

# Improving Diagnosis for Older Adults through In-Home Sensing to Achieve Proactive Health Care

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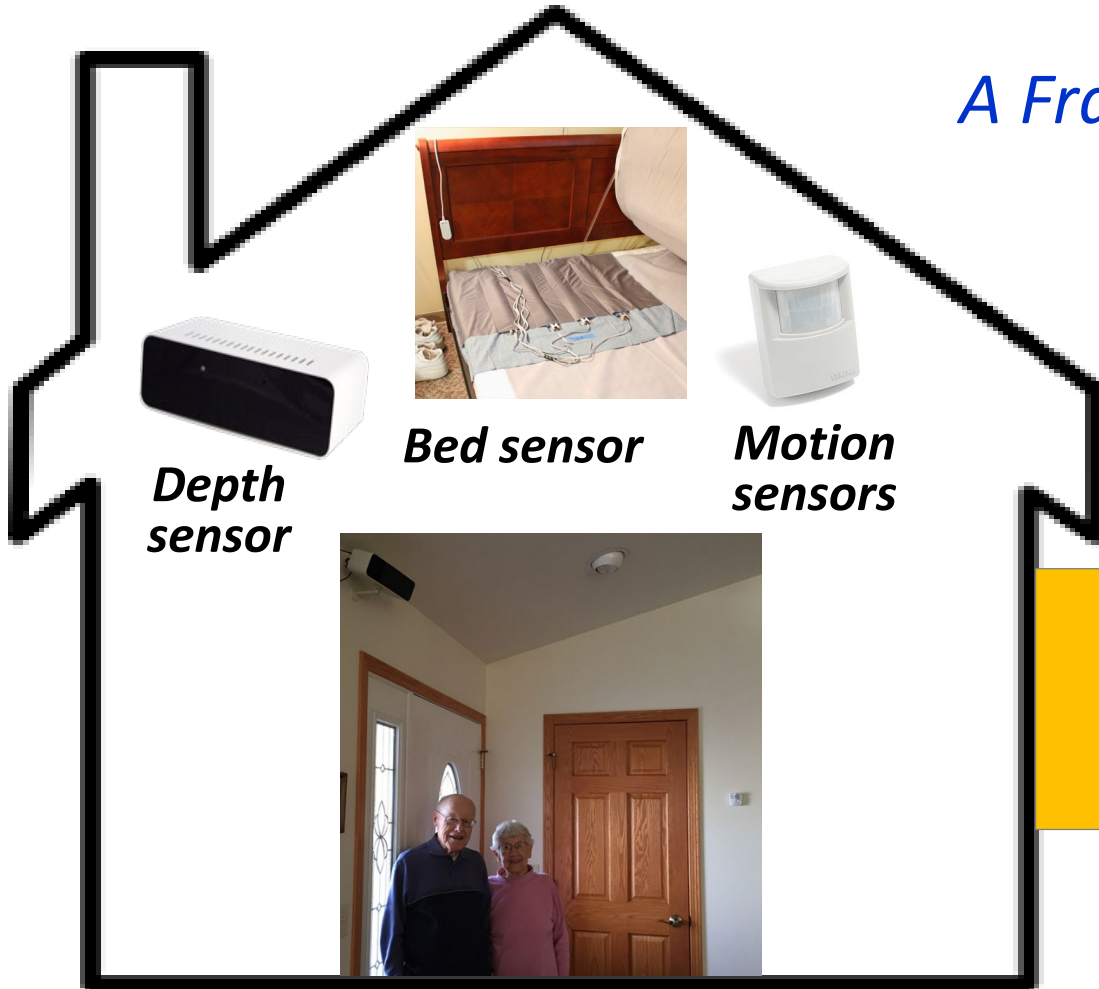
- The University of Missouri Eldertech sensor work has been licensed to Foresite Healthcare (2013). Dr. Skubic has a small ownership in the company.
- The University of Missouri holds several patents (2014-2021) with Dr. Skubic listed as an inventor.
- Research funding has come from U.S. Federal agencies, with the conflict of interest managed by the University of Missouri, to ensure objective research results.
- *Many collaborators, students, and older adult study participants have contributed to this work.*



# Detecting Health Changes with In-Home Sensors

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*A Framework for Clinical Decision Support*

