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Foundations for Computational Precision Health

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"Under the skin": Computational Biology/Biomed

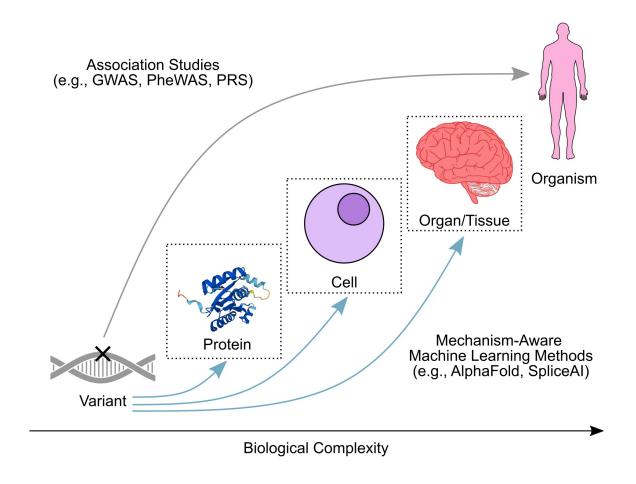
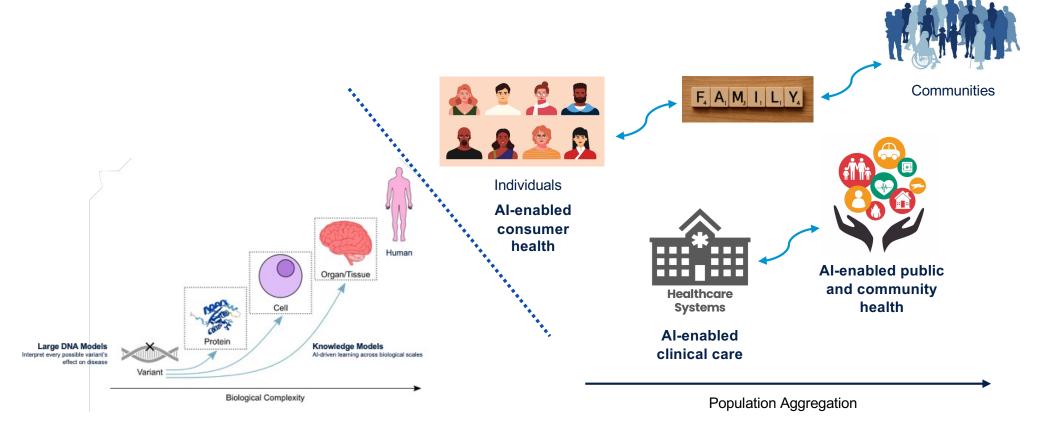


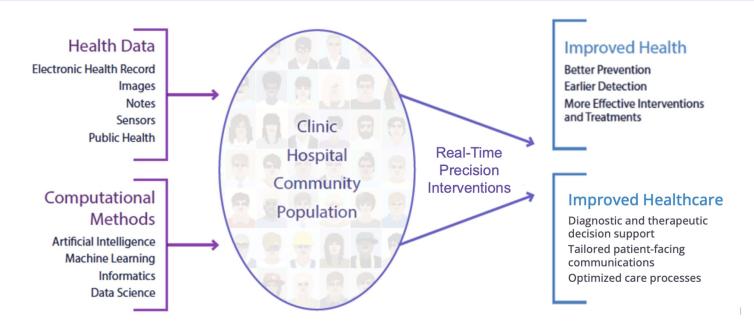
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"Above the skin": Computational Health



What is Computational Precision Health?

A new discipline at the intersection of machine learning, statistics, medicine, and population health



Precision Questions: What <u>interventions</u> work best for which patients/communities and when? **Precision Solutions**: Machine Learning + Statistics + Causality; HCI & Augmented Intelligence **Precision Deployment**: Learning systems embedded in real-world health settings

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Burden of Disease



80% of all premature non-communicable disease deaths worldwide

Multiple Chronic Conditions (MCC)

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ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE



DIABETES



CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE

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Clinician Shortage

United States

- Older sicker population (55% in those > 75 years)
- 20% of physicians are > 65 y/o
- Projecting shortage of 54,000 to 139,000 physicians by 2033
 - Short 48,000 primary care physicians by 2034
- Nursing shortage of >100,000 in 2025

UCSF and Local

- Months to get in to a new
 Primary Care Physician (PCP)
- Specialty appointments are booking months out
- Staff are overworked, burnout decreased after pandemic but now increasing again

LLMs for Healthcare

AI AND MACHINE LEARNING

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OpenAl's Sam Altman touts

- benefit of GPT-5 for
- healthcare

INNOVATION > HEALTHCARE

Electronic Health Record Giant Epic Rolling Out New Al Tools

By Bruce Japsen, Senior Contributor. ① Bruce Japsen writes...



