



# Research Use of PRO data from EHRs

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# The Spine Center at Dartmouth-Hitchcock 1998

# Many Programs See Value in PRMs

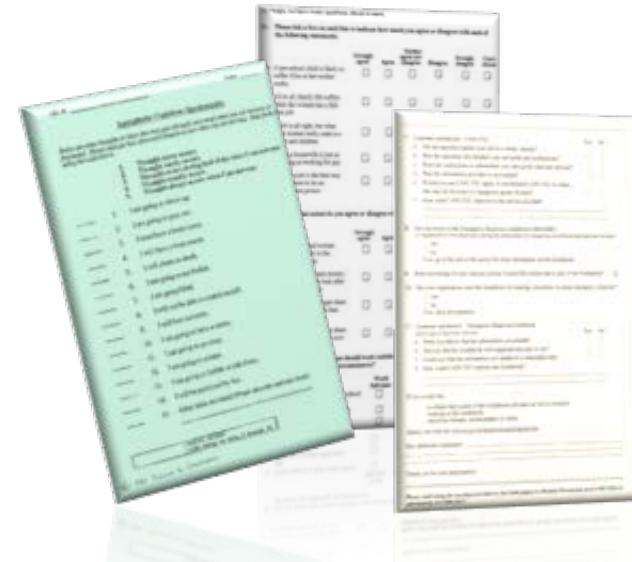
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Psychiatry	Sleep Disorders/Depression/Anxiety
OB/GYN	UroGynecology/Post Partum Depression
Rehab	Functional Restoration Program
Neurology	Epilepsy/Multiple Sclerosis
Primary Care	Primary Care Annual Visits
Surgery/Anesth	Pre-Admission Testing
Vascular	Aneurysm, Carotid Disease, Varicose Veins



# Practical Issues

GET ALL THE  
INFORMATION YOU CAN,  
WE'LL THINK OF A  
USE FOR IT LATER.

# Selecting the right questions requires broad consensus from providers and patients



- 1–2 local champions does not result in high quality, evidence-based Q with a high degree of buy in.
- Consider respondent burden



Arrhythmia

Cholesterol

Congenital  
Defects Children  
& Adults

Diabetes

Heart Attack

Heart Failure

## Common Tests for Heart Failure

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To determine whether you have heart failure, your doctor may order one or more of the following procedures.

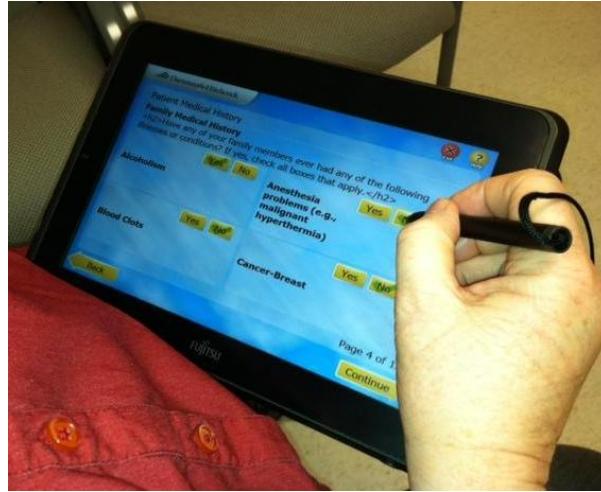
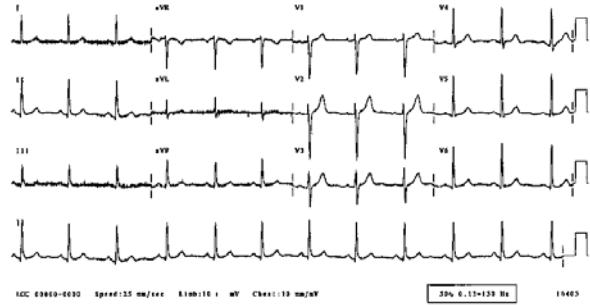
### Common tests for heart failure

- ▶ [Physical examination](#)
- ▶ [Blood Tests](#)
- ▶ [Chest X-Rays](#)
- ▶ [Electrocardiogram \(abbreviated\)](#)
- ▶ [Echocardiography \(abbreviated\)](#)
- ▶ [Exercise Stress Test](#)
- ▶ [Radionuclide Ventriculography or Thallium-201 Scanning \(abbreviated\)](#)
- ▶ [Cardiac Catheterization](#)

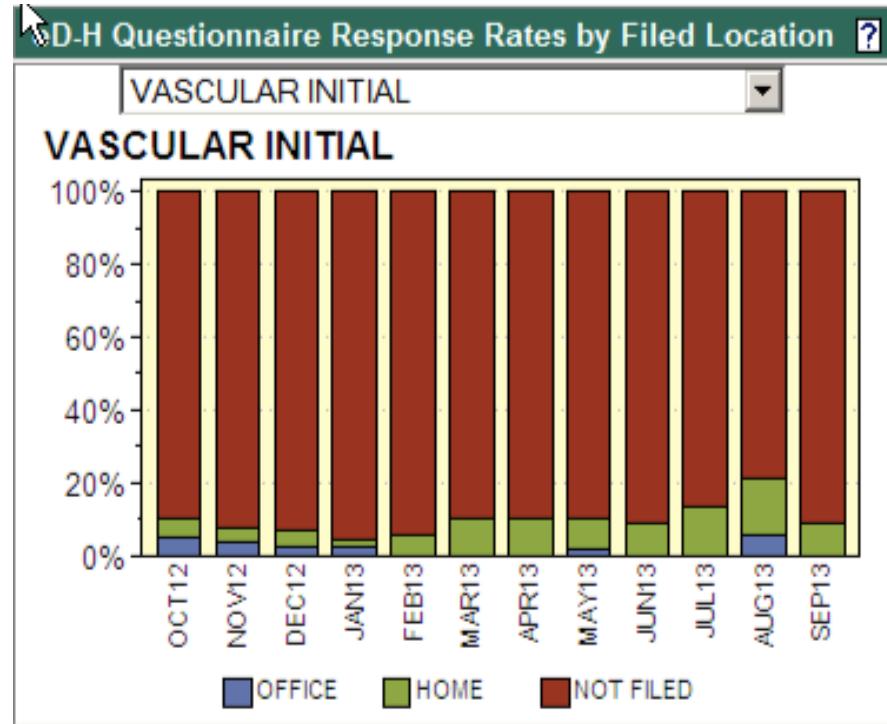
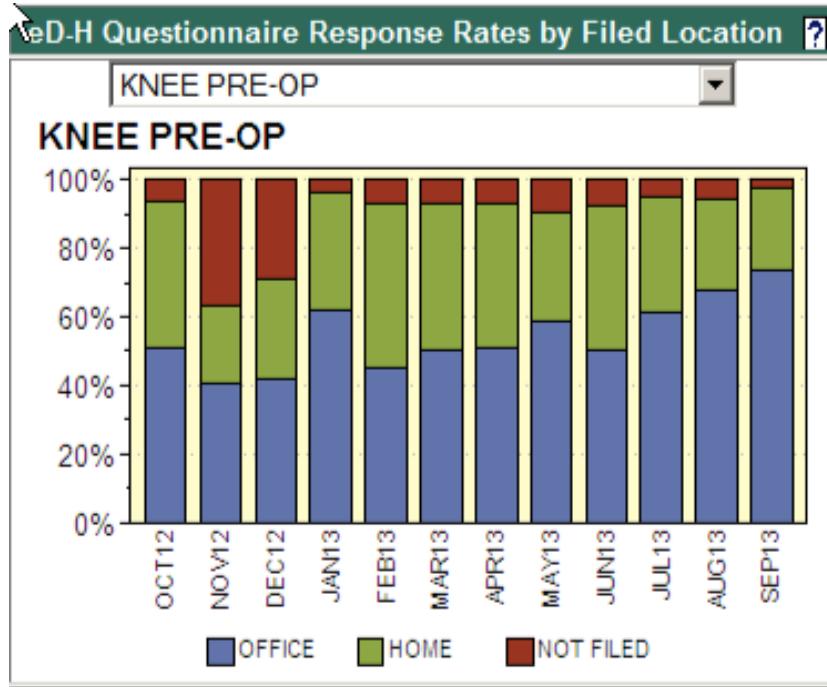


Where is the  
patient reported  
measure?

# Envision seamless integration of PROs into practice



# Questionnaire Completion Rates: Process Measure



# Exit Survey

Did you fill out an electronic health questionnaire for your visit today?

Yes  No

(if you check "No" you do not need to answer any other questions.)

Did anyone thank you for filling out the questionnaire during your visit?

Yes  No

Did anyone show you or talk to you about the results from the electronic questionnaire during your visit?

Yes  No





# Incorporation into the clinical encounter

Building  
Queuing/Ordering  
Patient Interfaces  
Clinical Team Use

# Built it and they will use it

HOW MUCH DO YOUR MEMORY DIFFICULTIES BOTHER YOU?

Question ID: 182157 Contact date: 7/4/2012 Released? Yes [1] **6**

Prompt: HOW MUCH DO YOUR MEMORY DIFFICULTIES BOTHER YOU?

Note: How much do your memory difficulties bother you? **1**

HTML-enabled note:

Required? If required add here

Omit from summary? Response type: Custom List [2]

Link to ICD

Multiple response?

Custom List **1** **2**

Custom list value

1 1 - Not at all bothered

2 2

3 3

4 4

5 5 - Extremely bothered

Score override extension: myth-audit2005 scoring qn [140000130] **3**

Display only if this rule is met

Header to display to patient with score: **simple**

Score Display

Display to patient: No display to patient? **4**

Possible score range: **-1** to **40**

Lower score is better

Range Description

	Lower	Upper	Range Description
1	-1	6	Not at all
2	1	7	Low Risk
3	8	15	At Risk
4	16	40	High Risk Driving

(Enter/validate a score range in the grid above)

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simple

## complicated

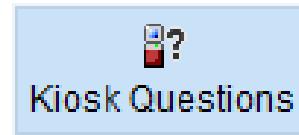


## complex

# Questionnaire Queuing in EPIC

- Initiated with Appointment
- Sent as Secure Patient Message
- Added on-the-fly as Kiosk Questionnaire
- *Order as a pre-defined series (future)*

Kiosk Code	Qtnr Details	Questionnaire
26610320	Unanswered	Q - PAIN SURVEY



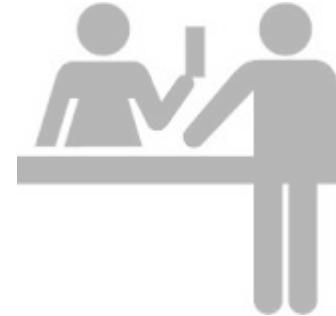
# Patients need multiple options for Q completion

How would you rate the overall service experiences with them? Would you say it is ...

