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Agenda

- Background
 - Summary of Study Design
 - Key Contextual Factors (safety concerns, utilization and cost, clinical complexity)
- Measurement / Data challenges: Ensuring PRO adequacy
 - Understanding heterogeneity across health settings
 - Study process for quantitative and qualitative review of PRO data
 - Steps to enhance PRO collection and build transferable products
- Engaging Key Stakeholders: novel methods and approach
 - Organizational structure and the identification of key stakeholders
 - Adapted qualitative methods: rapid assessment and the adoption of Kaiser Permanente's business model for organizational change
- Summary of Key Points





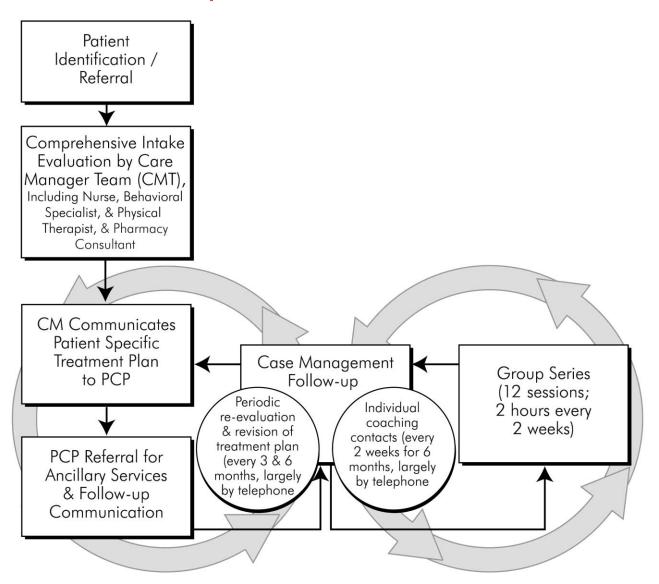
Overall Study Aim

Adopt an integrative rehabilitation approach for helping patients adopt self-management skills for managing chronic pain, limiting use of opioid medications, and identifying exacerbating factors amenable to treatment (e.g., depression, sleep problems) that is *feasible* and *sustainable* within the primary care setting





Intervention Description





Participant Eligibility Criteria

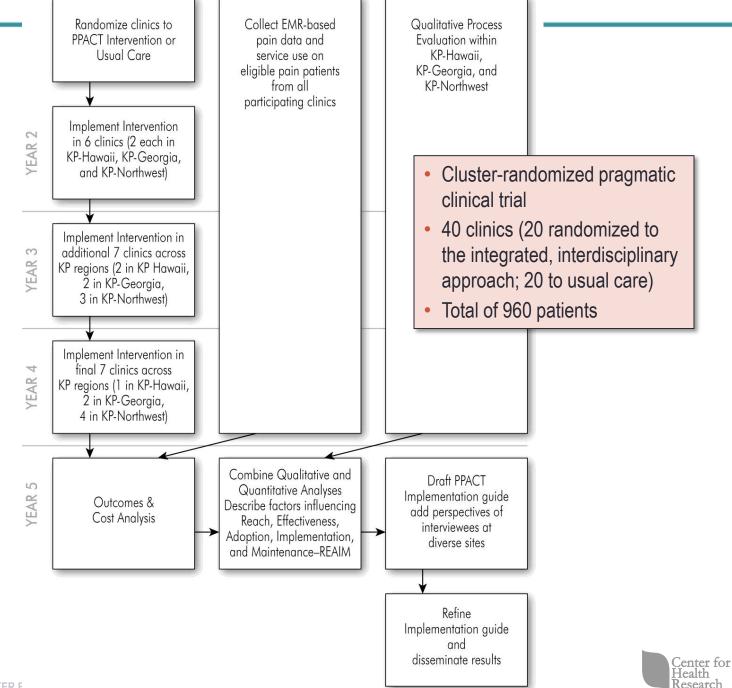
- Current adult KP member (18 years or older)
- Within the last 180 days either:
 - 90 day supply of short acting opioid spanning at least 120 days
 - 2 or more long acting opioid dispenses
- Pain diagnostic ICD-9 code within the past 180 days
 - Diagnostic categories include but are not limited to:

Back pain, neck pain, fibromyalgia, arthritis, myofsacial pain, neuropathies, migraine, tension headache, tempromandibular joint disorder, carpal tunnel syndrome, nonspecific chronic pain, abdominal pain, pelvic pain





Trial Design





Key Contextual Issues

Rising prevalence of chronic pain

- 1/3 of the US pop. has chronic pain
- Annual US cost of \$560-600 billion in health care costs and lost productivity

Primary care plays a central role in managing CNMP

- Primary care oversees & coordinates care
- Primary care providers (PCP) are faced with a paucity of systematic resources and support
- This gap leads to a reliance on opioids as a monotherapy

Use of opioids to treat CNMP rising

- Opioid prescriptions for CNMP doubled since 1980
- Opioid related morbidity and mortality have increased in past 2 decades
- Opioids are associated with significant efficacy-limiting side effects

Optimal management relies on patient self-care

- Chronic illness management necessitates an activated patient
- Provider-directed treatments not practical nor sustainable

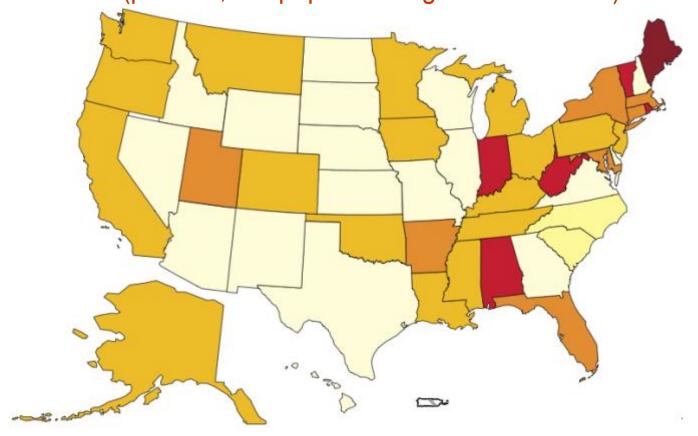
Multidisciplinary, multimodal treatment shows promise