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Hartford HealthCare Selects Abridge to Reduce Clinician Burnout with Al Documentation

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Some generative A.I. tips for patients

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A Chatbot Can Be Part of Your Medical Team

By Tom Rosenh

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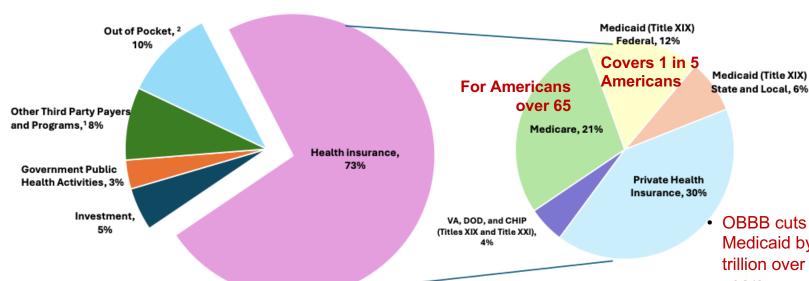
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THE NATION'S HEALTH DOLLAR (\$4.9 TRILLION), CALENDAR YEAR 2023: WHERE IT CAME FROM



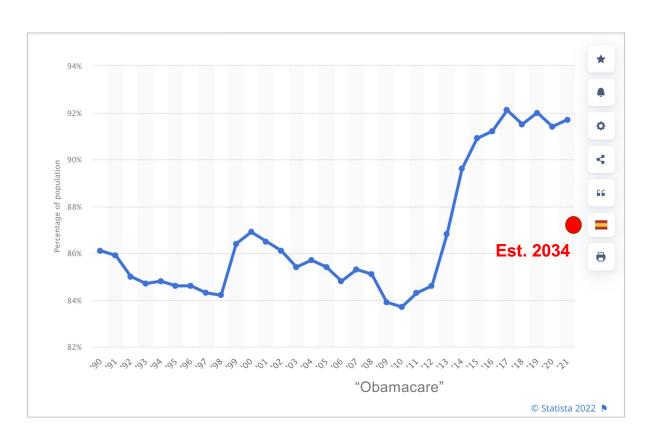
¹ Includes worksite health care, other private revenues, Indian Health Service, workers' compensation, general assistance, maternal and child health, vocational rehabilitation, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, school health, and other federal and state and local programs.

SOURCE: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Office of the Actuary, National Health Statistics Group.

- Medicaid by \$1 trillion over 10 years
- OBBB cuts Medicare by \$45 billion in 2026, \$75 billion in 2034

² Includes co-payments, deductibles, and any amounts not covered by health insurance. Note: Sum of pieces may not equal 100% due to rounding.

Health Insurance and Access



2022

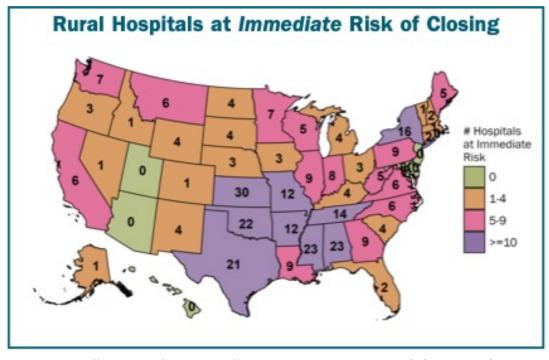
- Almost 92% of Americans had some form of health insurance
- 8% were underinsured

By 2034 (with passage of One Big Beautiful Bill)

- 3–5+% of Americans will have lost health insurance
- ~14 million more will be uninsured (1.7m in CA)