Excellent  
 Very Good  
 Good  
 Fair  
 Poor  
 na

On a scale of 1 to 5 where 1 represents "Extremely Satisfied" and 5 represents "Extremely Dissatisfied", how would you rate your level of satisfaction?

1  2  3  4  5  na



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Message Center

- Inbox
- Send Message
- New Message
- Medical Record
- Prescription Requests
- Referrals
- Appointments
- My Family's Records
- Billing & Insurance
- Administrative
- Settings
- Help

Health Library

Find information on:

Search

Patient Medical History

Step 1 of 9

To prepare for your upcoming appointment, please update or fill out the questionnaire below.

Past Medical History

Please check yes for every illness or condition you have been treated for in the past. For example, if you are allergic to pollen, please click on yes in the category Allergies and enter pollen in the Brief Description box.

1. Allergies - Includes allergy to animals, food, iodine, latex, pollen, smoke, other

Yes  No  No Response

Date first noted (approx):

Please provide detailed information for any question you answered 'Yes':



# Example of Multimedia

To help you to make an informed decision about colon cancer screening, please choose one of the following radio buttons:

- Link to detailed written information on my computer now
- Watch a 30 minute video streaming on my computer now
- No, thanks- I already know enough to make the decision
- No, thanks- prefer my doctor makes this decision for me, or not interested

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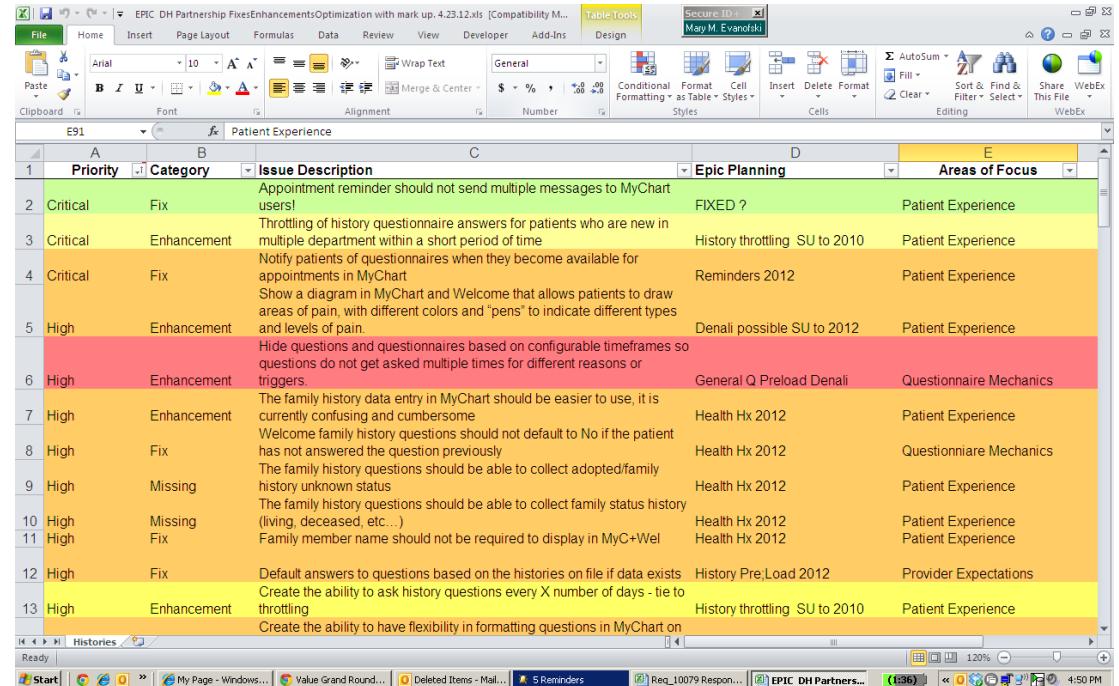
## Colon Cancer Screening: Deciding Whats Right For You



**Dartmouth-Hitchcock**  
MEDICAL CENTER

# Engaging patients in co-design improves usability

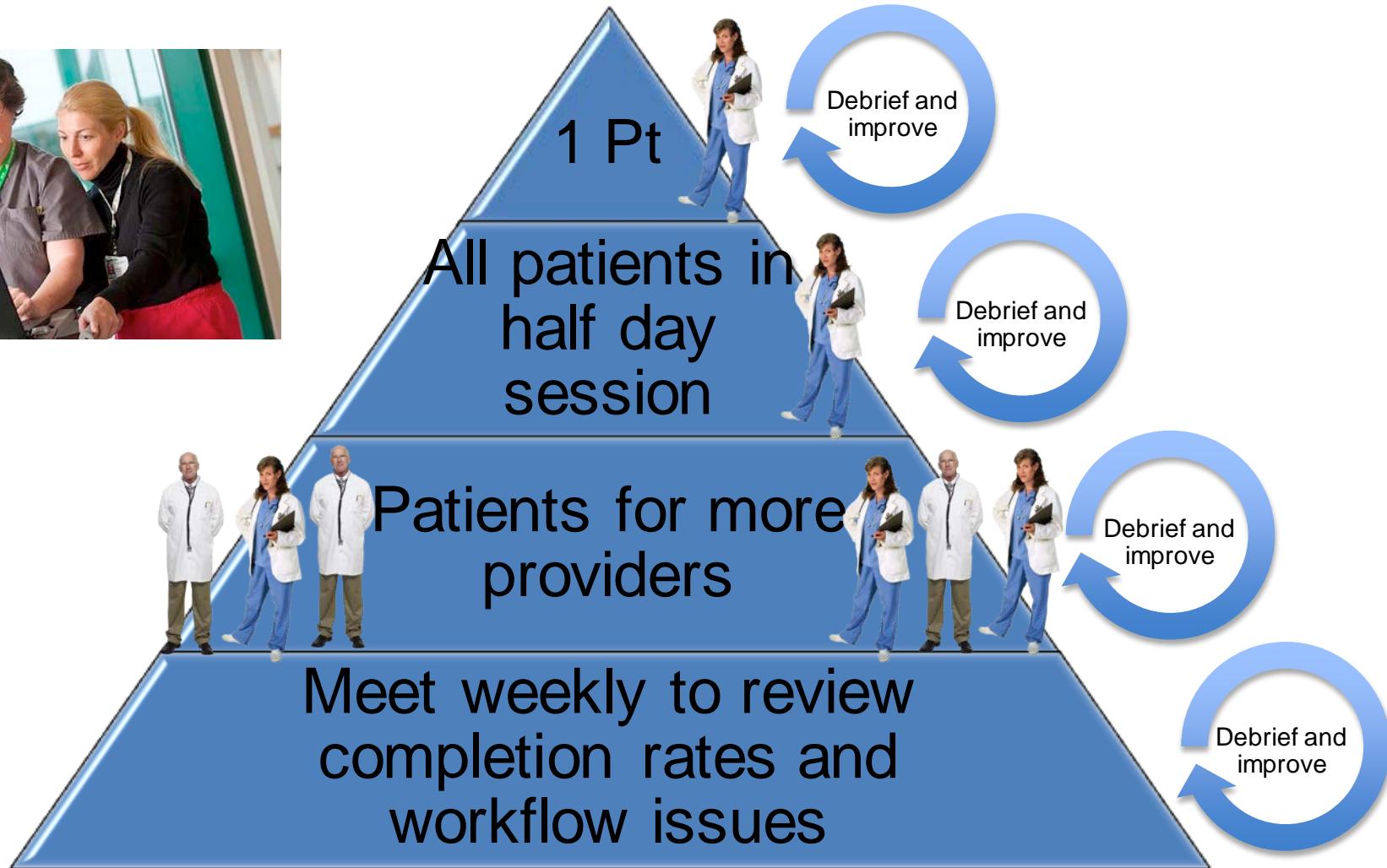
- Volunteers testing design interface
- Capture and track recommendations



The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet titled "Patient Experience" with the following data:

A	B	C	D	E	
1	Priority	Category	Issue Description	Epic Planning	Areas of Focus
2	Critical	Fix	Appointment reminder should not send multiple messages to MyChart users!	FIXED ?	Patient Experience
3	Critical	Enhancement	Throttling of history questionnaire answers for patients who are new in multiple department within a short period of time	History throttling SU to 2010	Patient Experience
4	Critical	Fix	Notify patients of questionnaires when they become available for appointments in MyChart	Reminders 2012	Patient Experience
5	High	Enhancement	Show a diagram in MyChart and Welcome that allows patients to draw areas of pain, with different colors and "pens" to indicate different types and levels of pain.	Denali possible SU to 2012	Patient Experience
6	High	Enhancement	Hide questions and questionnaires based on configurable timeframes so questions do not get asked multiple times for different reasons or triggers.	General Q Preload Denali	Questionnaire Mechanics
7	High	Enhancement	The family history data entry in MyChart should be easier to use, it is currently confusing and cumbersome	Health Hx 2012	Patient Experience
8	High	Fix	Welcome family history questions should not default to No if the patient has not answered the question previously	Health Hx 2012	Questionnaire Mechanics
9	High	Missing	The family history questions should be able to collect adopted/family history unknown status	Health Hx 2012	Patient Experience
10	High	Missing	The family history questions should be able to collect family status history (living, deceased, etc...)	Health Hx 2012	Patient Experience
11	High	Fix	Family member name should not be required to display in MyC+Wel	Health Hx 2012	Patient Experience
12	High	Fix	Default answers to questions based on the histories on file if data exists	History PreLoad 2012	Provider Expectations
13	High	Enhancement	Create the ability to ask history questions every X number of days - tie to throttling	History throttling SU to 2010	Patient Experience
			Create the ability to have flexibility in formatting questions in MyChart on		

# Frontline Team needs Training



# Questionnaire .phrases

Progress Note

[Create Note in NoteWriter](#) [Create Note](#)

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[Edit in NoteWriter](#) [Edit](#) [Delete](#)

PHQ9 Depression Screening:

PHQ9	6/11/2013
<b>Little interest or pleasure</b>	Several days
<b>Down, depressed, hopeless</b>	More than half the days
<b>Trouble sleeping</b>	Several days
<b>Tired or no energy</b>	More than half the days
<b>Poor appetite or overeating</b>	More than half the days
<b>Feeling like a failure</b>	Several days
<b>Trouble concentrating (newspaper)</b>	More than half the days
<b>Moving or speaking slowly</b>	Several days
<b>Would be better off dead</b>	Several days
<b>PHQ9 Scores</b>	13 (Moderate Depression)

PHQ9 Questionnaires Data (Clinic and Pt Entered): last 4 values of depression scores

