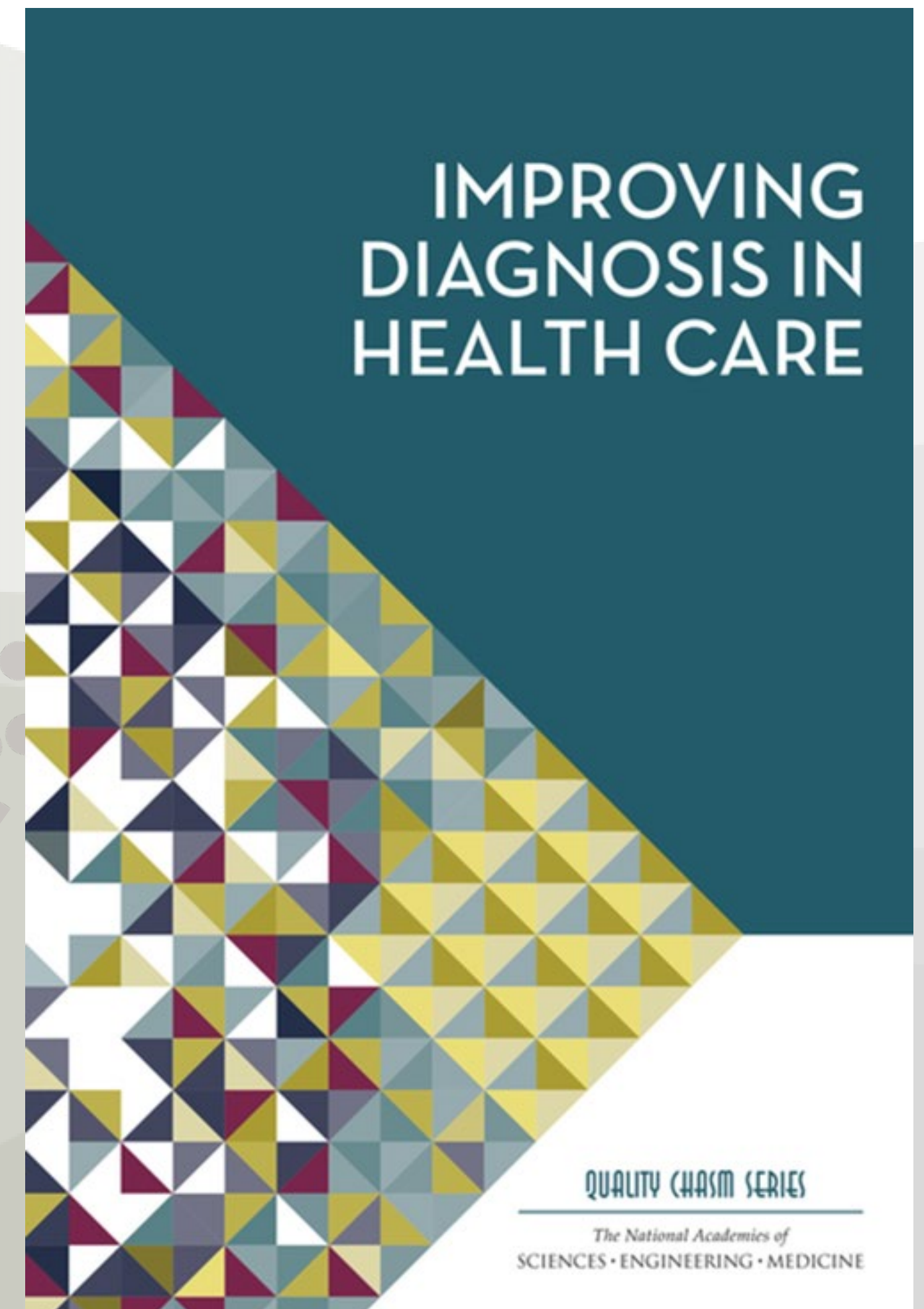


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The [2015 IOM consensus](#) report found that diagnostic errors are a persistent and underappreciated quality and safety challenge throughout all settings of health care.

Achieving excellence in diagnosis refers to going beyond avoiding medical errors to ensure diagnosis is safe, timely, effective, efficient, equitable, and patient centered.