Hospital Closures

 OBBB expected to reduce rural Medicaid spending by \$137 billion over 10 years*



https://chqpr.org/downloads/Rural_Hospitals_at_Risk_of_Closing.pdf

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Health Care Payment Models

Capitated

- Doctor or health system paid a flat sum for services, e.g.,
 - bundled payment: flat fee for knee cartilage removal
 - Pmpm: set \$ per patient per month
 - Carveout: set \$ per patient per month for primary care, or behavioral health

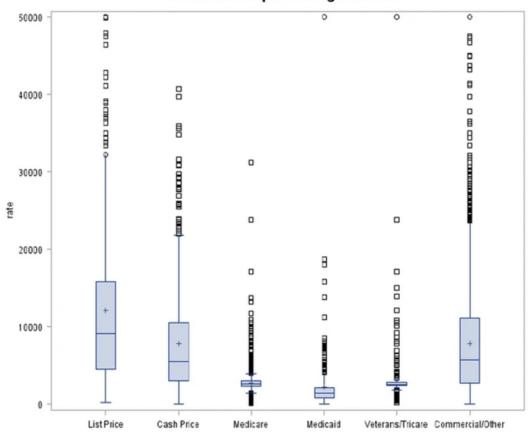


Health Care Payment Models

Fee-for-Service (FFS)

- Doctor/health system is paid for services provided
- Price ≠ cost, e.g., MRI at MGH
 - \$1,019, Cigna plan
 - \$3101, Aetna plan
 - o \$3809, Humana





Health Care Payment Models

Pay for Performance (P4P)

- Doctor/health system rewarded for achieving health metrics (still under FFS)
- Penalties
 - Lose \$ if goals not met
- Extra payments
 - Paid lower global FFS amount, get bonus if meets goals
- E.g., BP, A1c (diabetes), hospital readmission, hospital infections

P4P Example

Pneumonia*			
Performance Measure	Measure Description	Criterion Met or Acceptable Alternative	Rate Calculation**
Initial Antibiotic Timing (Less time is better for this measure.)	Average (mean) time from hospital arrival to first dose of antibiotics at the hospital for pneumonia patients.	Time, in minutes, from hospital arrival to any antibiotic administration in the hospital.	Continuous Variable Statement; Average (mean) time from hospital arrival to first dose of antibiotics at the hospital for pneumonia patients.

 For patients with pneumonia, receiving antibiotics within 4 hours of presentation in Emergency Room correlated with better outcomes

P4P Perverse Effects



Academic Emergency Medicine A GLOBAL JOURNAL OF EMERGENCY CARE



The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Community-Acquired Pneumonia Core Measures Lead to Unnecessary Antibiotic Administration by Emergency Physicians

Results: A total of 121 EPs completed the study instrument (81%). All respondents were aware of the CMS CAP guidelines. Of these, 95% (95% confidence interval [CI] = 92% to 98%) correctly understood the time-based guidelines for antibiotic administration, although 24% (95% CI = 17% to 31%) incorrectly identified the onset of this time period. Nearly all physicians (96%; 95% CI = 93% to 99%) reported institutional commitment to meet these core measures, and 84% (95% CI = 78% to 90%) stated that they had a department-based CAP protocol. More than half of the respondents (55%; 95% CI = 47% to 70%) reported prescribing antibiotics to patients they did not believe had pneumonia in an effort to comply with the CMS guidelines, and 42% (95% CI = 34% to 50%) of these stated that they did so more than three times per month. Only 40% (95% CI = 32% to 48%) of respondents indicated a belief that the guidelines improve patient care. Of those, this was believed to occur by increasing pneumonia awareness (60%; 95% CI = 52% to 68%) and improving hospital processes when pneumonia is suspected (86%; 95% CI = 80% to 92%).