- Synthesizes expertise from diverse medical professionals
- Combines multiple modalities targets multitude of factors that influence pain



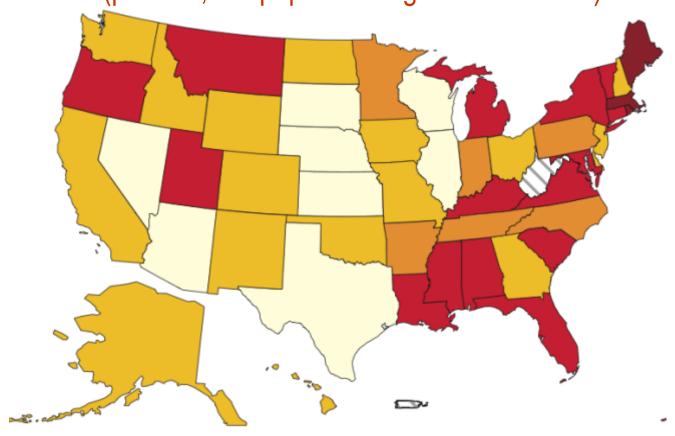


Opioid treatment for chronic pain: safety concerns



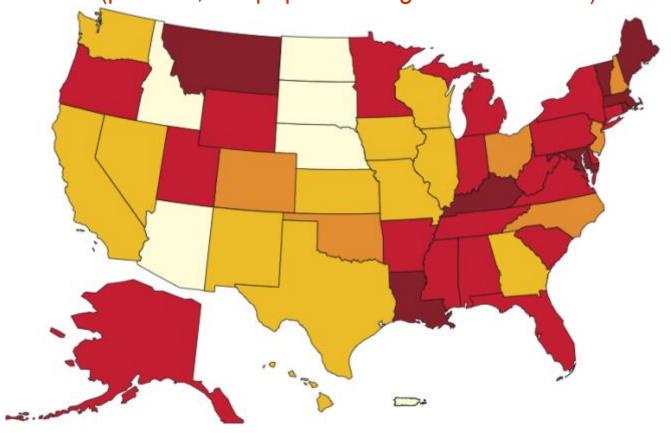






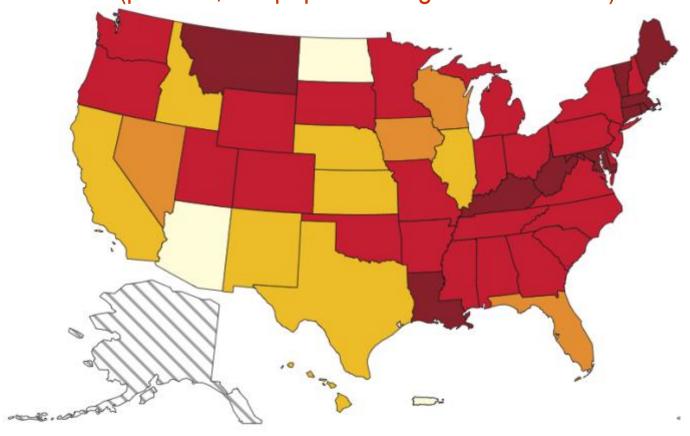






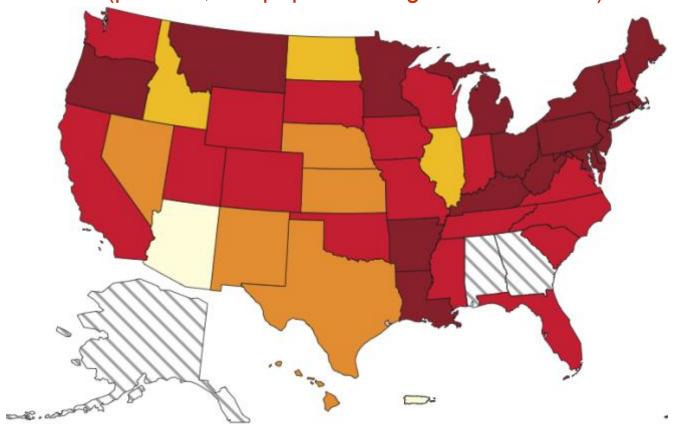
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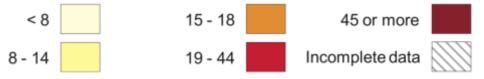


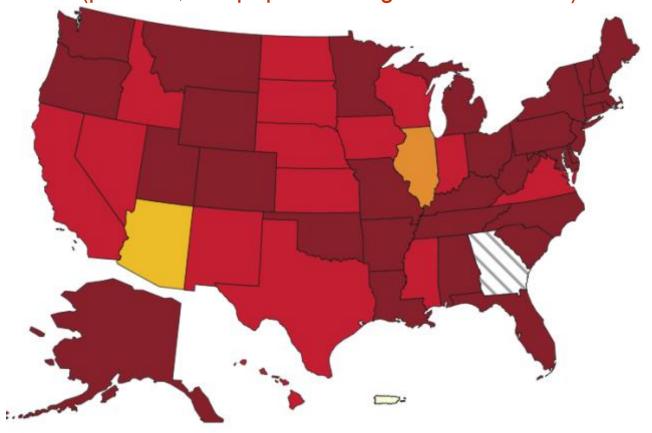
2005 (range 0 – 214)





