

Open Source Platform for Measuring Health Outcomes and a Learning Based System

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Sandra with Complex Regional Pain Syndrome (CRPS)

"It's that feeling, if you're digging through the bottom of a cooler, and you just get that burning sensation because your arm is so

cold,"





How do you know whether you have helped Sandra or a particular patient?

How do you know when a certain treatment is better than another for a specific patient?





The Problem with Randomized Controlled Trials and Chronic Pain



10% of persons with chronic pain qualify for clinical trials

90% do not qualify!!!

Experiences With Pain – Institute of Medicine Report

- Affects 100 Million Americans
- Indirect/direct medical expenses US \$560-\$630 Billion/year
- Pain can become a disease

IOM Finding 2-2. More consistent data on pain are needed. Bottom line: We need better data!!



INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMES Institute of Medicine – Relieving Pain In America 2011

Institute of Medicine: Need for Patient Registries and Learning Health Systems

"There is a need for greater development and use of **patient outcome registries** that can support point-of-care treatment decision making, as well as for aggregation of large numbers of patients to enable assessment of the safety and effectiveness of therapies.

"We seek the development of a **learning health system** in which science, informatics, incentives and culture are aligned for continuous improvement and innovation – with best practices seamlessly embedded in the delivery process and new knowledge captured as an integral byproduct of the delivery experience"





- Open source, open standard, highly flexible, and free health and treatment registry and platform for a learning health system
- Point of care decision making
- Comparative effectiveness research
- Longitudinal outcomes research
- Large simple trial designs
- Software based decision making



CHOIR: Data Capture System Features

- Easy to use data entry for patients, staff and clinicians
- · Clinical workflow support e.g. notify patient of survey URL prior to clinical appointment
- Data import support for automated data entry (e.g. EMR) for medications and other treatments, medical conditions, costs, etc.
- Point of care reporting to support clinical decision making









Computerized Adaptive Testing (CAT) Applied to Health Care



Suppose our subject score is 73 on a 1 to 100 scale of Physical Function

PROMIS Metric: Comparability to the US Population

- T Score
- Mean = 50
- SD = 10



https://dhs.stanford.edu/spatial-humanities/comparing-population-density-and-wikipedia-density-on-gis-day/

Stanford Pain Management Center

- · Interdisciplinary, coordinated comprehensive approach to pain management
- Use of validated outcomes assuring optimal patient assessment and care
- Over 14,000 patient visits (2014)
- · 21 Physician Pain Faculty All Boarded in Pain Medicine
 - Anesthesiology
 - Internal Medicine
 - Physiatry
 - Neurology
 - Addiction Medicine
- 4 Pain Psychologists Faculty
 - Pain Psychology training program
- Physical therapy, Nutrition, Biofeedback, Acupuncture
- · Strong connection and translation with pain research group



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Stanford Pain Management Center: Integrated Comprehensive Model of Care



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Initial and Follow-Up Surveys

Initial Survey – 22 min

- Demographics
- Prior Treatments, Pain Beliefs
- Interactive Body Map
- PROMIS 9 domain measures:
 - Pain Intensity, Pain Behavior, Pain Interference, Fatigue, Physical Function, Depression, Anxiety, Sleep Disturbance, Sleep Related Impairment
- Pain Catastrophizing Questionnaire (PCS)
- Follow up Survey 9 min
 - Interactive Body Map
 - PROMIS 9 domain measures as above
 - PCS

NIH PROMIS		Legacy		Burden	
Domain	# Items CHOIR CAT v1	Instrument	# Items	Reduction	
Anger	6.24 ± 1.21	Buss-Perry Aggression Questionnaire (BPAQ)	29	88%	
Anxiety	4.93 ± 0.97	Generalized Anxiety Disorder 7-item (GAD-7)	7	30%	
Depression	4.97 ± 1.07	Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9)	9	45%	
Fatigue	4.78 ± 0.76	Functional Assessment of Chronic Illness Therapy-Fatigue (FACIT-F)	40	88%	
Physical Function	4.11 ± 0.48	Health Assessment Quesionnaire- Disability Index (HAQ-DI)	20	79%	
Pain Interference	4.19 ± 0.71	Brief Pain Inventory	7	40%	
Pain Behavior	4.06 ± 0.45	N.A.		_	
Sleep Disturbance	4.95 ± 1.41	Sleep Disorders Quesionnaire (SDQ)	12	59%	
Sleep-Related Impairment	4.54 ± 1.24	Epworth Sleepiness Scale (ESS)	8	43%	
Overall	38.7 ± 7.9		132	71%	





CHOIR: Using Dynamic Outcomes to Inform Care for Sandra

Desipramine Low-dose Naltrexone

CHOIR: Using Dynamic Outcomes to Inform Care for Sandra





Clinical Practice

CHOIR Provider: Computer-Assisted Documentation



80-90% of clinical note automatically pulled from CHOIR input Condition specific calculators

🚯 Dashboard	Subjective	
New Patient	Pain Experience	1
Notables	Location: ***	I
	Inciting event: per patient, "Fall"	I
Screening U	Duration: 4,000 Years	I
	Timing: Constant	
 Major Conditions 	Pain quality: Throbbing, Gnawing, Aching Exhausting	
	Intensity: 5/10 on average, 8/10 at worst	1
CRPS	Radiation: ***	
Total Body Pain	Alleviating factors: Medications, Heat, Physical therapy, Walking Exacerbating factors: Exercise, Sitting, Standing, Stress	
Headaches	Dain Baliefe	
Nerve Entrapments	Cause of pain: Disc	
Neuropathies	Sinister beliefs: *** Life impact: Cannot do my job, Reduced social activities, Reduced recreational	
Musculoskeletal	activities	

Patient characteristics: Stanford Pain Management Center





Physical and Psychological Correlates of Fatigue and Physical Function: A CHOIR Study



- Likely a confluence of physical and psychological factors
- A significant barrier to physical functioning, likely mediating effects of pain on physical dysfunction

Sturgeon, Darnall, Kao, & Mackey (In Press).

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Dynamics of Patients' Response to Treatment



CHOIR Collaborative Health Outcomes Information Registry System To Enhance Patient eXperience (STEPx)

An unmet need

- Comprehensive capture of patient experience touchpoints
- Concise item stems
- Actionable results
- Integrated into CHOIR
- Open source and free

Covers, and extends, all the domains of existing patient satisfaction surveys, including:

- Press Ganey
- Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare
 Providers and Systems (HCAHPS)



