

ASPO Survivorship, Health Outcomes & Comparative Effectiveness Research Special Interest Group presents:

Connecting the dots: the creation and use of data linkages to study cancer survivorship and health outcomes research

The availability of “big data” in cancer research suggest the potential for new answers to long-standing questions about how to best deliver high quality care to cancer survivors. However, there are several challenges to creating linkages and caveats for their use. This webinar will provide case studies of the creation of new data linkages and discuss how best to leverage existing linkages for cancer control research.

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Link: <https://cwru.zoom.us/j/929650435>



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NCI Linked Data Resources for Cancer Survivors

The screenshot displays the NCI Healthcare Delivery Research Program website. At the top, the NIH logo and the text "NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE Division of Cancer Control & Population Sciences" are visible. To the right, there are links for "Print Page" and "E-mail Page", and a search bar labeled "Search HDRP". Below the header, a navigation bar includes "Home", "Data, Tools, and Initiatives", "Funding", "Events and Media", and "About". The main content area is titled "Publicly Accessible Data" and features a list of resources on the left and a detailed list on the right. The right-side list includes links to MEPS, NHIS CCS, SEER-CAHPS, SEER-Medicare, and SEER-MHOS linked data resources, with the last three highlighted by yellow boxes. An "Announcements" section on the right contains links to a SEER-linked data infographic, a video about CRN data resources, and a CDC Vital Signs report on colorectal cancer screening.

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Medical Expenditure Panel Survey: Experiences with Cancer Survivorship Supplement (MEPS)

National Health Interview Survey (NHIS) Cancer Control Supplement (CCS)

SEER-CAHPS Linked Data Resource

SEER-Medicare Linked Database

SEER-MHOS Linked Data Resource

Publicly Accessible Data

- Medical Expenditure Panel Survey: Experiences with Cancer Survivorship Supplement (MEPS)
- National Health Interview Survey Cancer Control Supplement (NHIS CCS)
- SEER-CAHPS Linked Data Resource
- SEER-Medicare Linked Database
- SEER-Medicare Health Outcomes Survey (SEER-MHOS) Linked Data Resource

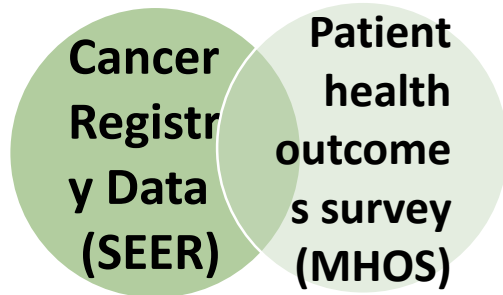
Announcements

- SEER-linked Data for Healthcare Delivery Research Infographic
- Video: Learn about CRN Data Resources & Collaboration Opportunities
- CDC Vital Signs Report: A Call to Action on Screening for Colorectal Cancer

<https://healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/>

SEER-MHOS Linked Data Resource

Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results – Medicare Health Outcomes Survey



Survey includes:

- Health-related quality of life (SF-36, VR-12)
- Activities of daily living
- HEDIS effectiveness of care
- Patient-reported outcomes relevant for older adults with cancer

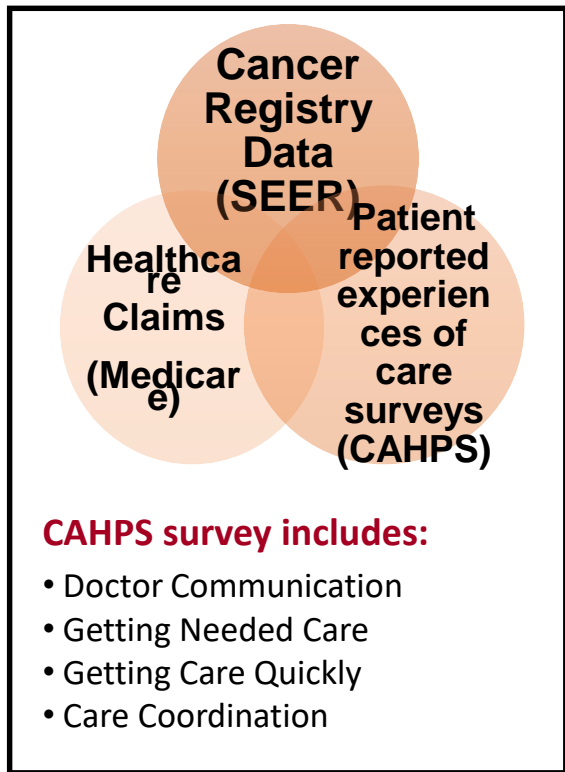
- Over **140,000 SEER-linked Medicare Advantage (HMO) beneficiaries***
- Over **2 million beneficiaries** without cancer
- **Designed to be longitudinal with baseline and follow-up surveys**, spaced two years apart, proportion with surveys before and after dx
- Over **80 data use agreements** and **45+ publications** since 2010 launch

**No healthcare claims available in SEER-MHOS of medical care; Part D prescription drug claims under investigation though a feasibility study*

<https://healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/seer-mhos/>

SEER-CAHPS Linked Data Resource

Surveillance, Epidemiology and End Results – Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems



- Over **205,000 cancer respondents**
- More than **724,000 non-cancer respondents**
- Medicare **claims** allow examination of aspects of healthcare utilization
- Over **10 data use agreements and 8+ publications** since 2015 launch
- Rich opportunities for research on patient experiences in cancer care delivery

<https://healthcaredelivery.cancer.gov/seer-cahps/>

<https://aspo.org/annual-meeting/>



43rd Annual ASPO Conference
March 10-12, 2019 | Hilton Downtown, Tampa, FL

Abstract Submission Closed

Online Registration

Book a Hotel Room

Deadline: March 1, 2019

ASPO 2019 Survivorship, Health Outcomes, and Comparative Effectiveness SIG
March 11 Breakfast Session:

Multiple chronic conditions and care coordination among cancer survivors

Individuals are living longer with a history cancer, and many are dealing with other chronic conditions in addition to late/long-term effects from cancer and cancer treatment. The need to manage and coordinate health care services and communicating with a variety of healthcare providers can be challenging. This year's SIG will focus on research questions related to the coordination of care delivery for cancer patients with multiple chronic conditions.

