

Digital Health Apps

Are they helping and worth the investment?

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Conflicts of Interests

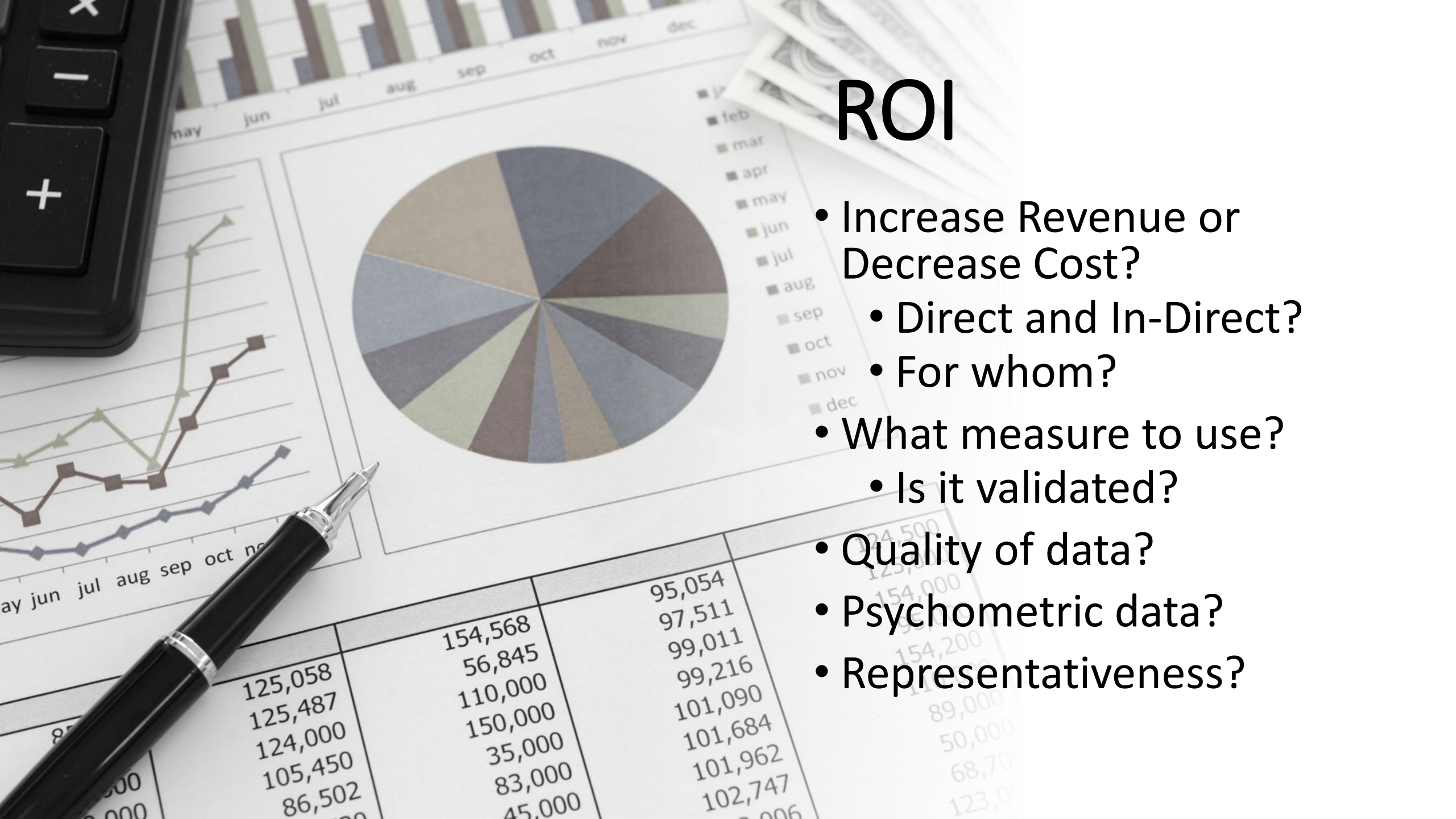
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- **Advisor**
 - Sira Health
- **Formerly advised**
 - CloudMedx
 - InSilico Trials
 - Capture Proof
- Grant from Google ATAP division
 - Sensors, AI and Predictive Analytics for Gait
- Journal of Arthroplasty
- Arthroplasty Today
- Journal of Orthopaedic Experience and Innovation
- Founder and VP of the Personalized Arthroplasty Society
- Founder and Chair Digital Orthopaedics Conference San Francisco

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ROI

- Increase Revenue or Decrease Cost?
 - Direct and In-Direct?
 - For whom?
- What measure to use?
 - Is it validated?
- Quality of data?
- Psychometric data?
- Representativeness?



Transforming Healthcare Operations with **Data Science** and **Machine Learning**



80+ Leading Hospitals Rely on iQueue for Operating Rooms to Improve OR Utilization

- UCHealth increased OR utilization by 4%, adding over \$10M in revenue
- MultiCare increased available OR minutes by 300%.
- OhioHealth repurposes 12 blocks per month using *Collect*.
- NewYork-Presbyterian Brooklyn Methodist Hospital increased their cases per day by 13%

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140+ Cancer Centers Rely on iQueue for
Infusion Centers to Improve Operations

RESOURCE
ALLOCATION:

ROI direct revenue calculations

- DOCSPERA.COM
 - Surgical Scheduling App
- Goal filling 50% of available OR
 - for arthroplasty only
- IMPLEMENTATION COSTS
 - One time
 - 1
 - Recurring
 - 0.6
- REVENUE
 - Direct Contribution margin
 - 14.8
 - 15:1 ROI

The screenshot displays a mobile application interface for surgical scheduling. At the top, the time is 5:11, and the user is logged in as Stefano Bini. The main view is a calendar for September 2022, with several dates highlighted in various colors (blue, yellow, purple, grey). Below the calendar, a detailed view for September 8, 2022, shows four scheduled procedures:

Time	Procedure	Room	Surgeon	Gender	MRN	Status
7:30 AM - 10:30 AM	HIP TENDON/ MUSCLE REPAIR OR...	UCSF MZ OR 01	Bini, S	F	33101686	Patient Ready
8:31 AM - 12:56 PM	ROBOTIC ASSISTED TOTAL KNEE...	UCSF MZ OR 11	Bini, S	M	86129388	Patient Ready
10:30 AM - 1:56 PM	ROBOTIC ASSISTED TOTAL HIP A...	UCSF MZ OR 01	Bini, S	M	71646955	Patient Ready
12:56 PM - 3:52 PM	TOTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY WI...	UCSF MZ OR 11	Bini, S	F	21218154	Patient Ready

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Accuro's world-first technology enables you to see what you've been missing.

1. SEE more than 5-10X* enhancement of bone-to-tissue contrast with **Multi-Frequency BoneEnhance® Image Reconstruction** technology.
2. FIND the ideal insertion point with **Midline** (red dashed line) and **Cross Hair** indicators.
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Virtual Rehab post TKA

- Bini et al
- RCT TKA virtual vs In person PT
- 26 patients
- 40% REDUCTION IN PT
- Equivalent outcomes and patient satisfaction

Journal of Telemedicine and Telecare

[International
Society for
Telemedicine...](#)

Impact Factor: **6.344**
5-Year Impact Factor: **6.338**

SUBMIT

 Available access | Research article | First published online July 9, 2016

Clinical outcomes of remote asynchronous telerehabilitation are equivalent to traditional therapy following total knee arthroplasty: A randomized control study

