



## ICD-10 code “illness, unspecified”

### To end the diagnostic odyssey in rare disease:

- Increase **awareness** of R69 and related codes and child-codes that identify when someone is experiencing diagnostic uncertainty.
- Develop and/or promote **criteria** for when the R69 code and related codes should be used in order to promote consistency on a global level.
- Collaborate with aligned stakeholders to craft **policy** that builds on the utilization of R69 and related codes.
- Improve **practice** by collaboratively answering the question “What next!?” using evidence-based approaches to improving diagnosis after the R69 code is applied.
- Direct the field of **proactive identification** of rare diseases towards the undiagnosed (e.g. leveraging AI + EHR tools).

### To promote and help achieve diagnostic equity:

- **Mark** that this segment of the population (undiagnosed, not-yet-diagnosed, and misdiagnosed) exists.
- **Establish** R69 and related codes as a tool to evaluate and ensure diagnostic equity (e.g. by race).
- **Research** inequity in diagnosis (especially in rare disease) and quantify the scope of the problems where they exist.
- **Balance** resources of the R69 Initiative to ensure that the work benefits low and middle income Countries as well as underserved and minority groups in high and very high income countries.