Figure 2. Flowchart of the Literature Search.

Files Identified
N = 4225
Electronic Databases = 2440
Content Expert Files = 1314
Bibliographies = 471

Duplicates
N = 1261

Unique Articles Identified
N = 2964
Electronic Databases = 1531
Content Expert Files = 1314
Bibliographies = 471

Abstracts Excluded
N = 2452

Full Text Pulled
N = 512
Electronic Databases = 158
Content Expert Files = 260
Bibliographies = 263

Ineligible Papers
N = 298
Reasons for Exclusion
213 Not a validated measure
47 Hypothetical scenarios or attitudinal evaluations
17 Irrelevant to outpatient visits or telemedicine consultations
16 Interventions that stipulate elements of the referral process

Eligible Papers
N = 214
Electronic Databases = 61
Content Expert Files = 108
Bibliographies = 140

Unique Metrics
N = 244