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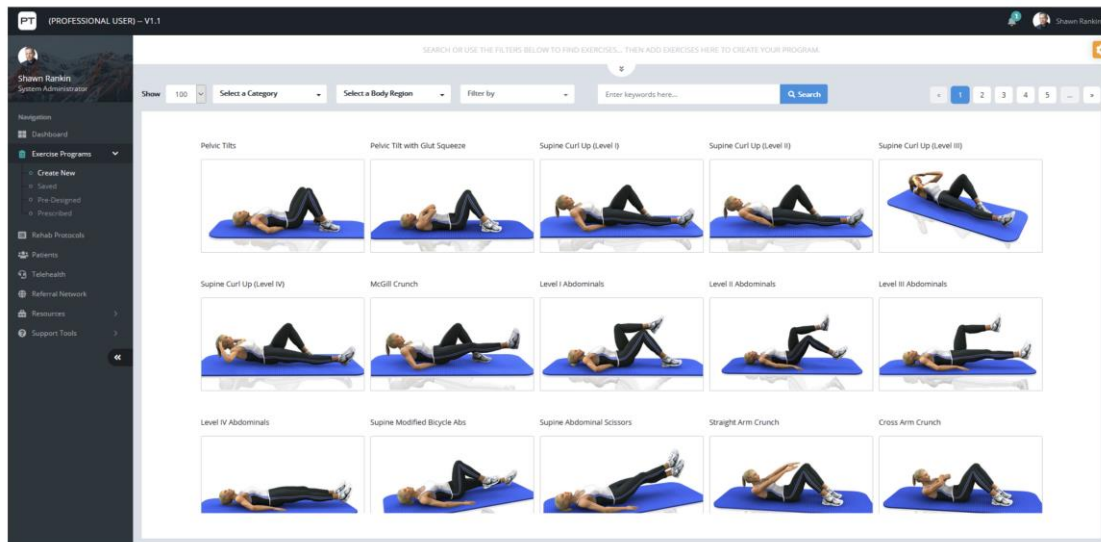
Volume 23, Issue 2 | <https://doi.org/10.1177/1357633X16634518>

REHAB and PREHAB

- Guided Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Apps



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THOUSANDS OF ANIMATED EXERCISES SUPPORT OUR DIGITAL SOLUTION... VIEW EXAMPLES BELOW.

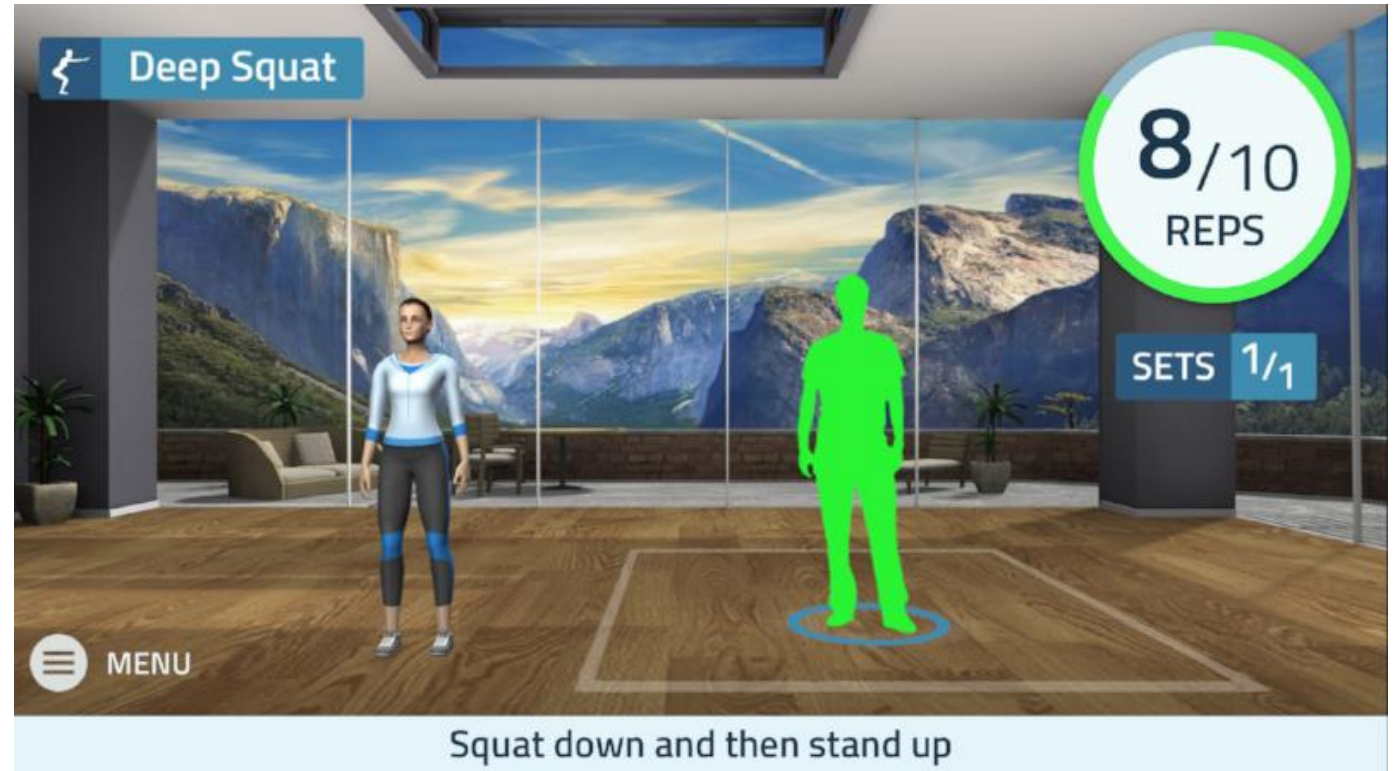
QUADRUPED ALTERNATE HIP EXTENSION

Mirror (L/R)



Virtual PT with 3D tracking and feedback

- Prvu Bettger et al, JBJS 2020
- Virtual PT (3D, avatar, and feedback) vs. in home PT
- 306 patients
- 50% lower cost
- 60% fewer hospitalizations ($p < 0.007$)
- Same fall risk and non-inferior PROMS



PT platforms

Moffet et al, Telemed J E Health 2017

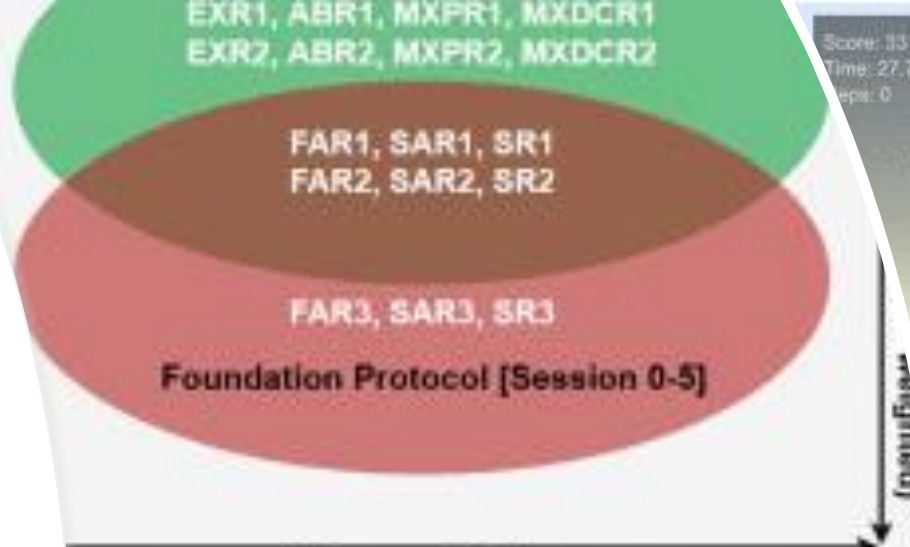
- RCT 198 patients : virtual TELE PT vs @home PT post TKA
- PROMs
- Difficult to compare and measure satisfaction
- Similar level of satisfaction