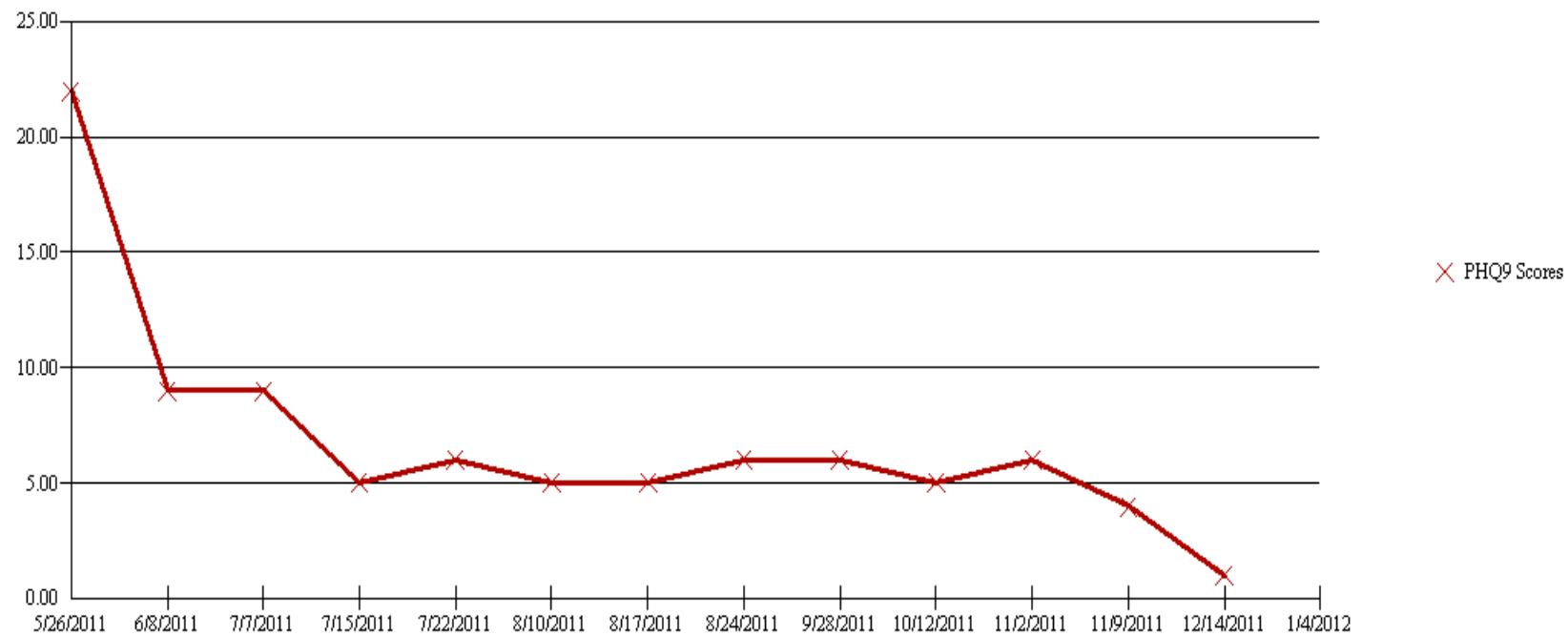
	6/11/2013	6/17/2013	7/11/2013	7/17/2013
PHQ9 Questionnaire Scores Only				
<b>PHQ - 9 Score (Clinic)</b>	-	13 (Moderate Depression)	12 (Moderate Depression)	0 (No Depression)
<b>PHQ - 9 Score (Patient)</b>	13 (Moderate Depression)	-	-	-

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PHQ 9 DEPRESSION SCREENING [294]

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## Flowsheet Data



Bar Chart



Line Graph

Refresh

Print Graph

Show Flowsheet



# Patient Data Displays?



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# **My Own Health Report (MOHR) Project**

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**...on Behalf of the MOHR Investigator Group**

**Funded by NCI, AHRQ, and OBSSR**

# Purpose

To test the feasibility of assessing and providing feedback on 10 key health behavior, mental health risk, and substance abuse factors in diverse primary care settings.

Krist, A. H., et al. Designing a valid randomized pragmatic primary care implementation trial...MOHR) project. *Implement Sci*, 2013 Jun 25;8:73

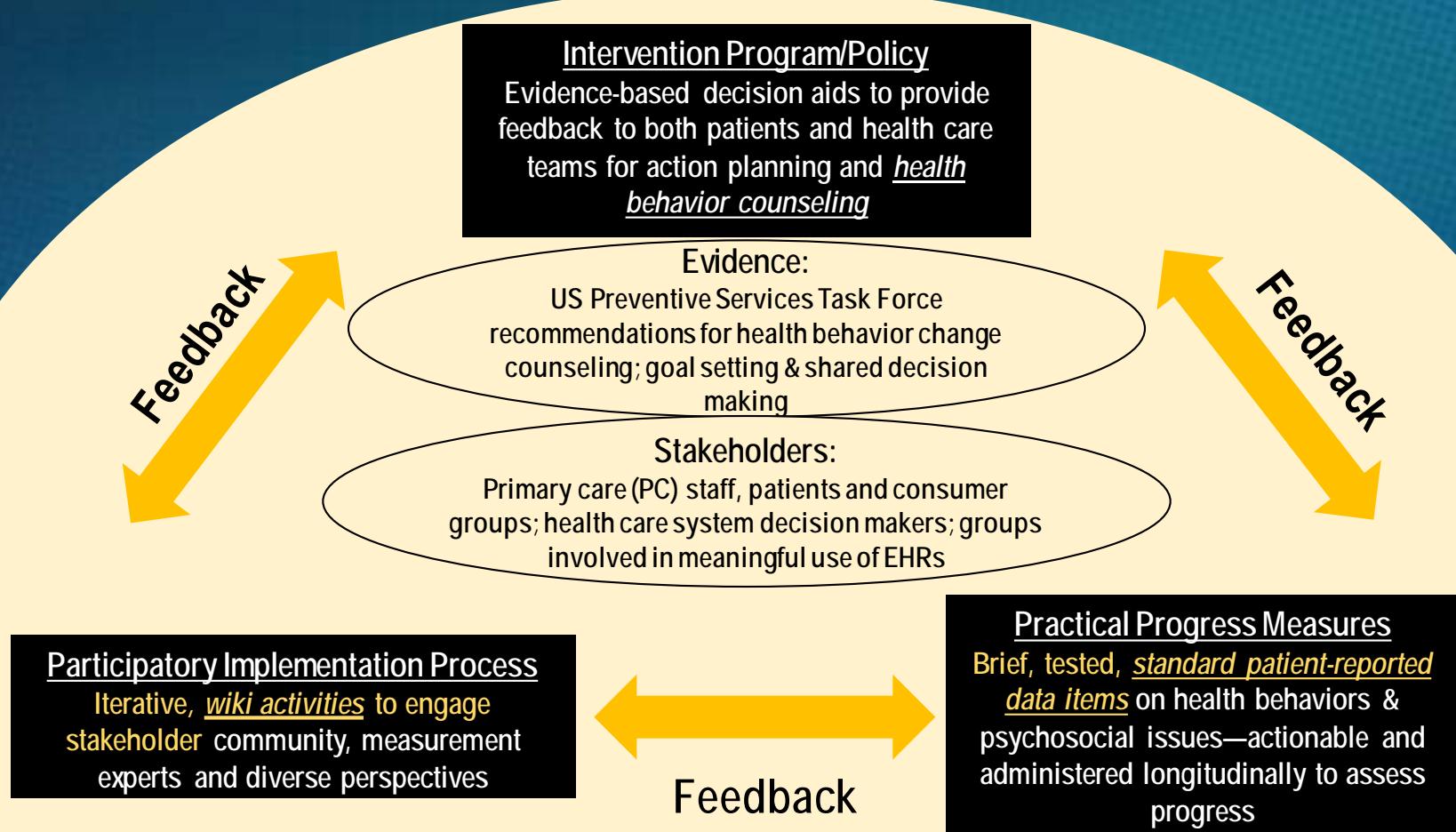
# Rationale for MOHR

- Behavioral and mental health issues account for large share of preventable deaths, disability, and health care costs
- Patient report and health behaviors are not routinely assessed or part of the medical record
- Logically impossible to be patient centered if do not assess and respond to patient reports and preferences
- Practices need help and structure to do this—that does not interfere with their other goals

# What's Different about This Example?

- In primary care—need to address *many* things
- PR items asked had to be **actionable** and broadly applicable (as well as valid, reliable, and **exceedingly brief**)
- Intent was to use items for both **clinical** (individual and panel) and **research** purposes
- Needed to provide immediate **summary feedback** to patient/family and primary care team
- **myownhealthreport.org** in public domain