[Read the 2015 Report](#)

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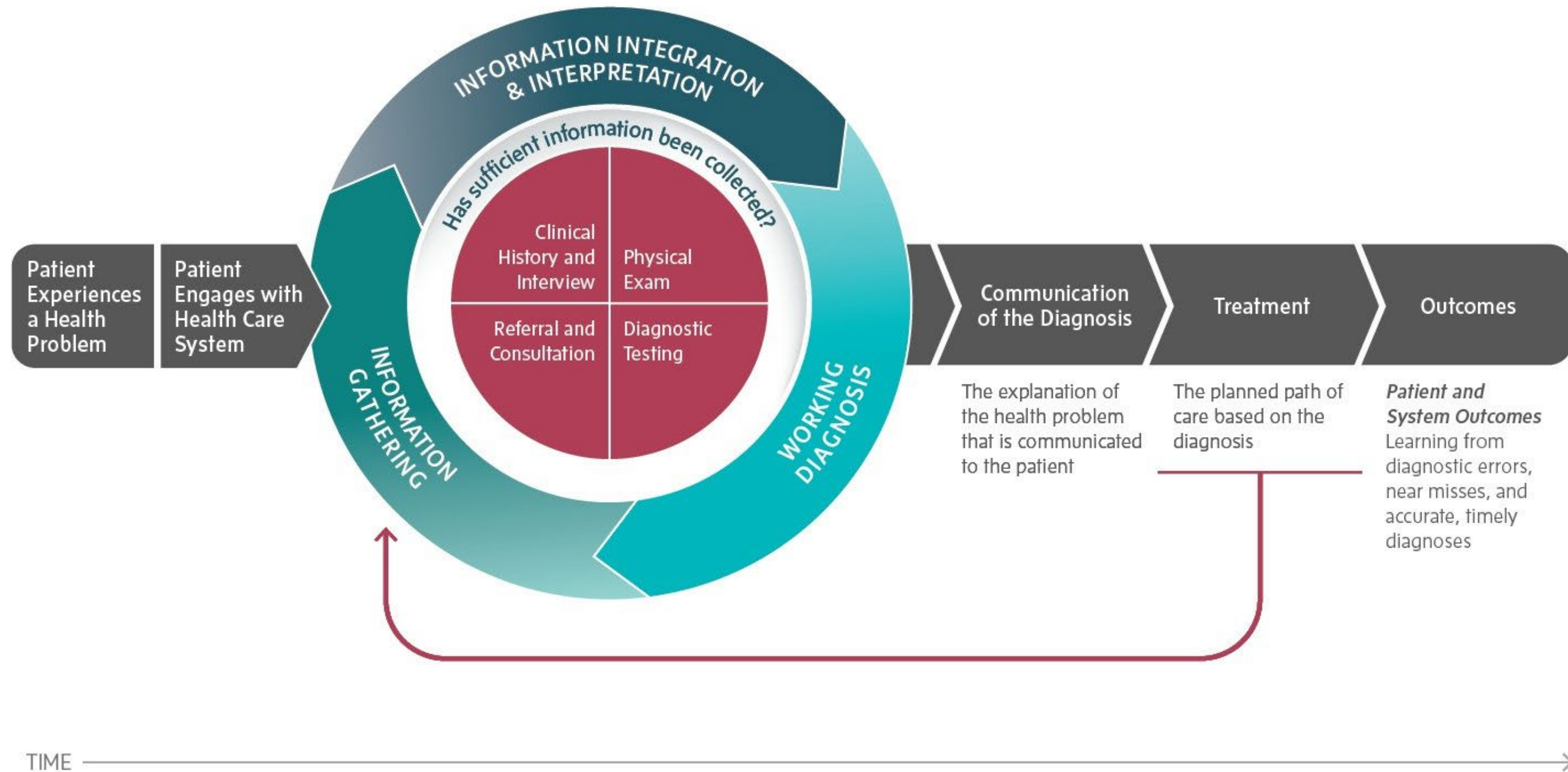
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The Diagnostic Process