Seron et al PTJ 2021

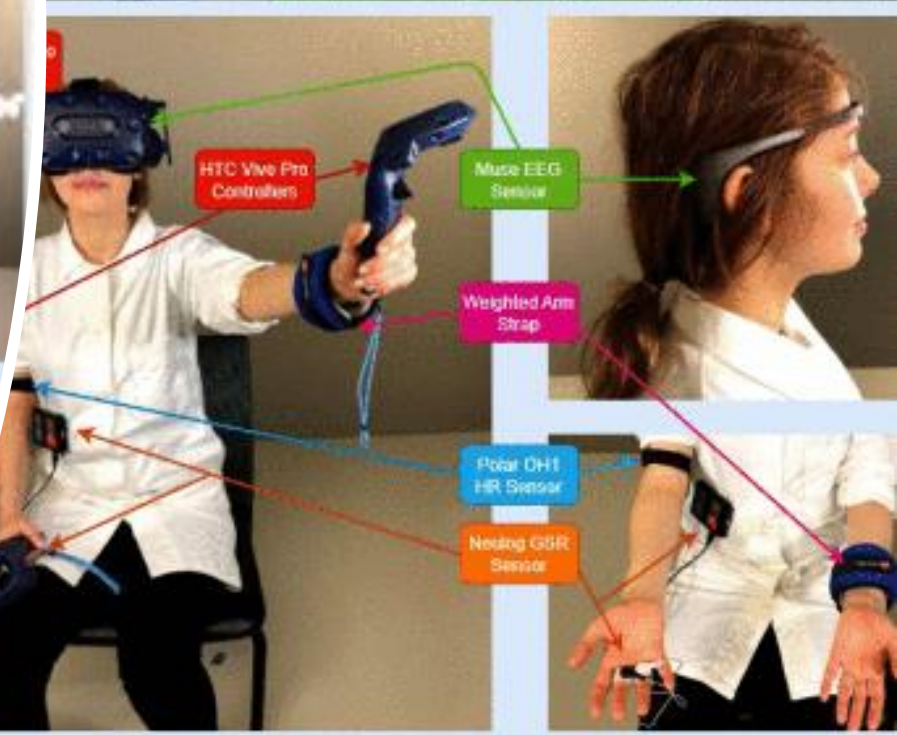
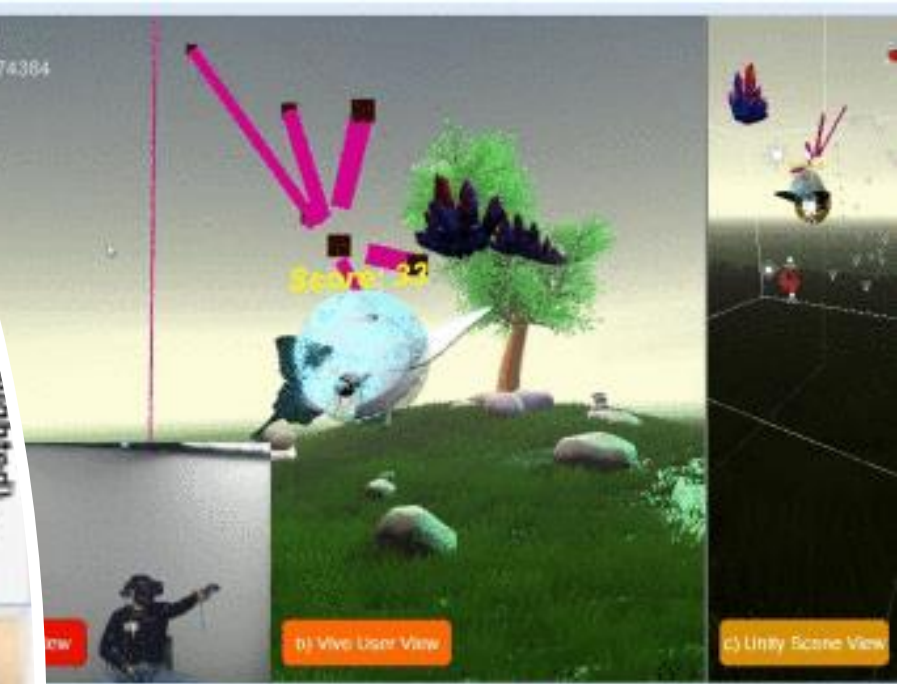
- Analysis of 53 Meta Analyses (17 included)
- Cardio, MSK, Neuro
- Similar results to in-person, better than no PT at all.

VR PT

- Elor et al, IEEE 2021
- Next gen gamification of PT



Movement Order



Physical Therapy (P)Rehabilitation Platform



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Transforming the delivery of **Injury Rehabilitation**
Improved Outcomes

- Physical Therapists
- Physicians
- Patients

The Force Platform

A comprehensive platform that engages patients via digital and video connections, extending your reach into the home



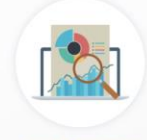
Virtual Rehab



Digital Navigation



PRO Collection



Data & Analytics



Registry Integration



Smart Tasks

The Force ecosystem of care coordination



PROMs & Data Collection

Unparalleled PROMs collection & real-time data points to paint the full picture of your patient's journey.



Patient Education & Virtual PT

Deliver clinically validated, provider-prescribed education and video-based content to guide patients through every step.



Validated Personalized Care Plans

Force uses AI to personalize patient protocols & help target provider care.



Streamlined Workflows & Communication

Reduce call volume & improve operational efficiency while ensuring you Care Team is the single source of truth for recovery information.



Patient Engagement Platforms

Decrease
touch points

Decrease
readmissions

Increase
patient
compliance

Increased
patient
satisfaction

Costs not
borne by the
beneficiary



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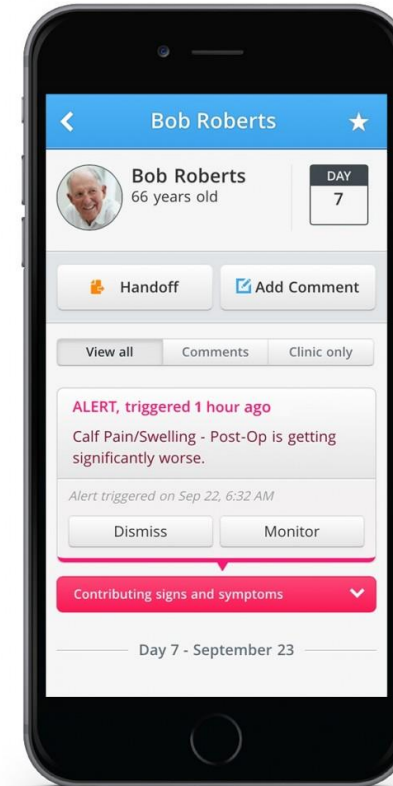
Mobile Patient Engagement Platforms May Help Reduce 30 Day Readmission Rates in Arthroplasty Patients

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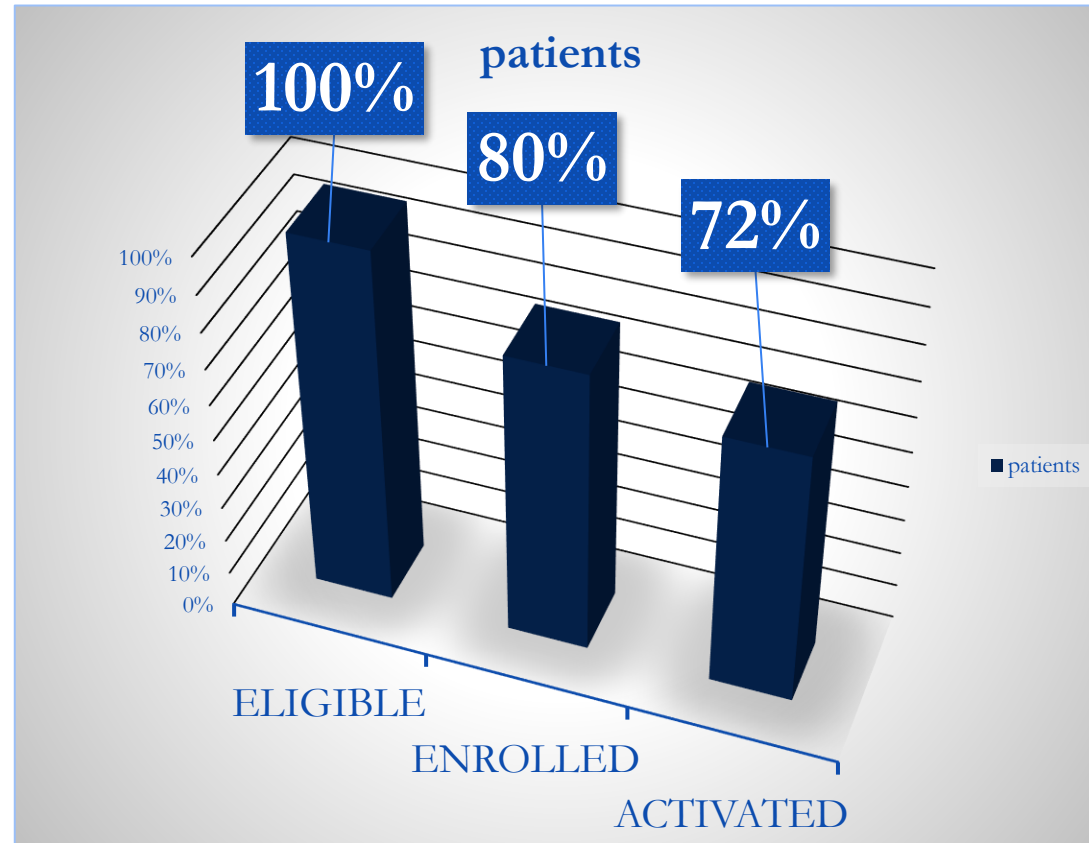
Aim

