Versioning Schedule for NEMSIS v3.5.1

Major Changes can include

- XML Structure Change (i.e.- Code Type Change within an element, addition of a new mandatory or required element, removal or deletion of an element, section changes)
- Update could require extensive training and education
- Compliance Testing Required
- Requires Translation for Compatibility with other NEMSIS versions
- Anything Becoming More Restrictive

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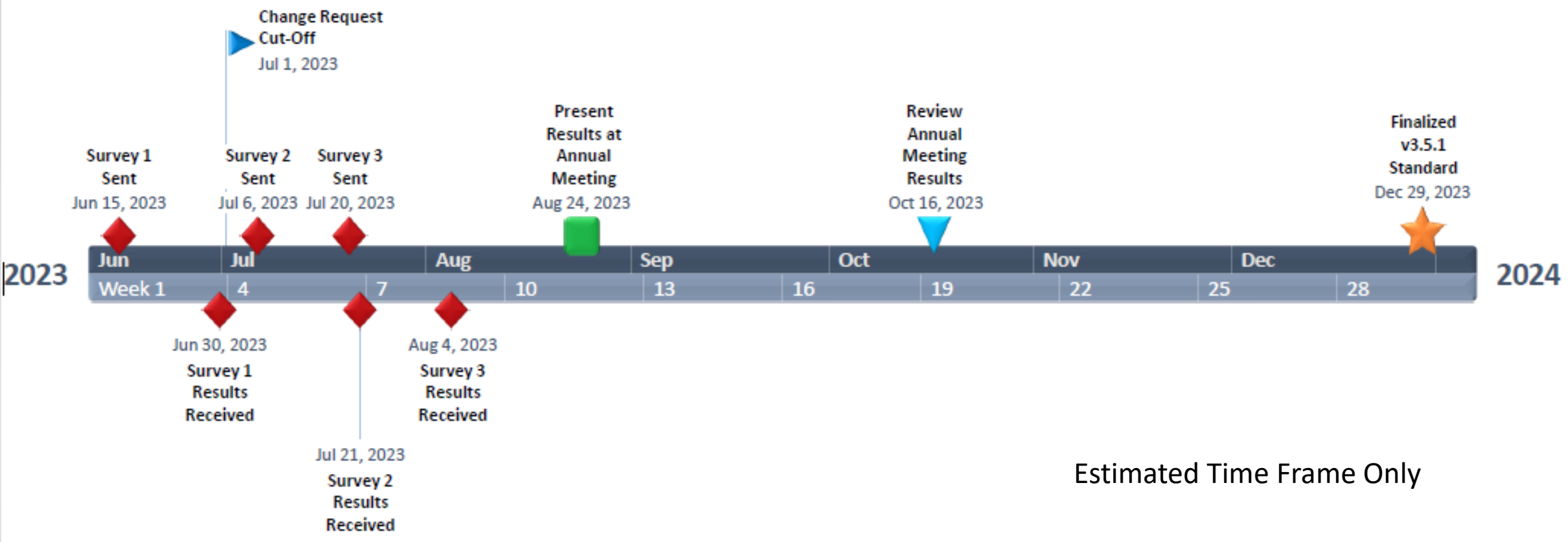BETTER DATA. BETTER CARE.

Minor Changes can include

- Anything that is less restrictive (Required to Optional, Error to Warning, or removing a National Schematron Rule)
- Does not alter the vendor's compliance schedule
- Backwards compatible*
- Possibly bring in a new element as optional or recommended

*Any document created in v3.5.0 would be valid in v3.5.1 or v3.5.2 but being generated in v3.5.2 may not be compatible in v3.5.0. This does require states to move before local agencies.

Other Change Types include

- **Critical Patch-** Immediately necessary changes

- **Informational Changes-** Can be batched with the next Minor Update or be done stand-alone - includes enhanced definition or additional comments in the Data Dictionary, links updated in Data Dictionary, Defined List Updates, fixing typos in the data dictionary or national schematron.
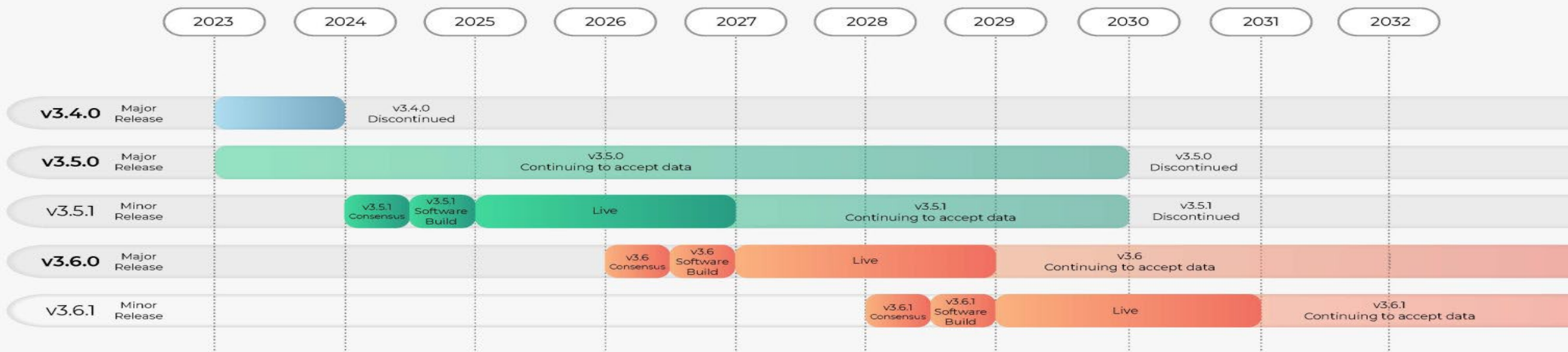
Estimated change decisions timeline for v3.5.1

Estimated Time Frame Only

V3.5.1 Estimated Development Timeline