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I. Stephanie Wheeler, PhD, MPH, UNC Chapel Hill

Getting into the weeds: State-level data linkages for cancer prevention and control research



II. Betsy Shenkman, PhD, University of Florida

OneFlorida Cancer Control Alliance: leveraging linked private and public data for observational and clinical trials



III. Karen Wernli, PhD, Kaiser Permanente

Using Optum claims data in US cancer patients: an example in adolescent and young adults

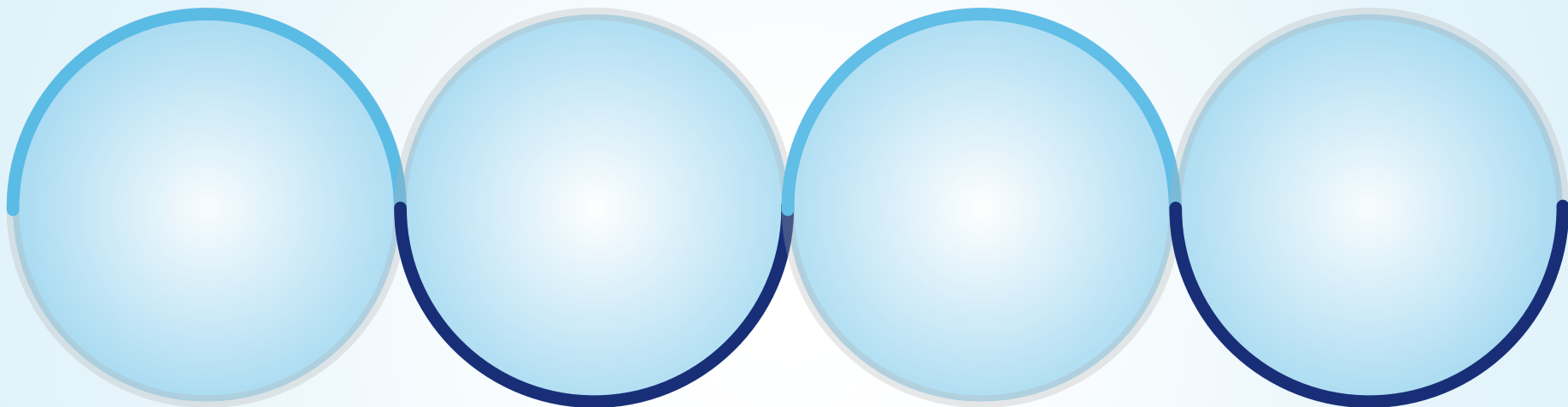


Discussant, Q & A: Kate Weaver, PhD MPH, Wake Forest University



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Inclusive of Diverse Populations

What Works Better for Whom Under
What Circumstances?

Conducted in Real World Settings to
Accelerate Translation to Practice
and Adoption

The Science of Fostering the Uptake of
Evidence-Based Best Practices Into
Diverse Health Care Settings



Real-World Evidence — What Is It and What Can It Tell Us?

N Engl J Med 2016; 375:2293-2297

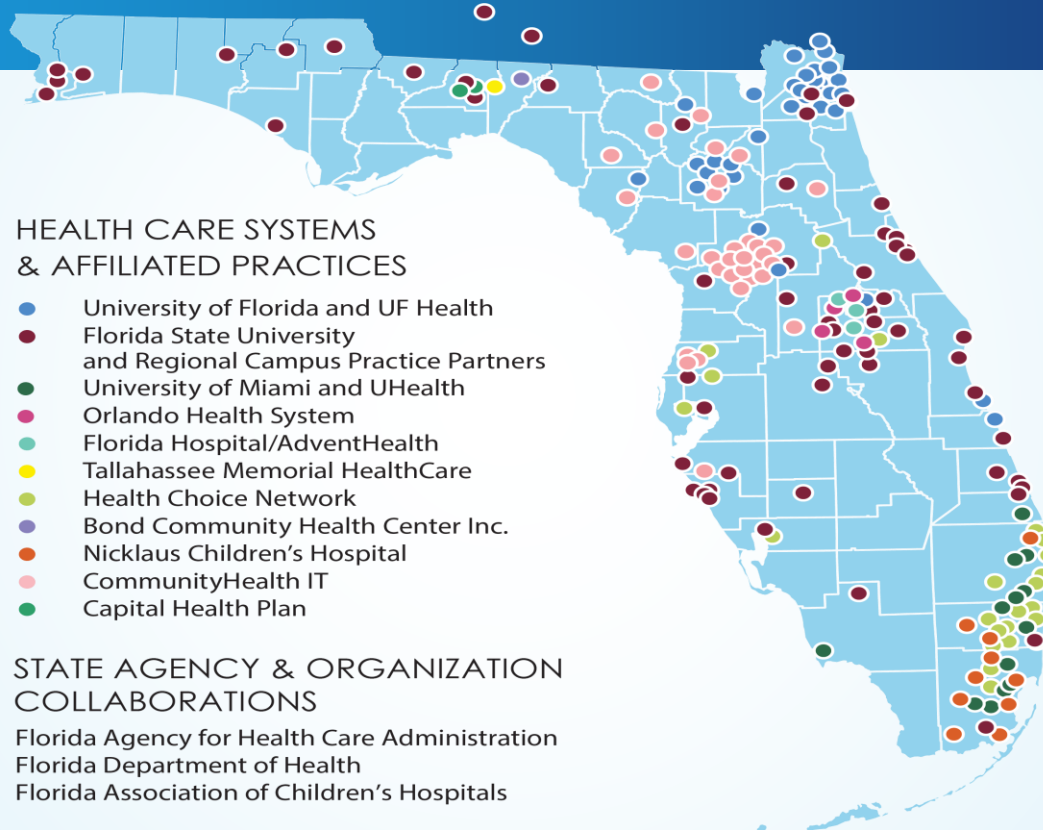
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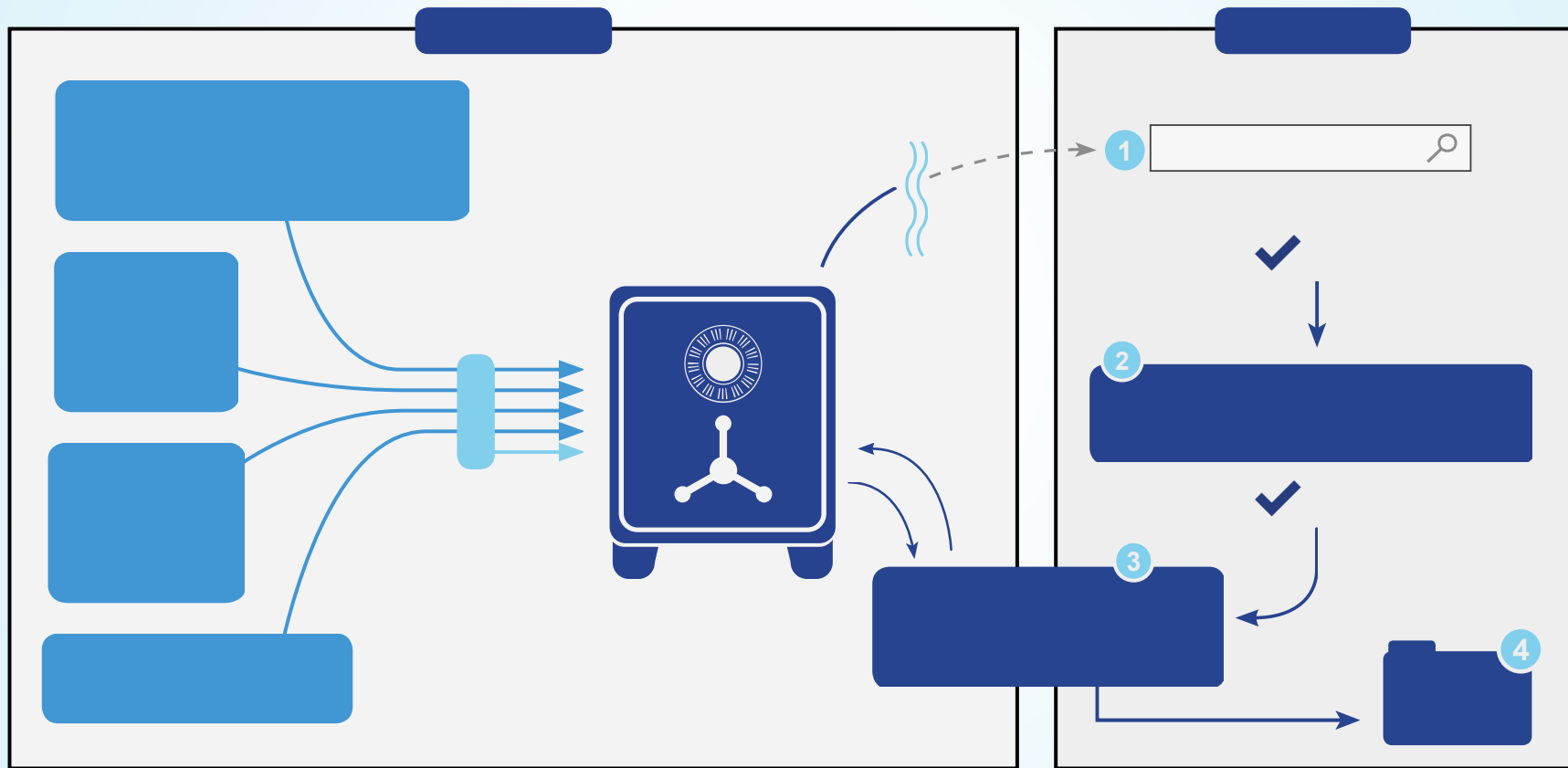
FDA: Real World Evidence: Why is this happening now?