2007 (range 1 – 340)



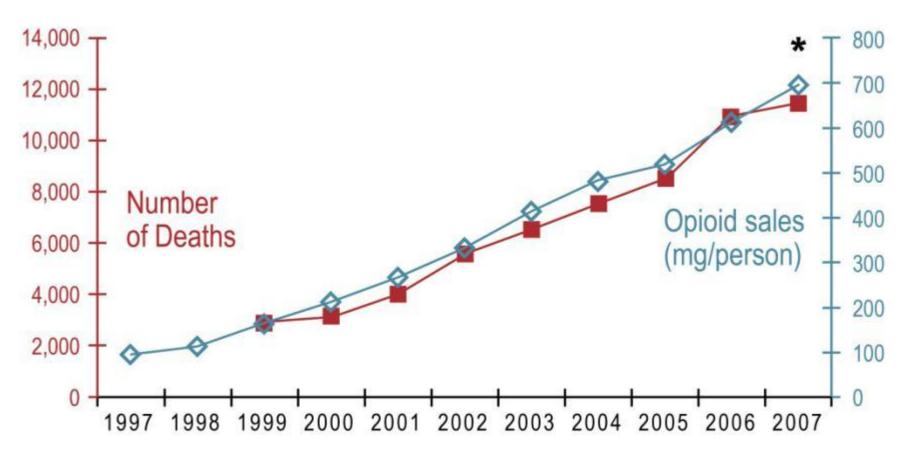






PACT

Unintentional overdose deaths involving opioid analgesics parallel per capita sales of opioid analgesics in morphine equivalents by year, US, 1997-2007



Source: National Vital Statistics System, multiple cause of death dataset, and DEA ARCOS



^{*2007} opioid sales figure is preliminary



Opioid Therapy Plan (OTP) Operational Criteria

PATIENT CRITERIA	BASIC Green	COMPLEX YELLOW	COMPLEX RED
Follows plan reliably	Х		
No history of opioid abuse	X		
No history of other substance abuse within past 2 years	X		
No current behaviors indicating drug misuse	X		
Current behaviors raise questions about the ability to follow the OTP		Х	
History of opioid abuse		Χ	
History of other substance abuse within past 2 years		Χ	
Calculated overall opioid dosing level at 180mg morphine equivalent or higher		Х	
 Have demonstrated repeated problems following the OTP (e.g. unexpected UDS) 			Х
Active substance abuse			X
 Have current behaviors which raise concerns about possibility of diversion 			Х

PCP REQUIREMENTS	BASIC Green	COMPLEX YELLOW	COMPLEX RED
Office visit frequency (minimum)	Semi-annually (1 may be TAV)	Quarterly (2 may be TAVs)	Quarterly (no TAVs)
Office visit required for any dosing changes	No	Yes	Yes
Brief Pain Inventory (BPI) completed (minimum) [Recommended to be administered at every office visit]	Semi-annually	Quarterly	Quarterly
Retresh pain diagnosis on problem list	Yearly	Yearly	Yearly
Verify current dosing level is reflected on OTP on the problem list	Yes	Yes	Yes
Discuss with the patient their use of opioid, non-opioid and non-pharmacological modalities to control pain	Each visit	Each visit	Each visit
UDS ordered and resulted (minimum)	Yearly	Quarterly	Quarterly
Confirm random pill counts completed	PRN	2x/Year & PRN	2x/Year & PRN
Create AVS or send letter with patient's dosing and instructions after dosing change	Yes	Yes – AVS only	Yes – AVS only
Create separate monthly opioid prescriptions, no refills and no mail order	No	Yes*	Yes
Early refills for travel	Yes	Yes	Up to 2/year
May refill prescriptions early for lost or stolen reasons (Police report needed before receiving refill of stolen medications)	Yes	Limited supply only	No
New OTP required when prescriber changes or OTP color changes	Yes	Yes	Yes





Opioid treatment for chronic pain: cost and utilization



Total Sales & Prescriptions for OxyContin (1996-2002)

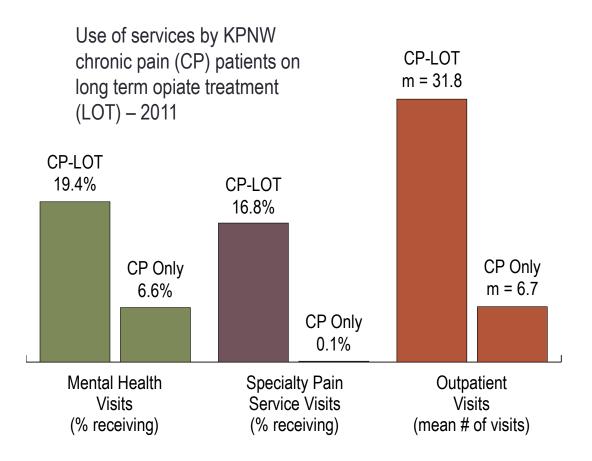
Year	Sales	Percentage Increase	Number of Prescriptions	Percentage Increase
1996	\$44,790,000	N/A	316,786	N/A
1997	125,464,000	180	924,375	192
1998	286,486,000	128	1,910,944	107
1999	555,239,000	94	3,504,827	83
2000	981,643,000	77	5,932,981	69
2001	1,354,717,000	38	7,183,327	21
2002	1,536,816,000	13	7,234,204	7

Source: United States General Accounting Office: Dec. 2003, "OxyContin Abuse and Diversion and Efforts to Address the Problem."