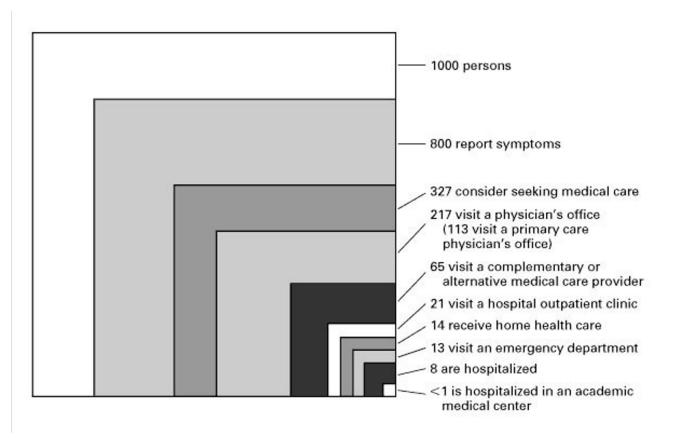
Setting the Context

- Whole person care most patients have more than one chronic disease
- Clinician shortage need to upskill patients, families, generalists, specialists, everyone. Role of AI is TBD.
- Health care access long delays, decreasing access to specialists, hospital and clinic closures, worsening especially in rural areas and for marginalized communities
- Perverse health care payment models FFS incentivizes more care;
 P4P incentivizes weakly and can be gamed; \$\$\$ rules

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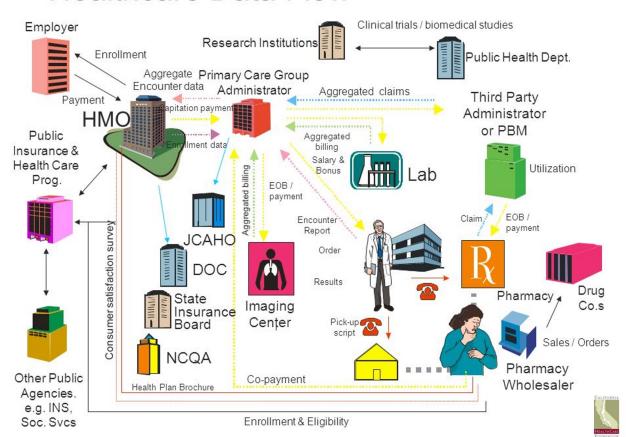
Ecology of Medical Care



- Most health and disease occurs outside of health care
- Deployment settings: home, school, community, public health, clinics, urgent care, hospital
- Electronic Health Record (EHR) only captures data and transactions in healthcare systems

Health Care System Complexity

Healthcare Data Flow



- Patient
 enrollment/eligiblity
 verified, set up in EHR
- 2. MD reviews data (may get CareEverywhere data from other Epics)
- 3. Orders a drug
 - a. Formulary, PriorAuthorization, PBM,Pharmacy, pickup
- 4. EHR <u>information blocking</u> <u>rule</u> in effect Oct 6, 2022
- 5. EHR FHIR API requirement in effect Aug, 2022

Outpatient Primary Care Clinic Session

Visit Time	Age	Primary Care: Reason for visit	
1:05	70M	Stable heart disease, high cholesterol, high BP, pre-diabetes, chronic joint pain, preventive care, end-of-life discussion	
1:25	92F	Mild dementia, HTN, Syndrome X (cardiac), high chol, osteoporosis	
1:45	52M	Hole in his heart (PFO) ?surgery, hx of stroke, anticoagulated, s/p prostatis, foot pain, trigger thumb	
2:05	71F	s/p right hip fracture and pin, diabetes, unexplained weight loss with high cancer marker, s/p resection for pancreatic neuroendocrine cancer, chronic kidney failure, HTN, back and neck pain on opioids, etc.	
2:25	87F	Poorly controlled diabetes, HTN, heart disease, aortic stenosis & regurgitation, eczema, unstable gait, s/p stroke, carotid stenosis, left knee and shoulder pain, insomnia	
3:05	91F	Episodes of whole body weakness , HTN with labile blood pressure, CAD, DM, vertigo, hx of falls, esophageal stricture, profound hearing loss, moderate dementia	
3:25	89F	Hx of stroke with spasticity and gait disorder, HTN, s/p aortic valve surgery, osteoporosis, needs COVID Booster	
3:45	97M	Decreased kidney function, new abdominal mass, HTN, heart failure, vertigo, r/o aortic stenosis, skin sun damage, large prostate	
4:05	65M	Degenerative neck and lumbar spine, left and right arm/hand neuropathy , carpal tunnel syndrome, needs COVID Booster	

Practice Burdens

Mental pressure

 Mental bandwidth, vast clinical knowledge base, administrivia, practicing at top of license

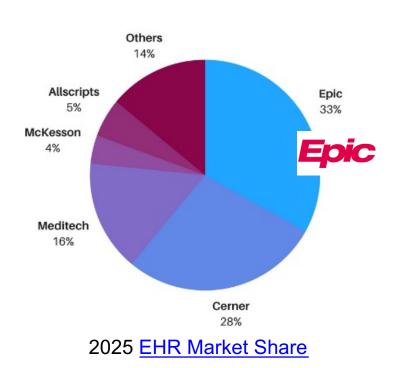
Time pressure/workflow burdens

- 20 minute primary care visits
- 10-hour ER shift: 43% time spent on data entry, 28% on patient contact. Average 4000 clicks per shift (Hill, 2013)
- 2 hours of time on computer for every 1 hour of patient-facing time
- Daily average of 45 minutes spent searching for orders, reconciling orders, and navigating order decision support tools.