Real-World Evidence and Real-World Data for Evaluating Drug Safety and Effectiveness

JAMA. 2018;320(9):867-868. doi:10.1001/jama.2018.10136







FUNDAMENTAL DATA

Demographic

- PATID
- BIRTH_DATE
- BIRTH_TIME
- SEX
- HISPANIC
- RACE
- BIOBANK_FLAG

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY DATA

Enrollment

- PATID
- ENR_START_DATE
- ENR_END_DATE
- CHART
- ENR_BASIS

Dispensing

- **DISPENSINGID**
- PATID
- **PRESCRIBINGID** (optional)
- DISPENSE_DATE
- NDC
- DISPENSE_SUP
- DISPENSE_AMTn

Death

- PATID
- DEATH_DATE
- DEATH_DATE_IMPUTE
- DEATH_SOURCE
- DEATH_MATCH_CONFIDENCE

Death Condition

- PATID
- DEATH_CAUSE
- DEATH_CAUSE_CODE
- DEATH_CAUSE_TYPE
- DEATH_CAUSE_SOURCE
- DEATH_CAUSE_CONFIDENCE

MULTIPLE CONTEXT DATA

Vital

- **VITALID**
- PATID
- ENCOUNTERID (optional)
- MEASURE_DATE
- MEASURE_TIME
- VITAL_SOURCE
- HT
- WT
- DIASTOLIC
- SYSTOLIC
- ORIGINAL_BMI
- BP_POSITION
- **SMOKING**
- TOBACCO
- TOBACCO_TYPE

Condition

- **CONDITIONID**
- PATID
- ENCOUNTEREDID (optional)
- REPORT_DATE
- RESOLVE_DATE
- **ONSET_DATE**
- CONDITION_STATUS
- CONDITION
- CONDITION_TYPE
- CONDITION_SOURCE

Pro_CM

- **PRO_CM_ID**
- PATID
- ENCOUNTEREDID (optional)
- PRO_ITEM
- PRO_LOINC
- PRO_DATE
- PRO_TIME
- PRO_RESPONSE
- PRO_METHOD
- PRO_MODE
- PRO_CAT

DIRECT ENCOUNTER DATA

Encounter

- ENCOUNTERID
- PATID
- ADMIT_DATE
- ADMIT_TIME
- DISCHARGE_DATE
- DISCHARGE_TIME
- PROVIDERID
- FACILITY_LOCATION
- ENC_TYPE
- FACILITYID
- DISCHARGE_DISPOSITION
- DISCHARGE_STATUS
- DRG
- DRG_TYPE
- ADMITTING_SOURCE

Diagnosis

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- ENC_TYPE
- ADMIT_DATE
- PROVIDERID
- PX_DATE
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- PX_TYPE
- PX_SOURCE

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- ADMIT_DATE
- PROVIDERID
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- PX
- PX_TYPE
- PX_SOURCE

Lab Result

- **LAB_RESULT_CM_ID**
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- ENCOUNTERID
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- RESULT_LOC
- LAB_PX
- LAB_PX_TYPE
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- SPECIMEN_TIME
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- RESULT_TIME
- RESULT_QUAL
- RESULT_NUM
- RESULT_MODIFIER
- RESULT_UNIT
- NORM_RANGE_LOW
- NORM_MODIFIER_LOW
- NORM_RANGE_HIGH
- NORM_MODIFIER_HIGH
- ABN_IND

Prescribing

- **PRESCRIBINGID**
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- ENCOUNTERID
- RX_PROVIDERID
- RX_ORDER_DATE
- RX_ORDER_TIME
- RX_START_DATE
- RX_END_DATE
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- RXNORM_CUI