Utilization Associated with Opioid Use



Opiate users are more likely to:

- Use mental health services
- Use specialty pain services
- Be hospitalized
- Have increased outpatient visits

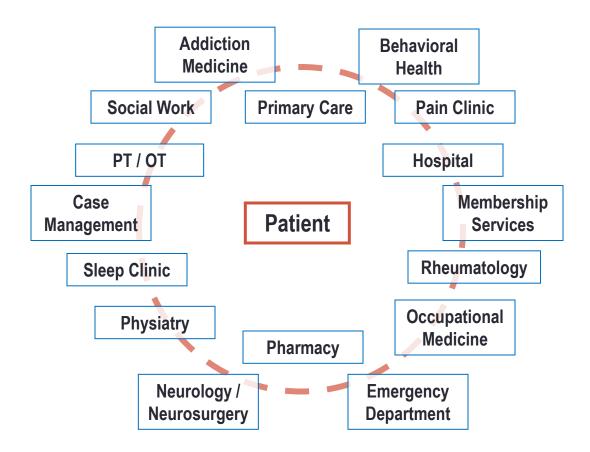
Patients with chronic pain (CP) using long term opiate treatment (LOT) have increased utilization across the system and are associated with a larger treatment burden.





Opioid treatment for chronic pain: clinical complexity of the patients







Patient Characteristics

Pain Characteristics	KP Northwest
Total members (18 and older) with chronic non-malignant pain (CNMP)	164,693 (36.8%)
Back and neck pain	12,659 (63%)
Joint pain (including osteoarthritis)	13,336 (67%)
Non-specific and other pain	11,876 (59%)
Two or more CNMP diagnoses	14,988 (75%)
Three or more CNMP diagnoses	8,361 (42%)
Comorbid Medical Conditions	
Diabetes	4,264 (21%)
Cardiovascular disorders	11,084 (55%)
Psychiatric disorders	7,053 (35%)
Diagnosed sleep problems	4,261 (21%)





Measurement / Data Challenges: Ensuring PRO adequacy

Study process for quantitative and qualitative review of PRO data and processes for addressing identified problems





Outcome Variables

Variable	Analytic Purpose
Brief Pain Inventory (BPI) (Severity & Interference)	Primary Outcome
Opioids Dispensed (in morphine equivalents)	Secondary Outcome
Pain related treatment or diagnostic procedures	Secondary Outcome
Use of emergency / urgent care services	Secondary Outcome
Use of primary care services	Secondary Outcome
Use of specialty care services	Secondary Outcome
Total health service use & cost	Secondary Outcome
Comorbidities (Depression, anxiety, disability, chronic disease burden, sleep difficulties, kinesiophobia)	Covariates
Patient satisfaction	Secondary Outcome
Exercise as Vital Sign (EVS)	Secondary Outcome

- All data collected in routine clinical care
- Data pulled from electronic medical record (EMR) and administrative data systems
- KP Virtual Data Warehouse provides common EMR to ensure standardization across 3 regions
- BPI completion for patients using opioids: Recommended at every visit, required quarterly to semiannually





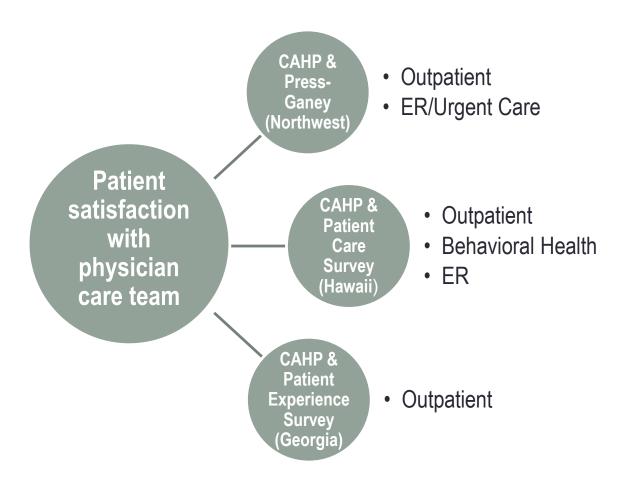
Heterogeneity Across our Health Plans

- The three Kaiser health systems have a common EMR
- However...
 - Work flows for administering PRO differ by site
 - Data sources for the same PRO vary across sites
 - Implementation Modality varies across sites and within a site
 - Paper pre-visit
 - Asked by health plan staff during visit
 - Online





Instruments for a similar PRO may vary across sites



CAHP = Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems





Systematically test and validate PRO data: Cross-Site Assessment

- Instrument and how it's presented by site
- Instrument versions and implementation dates
- Implementation modalities used (paper, asked by health plan staff, online)
- Data accessibility (e.g., privacy concerns around some PROs such as patient satisfaction, data refresh frequency)

Table 1: PRO Summary by Site (Instrument, version, Implementation Date, Implementation Modality)

	KP Hawaii	KP Northwest	KP Georgia
Brief Pain Inventory	BPI	BPI	BPI
(BPI)	Version:	Version:	Version:
	Implementation Date:	Implementation Date:	Implementation Date:
	Implementation Modality:	Implementation Modality:	Implementation Modality:
	Data Refresh Frequency:	Data Refresh Frequency:	Data Refresh Frequency:
	Other:	Other:	Other:



Systematically test and validate PRO data: Compare availability and density of the PRO data across sites

- Total record counts by year and site, subset for the population of interest
- Proportion of the population with PRO records
- Median and mean # of PRO records per person

Table 2: PRO Available Data by Site

	KP Hawaii	KP Northwest	KP Georgia
# Eligible Patients	#	#	#
Brief Pain	Total Record Count:	Total Record Count:	Total Record Count:
Inventory (BPI)	Total Completed Rec Count:	Total Completed Rec Count:	Total Completed Rec Count:
	PPACT Rec Count:	PPACT Rec Count:	PPACT Rec Count:
	PPACT Completed Rec Count:	PPACT Completed Rec Count:	PPACT Completed Rec Count:
	Proportion of PPACT with	Proportion of PPACT with	Proportion of PPACT with
	Records:	Records:	Records:
	Median # Recs per member:	Median # Recs per member:	Median # Recs per member:
	Mean # Recs per member:	Mean # Recs per member:	Mean # Recs per member:



