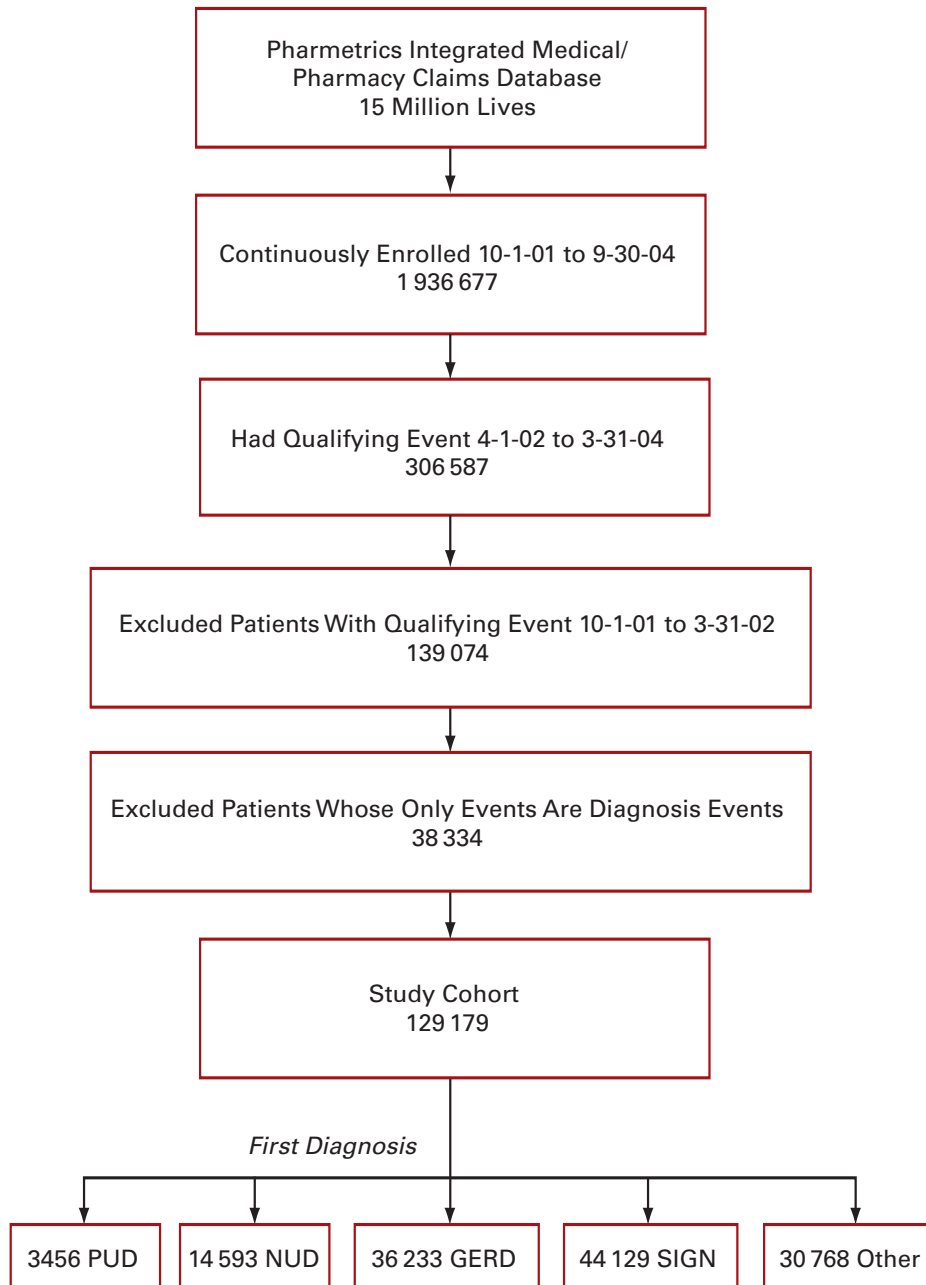


Appendix A. Inclusion and Index Criteria

Inclusion Criteria <i>Patients included if they have a claim for any of the following:</i>	Qualifying Diagnoses, Therapies, or Tests
Prescription for a proton pump inhibitor	Omeprazole, lansoprazole, rabeprazole, pantoprazole, or esomeprazole (oral therapy only)
Prescription for an H ₂ receptor antagonist	Ranitidine, cimetidine, famotidine, nizatidine, or ranitidine bismuth citrate
Prescription for a prepackaged triple eradication therapy	Prevpac® (lansoprazole/amoxicillin/clarithromycin) or Helidac® (bismuth subsalicylate/metronidazole/tetracycline)
Diagnostic test for <i>Helicobacter pylori</i>	Serology antibody (CPT codes 86677 and 87339) Urea breath test 14C isotopic (CPT codes 78267-78268) Urea breath test 13C (CPT codes 83013-83014) Fecal antigen test (CPT code 87338)
Endoscopy with biopsy	Upper gastrointestinal endoscopy with biopsy (CPT code 43239)
Dyspepsia or gastroesophageal reflux disease diagnosis	Peptic ulcer disease (ICD-9-CM codes 531-534) Nonulcer dyspepsia (ICD-9-CM codes 535-536) Gastroesophageal reflux disease or esophagitis (ICD-9-CM code 530) <i>H pylori</i> infection (ICD-9-CM code 041.86)
Additional Index Criteria <i>Index date determined by the first occurrence of any of the above or by a claim for any of the following:</i>	Qualifying Diagnoses, Therapies, or Tests
Other endoscopies	Endoscopies other than CPT code 43239 (CPT codes 43200-43238 and 43240-43259)
General indicator diagnosis of abdominal disorder	Abdominal signs and symptoms of undetermined cause (SIGN) (ICD-9-CM code 789.XX)
Prescriptions for pairs of certain antibiotics used to treat <i>H pylori</i> infection filled on the same date	Clarithromycin and amoxicillin, metronidazole and tetracycline, metronidazole and clarithromycin, or metronidazole and amoxicillin
CPT indicates Current Procedural Terminology; ICD-9-CM, International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification.	

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■ Appendix B. Cohort Selection



PUD indicates peptic ulcer disease; NUD, nonulcer dyspepsia; GERD, gastroesophageal reflux disease; and SIGN, abdominal signs and symptoms of undetermined cause.

Index diagnosis: 1052 PUD, 14 599 NUD, 15 163 GERD, and 7520 SIGN.