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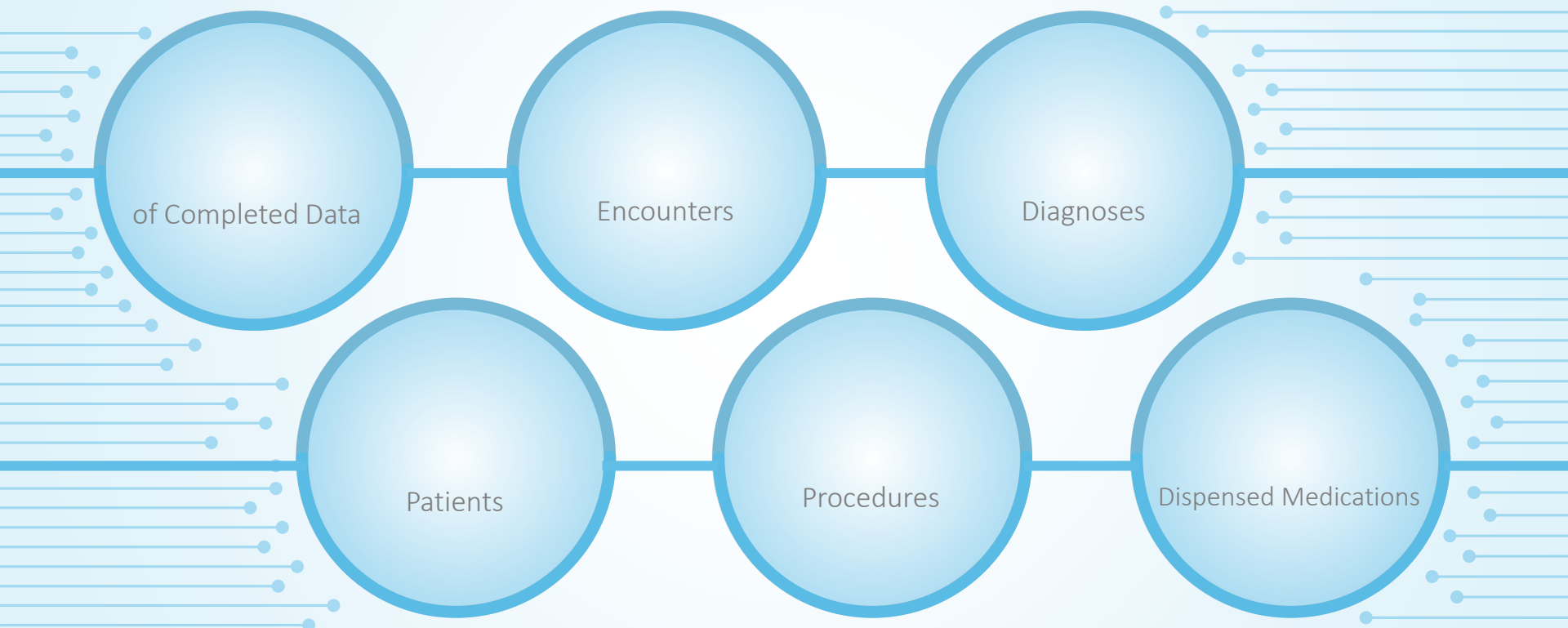
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- TRIAL_END_DATE
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- TRIAL_INVITE_CODE

PROCESS-RELATED DATA

Harvest

- NETWORKID
- NETWORK_NAME
- DATAMARTID
- DATAMART_NAME
- DATAMART_PLATFORM
- CDM_VERSION
- DATAMART_CLAIMS
- DATAMART_EHR
- BIRTH_DATE_MGMT
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- REFRESH_ENROLLMENT_DATE
- REFRESH_ENCOUNTER_DATE
- REFRESH_DIAGNOSIS_DATE
- REFRESH_PROCEDURES_DATE
- REFRESH_VITAL_DATE
- REFRESH_DISPENSING_DATE
- REFRESH_LAB_RESULT_CM_DATE
- REFRESH_CONDITION_DATE
- REFRESH_PRO_CM_DATE
- REFRESH_PRESCRIBING_DATE
- REFRESH_PCORNET_TRIAL_DATE
- REFRESH_DEATH_DATE
- REFRESH_CAUSE_DEATH_DATE



Over 1.7M patients are de-duplicated

UFH	X	19,416	13,846	492,255	13,148	28,156	49,861	3150	235
ORL	19,416	X	3,331	136,315	789	2,526	211,875	1,924	2
UMI	13,846	3,331	X	205,274	800	2,034	8,124	52,093	3
FLM	492,255	136,315	205,274	X	43,131	98,291	357,096	238,686	244
TMA	13,148	789	800	43,131	X	121,697	1,570	424	1,509
TMC	28,156	2,526	2,034	98,291	121,697	X	4,777	863	2,077
AVH	49,861	211,875	8,124	357,096	1,570	4,777	X	3,424	9
NCH	3150	1,924	52,093	238,686	424	863	3,424	X	0
CHP	235	2	3	244	1,509	2,077	9	0	X

Uses i2b2 software over the Data Trust data to enable researchers to conduct anonymous queries on their own.

i2b2 Query & Analysis Tool

Project: PCORnet (01/01/12-12/31/18) User: Francois Moulave Find Patients | Analysis Tools | Message Log | Help | Logout

Navigate Terms Find

- PCORnet Demographics
- PCORnet Diagnoses
- PCORnet Encounters
- PCORnet Enrollment
- PCORnet Labs (v2)
- PCORnet Medication (v3)
- PCORnet Procedures
- PCORnet Vital Signs

Workplace

- deasod
- hogewer
- jacyrha
- mmarsk
- modaweb
- nocep
- pfugg
- sandee
- sorta
- imagoc
- tonamendooa

Previous Queries Find

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- 18-34 years o@09:08:24 [8-6-2017] [imagoc]
- Algorithmic@09:01:00 [8-6-2017] [imagoc]
- Complications o@08:55:38 [8-6-2017] [imagoc]
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Query Tool

Query Name: Complications o@08:55:38

Temporal Constraint: Treat independently

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Occurs > Dx	Occurs > Dx	Occurs > Dx
Complications of pregnancy, childbirth, and the puerperum [1570 patients] [1/1/2016 to 6/6/2017]		

one or more of these AND drop a term on here

Run Query Clear 1 Group

Show Query Status Graph Results Query Report

Number of patients

7055

For Query "Complications o@08:55:38"



PCORI Rapid Cycle Research: Patterns of Use of Molecular Biomarkers and Targeted Cancer Therapies

- **Aim 1 (Use Characteristics).** In a cohort of patients with an invasive single primary solid tumor, describe the use of common molecular tumor and, in some cases, germline biomarker testing and associated targeted cancer therapies.
- **Aim 2 (Test Results).** In a subcohort of patients identify those who had molecular biomarker testing and for whom a test result was available, and determine whether the selected treatment was in accordance with the test result.
- **Aim 3 (Completeness and Outcomes).** Using the cohort from Aim 1 in sites with linked claims data, assess the completeness of the electronic health record derived data for identifying cancer treatments