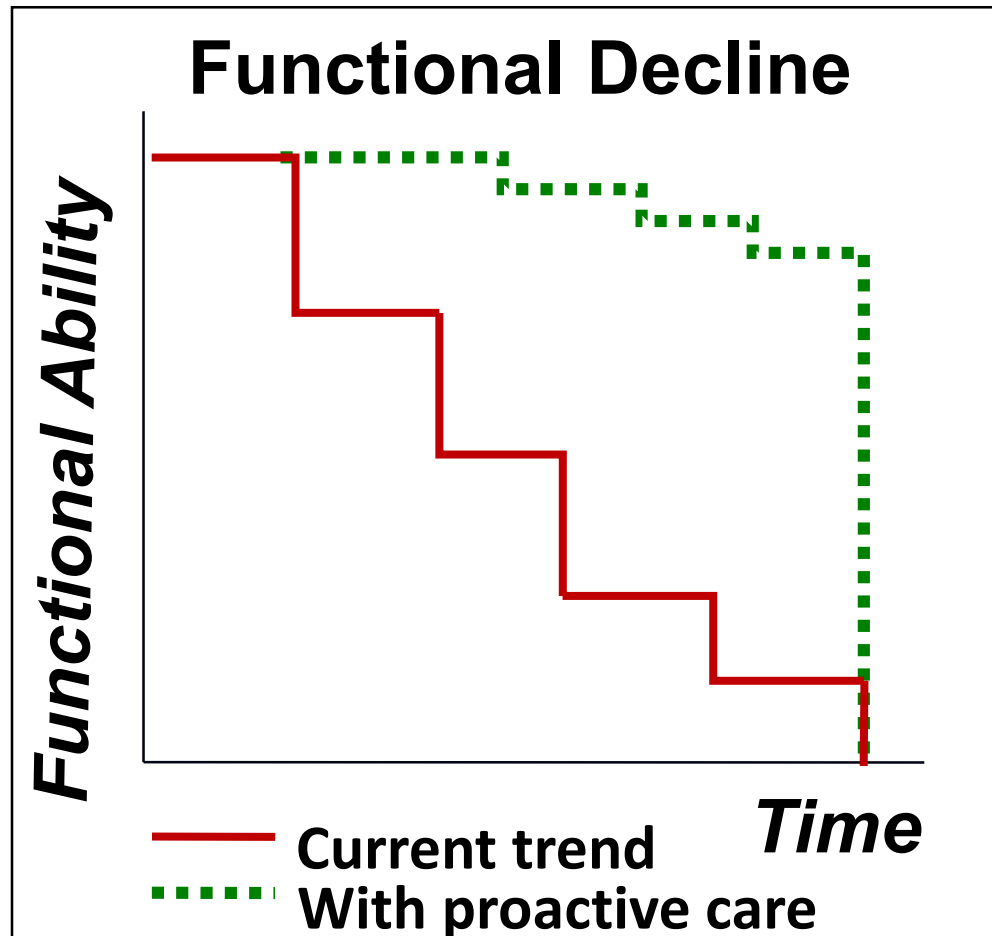


**Health alerts**  
**Fall alerts**



**Nurses**  
**Social Workers**

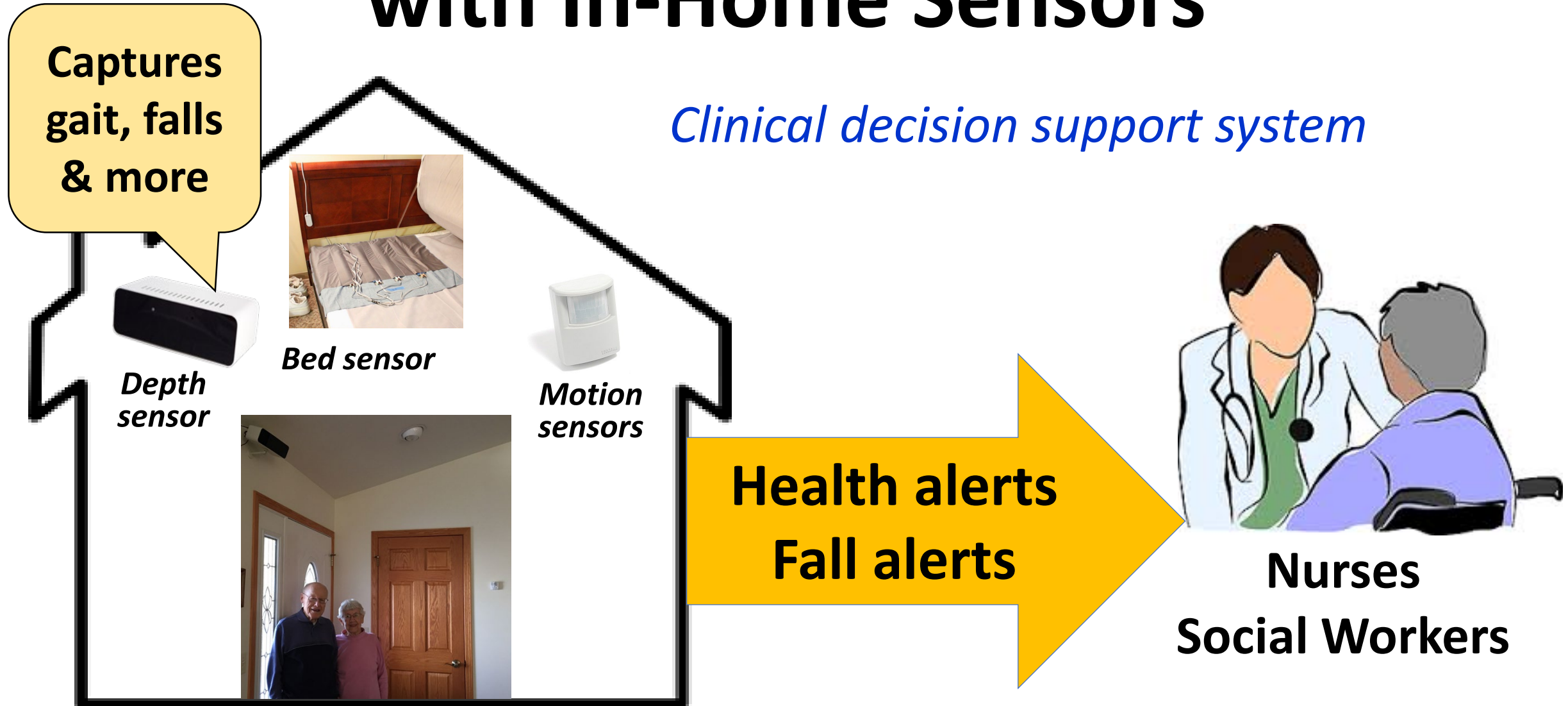