- Report the impact of PEP use at academic arthroplasty practice on:
 - Primary Outcome: non-elective 30 day readmission rates (NE30)
 - Secondary Outcome: resource Utilization
 - Messaging to care team
 - ED visits
 - Testing



Results

- Cohort
- 701 Eligible
- 561 Enrolled
- 502 Activated
- 92.4%
 - Satisfied with the PEP



Primary Outcome: readmission



- Non Elective Readmission 30 days for activated PEP patients
 - 7/502 (1.4%)
- NE30 for non-PEP patients
 - 9/199 (4.5%)
- P=0.01

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Background

- Higher levels of patient engagement lead to more efficient and effective healthcare¹
- Patients with higher levels of engagement are more likely to report a positive care experience²
- Online patient engagement platforms (PEP) provide asynchronous digital communication between surgeons and patients using mobile applications
 - PEP are web-based mobile communication platforms
 - Can be accessed via computer or mobile device (phone or tablet)
- PEPs support care management and can collect patient-reported outcomes (PROs)
 - They have also been shown to improve diabetes management and reduce postoperative ED visits
- Little is known about the impact of PEPs on clinical practice workflow in an academic arthroplasty practice**
- Purpose:** to describe the impact of a PEP on clinical practice workflow in an academic arthroplasty practice

Results

- 561 patients: enrolled in the PEP (HealthLoop)
 - Average age: 62.4
 - Female: 329 (58%)
 - THA: 305 (54.4%)
- 502 patients (89.5%) activated their PEP account
 - Similar activation rates for THA (90.2%) and TKA (88.7%) (p = 0.56)
 - Similar activations rates based on gender (p = 0.91)
- 13,903 check-ins generated (throughout study period)
- 18,916 logins (time avg: 11 minutes)
- 5,319 messages generated
 - 1,343 (25.4%) generated in the first postoperative week

Discussion

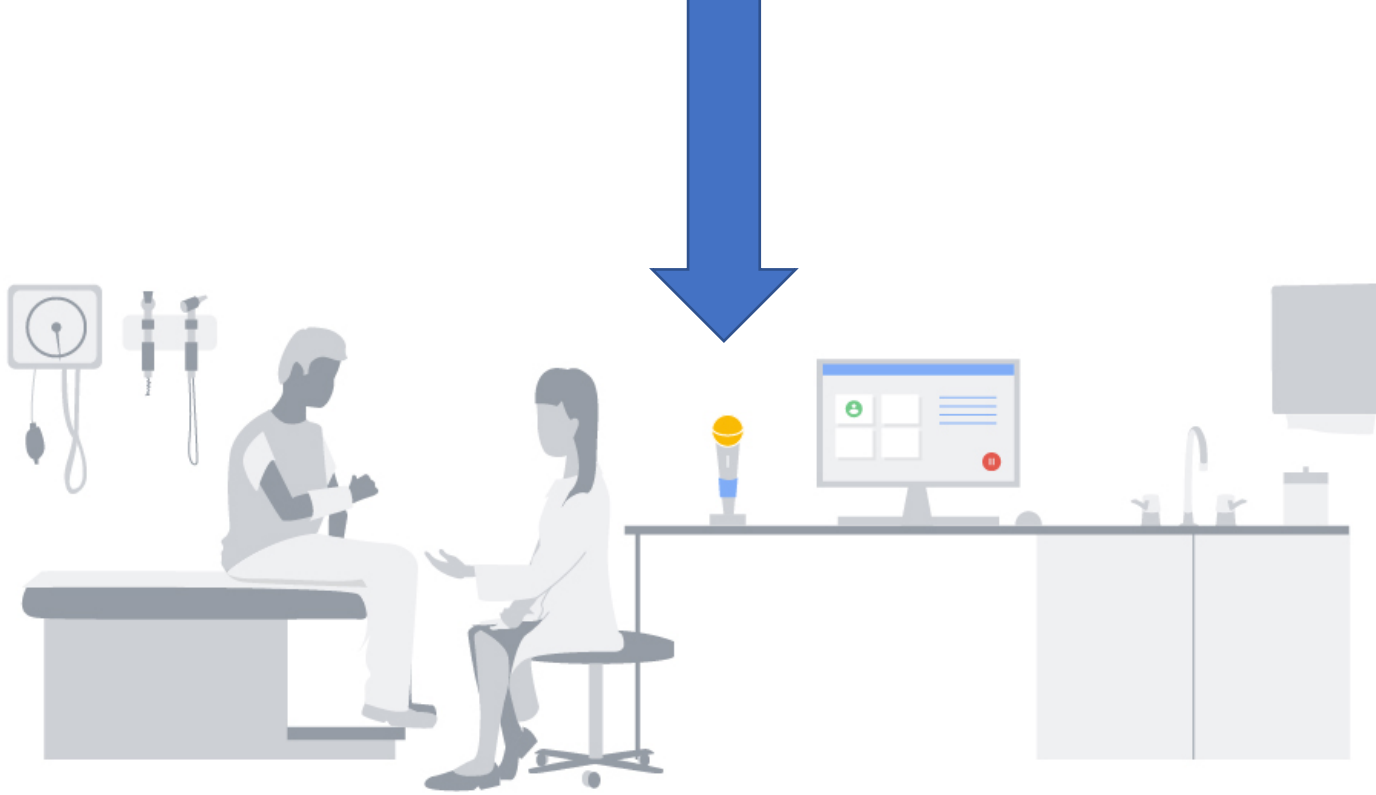
- High patient participation rate using this PEP**
- Each patient averaged 39 PEP logins & 14 messages sent
 - >30% messaging rate than similar study on spine patients with a different app (Force)⁵, suggesting that variations in how PEPs are designed or implemented may impact patient utilization rates.
- Surgeons accounted for 6% of staff logins and there was variation in response rates between surgical teams.**
- Satisfaction rates were very high but had no relationship with response time because patients could use multiple communication channels.

Methods

- Data prospectively collected from 100 patients at a single academic center from January 2016 through December 31, 2016
- January 2016: UCSF division of Orthopaedic Surgery PEP called HealthLoop (Mobile)
 - HIPAA-compliant, secure mobile and desktop application
 - Guides patients through clinical practice pathways with daily message communication
- PEP were also used to collect patient-reported outcomes (PROs)
- Variables examined for the purpose of this study include:
 - Check-ins sent by PEP
 - Number of patient logins
 - Patient messages generated
 - Timing of patient messages
 - Mean staff response time
 - Number of staff and surgeon logins
 - Patient satisfaction

	Total	Average ± SD (per patient)
Check-ins	13093	26.1 ± 4.3
Patient logins	18916	38.8 ± 23.4
Messages generated	5319	14.2 ± 12.4
Team logins	4975	415 (per month)
Preoperative		
1 week postop	25%	
1 week – 3 month postop		
3 month – 6 month postop		