NCI: Improving the Uptake of HPV Vaccine

PI: Stephanie Staras, PhD

- Goal to test interventions in diverse real world settings
- Used Data Trust to Identify Clinic Settings Considering
 - Vaccine Rates
 - Urban/Rural
 - Numbers of Teens, Young Adults



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Precision
Medicine
Initiative



Using OneFlorida Data Trust

Initial Recruitment: UM and UF
(Gainesville and Jacksonville)

Expansion to Advent Health





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Getting into the weeds: State-level data linkages for cancer prevention and control research

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Objectives

- Describe statewide data linkages being used for cancer prevention and control research
- Highlight how statewide linked cancer data can be used to identify population health problems and target potential solutions across the continuum
- Summarize with lessons learned/best practices for linking and leveraging state cancer data

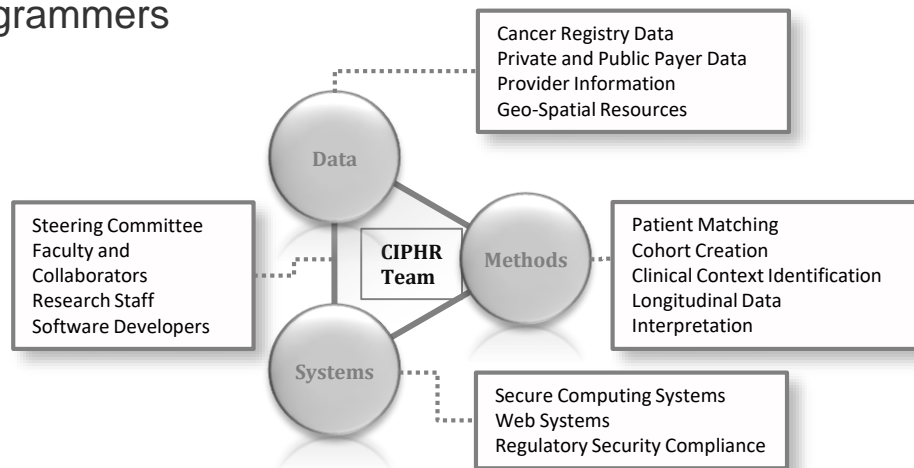
What do I mean by statewide cancer data linkages?

- Direct or probabilistic linkages among two or more secondary datasets that contain statewide cancer-related data:
 - Cancer surveillance (registry) data
 - Health insurance administrative claims and billing data
 - Healthcare resource, facility, and workforce data
 - Hospital discharge data
 - ED utilization data
 - Immunization records
 - DMV data
 - Sociodemographic and economic data
 - Bankruptcy filings

Developing Real World Linked Cancer Data Resources

Integrated, Inter-disciplinary team science

- Clinical domain experts
- Population/public health scientists
- Computer scientists/programmers
- Statisticians
- Database analysts



UNC Lineberger Cancer Information & Population Health Resource (CIPHR)

Unique linkages:

Cancer registry, multi-payer claims data (100% Medicare, 100% Medicaid, 70% private), SSI death index, other contextual data

Health Care Claims:

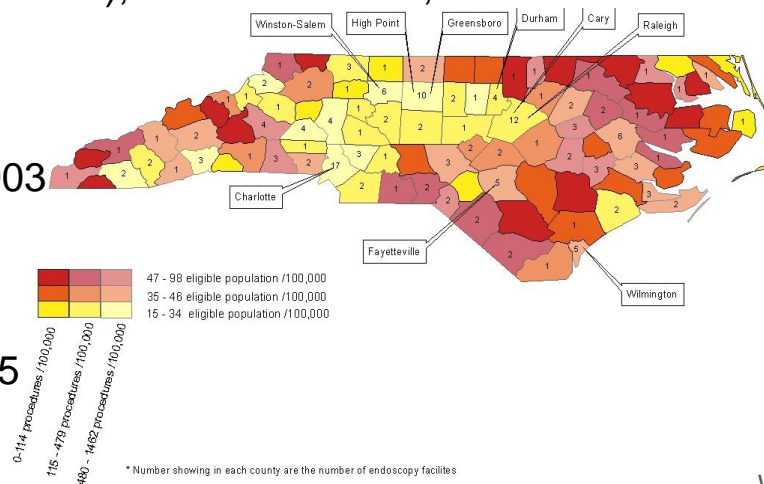
>6m persons since 2003
55% of NC population

NC Cancer Registry:

100% since 2003-2015
>650,000 cases

Cancer-cases claims:

85% of NC cancers
>552,000



Key collaborators

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Faculty

Medicine Faculty

Shared resources

4 Systems

developers

6 Analysts

1 program

coordinator

Key pubs (>60)

Meyer et al, NCMJ,

2014

Wheeler et al, H&P,

2014

Wheeler et al,

Medical Care, 2013



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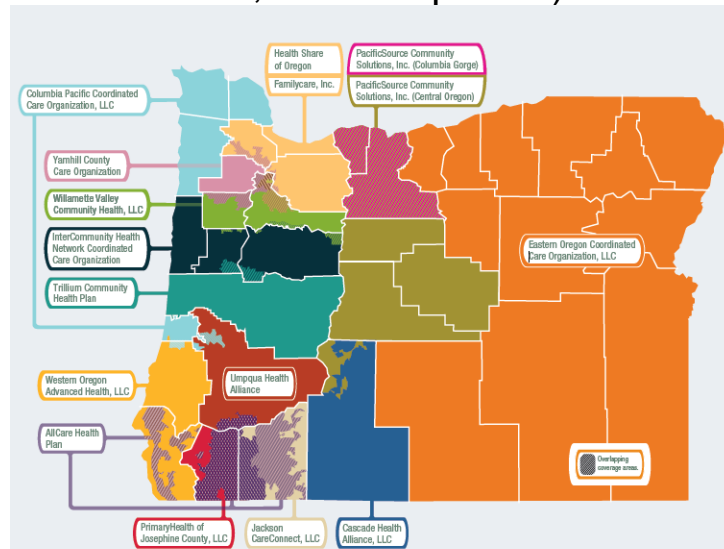
Center for Health Systems Effectiveness

Unique linkages:

Multipayer claims data (Medicaid, private insurers), other contextual data

Health Care Claims:

From 2007 for Medicaid; 2010 for private)



Key collaborators

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Stephanie Renfro

Bonnie Lind

Public Health Faculty

Medicine Faculty

Shared resources

3 Health economists

5 Statisticians

3 Research assistants

1 program coordinator

Key pubs (>52)