# Squaring the Life Curve



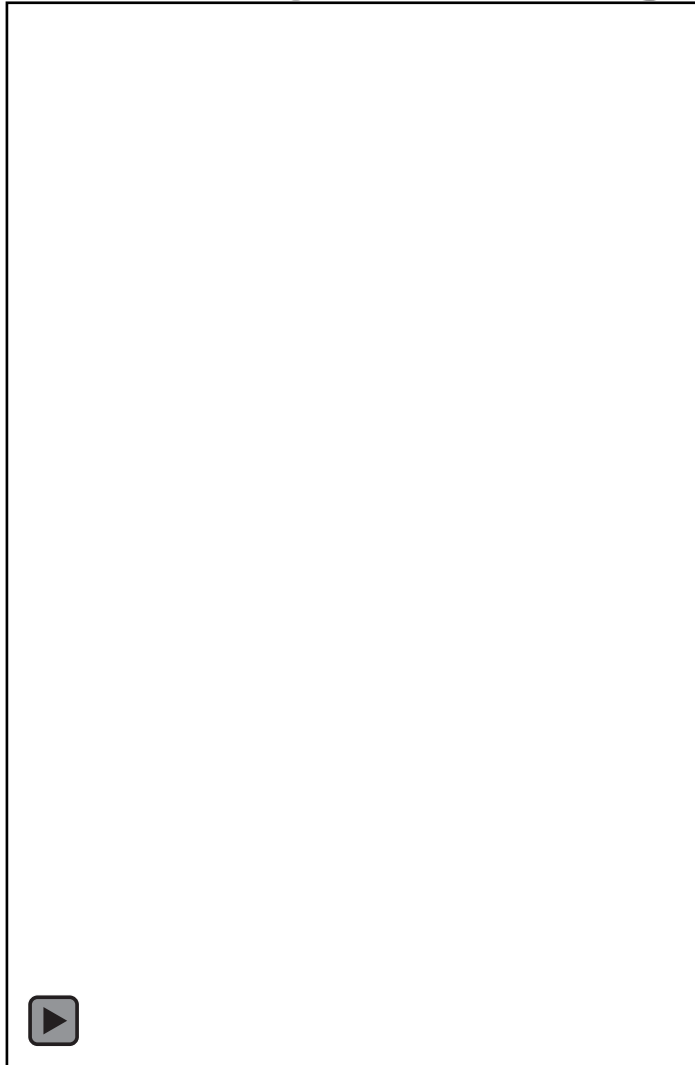
TigerPlace residents with in-home sensors stay **1.7 years longer** than those without sensors at TigerPlace

