**Supplement Table 1:** Categorization of body systems and distribution of **symptoms at** index ED visit and **reported** MOIDs.

Body System	Symptoms	Diagnoses/Conditions (MOIDS & Final)		
Allergy/Immunology	Hives	Anaphylaxis		
Behavioral/Psychiatric	Anxiety	Conversion Disorder		
Cardiology	Chest Pain	Anomalous left coronary artery		
	Syncope	from the pulmonary artery		
		Arrhythmia		
		Bacterial Endocarditis		
		Cardiac tamponade		
		Coarctation of aorta		
		Hypoplastic heart		
		Myocarditis		
		Pericardial effusion		
		Pulmonary artery stenosis		
		Viral Myocarditis		
Central Nervous System (CNS)	Headache	Abscess, Intracranial		
	Seizure	Acute flaccid myelitis		
	Loss of sensation	AV Malformation		
	Altered mental status	Botulism		
		Chorea		
		Meningitis		
		Multiple Sclerosis		
		Oculogyric crisis		
		Pseudo tumor cerebri		
		Seizure		
		Shunt Malfunction		
		Stroke		
		Thrombosis of Basilar artery		
		Venous sinus thrombosis		
Dermatology	Rash	Impetigo		
		Non-Specific rash		
Gastrointestinal (GI)	Abdominal Pain	Acute Gastroenteritis		
	Vomiting	Appendicitis		
	Constipation	Bowel Obstruction		
	Diarrhea	Crohn's Disease		
	Blood in stool	Cystic Mass		
	Dark Stool	Foreign Body		
	Difficulty swallowing	GERD		
		Hirschsprung's Disease		
		Intestinal Invagination		
		Intussusception		
		Liver Failure		

		Malrotation Meckel Diverticulum Malfunction of G-tube Necrotizing enterocolitis Pancreatitis Periappendicial abscess Pyloric Stenosis Volvulus
Genitourinary (GU)	Dysuria Flank pain Hematuria Infrequent menses Proteinuria Testicular pain Vaginal discharge	Abscess pelvic Acute renal failure Chlamydia Hematocolpos Hemolytic uremic syndrome Hyperkalemia Imperforate hymen Nephrotic syndrome Ovarian torsion Pregnancy, intrauterine Single kidney renal failure Testicular torsion Urachal cyst Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)
Hematology/Oncology	Anemia Nosebleed	Acute lymphoblastic leukemia Acute Myeloid Leukemia Aplastic anemia crisis Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis Burkitt's lymphoma Cancer of the ovaries Ewing Sarcoma Immune thrombocytopenia Neutropenia Henoch-Schonlein purpura Splenic sequestration Tumor Abdomen Tumor anterior mediastinum Tumor Brain Tumor spinal cord
Infection	Fever Congestion Cough Runny nose Sore throat	Abscess Abdominal Abscess Cerebral Abscess Neck Abscess Retropharyngeal Abscess Thigh Bacterial meningitis Clostridium Perfringens

		Disseminated HSV sepsis			
		Lemierre's disease			
		Lyme disease			
		Malaria			
		Mastoditis			
		Measles			
		Osteomyelitis			
		Peripheral neuropathy			
		Pertussis			
		Sepsis			
		Septic arthritis			
		Septic Hip			
		Syphilis			
		Toxic shock syndrome			
		Wound Infection			
Inflammation	Knee pain	Kawasaki disease			
	Limp	Transient synovitis of the hip			
	Shoulder pain				
Musculoskeletal	Arm pain	Pectus carinatum			
	Back pain	Perthes disease			
	Elbow Swelling	Slipped Capital Femoral			
	Leg pain	Epiphysis (SCFE)			
	Limp				
	Swelling of chest				
Ophthalmology	Eye swelling	Conjunctivitis			
	Red eye	Keratitis			
Respiratory	Respiratory distress	Pneumonia			
	Cough	Airway Foreign body			
	Difficulty breathing	Pulmonary embolism			
	Difficulty swallowing	Bacterial tracheitis			
	Noisy breathing	Pneumothorax			
	Stridor	Aspiration Pneumonia			
	Wheezing	Empyema			
		Bronchiolitis			
		Abscess Retropharyngeal			
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Trauma	Arm pain	Fracture Clavicular			
	Back pain	Fracture Elbow including			
	Bruise	supracondylar fracture			
	Chest injury	Fracture Femur			
	Contusion	Fracture Hip			
	Fall	Fracture Radius			
	Head injury	Fracture Radius Ulna			
	Knee pain	Fracture Skull			
	Laceration				
		Fracture Tibia Fracture Wrist			
	Limp				
	Motor vehicle injury	Fracture Humerus			