Emotional pressure/moral injury

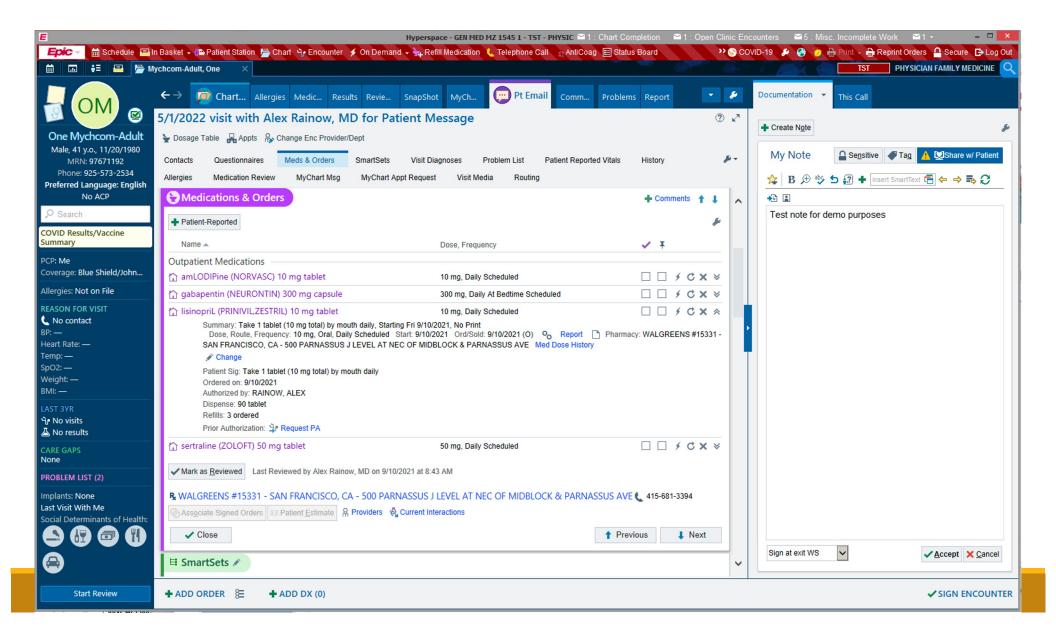
human connection with patients, social/economic/pandemic difficulties

"Electronic Health Record"



EHR is two components

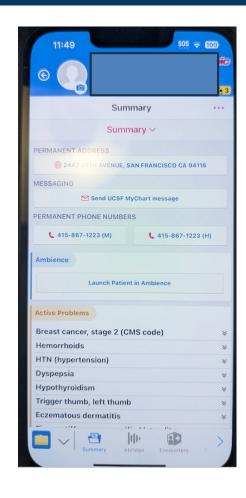
- Workflow engine
 - "APeX" name of UCSF's Epic installation, for doctors
 - MyChart is Epic's patientfacing EHR
- Database of clinical data and clinical transactions