# Evidence Integration Triangle (EIT)—A Patient-centered Care Example

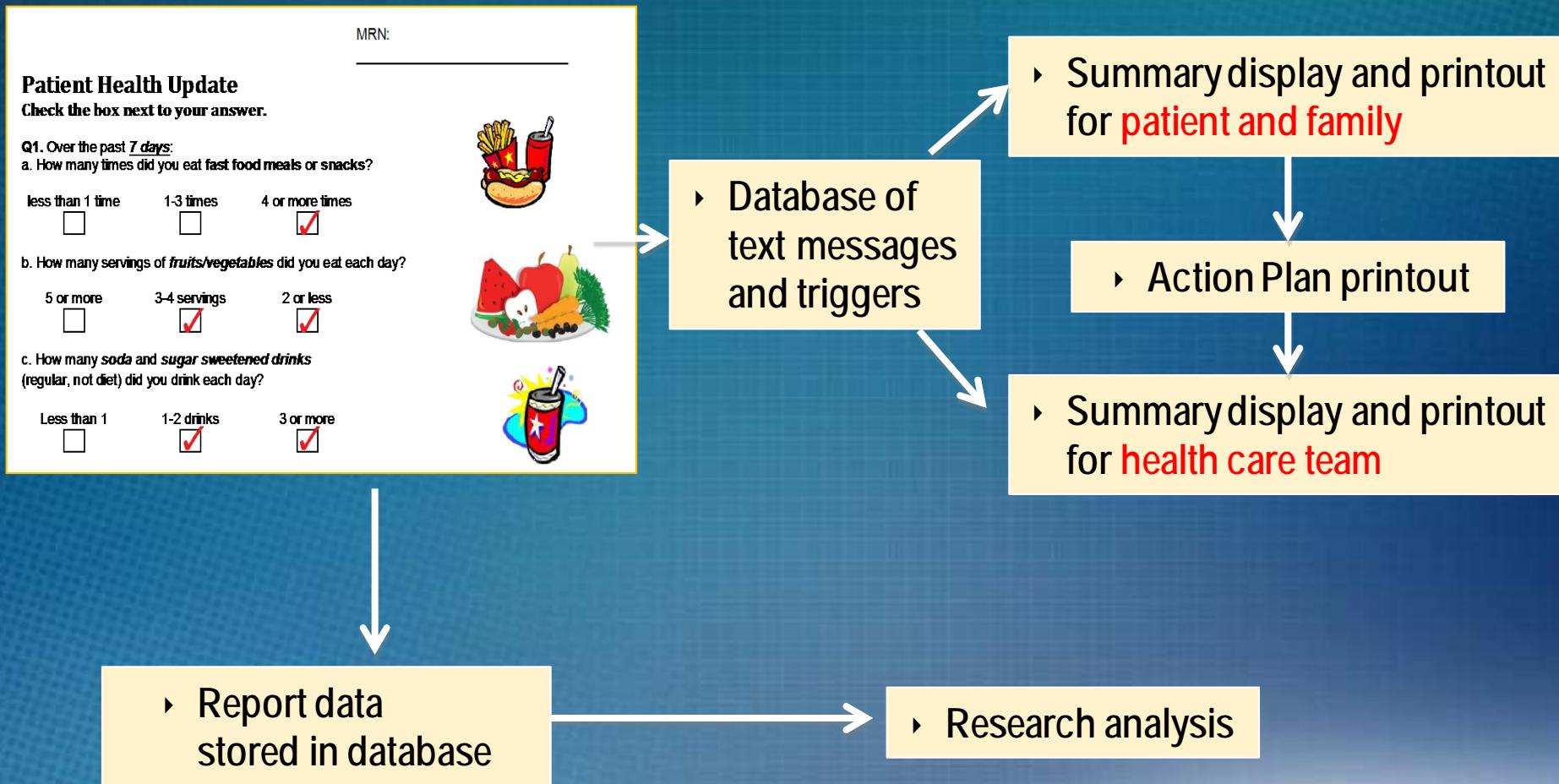


# MOHR Measures for Adult Primary Care

Domain	Final Measure (Source)
1. Overall Health Status	1 item: BRFSS Questionnaire
2. <b>Eating Patterns</b>	3 items: Modified from Starting the Conversation (STC) [Adapted from Paxton AE et al. <i>Am J Prev Med</i> 2011;40(1):67-71]
3. <b>Physical Activity</b>	2 items: The Exercise Vital Sign [Sallis R. <i>Br J Sports Med</i> 2011;45(6):473-474]
4. <b>Stress</b>	1 item: Distress Thermometer [Roth AJ, et al. <i>Cancer</i> 1998;15(82):1904-1908]
5. <b>Anxiety and Depression</b>	4 items: Patient Health Questionnaire—Depression & Anxiety (PHQ-4) [Kroenke K, et al. <i>Psychosomatics</i> 2009;50(6):613-621]
6. <b>Sleep</b>	2 items: a. Adapted from BRFSS b. Neuro-QOL [Item PQSLP04]
7. <b>Smoking/Tobacco Use</b>	2 items: Tobacco Use Screener [Adapted from YRBSS Questionnaire]
8. <b>Risky Drinking</b>	1 item: Alcohol Use Screener [Smith et al. <i>J Gen Int Med</i> 2009;24(7):783-788]
9. <b>Substance Abuse</b>	1 item: NIDA Quick Screen [Smith PC et al. <i>Arch Int Med</i> 2010;170(13):1155-1160]
10. Demographics	9 items: Sex, date of birth, race, ethnicity, English fluency, occupation, household income, marital status, education, address, insurance status, veteran's status. Multiple sources including: Census Bureau, IOM, and <i>National Health Interview Survey (NHIS)</i>

# My Own Health Report (MOHR)

## Web-based Assessment and Feedback Tool



# MOHR Project—Key Points

- Cluster randomized trial of 9 clinic pairs, staggered early and late intervention
- Approximately half of clinics community health centers, others AHRQ-type PBRN clinics
- Designing for flexibility and adoption—e.g., varying levels of clinic integration of EHRs, different levels and modalities of decision aids
- **WHAT is delivered**—e.g., automated assessment tool, feedback, goal setting materials, follow-up are **STANDARD**
- **HOW this is delivered is customized to setting**
- Study goal = Sustainable, routine use of intervention



# MOHR Key Outcomes

- Primary Outcome = Percent and representativeness of patients **who have a personalized action plan** set ('meaningful use')
- Secondary Outcomes = Percent who receive follow-up contacts; improvement on health behaviors and mental health issues; **costs and resources required**; **adaptations** made
- Note: At this point not integrated into the diverse EHRs



## **MOHR: Current Status**

- Completing intervention phase
- Different cultures in PBRNs and community health (safety net providers for low income and uninsured) centers
- This trial will be fast, inexpensive, implementation informative...and not definitive
- Key focus is implementation: reach, equity and 'fit' in diverse settings are central.

# MOHR: Lessons Learned to Date

- Each clinic, population, and IRB is different
- Key to pragmatic study success is **balancing fidelity** (to evidence-based principles not static protocol) **with context-sensitive adaptation**
- **Context Changes**—and needs repeated, multi-method assessment
- Patients have **multiple needs**—average of **over 6 areas**
- Cost, resource, and time issues are central
- Importance of **flexibility** for researchers and clinics—e.g., to fit local flow, priorities, **modality and timing** preferences

# For More Information on MOHR

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**[healthpolicy.ucla.edu/mohr](http://healthpolicy.ucla.edu/mohr)**

# Other Data Collected in MOHR

- Cost
  - Collected 2x in early intervention sites
- Clinic Context
  - Collected 3x pre-, mid-, post-intervention, qualitative template
- Project Context
  - Collected once, end of project, open-ended survey of key project stakeholders (e.g., researchers, funders)
- Post-Implementation Interview
  - Group interview, clinic staff

# Future Pragmatic Needs and Opportunities: Keys to Advance Translation in MOHR and in General

- Health equity impacts—along multiple dimensions of RE-AIM
- Context—key factors that may moderate results, measurement
- Scalability—potential to impact large numbers
- Sustainability
- Patient / citizen / consumer and community perspective and engagement throughout
- Multi-level interactions, especially between policy and practice



# PRO, EMR and research : the Cleveland Clinic experience

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# Knowledge Program

## Background

- Originated 2007 as a collaboration between Neurological Institute, Imaging Institute and Information Technology Division at Cleveland Clinic
- Disease Outcome Integration

## Neurological Institute:

- 15 disease based Centers of Specialty
- Clinics Main Campus & 15 Ambulatory Health Centers
- 154,944 ambulatory visits 2010

## 2007 -- Spine Center and KP – New strategy needed

Need patient centered outcomes

Need efficient data entry

Need efficient workflow

high volume center, multiple providers at multiple locations

What health status measures do we use?

Faculty polled and ...

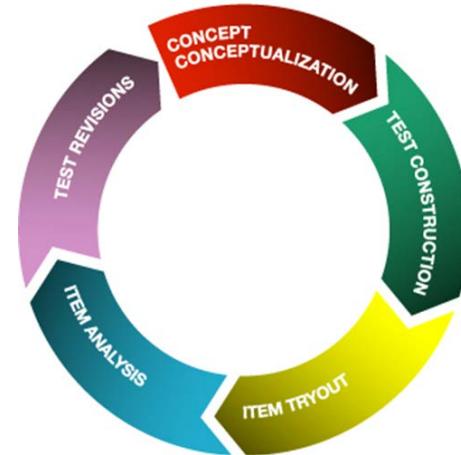
MOS-36, ODI, NDI, Euroqol, VAS, PHQ-9, PDI

# What happened?

Forms not completed – too long

Forms not completed – slowed down clinic too much

Forms not completed – not available at remote locations

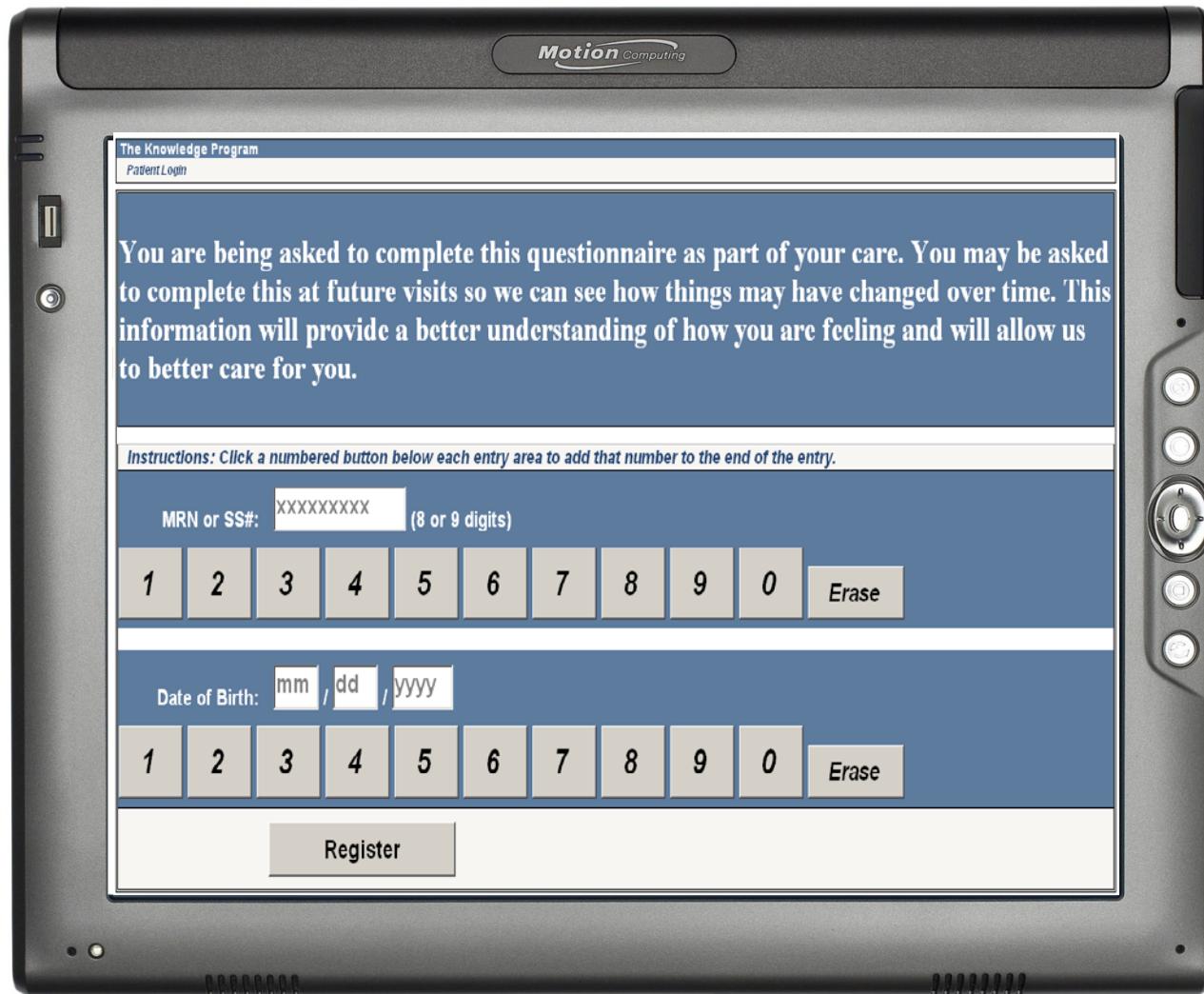


# Spine Center and KP -- where are we now?

## Changed strategy for outcome measures

- Broke with tradition – MOS-36 / ODI / NDI/ PDI dumped
- Rational design of outcome measures to cover multiple domains
  - EuroQol
  - Patient Disability Questionnaire
  - PHQ-9
  - VAS
  - Work status
  - Personality inventory
  - (JOA)

# Tablet Entry



Progress: 

Save & Exit

Please indicate which statement best describes your own health state today.