McConnell et al,
Health Affairs, 2017

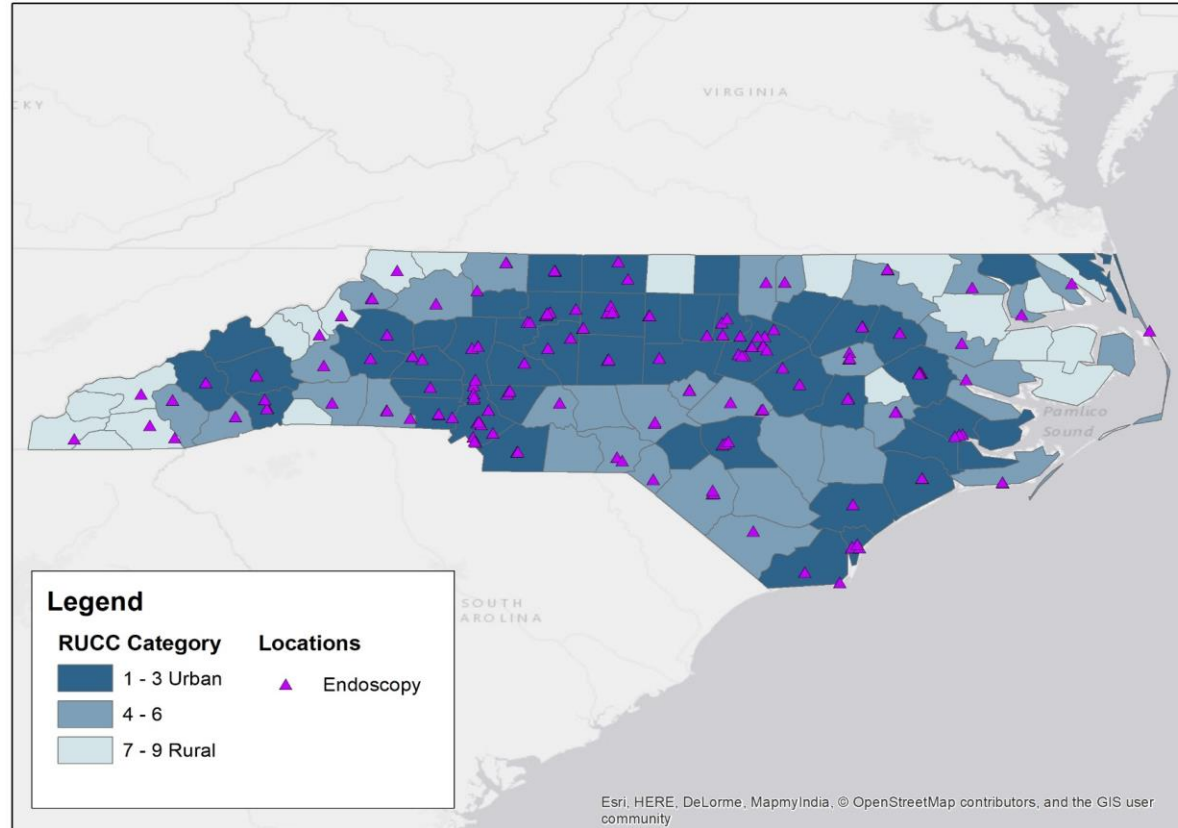
Davis et al, J of Rural
Health, 2016

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JAMA IM, 2016

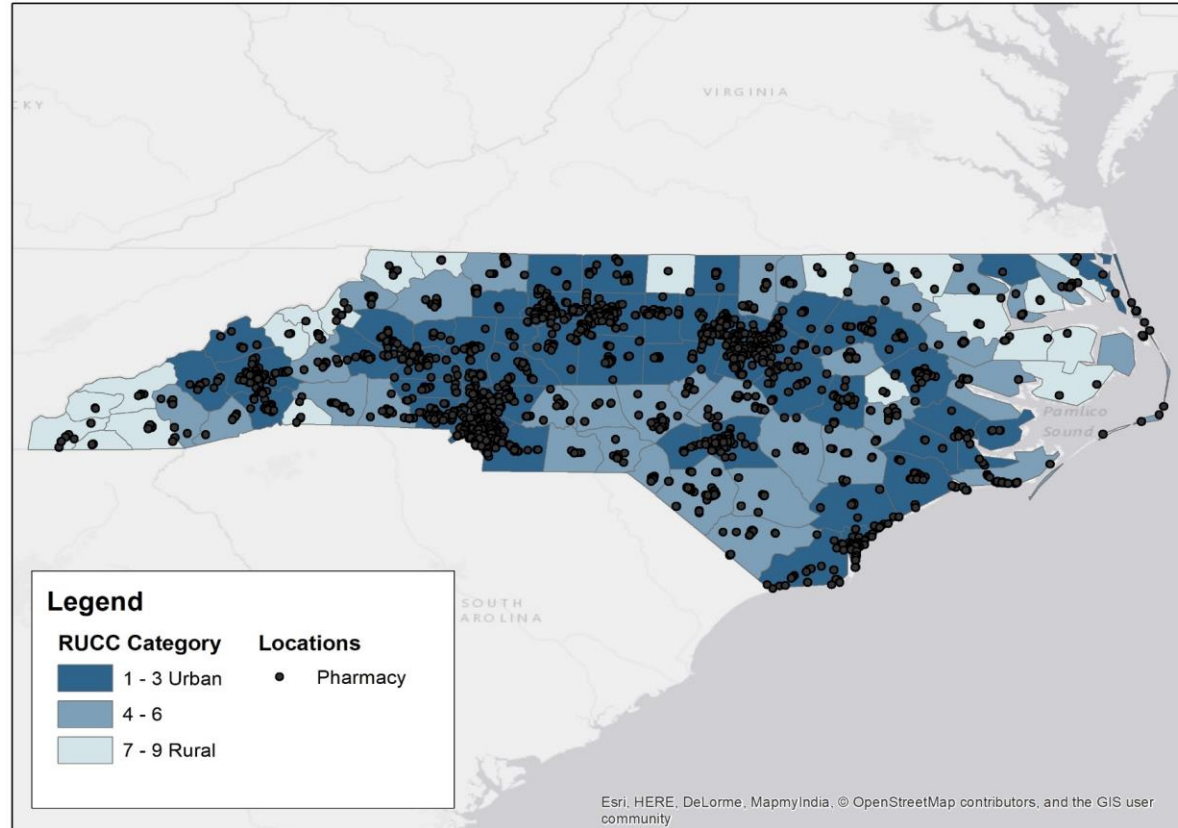
Examples of Contextual Data to Augment State-level Cancer Registry-Linked-Claims

- Area Resource Files (ARF)
- Census/American Community Survey
- State Medical Facilities Plan Data
- State Pharmacy Association Data
- State Oncology Association Data
- RWJ County Health Rankings
- Public Health and Primary Care Networks
- National Association of County and City Health Officials (NAACHO)

Geolocating Endoscopy Facilities in NC



Geolocating Community Pharmacies in NC



Geolocating American Cancer Society Primary Care Managers in NC



How Can State Data Linkages Be Useful?