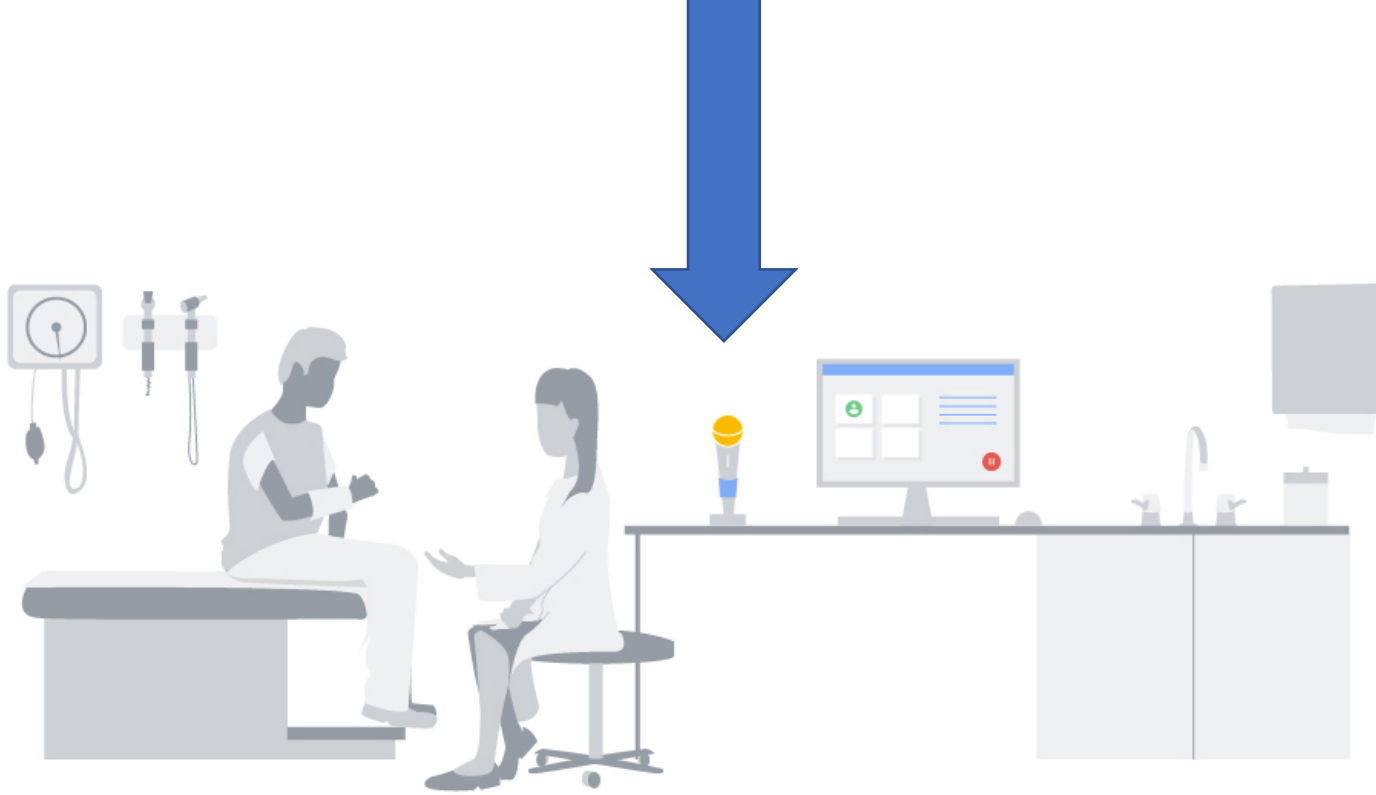
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Here come the Digital Scribes

- Voice recognition and Machine learning
 - 65% automated transcription
- Decrease clinical documentation load

- < documentation time by 90'



Here come the Digital
Scribes

In Person: \$31,000-55,000 / yr
Virtual: \$14,400/ yr

No recurrent training
No schedule issues
Physical constraints
Remote Locations

Decrease burnout
Work Life Balance
Increase Revenue

Is \$14K worth it?

Virtual Clinics



Telehealth

Increased access

Decreased costs

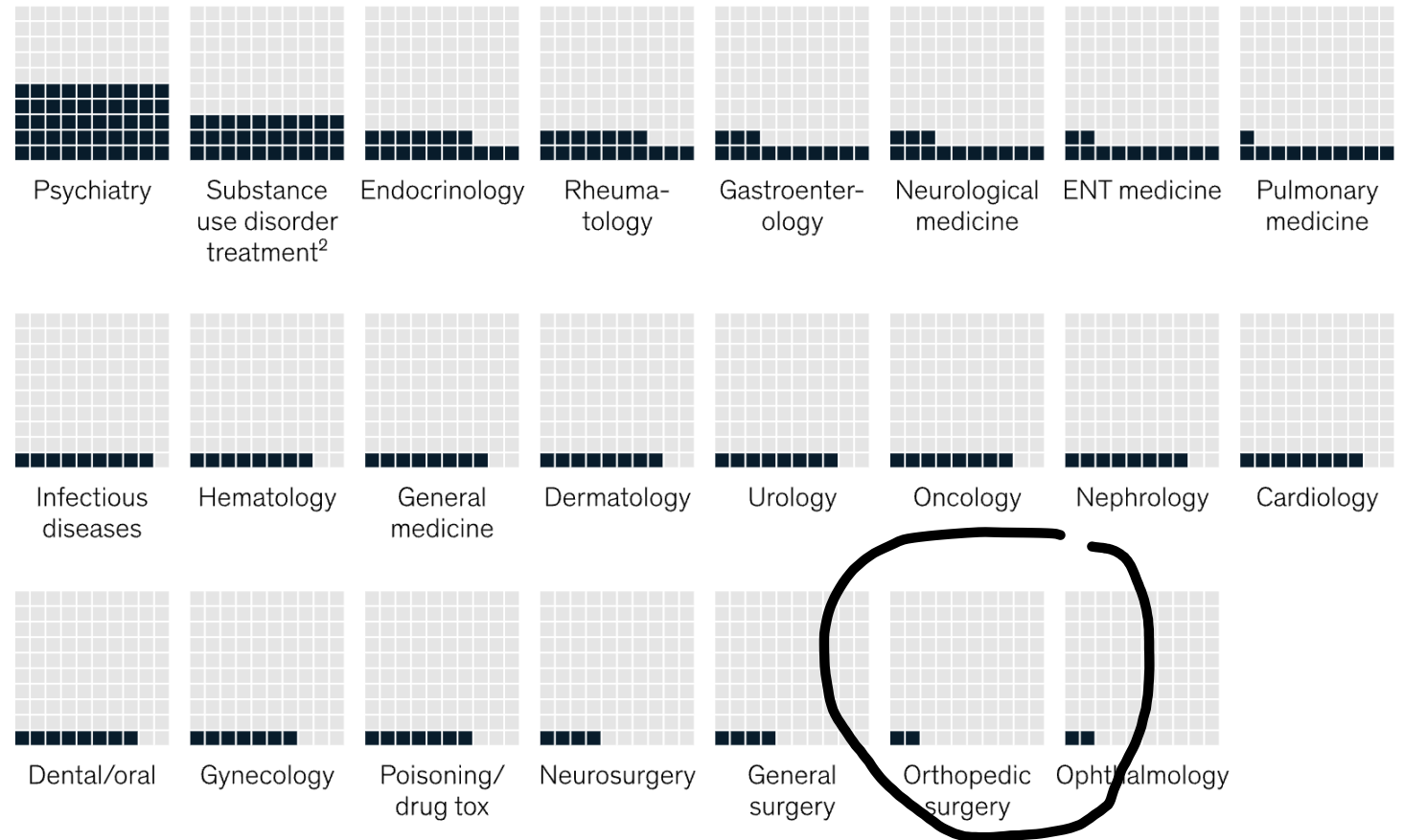
Equal outcomes

Not an “across the board” phenomenon.

example: Low adoption in Orthopedics

Substantial variation exists in share of telehealth claims across specialities.

Share of telehealth of outpatient and office visit claims by specialty (February 2021¹), %



¹Includes only evaluation and management claims; excludes emergency department, hospital inpatient, and psychiatry inpatient claims; excludes certain low-volume specialties.

²Also includes addiction medicine and addiction treatment.

Source: Compile database; “Telehealth: A quarter-trillion-dollar post-COVID-19 reality?” May 2020, McKinsey.com; McKinsey analysis

Telemedicine Efficacy Data

Chaundry et all
CORR 2021

- Meta Analysis: Equivalence for patient and surgeon satisfaction to in person visits