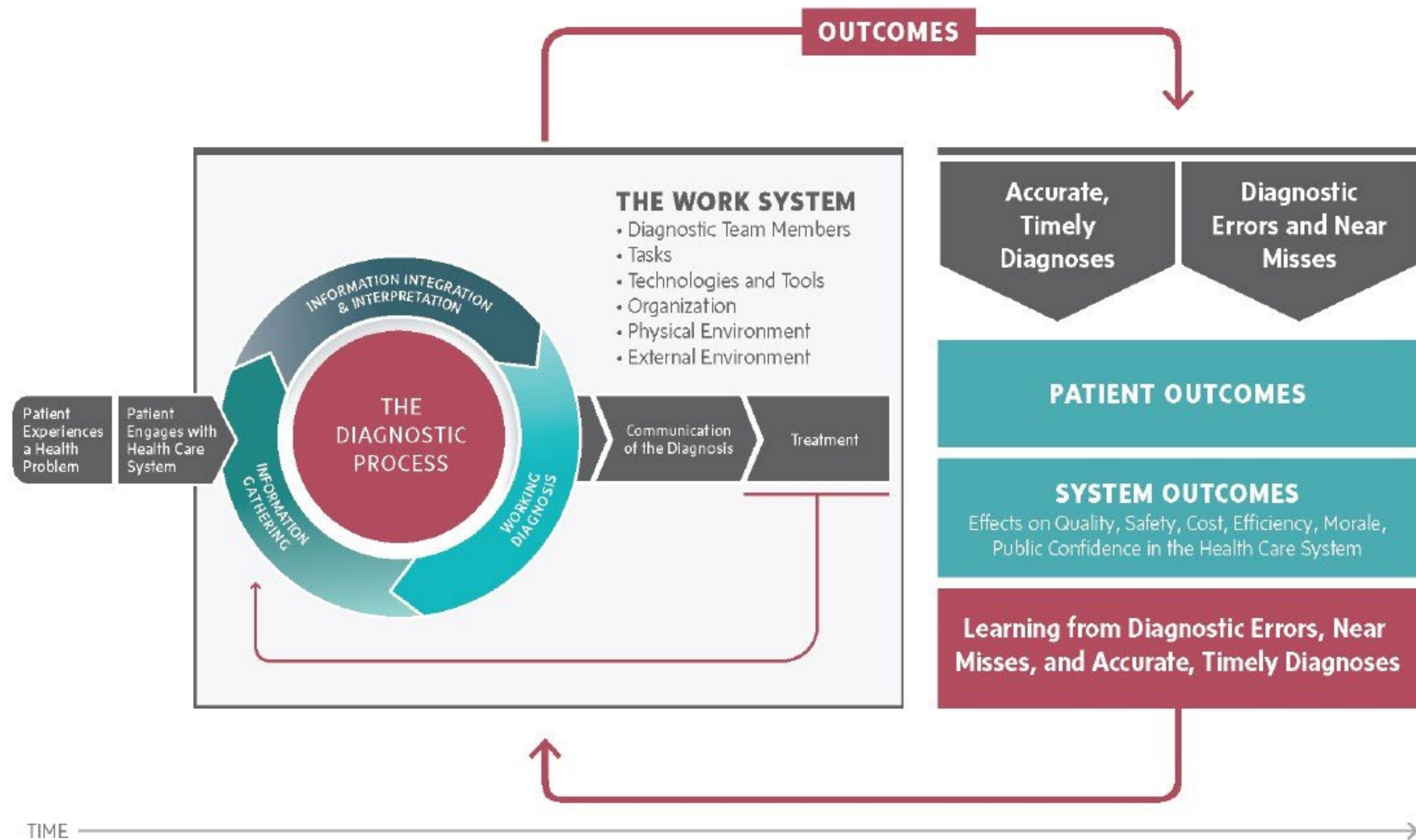


FIGURE S-3 The outcomes from the diagnostic process.

WORKSHOP AGENDA

Keynote Address

Session 1: Perspectives on Advancing Diagnostic Excellence in Rural Areas

Session 2: Expanding Access and Mitigating Health Disparities in Rural Diagnosis

Session 3: Supporting Rural Health Care Professionals in Diagnostic Excellence

Session 4: Transforming Diagnosis through Innovative Rural Health Care Models

Session 5: A Vision for the Future of Diagnostic Excellence in Rural Areas

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