### Section 1: Mobility

Select one of the following responses:

**I have no problems in walking about.**

I have some problems in walking about.

I am confined to bed.

Next Question

Progress: 

Save & Exit

Does your pain interfere with your normal work inside and outside the home?

Please answer every question by clicking on the line to show how much your pain problem has affected you (from having no problems at all to having the most severe problems you can imagine).



Work normally

Unable to work at all

Previous Question

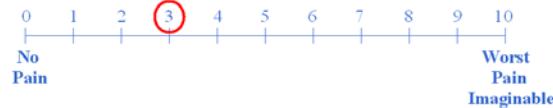
Next Question

Progress: 

Save & Exit

How would you best describe your CURRENT level of head/face pain?

Please select the number on the scale (by clicking on the number) which best describes your response.



Previous Question

Next Question

# Physician workflow

Patient and Physician-entered data within The Knowledge Program (TKP) Database System

Back Forward Stop Refresh Home Print

The Knowledge Program [This is a TEST or RELEASE environment. For PRODUCTION please click here.](#) Current User: [Speck] @ [TKPREL]

Health Status Assessments

**Center for Spine Health**  
Questionnaire status: Not Started

**Patient: Zzec, Test** MRN: 46052137 Date of birth: 01/10/1984

[Links ==> bottom of page | provider section](#)

**E** European Quality of Life (EQ-5D): Index = 0.778 (range: -0.109 to 1.0, a higher score indicates a better quality of life)

- Mobility: (2) I have some problems in walking about.
- Self-Care: (1) I have no problems with self-care.

**P** - Usual Activities: (2) I have some problems with performing my usual activities.

- Pain / Discomfort: (2) I have moderate pain or discomfort.
- Anxiety / Depression: (1) I am not anxious or depressed.

**S** - Health state: 57 (0 - 100, a higher score indicates a better perceived health state)

**V** [Review](#) [Comments:](#) [Flowsheet](#)

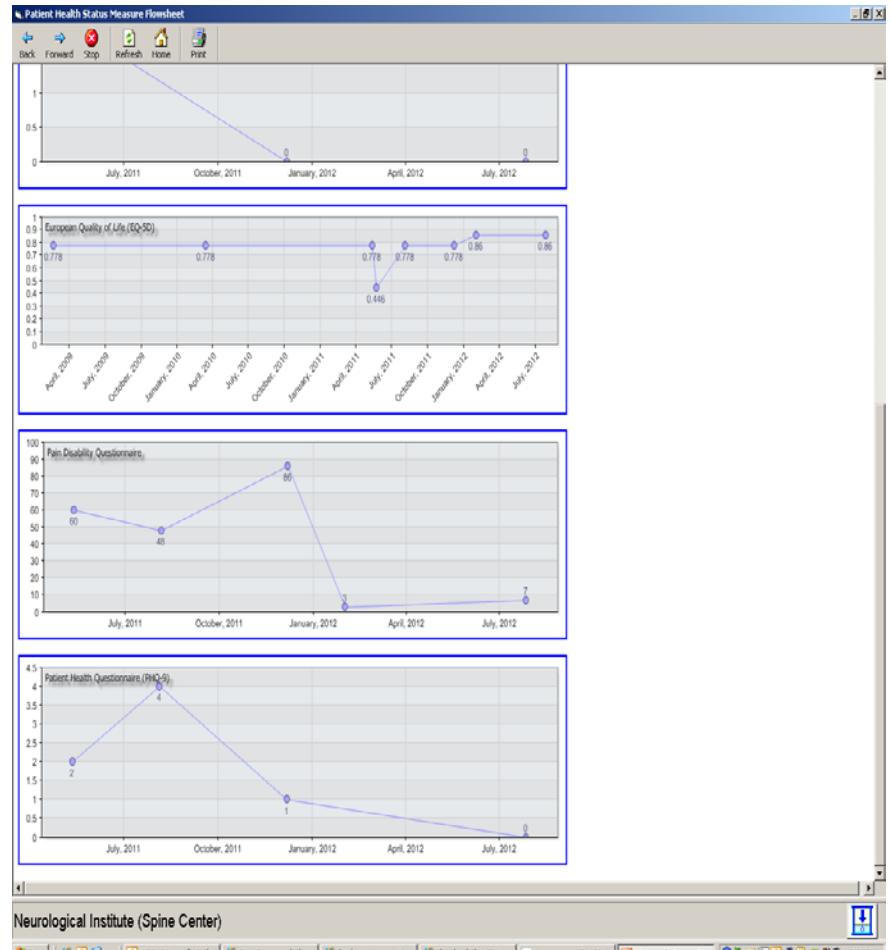
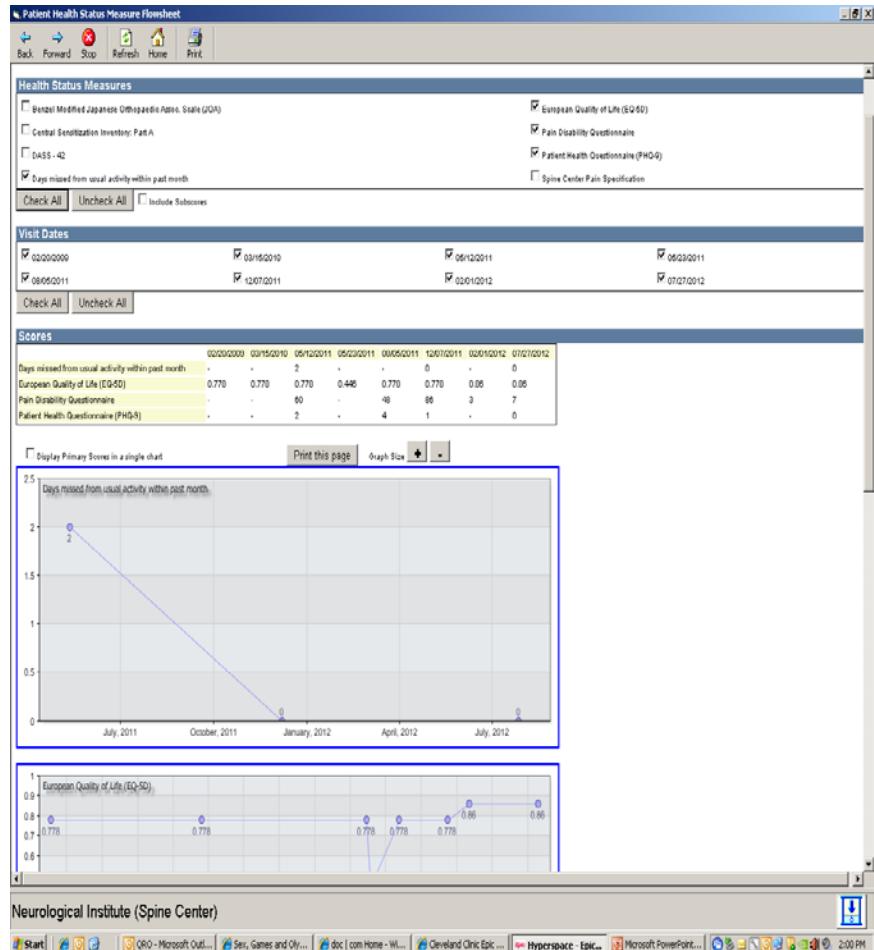
**P** Pain Disability Questionnaire