Hwa, Wren
JAMA 2013

- No difference in post op complications

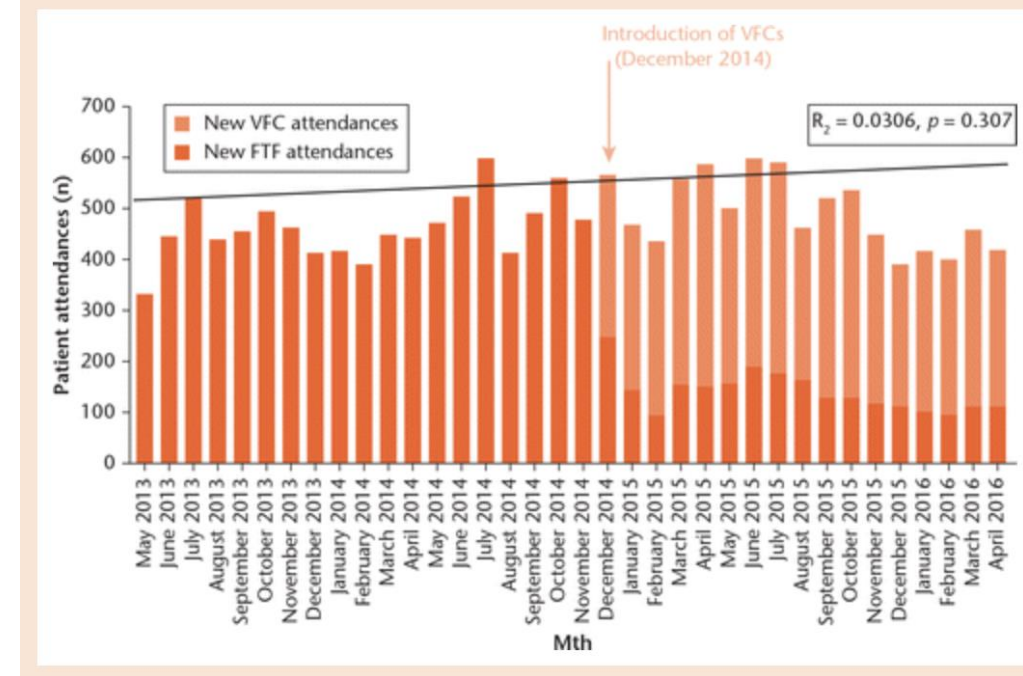
The clinical and cost effectiveness of a virtual fracture clinic service

An interrupted time series analysis and before-and-after comparison

A. McKirdy , A. M. Imbuldeniya

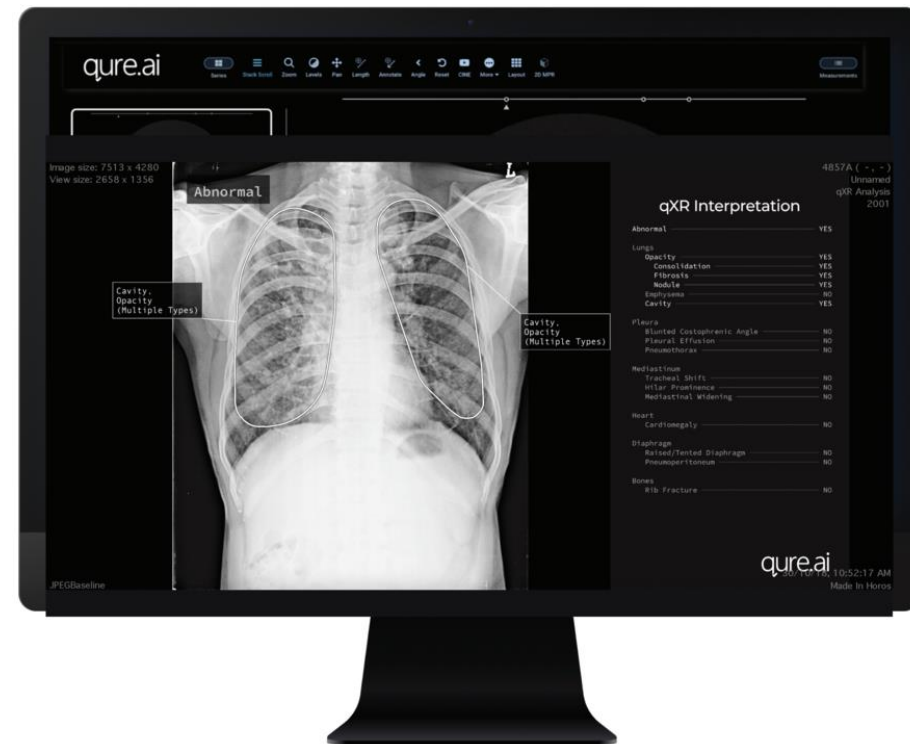


- Mc Kirdy et al BJJ 2017
- Retrospective before and after implantation
- 17,671 patients
- Virtual Fracture care
 - 70% reduction in-person clinic visits
 - 50% reduction in wait time for first visit
 - 70% reduction in no-show rates
 - No increase in consultation time
 - £130,000 annual savings



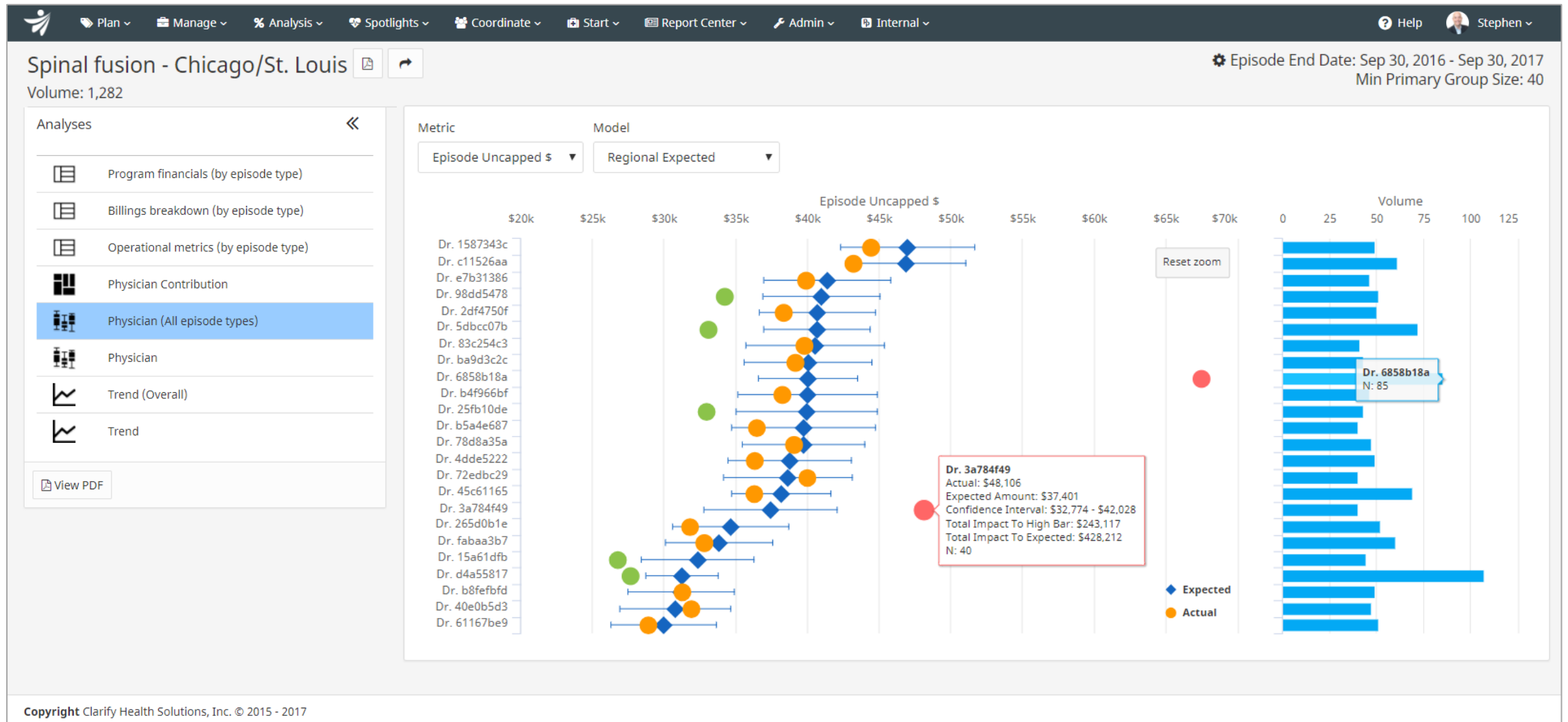
Clinical Decision Support Systems

- Knowledge Based (rules driven) and Knowledge Free (machine learning) to analyze clinical data
- Currently mostly leverage EHRs
- Philips, Allscripts, AthenaHealth, GE Healthcare, McKesson etc
 - Medication Errors
 - Image Analysis
- Currently over \$2B



VARIATION IN COST OF CARE FOR SAME PROCEDURE?

Identify variations in care, episode cost, case-mix, etc.