Systematically test and validate PRO data: Validate that data extract matches the EMR presentation

- Confirm the back end data sources are correct and complete
- Check narrative strings for alternative placement of PRO data in the EMR (e.g. progress notes)

Table 3: PRO Summary by Site

	KP Hawaii	KP Northwest	KP Georgia
Brief Pain Inventory (BPI)	Sample of extracted records match presentation in EMR:	Sample of extracted records match presentation in EMR:	Sample of extracted records match presentation in EMR:





Influencing Health Systems

Identify irregularity in PRO data

Refine Clinic PRO data collection process

Involve Stakeholders





Influencing Health Systems Use of PROs

 Health plan systems can adopt PROs quickly

Total Exercise as Vital Sign (EVS) Questionnaires per Year

	KP Northwest	KP Georgia
2011	4,977	0
2012	927,312	9,003

KP Georgia implemented use of EVS in the final few months of 2012





Increased patient health record adoption provides additional opportunities to collect PROs

	Change between 2008 and 2011
Total visits to kp.org	220% increase (Over 100 million visits in 2011)
Members registered for secure features	140% increase
Total online prescription refill orders	290% increase
Total online appointment requests	200% increase
Total e-mails sent to doctors & other care team members	200% increase
Total lab-test results view online	180% increase
Total healthy lifestyle program questionnaires submitted	200% increase



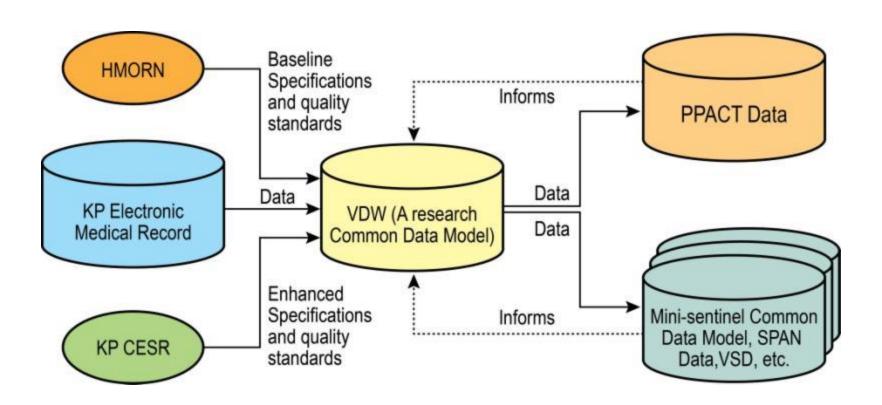


Kaiser Permanente's Personal Health Record





Leveraging what is learned about PRO data to enhance broader research data systems







Leveraging what is learned about PRO data

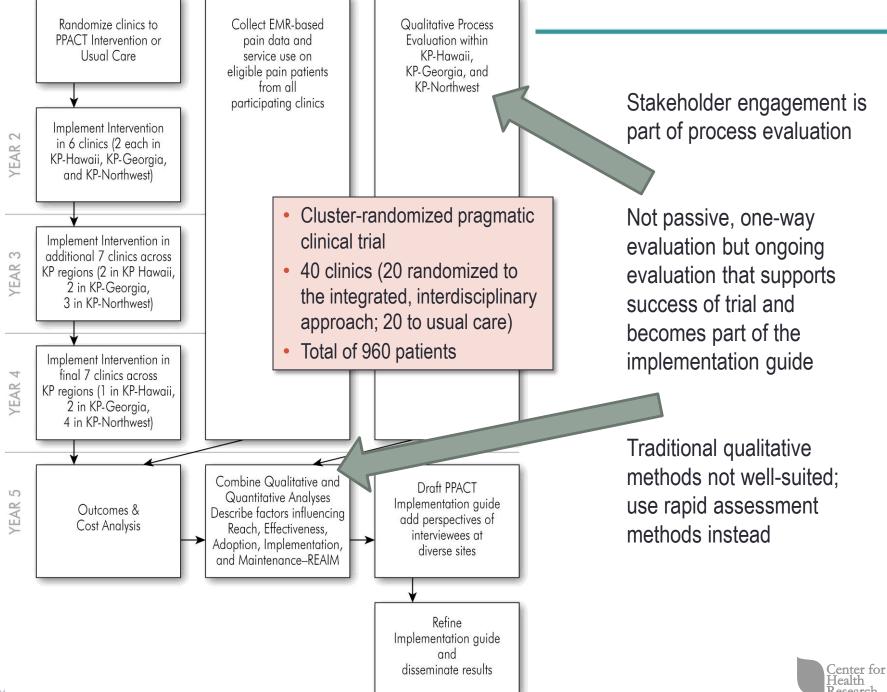
Phase 2: Phase 4: Phase 5: Phase 1: Phase 3: **Implement** data **Identify** data **QA** & **Define** data Communicate enhancements enhancements enhancements **Enhancements** & Use Short list of PRO • QA program Initial data Data flow diagrams Presentations Remediation enhancements Entity relationships dictionary Webinars Final data dictionary work plan • Implementation plan Caveats list



Systematic stakeholder engagement

The first step of rapid assessment for successful implementation







Rapid Assessment Process (RAP)