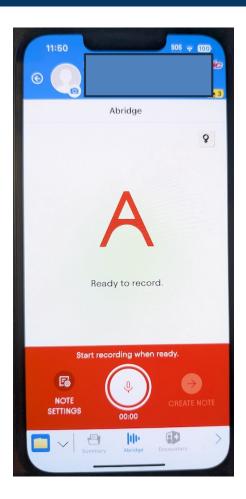


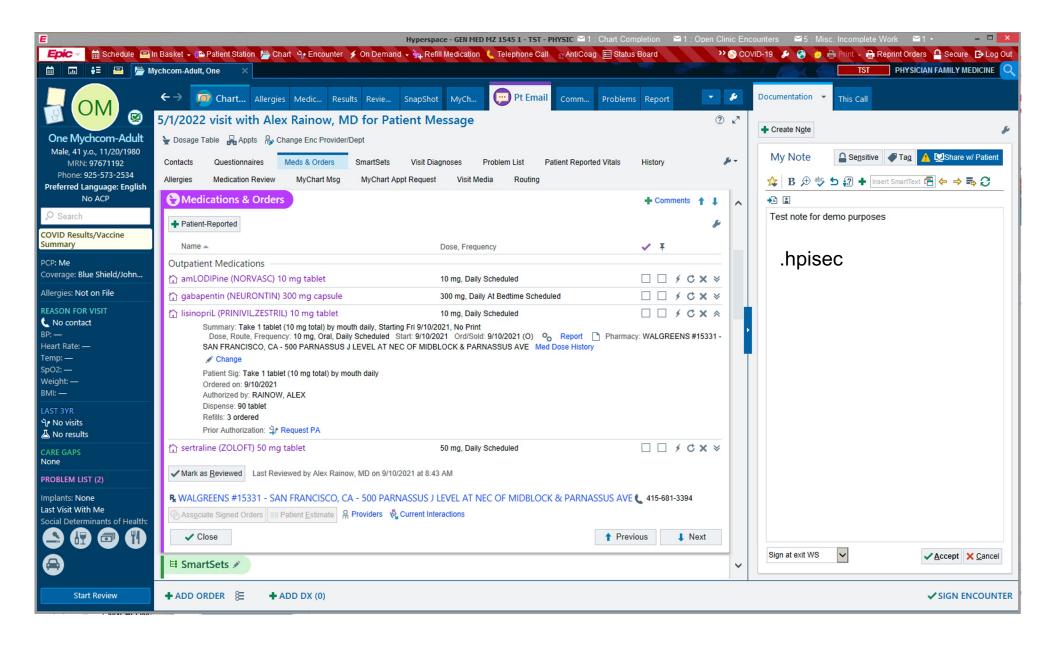
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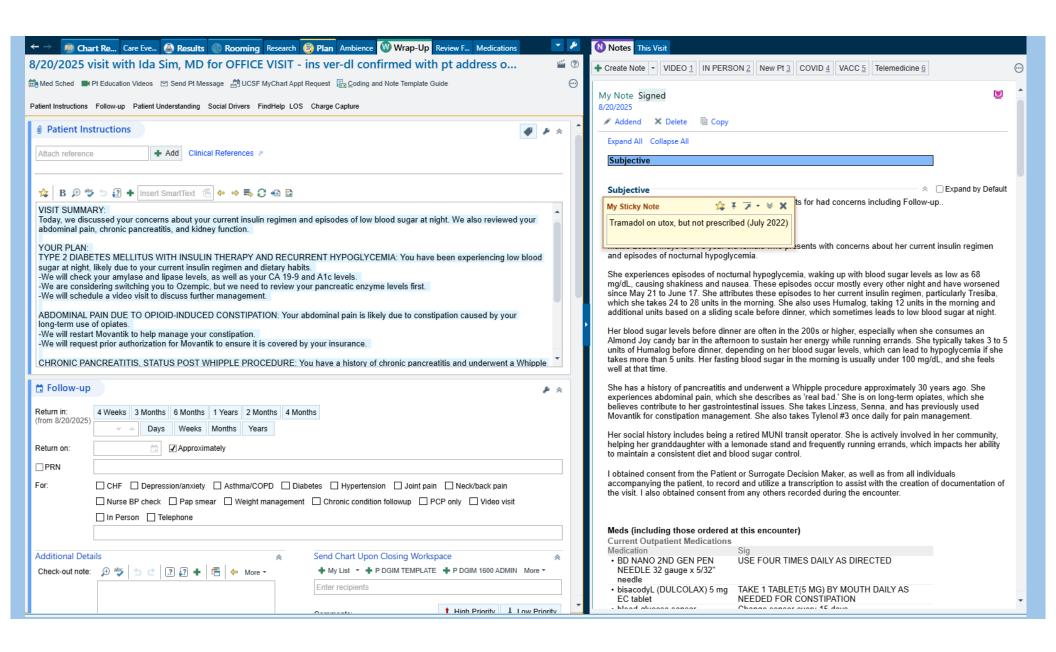






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"Subjective"/History part of the note

Summary from a 30+ minute conversation

I edited as shown.