- Functional Status Component: 40
- Psychosocial Component: 21

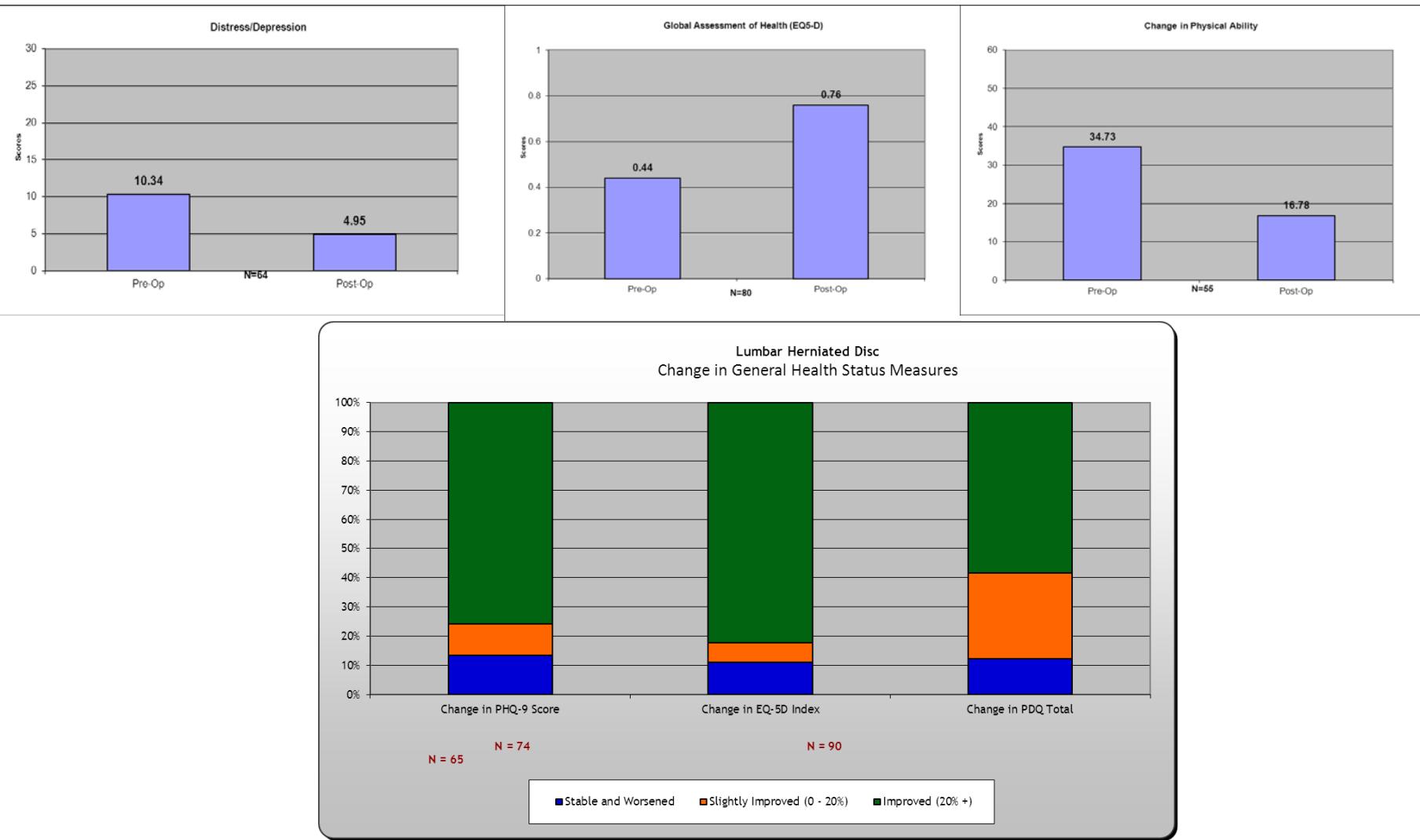
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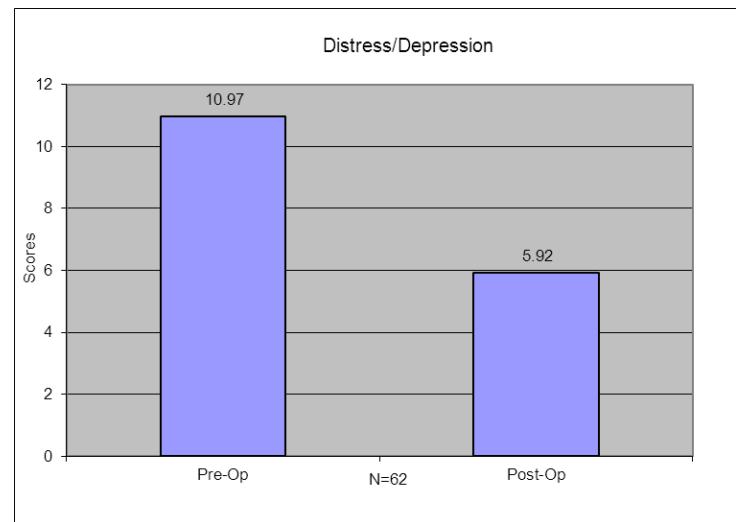
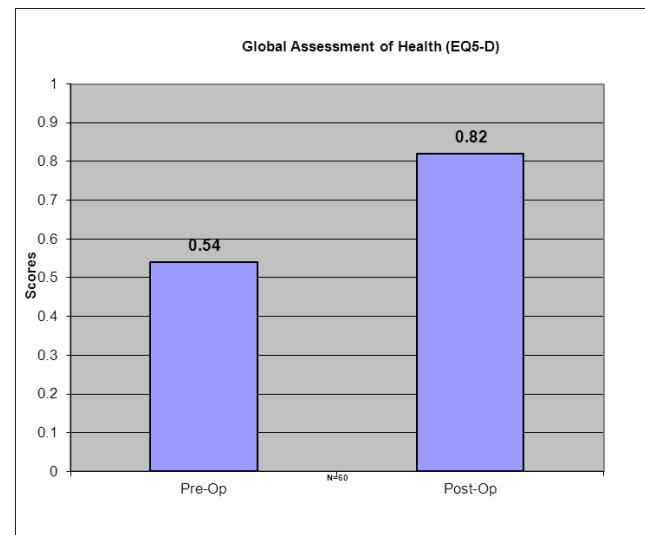
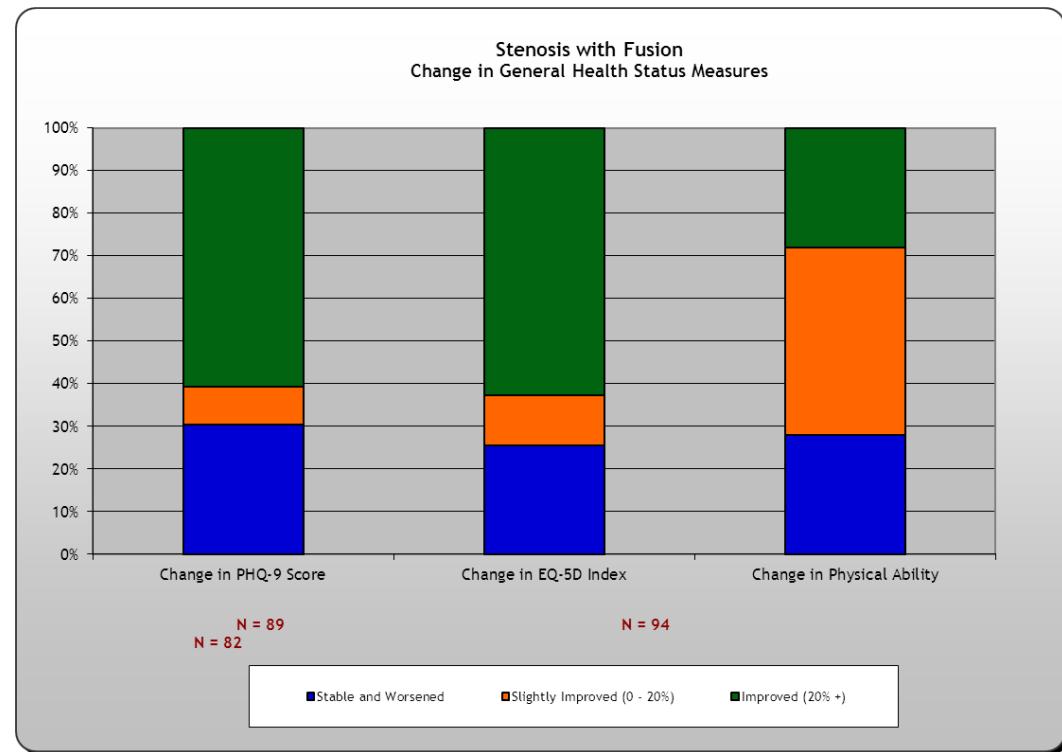
# Real Patient –s/p TLIF 12/12/11



# Knowledge Program Outcomes



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## Current Studies:

Comparative effectiveness of TLIF vs PLF in degenerative spondylolisthesis

Comparative effectiveness of ACDF vs cervical foraminotomy

Does improvement in mJOA scores after surgery for cervical myelopathy correlate with improvement in quality of life scores?

Does obesity have an effect on outcomes in patients undergoing spinal fusion for degenerative spondylolisthesis

- Fellow: Dhaliwal

Cost of surgery vs outcome

- Resident: Rosenbaum

Cell salvage vs blood transfusion – effects on cost and outcomes

- Resident: Rosenbaum

Effect of microdiscectomy on depression scores in patients with radiculopathy

- Fellow: Anderson

## What have we learned?

KP extremely powerful tool for research

Important to have a well designed battery of outcomes instruments

Need to keep questionnaires as short as possible

## Frustrations:

- Incomplete data sets!
  - Sub-optimal completion rate
  - Inconsistent follow-up
  - Length of follow-up
- Efficiency of data extraction / searches
- No “gold standard” for outcomes measures / cost analysis
  - Commonly used spine measures are long
  - Up hill battle to change “standard” measures
- Difficulty obtaining long term follow-up (financial pressures)

## Future?

Decouple PRO from clinical encounter

Standardize follow-up across practice

Refine measures (PROMIS)?

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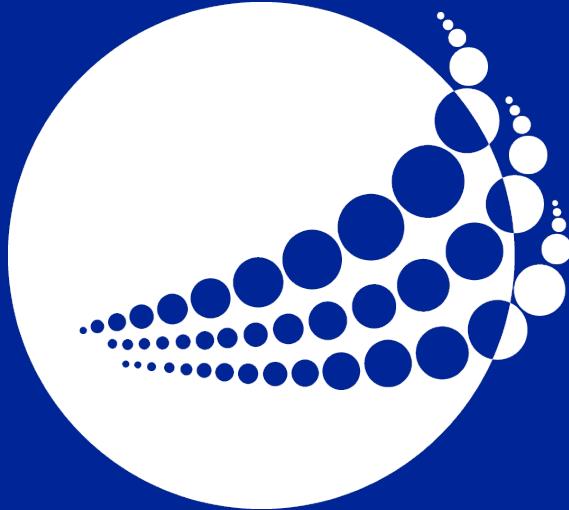
## Research and Clinical Uses of EMRs and PROs

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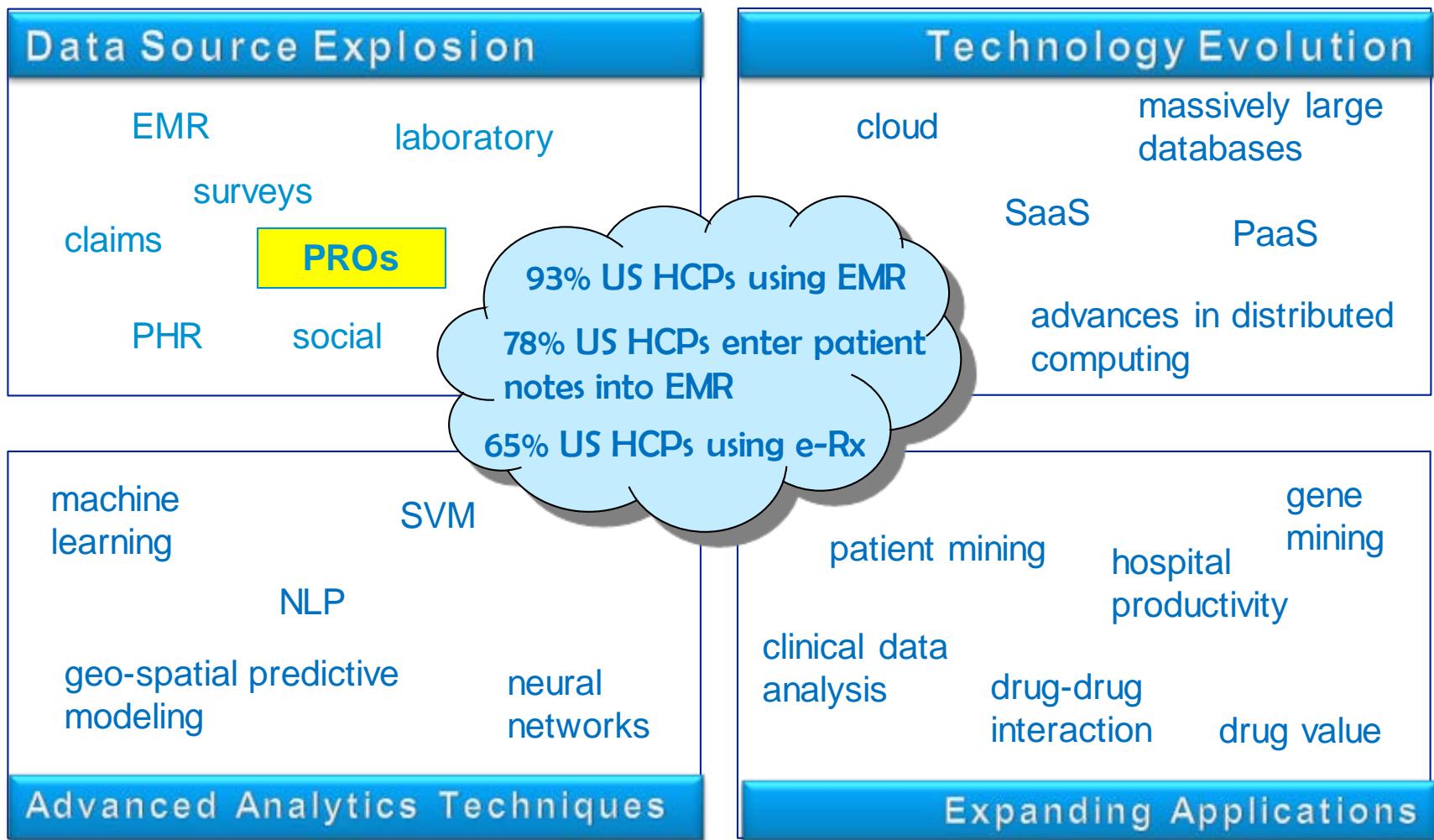


