Comparison of Features Between Pathoanatomic Diagnosis and Rehabilitation Classification

Pathoanatomic Diagnosis	Rehabilitation Classification
Identifies primary tissue pathology	Identifies level of irritability and key impairments
Remains stable across an episode of care	Typically changes over an episode of care
Guides a general treatment strategy •Surgery or nonoperative care? •Key tissue and movement precautions?	Guides specific rehabilitation intervention •Appropriate intensity of physical stress? •Key impairments driving symptoms and loss of function?
Informs prognosis	May inform prognosis