- Identify geographic, socio-demographic and temporal trends in cancer risk factors (e.g., HPV vax), screening, incidence, mortality, care quality (e.g., surgery, chemo, radiation therapy), costs
- Identify and locate healthcare resources
- Identify social determinants of health outcomes
- Enable multilevel multivariable statistical and simulation modeling
- Target specific regions or sub-populations for interventions/implementation

Identifying geographic and socio-demographic correlates of colorectal cancer screening



Preventive Medicine

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In Press, Accepted Manuscript — Note to users



Geographic and population-level disparities in colorectal cancer testing: A multilevel analysis of Medicaid and commercial claims data

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Regional variation in colorectal cancer testing and geographic availability of care in a publicly insured population ☆

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Identifying geographic and socio-demographic correlates of cancer treatment access & quality



Urologic Oncology: Seminars and Original Investigations

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Original article

The relationship of travel distance with cystectomy access and outcomes ☆

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Evaluating the urban-rural paradox: The complicated relationship between distance and the receipt of guideline-concordant care among cervical cancer patients

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Original Investigation

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Association of Delays in Surgery for Melanoma With Insurance Type

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JAMA Dermatol. 2017;153(11):1106-1113. doi:10.1001/jamadermatol.2017.3338

Cancer



Original Article

Influence of provider factors and race on uptake of breast cancer gene expression profiling

Katherine E. Reeder-Hayes MD, MBA ✉, Stephanie B. Wheeler PhD, Christopher D. Baggett PhD, Xi Zhou MS, Ke Meng PhD, Megan C. Roberts PhD, Lisa A. Carey MD, Anne-Marie Meyer PhD

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Care Coordination and Multispecialty Teams in the Care of Colorectal Cancer Patients

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Identifying cancer care costs and cost-effectiveness of treatments and interventions

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Medical costs of treating breast cancer among younger Medicaid beneficiaries by stage at diagnosis

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Cost Analysis of Robot-Assisted Laparoscopic Versus Hand-Assisted Laparoscopic Partial Nephrectomy

James E. Ferguson III , Ravi K. Goyal, Matthew C. Raynor, Matthew E. Nielsen, Raj S. Pruthi, Paul M. Brown, and Eric M. Wallen

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Association between medical home enrollment and health care utilization and costs among breast cancer patients in a state Medicaid program

Racquel E. Kohler PhD, Ravi K. Goyal MS, Kristen Hassmiller Lich PhD, MHSA, Marisa Elena Domino PhD, Stephanie B. Wheeler PhD, MPH 

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Breast cancer treatment costs in younger, privately insured women

Benjamin T. Allaire¹, Donatus U. Ekwueme², Diana Poehler¹, Cheryll C. Thomas², Gery P. Guy Jr.², Sujha Subramanian¹, and Justin G. Trogon³

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Cost-Effectiveness Analysis of Four Simulated Colorectal Cancer Screening Interventions, North Carolina