*Enhancing Real World Insights Together*



REAL WORLD DATA & ANALYTICS

# Current Landscape



: <http://new.sroom.accenture.com/news/emr-and-hie-use-increases-among-us-doctors-accenture-annual-survey-finds.htm>

# What is Real World Data?

Real World Data is healthcare data used for decision making that is not collected in conventional randomized controlled trials (RCTs)

Sources of Real World Data:

Databases

- Cross-sectional and longitudinal databases which essentially provide retrospective data but increasingly offer the opportunity to have prospective add-ins.

Surveys

Pt Reported  
Measurements

EMRs

- Primarily for epidemiological information.

- Used to reflect particular insights in patient management.

Cohort  
studies

- What most people would understand by real life studies.

Pragmatic  
clinical trials

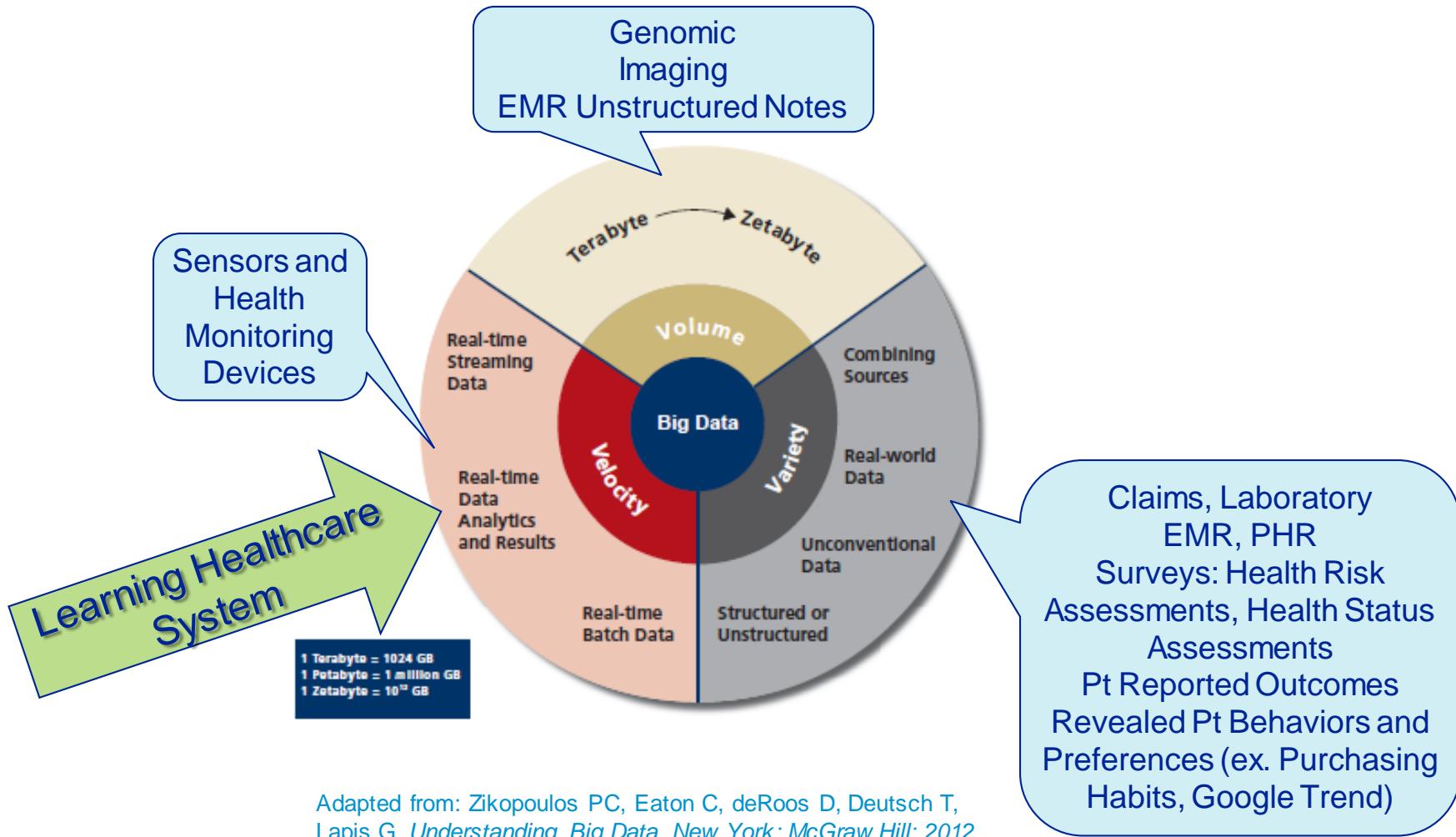
- Simple experimental trials, where efforts are however made to mimic a real life situation as much as possible.

Registries

- Analyzing all patients treated at a particular center for a particular condition on a continuous basis.

- “Using Real-World Data for Coverage and Payment Decisions: The ISPOR Real-World Data Task Force Report,” Value in Health, Volume 10, November 5, 2007.
- Annemans, L., Aristides, M., Kubin, M. “Real-Life Data: A Growing Need,” ISPOR Connections 2007.

# Real World Data is Big Data



# Typical RW Studies and Analyses

## Research & Analysis

- Natural Hx of Disease
- Treatment Patterns
- Burden of Illness
- Response to Treatment
- Adherence/Persistence
- Comparative Effectiveness
  - Individual Treatments
  - Systems of Care
- Health Care Resource Use
- Cost-Effectiveness
- Predictive Modeling
  - Tx Choice, Brand Choice
  - Disease Progression – **Pt Heterogeneity**
  - Response to Therapy – **Pt Heterogeneity**

## Clinical Care

- Assess Quality of Care
  - Support Quality Improvement Efforts
  - Compare outcomes among providers & centers
- Assess Cost of Care
  - Manage HC expenditures
  - Compare costs among providers & centers
- Identify patients for specific interventions
  - Disease / Care Management
    - **Patient Heterogeneity**
  - Screening
- Risk Estimation and Management
  - Benefit Design, Contracting

# Who Can Respond to Treatment?

## *Identifying Patient Characteristics Related to Heterogeneity of Treatment Effects*

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**Background:** Interest in comparative effectiveness research and the rising number of negative or “small effect” trials have stimulated research into differential response to treatment among subgroups of patients.

**Objective:** To develop and test the Potential for Benefit Scale (PBS), a composite measure to identify subgroups of patients with differential potential for response to treatment, using diabetes as a model.

**Design:** Cross-sectional and longitudinal cohort study.

**Subjects and Setting:** Type 2 diabetes patients ( $n = 1361$ ) were identified from 7 outpatient clinics serving a diverse population. Of these, 611 completed a 1-year follow-up.

**Measures:** To represent patients’ health status, we used the Total Illness Burden Index, the Physical Function Index of the SF-36, the Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale, and the Diabetes Burden Scale. To represent personality characteristics related to health, we used the Provider-Dependent Health Care Orientation scale. We assessed the contribution of these measures to a composite scale of patients’ potential for treatment response in terms of self-reported medication adherence and glycemic control.

**Key Words:** heterogeneity of treatment effects, comorbidity, diabetes

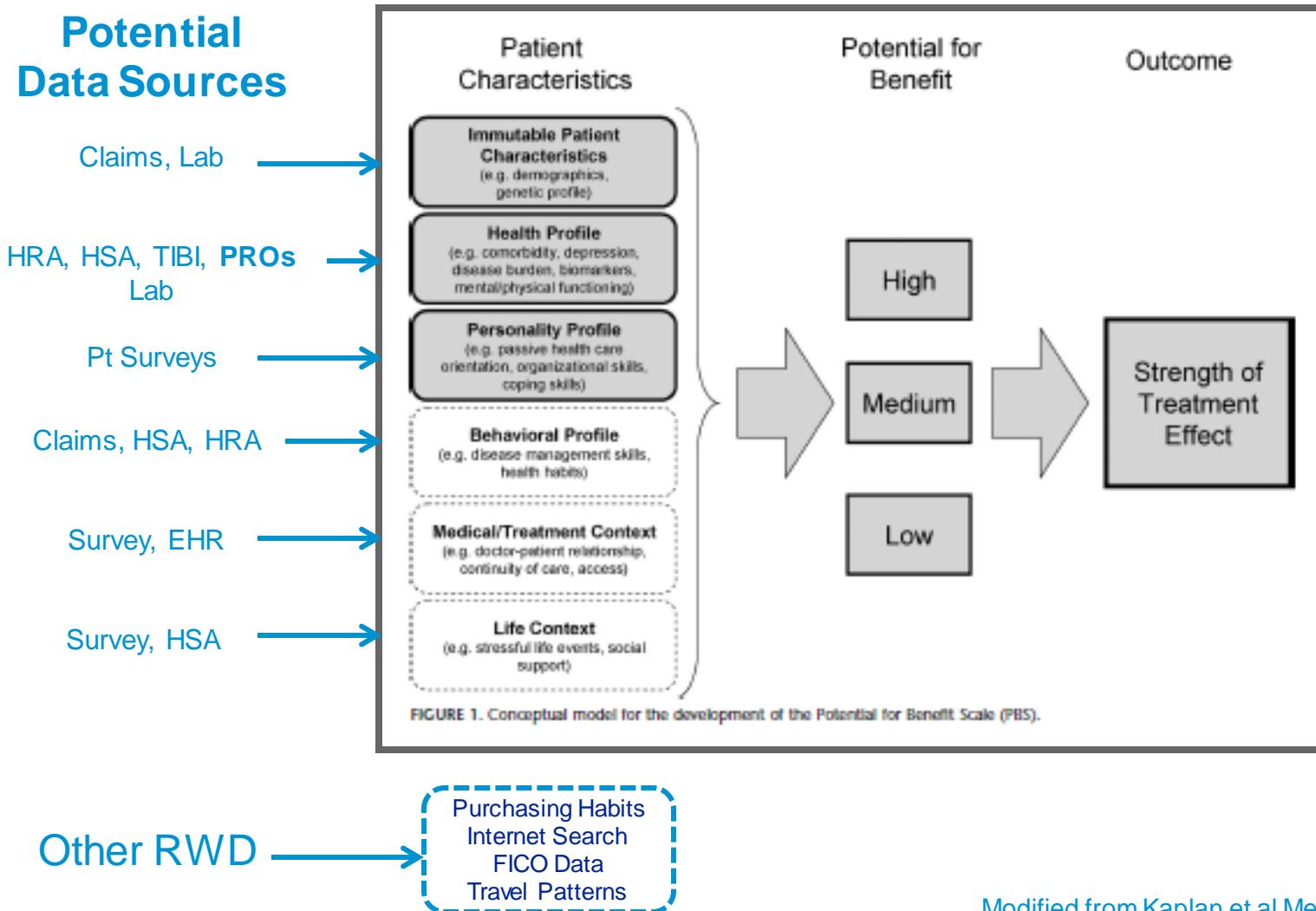
(*Med Care* 2010;48: S9–S16)