My Sticky Note

Tramadol on utox, but not prescribed (July 2022)

sents with concerns about her current insulin regimen and episodes of nocturnal hypoglycemia.

She experiences episodes of nocturnal hypoglycemia, waking up with blood sugar levels as low as 68 mg/dL, causing shakiness and nausea. These episodes occur mostly every other night and have worsened since May 21 to June 17. She attributes these episodes to her current insulin regimen, particularly Tresiba, which she takes 24 to 28 units in the morning. She also uses Humalog, taking 12 units in the morning and additional units based on a sliding scale before dinner, which sometimes leads to low blood sugar at night.

Her blood sugar levels before dinner are often in the 200s or higher, especially when she consumes an Almond Joy candy bar in the afternoon to sustain her energy while running errands. She typically takes 3 to 5 units of Humalog before dinner, depending on her blood sugar levels, which can lead to hypoglycemia if she takes more than 5 units. Her fasting blood sugar in the morning is usually under 100 mg/dL, and she feels well at that time.

She has a history of pancreatitis and underwent a Whipple procedure approximately 30 years ago. She experiences abdominal pain, which she describes as 'real bad.' She is on long-term opiates, which she believes contribute to her gastrointestinal issues. She takes Linzess, Senna, and has previously used Movantik for constipation management. She also takes Tylenol #3 once daily for pain management.

Her social history includes being a retired MUNI transit operator. She is actively involved in her community, helping her granddaughter with a lemonade stand and frequently running errands, which impacts her ability to maintain a consistent diet and blood sugar control.

I obtained consent from the Patient or Surrogate Decision Maker, as well as from all individuals accompanying the patient, to record and utilize a transcription to assist with the creation of documentation of the visit. I also obtained consent from any others recorded during the encounter.

VISIT SUMMARY:

Today, we discussed your concerns about your current insulin regimen and episodes of low blood sugar at night. We also reviewed your abdominal pain, chronic pancreatitis, and kidney function.

Abridge[™] Al Scribe

YOUR PLAN:

TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS WITH INSULIN THERAPY AND RECURRENT HYPOGLYCEMIA: You have been experiencing low blood sugar at night, likely due to your current insulin regimen and dietary habits.

- -We will check your amylase and lipase levels, as well as your CA 19-9 and A1c levels.
- -We are considering switching you to Ozempic, but we need to review your pancreatic enzyme levels first.
- -We will schedule a video visit to discuss further management.

"After Visit Summary"

Summary from a 30+

ABDOMINAL PAIN DUE TO OPIOID-INDUCED CONSTIPATION: Your abdominal pain is likely due to constipation caused by your long-term use of opiates.

- -We will restart Movantik to help manage your constipation.
- -We will request prior authorization for Movantik to ensure it is covered by your insurance.

minute conversation

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CHRONIC PANCREATITIS, STATUS POST WHIPPLE PROCEDURE: You have a history of chronic pancreatitis and underwent a Whipple procedure.

-We will check your amylase and lipase levels to monitor your condition.

PRIMARY PANCREATIC NEUROENDOCRINE MICROADENOMA: You have a small pancreatic tumor that we are monitoring.

-We will check your CA 19-9 levels to monitor the tumor.

CHRONIC KIDNEY DISEASE, UNSPECIFIED STAGE: You have chronic kidney disease with variable kidney function.

-We will continue to monitor your kidney function with routine labs.

Conclusions

- Six chronic diseases account for 90% of healthcare expenses, and 40% of Americans have more than one chronic disease.
- Healthcare system is under tremendous stress: workforce shortages, lack of access, deeply threatened finances, and perverse payment models that do not reward better care or better outcomes
- Clinicians practice under high mental, time/workflow, and emotional pressures.
- Epic is the dominant electronic health record (EHR). EHRs serve as medicine's workflow system with a database attached to it.
- We are in the very early days of AI for health and healthcare.

Take Home Points

- Treat the whole patient not individual diseases! Find the optimal solution for the set of diseases each patient has, not the local single-disease optimum.
- Most of healthcare is delivered outside the healthcare system
- Do not add net mental, time, or emotional burden to the health system or health workers
- Partner with clinicians and patients to understand the real problems that need solving
- We must shape AI to preserve humanity in health and healthcare

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