STRATIFY PATIENT RISK DYNAMICALLY

Patient profiles with 200+ risk factors, including social determinants

Patient Insights

Aaftiok, Eldridge
DOB: Dec 31, 1950 | Age: 67 | Birth Gender: Male | MRN: | Home: BRONX, NY | Marital Status: unknown | Ethnicity: White

Timeline | History | Episodes | Journey | Profile | Ratings

Ratings

Disposition	Initial Rating	Current Rating	Details
Complete regular check-ins	N/A	N/A	Details

Outcomes

Outcomes	Initial Rating	Current Rating	Details
Quality			
Risk of Post Acute Admission	⚠️ 12.9%	🚨 50.1%	Details

Billing and Cost

Likelihood of PAC	⚠️ 19.1%	🚨 44.1%	Details
Episode cost estimate	⚠️ \$19,393	🚨 \$51,714	Details

Factors Cohorts Timeline

Clinical

Admit from SNF: True	No
Aids HIV: True	No
Alcohol Abuse: True	No
Blood Loss Anemia: True	No
Cardiac Arrhythmias: True	No
Chronic Pulmonary Disease: True	No
Coagulopathy: True	Yes
Congestive Heart Failure: True	No
Deficiency Anemia: True	No
Depression: True	No
Diabetes Complicated: True	Yes
Diabetes Uncomplicated: True	No
Drug Abuse: True	No
Fluid And Electrolyte Disorders: True	No
Hip Fracture: True	No
Hypertension Complicated: True	Yes
Hypertension Uncomplicated: True	No
Lithium: True	Yes

Stratify and track member risk in real-time for cost, quality, and outcomes

Comprehensive personal member profiles comprise 200+ risk factors—clinical, social, and demographic

Overall Referral Distribution



- 30% McCormick Health Care Corporation Northwest New York
- 20% Ascendency Health Northwest Regional
- 10% First Medical Northern Plains Care Group

Keypage: Top Provider Groups

	Keypage
Sodus Point Medical Center	61.6%
Western New York Medical Center	60.2%
Healthcare	59.7%
Rochester Care Medical Center	58.4%
Plattsburgh Medical Center	57.4%
Essex Falls Medical Center	56.3%
Sentinel Range Healthcare	55.2%

Keypage: Bottom Provider Groups

	Keypage
Jamestown Bluff Medical Center	5.2%
North Buffalo Health	6.3%
Auburn Hills Medical Center	7.4%
Five Ponds Medical Center	8.4%
Burlington Health	9.7%
Queensbury Healthcare	10.2%
West Albany University	11.6%

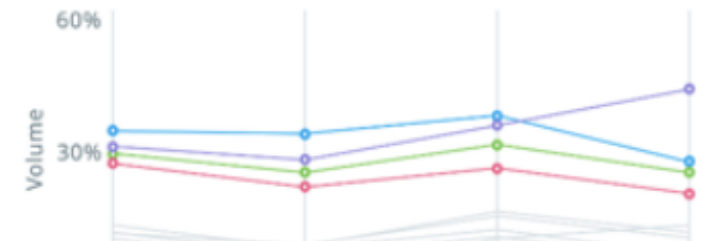
Keypage: Key Specialties

	Keypage
Orthopedics	61.6%
Cardiology	60.2%
General Surgery	59.7%

Referral Distribution by Specialty

	Inbound Vol	Distribution
Cardiology	11,345	
Orthopedics	10,372	
Critical Care	9,362	

Keypage Trends by Highest Vol





Robust Clinical Decision Support Solutions for Better Outcomes

OUR SOLUTIONS

An integrated suite of clinical decision support solutions purpose-built to improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of patient care.

RESULTS



GE Health



Carestation Insights platform is designed to support:



Anesthesia Department

- + Drive best clinical practices
- + Measure protocol standardization
- + Optimize processes and their adoption

Make smart decisions to optimize patient care.



OR Manager

- + May help improve operational efficiency
- + Helps OR start times stay on schedule
- + Support quality objectives with visibility to machine checkout status before use

Review and respond to workflow issues.



Administration

- + Meet financial goals
- + Review and optimize resource use
- + Encourage best practices

Make meaningful use of your budget.

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The value of Protocol Adherence

C-SATS Organize and access your surgical videos anytime, anywhere

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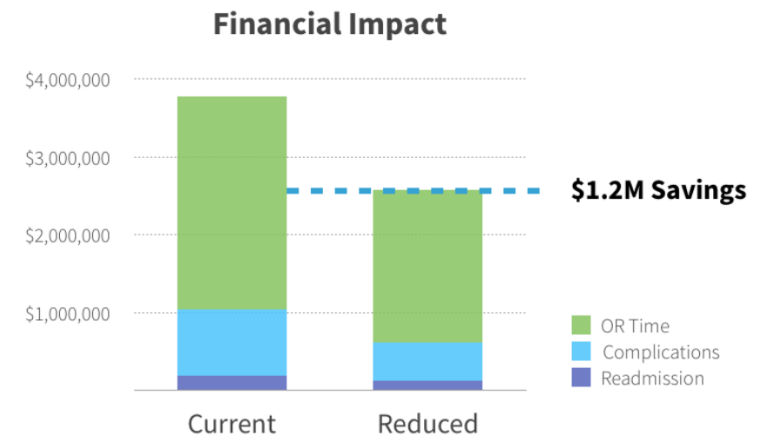
DATA STORAGE & MANAGEMENT

- ▶ Video upload (no hardware required)³
- ▶ AI-assisted video PHI removal⁴
- ▶ Secure storage and 24/7 access to your private C-SATS case video library

AI-POWERED TOOLS & CAPABILITIES

- ▶ Unlock critical procedure analytics and insights
- ▶ Step segmentation for select procedures within 1-2 business days
- ▶ Track performance with your personalized dashboard

Healthcare systems realize significant cost savings when their practitioners use proper technique, procedure and protocol. Failures of care delivery, which include “poor execution or lack of widespread adoption of best practices,” account for \$154 billion in wasteful healthcare spending. (JAMA, April 2012)





Digital Health Apps



Are they helping and worth the investment?

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Is this a scalable model?

Scarce resources are expensive



Projected Health Workforce Shortages USA 2025

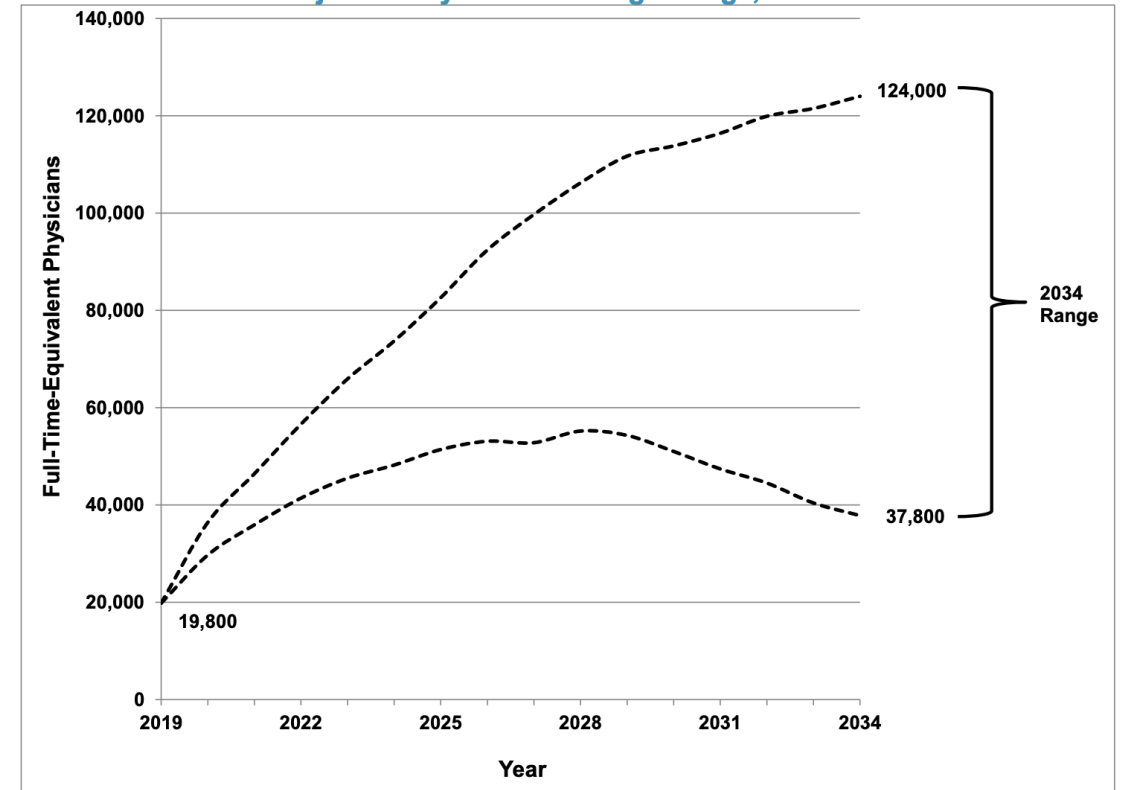
- Becker's Hospital Review 2018
 - 400,000 Home Health Aids
 - 95,000 Nursing Assistants
 - 59,000 Medical and Clinical Lab Technologists
 - 30,000 Nurse Practitioners
 - 11,000 Physicians and Surgeons