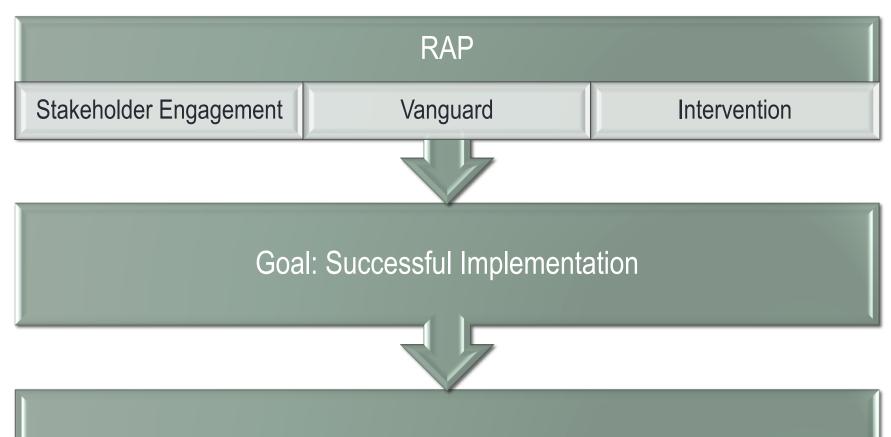
- Rapid but not rushed. Iterative but not haphazard
- Quickly understand the insider's perspective on a situation an intervention
- Guides decisions about interventions and to evaluate their implementation
- Intensive, team-based ethnographic inquiry using triangulation and iterative data analysis and additional data collection to quickly develop a preliminary understanding of a situation from the insider's perspective

Beebe "Rapid Assessment Process" (2001) Altamira Press. McMullen et al. Methods of Information in Medicine 2011; 50(4):299-307.





RAP is our qualitative process evaluation



Goal: Successful Dissemination (Useful Implementation Guide)





Our RAP Toolkit:

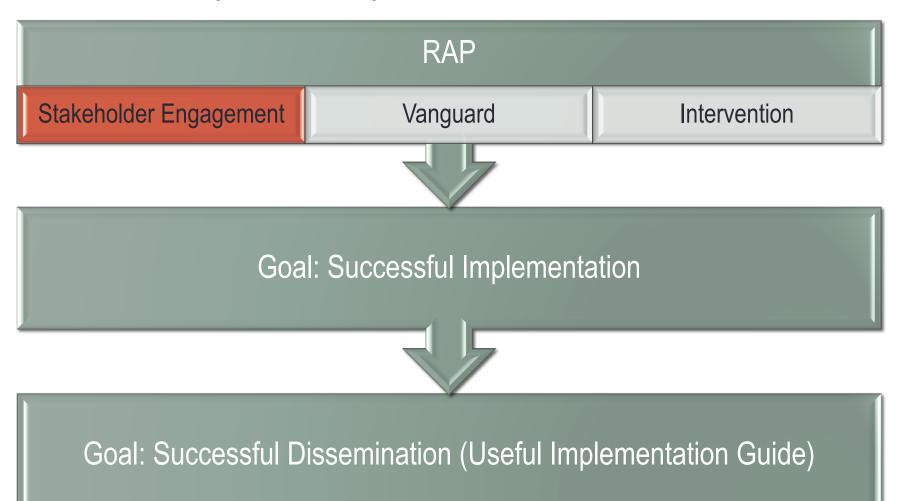
- Informal stakeholder conversations
- Mapping (organizational relationships, processes)
- Weekly journaling by study staff
- "Postcards" to inform stakeholders and prompt dialogue
- Along with more traditional qualitative techniques: Interviews, naturalistic observation (fieldwork), brief surveys, focus groups







RAP is our qualitative process evaluation







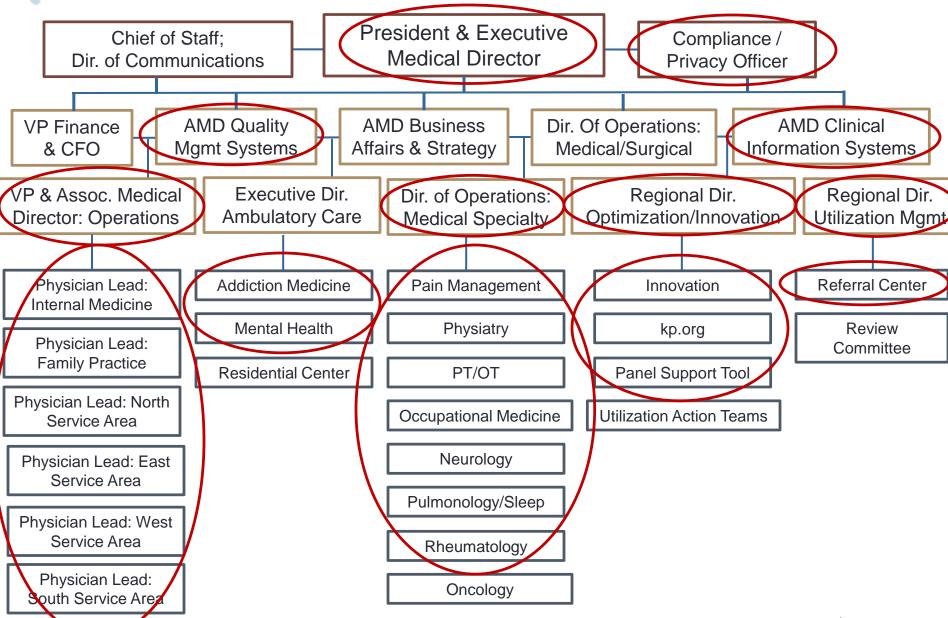
Where do we start?