	Neck pain	Laceration
	Pain	Liver Laceration
	Shoulder Pain	Non accidental trauma (NAT)
		Retained Foreign body
		Supracondylar fracture
Other	Abnormal blood test	Rickets
	Choking	Hypernatremic dehydration
	Fussiness	
	Irritability	
	Persistent crying	

Supplement Table 2: Distribution of Contributory factors for the entire study and stratified by participating networks

	All networks combined n (%)	PECARN (n=143, 35.2%)	PEMCRC (n=122, 30.1%)	PERC ( <i>n</i> =67, 16.7%)	PERUKI (n=37, 9.1%)	RISeuP ( <i>n</i> =28, 6.9%)	REPEM (n=9, 2.2%)
Patient-Provider Encounter	240 (59.1%)	97 (67.8%)	61 (50.0%)	45 (67.2%)	24 (64.9%)	10 (35.7%)	3 (33.3%)
a. Problems with history	166 (69.1%)	66 (68.0%)	48 (94.1%)	33 (73.3%)	14 (58.3%)	4 (40.0%)	1 (33.3%)
Incomplete or inadequate history	84 (35.0%)	36 (37.1%)	21 (34.4%)	15 (33.3%)	8 (33.3%)	3 (30.0%)	1 (33.3%)
<ul> <li>Misinterpreted or ignored physical historical findings</li> </ul>	82 (34.1%)	30 (30.9%)	27 (44.2%)	18 (40.0%)	6 (25.0%)	1 (10.0%)	0 (0.0%)
b. Problems with physical examination	188 (78.3%)	70 (72.2%)	47 (77.0%)	40 (88.8%)	20 (83.3%)	10 (100.0%)	1 (33.3%)
<ul> <li>Incomplete or inadequate physical exam</li> </ul>	77 (32.1%)	33 (34.0%)	16 (26.2%)	16 (35.5%)	9 (37.5%)	2 (20.0%)	1 (33.3%)
<ul> <li>Historical findings misinterpreted or ignored</li> </ul>	111 (46.3%)	37 (38.1%)	31 (50.8%)	24 (53.3%)	11 (45.8%)	8 (80.0%)	0 (0.0%)
c. Failure to review previous documentation	14 (5.8%)	3 (3.1%)	6 (9.8%)	2 (4.4%)	1 (4.1%)	1 (10.0%)	1 (33.3%)
d. Failed to order an indicated diagnostic test	94 (39.2%)	32 (32.9%)	25 (40.9%)	20 (44.4%)	12 (50.0%)	4 (40.0%)	1 (33.3%)
e. Other (such as unnecessary procedure/tests performed)	41 (17.1%)	18 (18.5%)	10 (16.3%)	6 (13.3%)	6 (25.0%)	1 (10.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Diagnostic Tests	155 (38.2%)	48 (33.6%)	58 (47.5%)	30 (44.8%)	9 (24.3%)	5 (17.9%)	5 (55.6%)
a. not performed at all	41 (26.4%)	12 (25.0%)	11 (18.9%)	9 (30.0%)	3 (33.3%)	4 (80.0%)	2 (40.0%)
b. not performed correctly	5 (3.2%)	1 (2.0%)	2 (3.4%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (40.0%)
c. not interpreted correctly	35 (22.5%)	9 (18.7%)	12 (20.6%)	12 (40.0%)	1 (11.1%)	1 (20.0%)	0 (0.0%)
d. Misidentification of sample	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
e. Misinterpretation of test results	26 (16.7%)	14 (29.1%)	6 (10.3%)	3 (10.0%)	1 (11.1%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (40.0%)
f. Other	51 (32.9%)	15 (31.2%)	24 (41.3%)	8 (26.6%)	3 (33.3%)	1 (20.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Patient-Related Factors	104 (25.6%)	39 (27.3%)	27 (22.1%)	19 (28.4%)	11 (29.7%)	4 (14.3%)	4 (44.4%)
a. Delay in seeking care	2 (1.9%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (3.7%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (25.0%)
b. Language barriers	12 (11.5%)	2 (5.1%)	5 (18.5%)	2 (10.5%)	3 (27.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
c. Caregiver factors (absent, adversarial, or incomplete history)	47 (45.1%)	17 (43.5%)	13 (48.1%)	11 (57.8%)	2 (18.1%)	1 (25.0%)	3 (75.0%)
d. Left against medical advice	1 (0.9%)	1 (2.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
e. Other	53 (50.9%)	19 (48.7%)	12 (44.4%)	9 (47.3%)	9 (81.8%)	3 (75.0%)	1 (25.0%)
Follow-Up Tracking	48 (11.8%)	13 (9.1%)	13 (10.7%)	8 (11.9%)	2 (5.4%)	10 (35.7%)	2 (22.2%)
a. Problems with follow-up of abnormal diagnostic test results	14 (29.1%)	3 (23.0%)	3 (23.0%)	4 (50.0%)	1 (50.0%)	2 (20.0%	1 (50.0%)

