Baseline conditions
12-month pre-index

Follow-up window
≥12 months post index

Index date = initiation of:
- 1st DMARD regimen (DMARD naïve);
- 2nd DMARD regimen (csDMARD switchers); or
- 2nd TIM regimen (bDMARD switchers)

DMARD history:
- DMARD naïve: No Prior DMARD
- csDMARD switchers: No Prior DMARD, 1st csDMARD
- bDMARD switchers: No Prior TIM, 1st bDMARD

RA diagnosis: 2 RA ICD codes

Index period
1/1/2012 - 3/31/2017

Study period
1/1/2011 - 3/31/2018