■ *If it were not for the great variability among individuals, medicine might as well be a science and not an art.*

—Sir William Osler, *The Principles and Practice of Medicine* 1892

Called “heterogeneity of treatment effects,” the recognition that patients vary in response to treatment is not a new concept, as illustrated by the quote from Sir William Osler from 1892. However, the recent re-emergence of this concept in the clinical and statistical literature is a reflection of its sustained importance for clinical practice, clinical guidelines, and most importantly, for the design and conduct of clinical trials.<sup>1–6</sup> The need to understand and respond to patient variation in treatment response has been

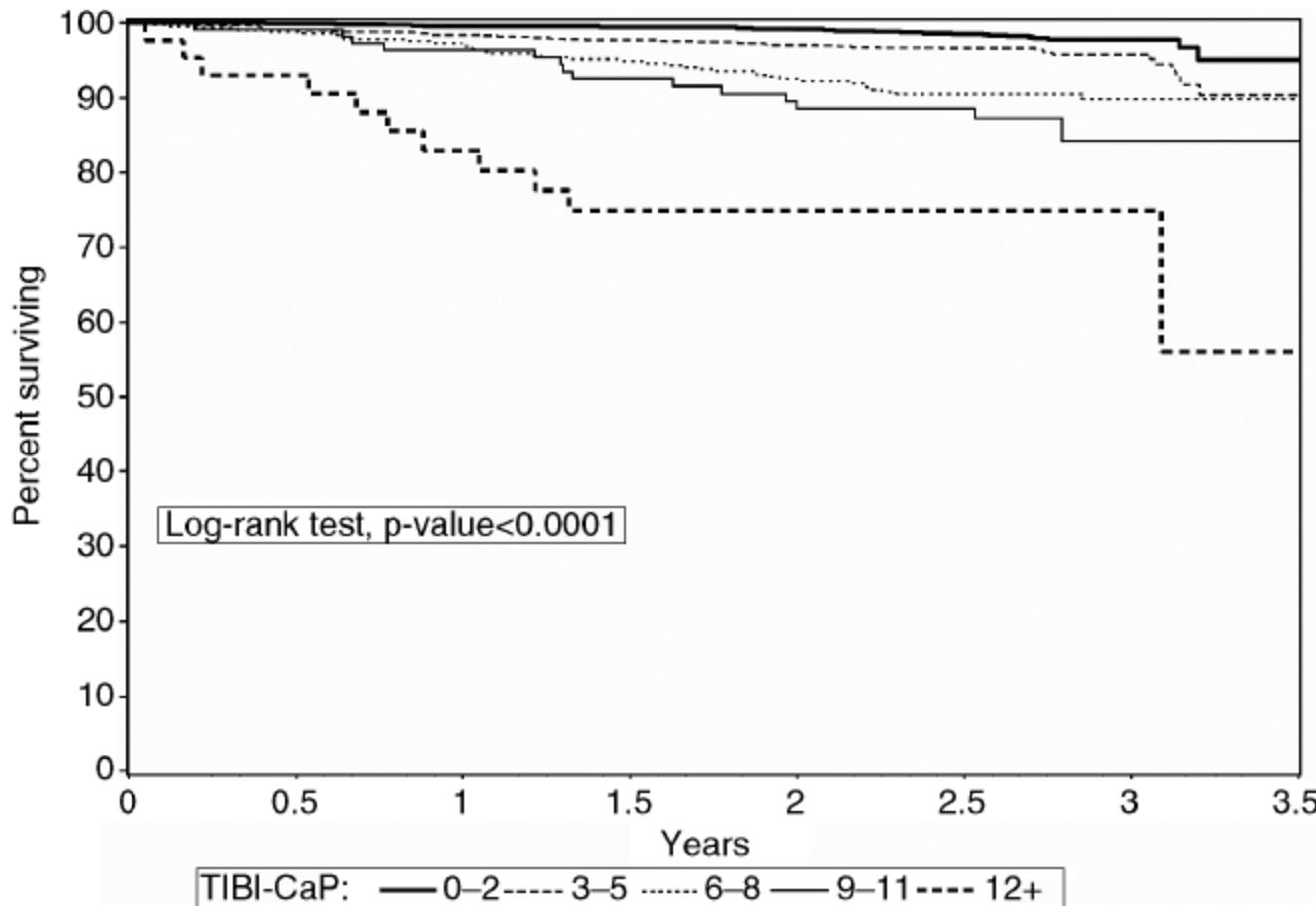
# Patient Reported Measurements and Other RWD may assist in assessing Patient Heterogeneity



Modified from Kaplan et al [Medical Care](#)

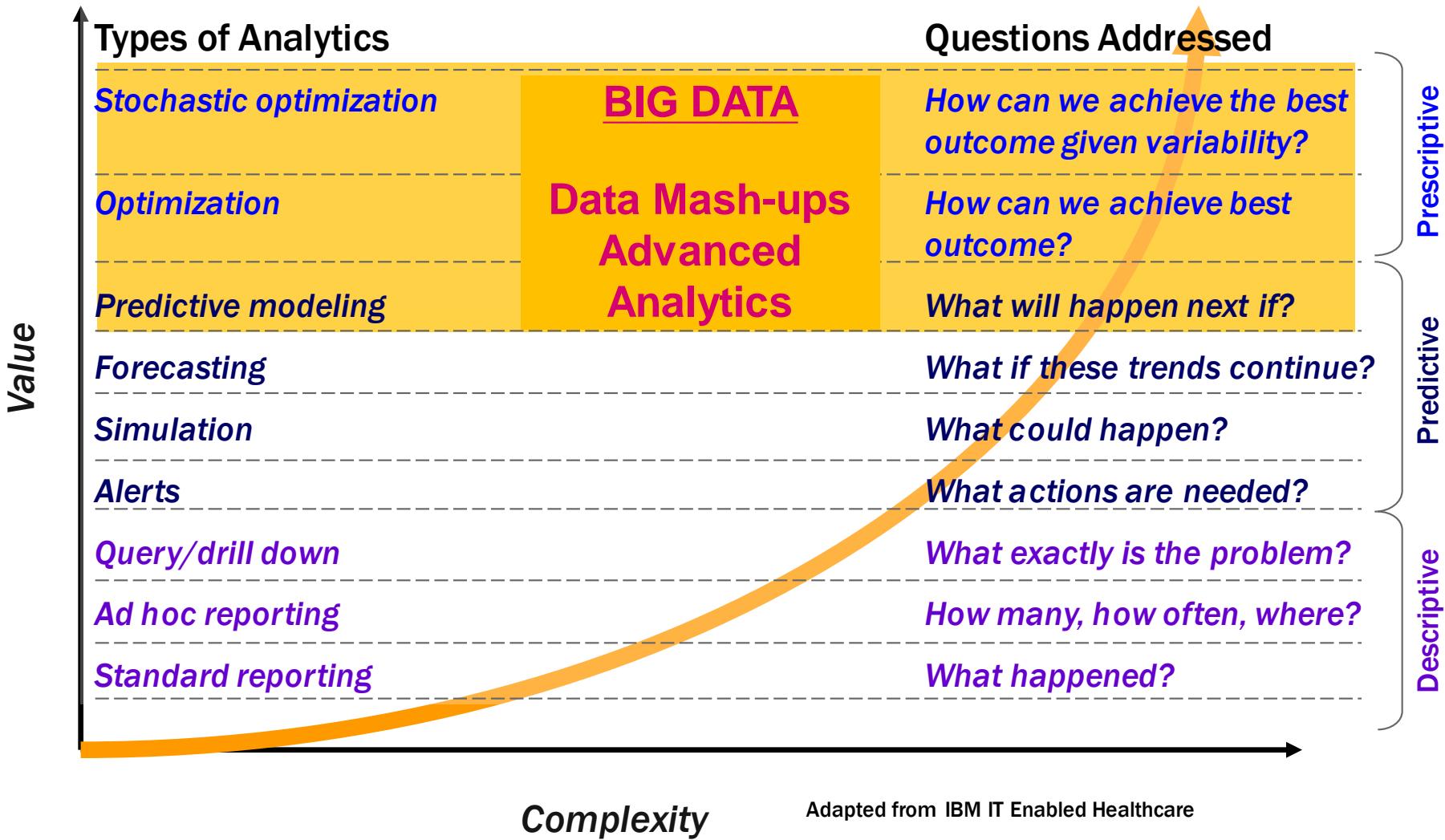
# 179 The Total Illness Burden Index

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\* N = 135 deaths unrelated to prostate cancer

# RW Research → Moving up in Value



# Challenges

- Current EMRs are not designed to support research
  - Structured and Unstructured Data
  - Ease of data extraction to create analyzable data sets
- Use of Natural Language Processing to extract Patient Reported Measures from Unstructured Notes
  - Missing Data is a big problem
  - Loss of information as data is structured
- Embedding standardized Patient Reported Measures into Clinical Practice
  - Cleveland Clinic experience → Must make Clinician's job easier
    - 5 clicks for rehab
- Patient confidentiality, data ownership, and the opportunity for data integration / data mash-ups
  - Potential role of patient as true data owner

# QUESTIONS?