AAMC 2021 Report on MD Supply and Demand

- Estimated Physician Shortage 2034: 37,000-124,000

The Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand: Projections From 2019 to 2034

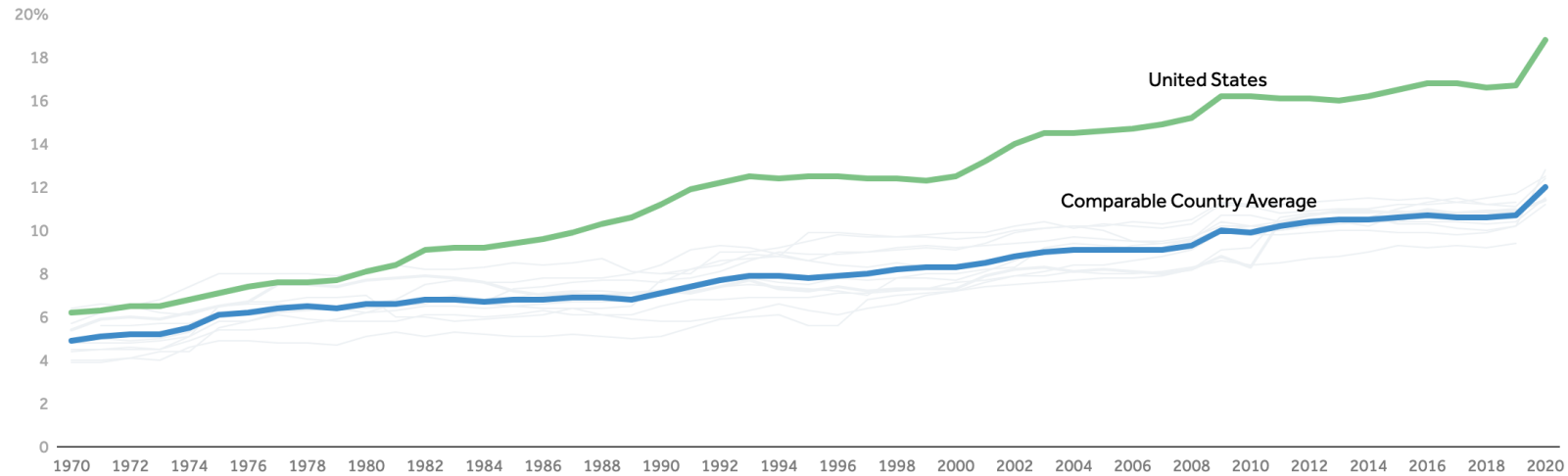
Exhibit ES-1: Total Projected Physician Shortage Range, 2019-2034



Note: Because complex systems have internal checks and balances to avoid extremes, the upper and lower bounds of the shortage projections reflect the range of most likely outcomes. The divergence over time represents increasing uncertainty.

Health Care Cost as a % of GDP

Health consumption expenditures as percent of GDP, 1970-2020



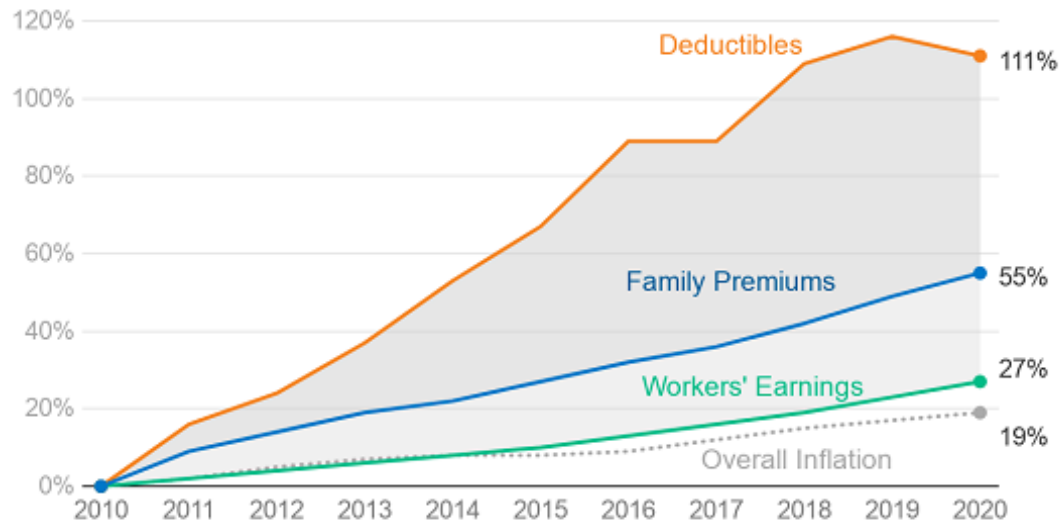
Notes: U.S. values obtained from National Health Expenditure data. Health consumption does not include investments in structures, equipment, or research. 2020 data not yet available for Australia, Belgium, Canada, Japan or Switzerland. Provisional 2020 data for Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden and the United Kingdom. Provisional 2019 data for Canada. Data for Australia and Japan in 2019 and France in 2020 is estimated. France data before 1990 is not shown.

Source: KFF analysis of OECD and National Health Expenditure (NHE) data • [Get the data](#) • PNG

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Health System Tracker

Healthcare **affordability** : 30% of income

Employer Premiums and Deductibles Have Risen Much Faster than Wages Since 2010



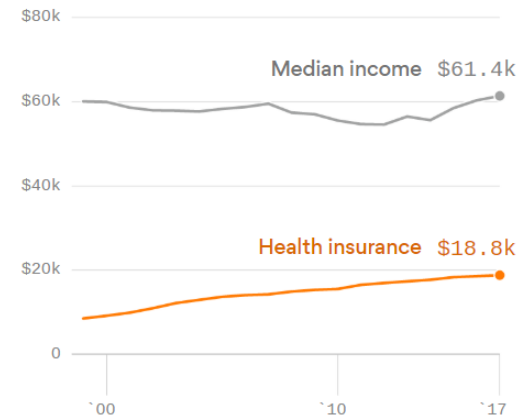
NOTE: Average general annual deductibles are for single coverage and are among all covered workers. Workers in plans without a general annual deductible for in-network services are assigned a value of zero.



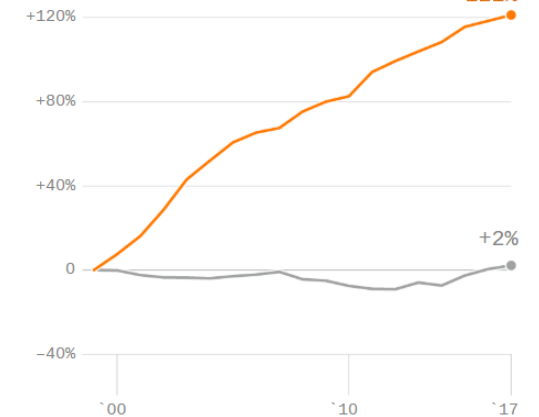
Median household income vs. the average cost of employer health insurance

1999 to 2017, adjusted for inflation

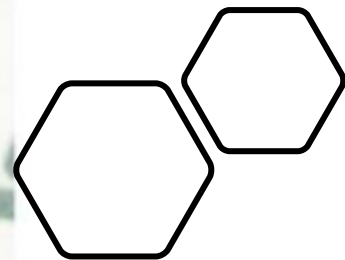
INCOME AND INSURANCE COST



CHANGE SINCE 1999




Data: [Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis](#), [Kaiser Family Foundation](#); Chart: Chris Canipe/Axios



**The real question is not who's going to pay for tomorrow's care model. It is:
who is going to pay for today's care model tomorrow?**

Stefano Bini on LinkedIn

February 17, 2017



~~Beauty~~ Value is in the eye of
the beholder

- Diverse measures of quality
- Disconnect between payer and beneficiary
- Change management costs seldom taken into account
 - (30% of total cost of implementation)



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