- Each KP region is a complex system
- Our intervention is complex
- Implementation requires many approvals and process changes
- Researchers can learn from organizational effectiveness/process improvement

- How does our own organization deal with change management?
- Research requires systematic approach
- Pragmatic trial will benefit from a locally-acceptable approach (suited to the culture of KP)

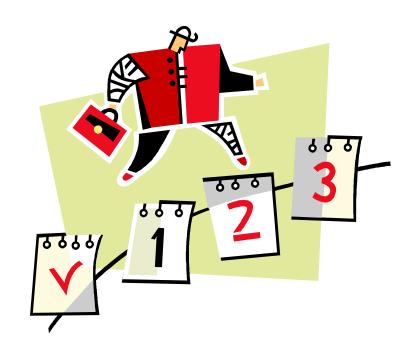






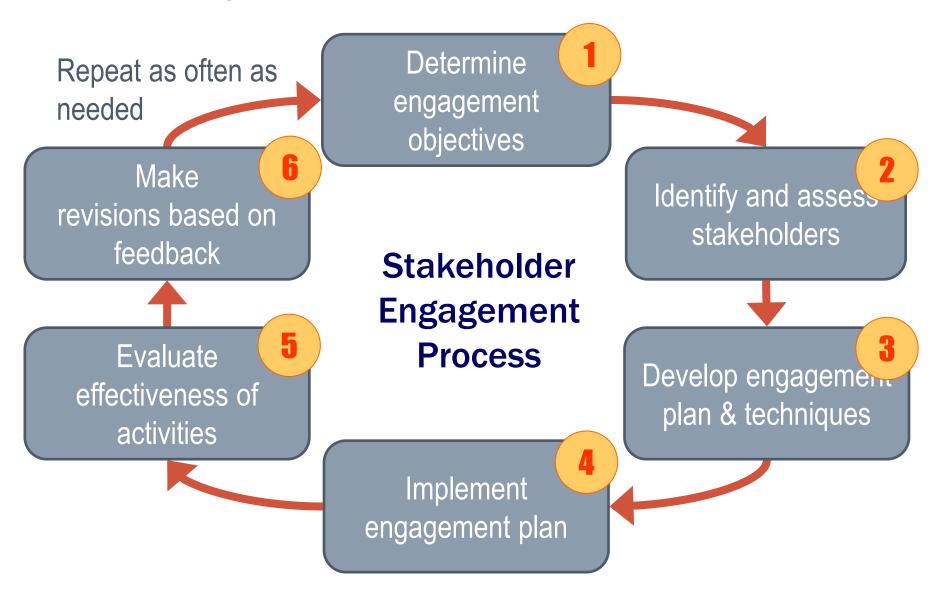
Adopting an In-House Stakeholder Engagement Approach

- KP National Organizational Effectiveness Team
- Stepwise approach for change management
- We are using RAP to answer these questions and to monitor our stakeholders' engagement with our intervention



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Senior Organizational Effectiveness Consultant

What is the process?



Who is a stakeholder?

Anyone who has a "stake" in the change being proposed or who can most influence the outcomes

Clinic operations & support staff (RN, LPN, MA, Clinic Directors)

Physicians & other providers in various departments (primary care, addition medicine, mental health, etc.)

Billing and compliance partners

Managers / Supervisors

Sponsors (VPs, Directors)

Information Technology

Project managers

Stakeholder Engagement	Give people a chance to influence the process and ensure they are ready, willing and able to make the change
Communications	Seek to issue a message or to influence groups to agree with a decision that is already made

Why engage people?

People need time to analyze, think about, and adjust to the new ideas – if we leave them behind, we increase the likelihood of misunderstanding, resistance, and exclusion

- Increase their confidence
- Increase transparency
- To learn how to make the change easier
- Generate new ideas
- Gain higher levels of trust
- Show people we care about them
- Surface risks

People want to know how they fit in, the role they will play, and what help they can offer

Determine engagement objectives

Before we engage people, we need to know: why we want to engage stakeholders who will count as a stakeholder what will result from stakeholder engagement the risks of not doing it.

Stakeholders are meaningfully engaged when their influence makes a difference, whether directly or indirectly



Stakeholder engagement outcomes – PACT Yr 1:

Strategic objective:

- Lay groundwork for PACT trial in 3 KP regions.
- Thoroughly identify stakeholders now, so we can effectively engage them throughout trial.

What will be different as a result of engagement?

- Permission/sponsorship from high levels of organization
- Operational support for trial
- Learn about existing processes to conduct trial with least amount of disruption needed to deliver intervention
- Obtain PROs and other clinical data to conduct and evaluate trial

What level of engagement do we need?

 Variable. Early efforts will focus on stakeholders who require highest level of engagement in order to launch the trial.



Identifying stakeholders

Determining who should be included is hardest part of stakeholder engagement

- Who will be affected by any decisions on the final design and implementation of the trial? Who will be impacted directly or 'down stream'?
- What do they care about?
- Who is influential?
- Who can obstruct a decision if not involved?
- Who has been involved in this issue in the past?