b. Problems with scheduling of appropriate and/or timely follow-up visits/referral	17 (35.4%)	1 (7.6%)	5 (38.4%)	3 (37.5%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (60.0%)	2 (100.0%)
c. Other	19 (39.5%)	8 (61.5%)	5 (38.4%)	1 (12.5%)	1 (50.0%)	4 (40.0%)	0 (0.0%)
Consultations	45 (11.1%)	10 (7.0%)	16 (13.1%)	5 (7.5%)	10 (27.0%)	3 (10.7%)	1 (11.1%)
a. Problems (lack of access or delays) in obtaining consultation	10 (22.2%)	4 (40.0%)	2 (12.5%)	1 (20.0%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (66.6%)	1 (100.0%)
b. Consultant or an "experienced expert" did not lay hands on patient	16 (35.5%)	3 (30.0%)	6 (37.5%)	0 (0.0%)	6 (60.0%)	1 (33.3%)	0 (0.0%)
c. Communication breakdown/Lack of appropriate response from consultants in the ED	14 (31.1%)	3 (30.0%)	3 (18.7%)	2 (40.0%)	6 (60.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
d. Contradictory recommendations from several members of same service	2 (4.4%)	0 (0.0%)	2 (12.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
e. Contradictory recommendations from different consulting services	6 (13.3%)	0 (0.0%)	3 (18.7%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (10.0%)	2 (66.6%)	0 (0.0%)
Miscellaneous Factors	133 (32.8%)	45 (31.5%)	42 (34.4%)	20 (29.9%)	11 (29.7%)	12 (42.9%)	3 (33.3%)
a. Workload	47 (35.3%)	14 (31.1%)	10 (23.8%)	12 (60.0%)	4 (36.3%)	8 (66.6%)	0 (0.0%)
<ul> <li>Workload was too high</li> </ul>	47 (35.3%)	14 (31.1%)	10 (23.8%)	12 (60.0%)	4 (36.3%)	7 (58.3%)	0 (0.0%)
<ul> <li>Workload was too low</li> </ul>	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (8.3%)	0 (0.0%)
b. Lack of resources – such as less nursing, respiratory therapists, etc.	12 (9.0%)	1 (2.2%)	5 (11.9%)	3 (15.0%)	3 (27.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)
c. Workload was complex (high case severity mix in the ED)	33 (24.8%)	7 (15.5%)	14 (33.3%)	6 (30.0%)	2 (18.1%)	3 (25.0%)	1 (33.3%)
d. Patients who arrive with a "known" diagnosis or have been worked up for a diagnosis prior to the index ED visit, i.e. have been assigned a diagnostic label	59 (44.3%)	20 (44.4%)	18 (42.8%)	8 (40.0%)	6 (54.5%)	6 (50.0%)	1 (33.3%)
e. Distractions – too many phone calls/interruptions, etc.	22 (16.5%)	7 (15.5%)	6 (14.2%)	3 (15.0%)	3 (27.2%)	3 (25.0%)	0 (0.0%)
f. Institutional practices and policies	14 (10.5%)	4 (8.8%)	2 (4.7%)	3 (15.0%)	1 (9.0%)	2 (16.6%)	2 (66.6%)
g. Legal factors	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)

The gray highlighted rows are the sum of participants who have selected the primary contributing factors for the MOID. For each primary contributing factor, the respondent had the option of specifying multiple subcategories.

Within each column, percentages do not sum to 100% because participants could select more than one response.

## Supplement Figure 1: Impact (harm) of MOID on the patient