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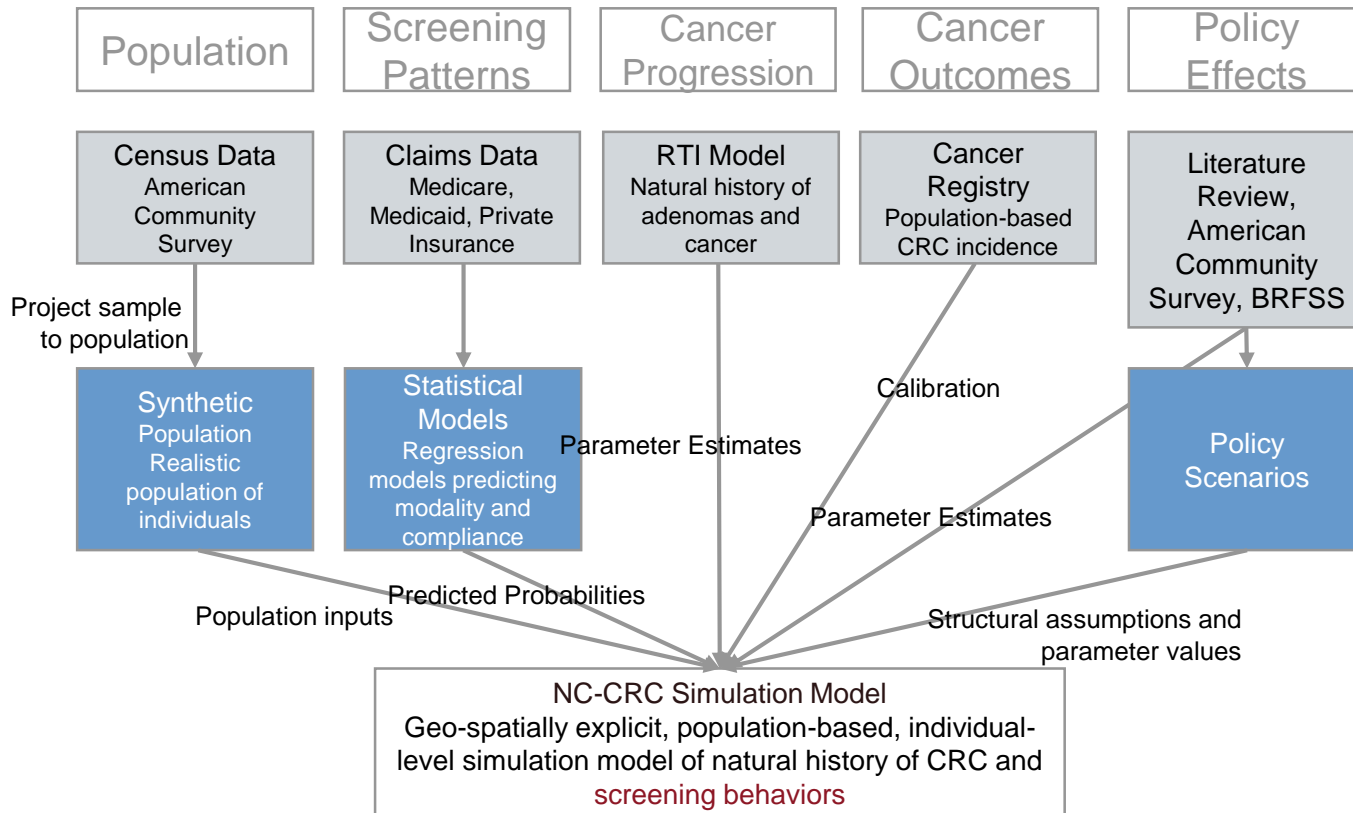
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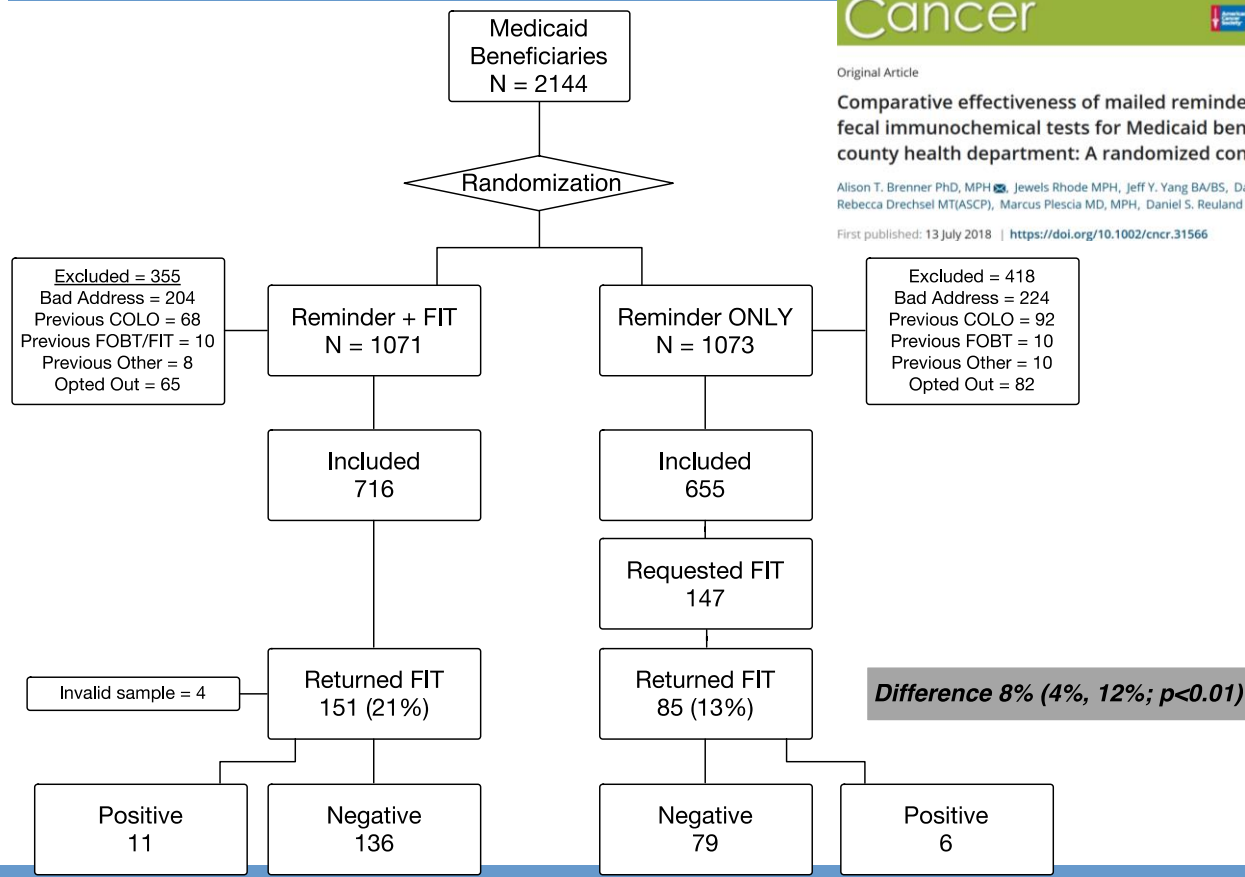
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Enabling multilevel multivariable statistical and simulation modeling to project outcomes



Targeting specific regions or sub-populations for interventions/implementation



Cancer



Original Article

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Lessons Learned

- Dedicate resources to build data computing infrastructure, expertise & capacity
- Plan (& pay) for regular data updates
- Partner early and be a *good* partner! (eg, ROI)
- Explore probabilistic data linkages (SSN and name/address not always necessary)
- Develop multidisciplinary teams
- Consider unusual linkages (e.g., retail, environmental, financial, education, transportation and labor market data)

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Using Optum claims data in US cancer patients: an example in adolescent and young adults

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Challenge that I faced





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Current R21 specific aims

To assess variation in end of life among adolescent and young adult cancer patients, from 2001 – 2016 by time and geography, evaluating:

- Emergency department visits
- Hospitalizations
- Intensive Care Unit stays
- Surgery
- Receipt of chemotherapy

TABLE 2. Healthcare services at end of life by time period						
Measure	Overall	2001 2004	2005 2008	2009 2012	2013 2016	Chi-square p-value
Within 30 days of death						
≥2 ED visits	16.3%	15.3%	15.6%	16.3%	22.1%	0.01
Hospitalization	78.4%	-	77.3%	79.1%	80.7%	0.24
ICU stay	40.1%	35.8%	40.2%	42.7%	42.9%	0.004
Surgery	4.5%	4.4%	4.1%	5.1%	4.5%	0.63
Within 14 days of death						
Chemotherapy	12.0 %	12.5%	11.5%	12.0%	12.3%	0.90

TABLE 3. Healthcare services at end of life overall and by region and time

Measure	Overall	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	Chi-square p-value
Within 30 days of death						
≥2 ED visits	16.3%	16.7%	16.6%	15.9%	16.9%	0.92
Hospitalization	78.4%	83.4%	78.2%	79.1%	74.3%	0.008
ICU stay	40.1%	41.9%	36.2%	42.6%	38.3%	<0.003
Surgery	4.5%	5.8%	4.0%	4.6%	4.5%	0.50
Within 14 days of death						
Chemotherapy	12.0%	13.0%	11.7%	12.2%	11.5%	0.87

What are these claims data good for?

- Healthcare data for commercially insured <65 years in all states and over time
- Patterns of healthcare utilization: time, geography
- Evaluation of change in care: chemotherapy, hospital
- Short-term outcomes
- Evaluating mortality

Caveats

- Lacking cancer diagnosis date, stage and tumor type
- Longitudinal analyses
- Limited confounders

Process

- In grant preparation, began speaking to Optum in support of purchasing claims data
- Optum provided a letter of support for application
- Work with an Optum programmer to build a cohort dataset
- Optum provides training of data to research team
- Optum available for additional data support as needed

Thank you

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