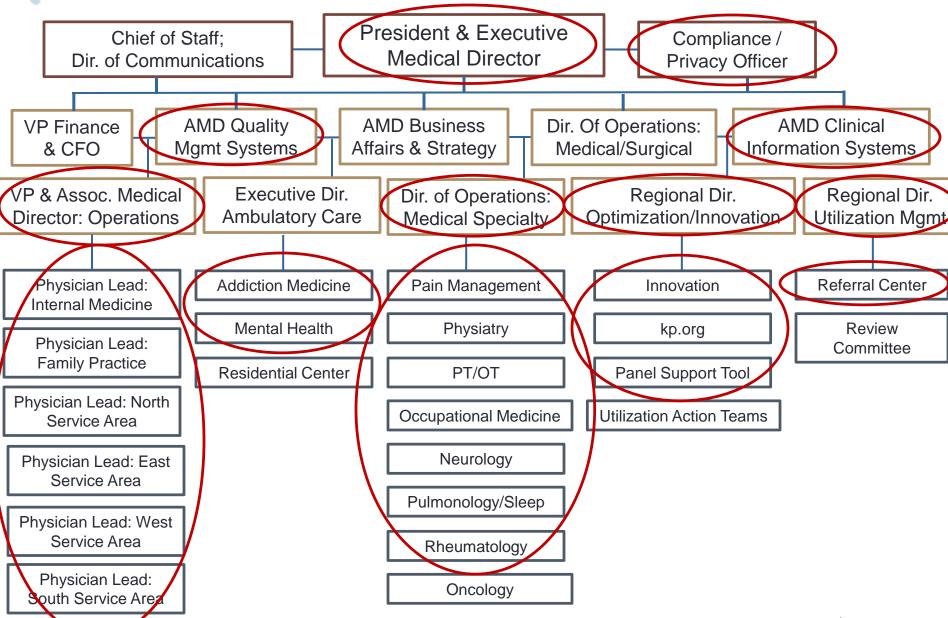
If your goal is to be inclusive, identify your initial stakeholders and then ask THEM who else should be involved.

Start with the stakeholders you have the best rapport with.

For, PACT stakeholders are:

- All who need to give permissions or who will contribute meaningfully toward trial's implementation.
- Representatives of groups whose daily work will be impacted by it.







What is stakeholder's level of influence?

1 = Little

2 = Some

3 = Moderate

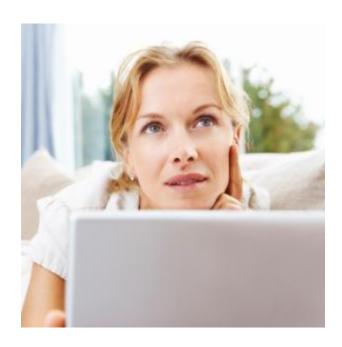
4 = Major

5 = Significant





What is the change YOU need stakeholder to make? What is likely impact on the stakeholder?



- Top level permission
- Perceive the trial as an opportunity, not a risk
- Access to people, processes, data
- Spread the word
- Change daily practice...





Put yourself in stakeholder's shoes and ask "What's in it for me?"



- Gather the information you need to answer this question.
- Briefly describe what the benefit of the trial is to the stakeholder(s)
- How the research team and/or the organization working to make the change easier for them
- Make sure to think about what the stakeholder(s) would consider to be a benefit or what they care about



Determine what level of engagement you seek

Inform

Provide the right information to help people understand what is happening and what the opportunities are

Consult

Get targeted feedback on what is working well, what is needed, and what can be done differently

Involve

Work directly with staff to ensure their concerns and ideas are understood and considered throughout the process

Collaborate

Partner with impacted staff on the actual decision process, including identifying alternatives and solutions

Empower

Place final decision-making in the hands of impacted staff



Keep track of:

- Likely issues/needs for each stakeholder
- Concerns stakeholder as raised
- Response to concerns
- Communication plan





Example 1:

Chief of Primary Care

- DESIRED CHANGE "Sponsor" of PPACT trial. Promoting trial as regional priority will be seen as leadership-level commitment to comprehensive, integrated pain management.
- POSSIBLE IMPACTS Credibility, Blame, Backlash
- "WIIFM" Amelioration of major clinical/cost problem, reputation
- INFLUENCE Significant
- ENGAGEMENT LEVEL Collaborate
- ISSUES/NEEDS Minimize PCP burden of participating in trial
- METHOD/COMMUNICATION PLAN Busy schedule necessitates regular, focused electronic communications supplemented by targeted in person meetings





Example 2:

Pain Clinic Medical Director

- DESIRED CHANGE Create a partnership that melds clinical, scientific, and evaluation expertise to create optimal opportunity for success among complex patients with pain and their primary care providers. Help identify levels of services and resources to meet complex patient needs.
- POSSIBLE IMPACTS Wide-ranging
- WIIFM Enhance pain management options for complex patients
- INFLUENCE Some
- ENGAGEMENT LEVEL Collaborate
- ISSUES/NEEDS Avoid overlap/duplication of services. PPACT should improve tracking of patient treatment/outcomes.
- METHOD/COMMUNICATION PLAN Team meetings aimed at system level problem solving



Implementing the plan

Implementing an engagement plan means knowing who is doing what when

- Who is responsible?
- Who is being engaged?
- What method is being used?
- When will it happen?
- How often?
- How will we know it was effective?

Evaluating effectiveness

Evaluating what happened tells us what we need to do differently next time

- Through weekly journals and reactions to "postcards" we will assess:
 - Did we achieve intended outcomes?
 - Do people feel good about their engagement level?
 - Was resistance managed appropriately?
 - Who needs follow up?
 - What tactics worked?
 - What would we do differently next time?

Making revisions

Engagement planning should be iterative and adaptable and last throughout the change implementation

- Engagement often happens in small spurts rather than large chunks
- Reflect on lessons learned before the next engagement cycle (vanguard, intervention roll out, post-intervention evaluation)
- A formal survey or focus groups can provide additional feedback
- Along the way, make sure to report concerns, recommended actions & successes to leadership/sponsors



Summary of Key Points

- Study Context: unusual window of opportunity for launch of intervention requiring disruptive change in primary care setting (impact and management of opioid tx for chronic pain)
- Measurement / Data challenges: Ensuring PRO adequacy
 - Expect heterogeneity of data across settings, active iterative process for ensuring adequate quality and comparability of data for study purposes
 - Increased adoption of patient health records provides potential opportunity for ancillary data collection
- Engaging Key Stakeholders: novel methods and approach
 - Identify range of important stakeholders and assess appropriate level of engagement for each
 - Consider adoption of organizational change processes familiar to those you are working with and well-vetted in these settings





Questions?

