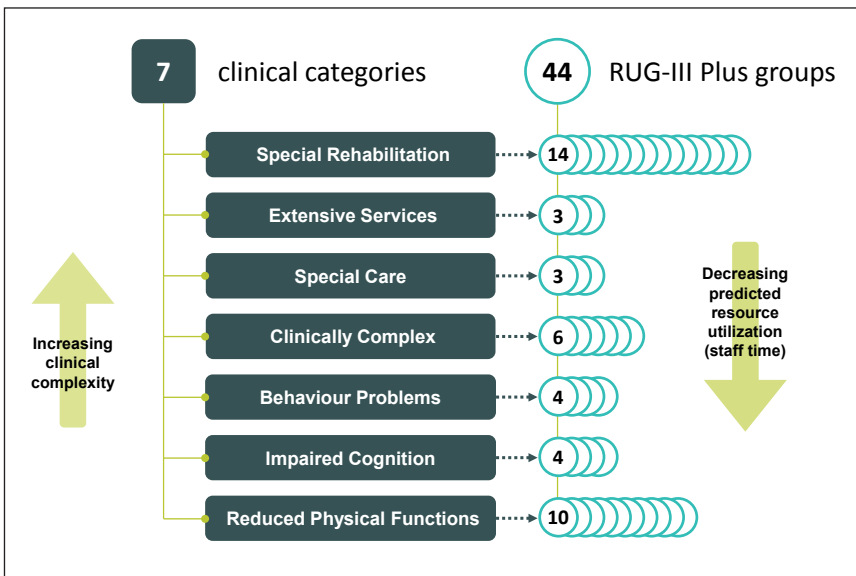# RUG-III Plus Grouping Methodology

What is RUG-III Plus?

Resource Utilization Groups, version III Plus (RUG-III Plus) is a decision-support tool. Canadian organizations that provide residential care to seniors can apply the RUG-III Plus grouping methodology to their assessment data. It can be used to identify peers, inform resource allocation and assist with planning.

RUG-III Plus is an updated version of the RUG-III grouping methodology. CIHI worked with stakeholders in Canadian jurisdictions and interRAI to develop RUG-III Plus.

Figure   RUG-III Plus

Structure

- There are 7 RUG-III Plus categories.
- Each category has between 3 and 14 RUG-III Plus groups.
- Categories are ordered in a **clinical hierarchy** from most to least resource intensive (i.e., Special Rehabilitation is the most resource-intensive category).

Additional resources

CIHI's Case Mix web page:
cihi.ca/casemix

CIHI's Learning Centre:
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