Rantz et al., Nursing Outlook, 2015

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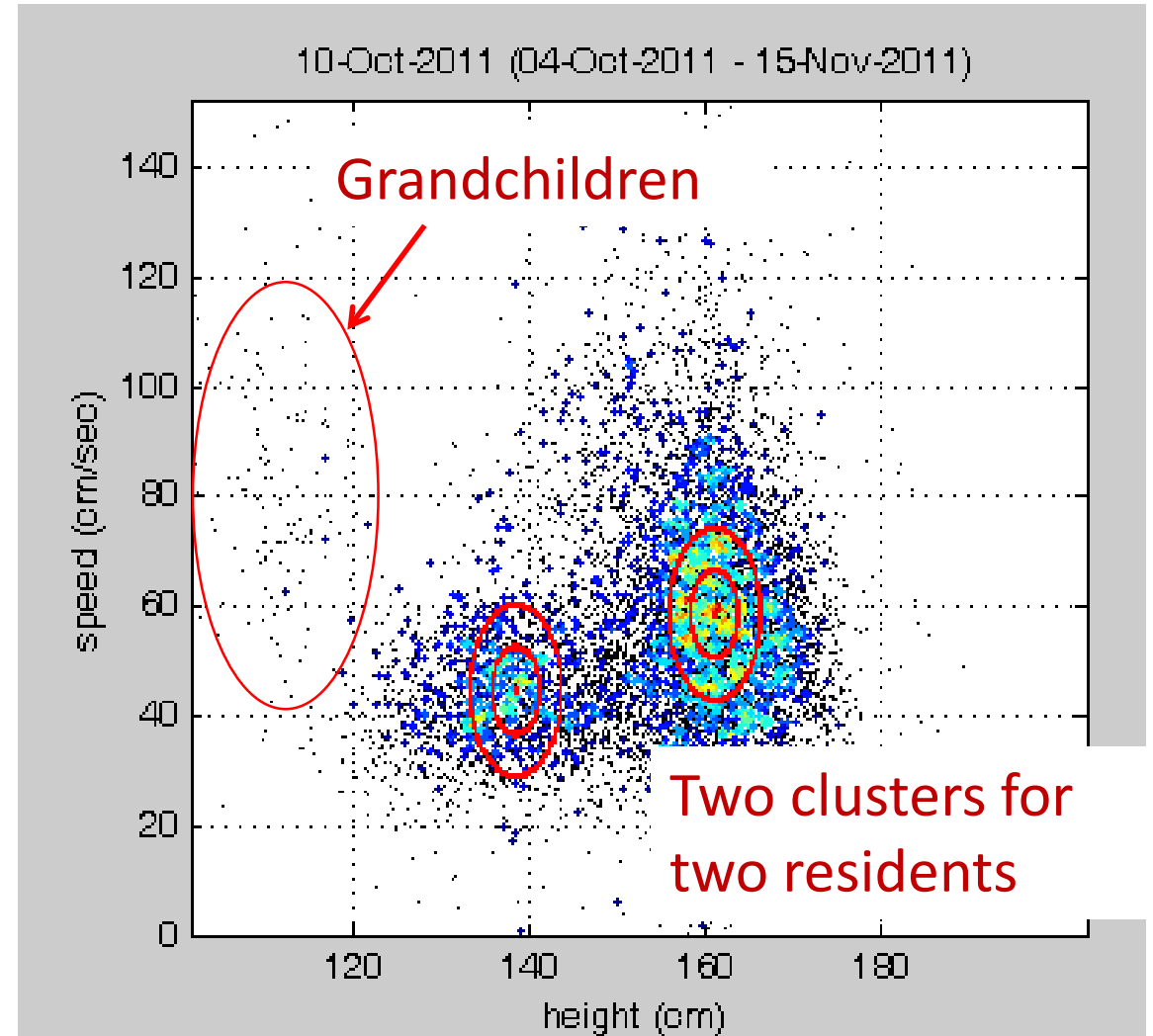


# Capturing Gait in the Home



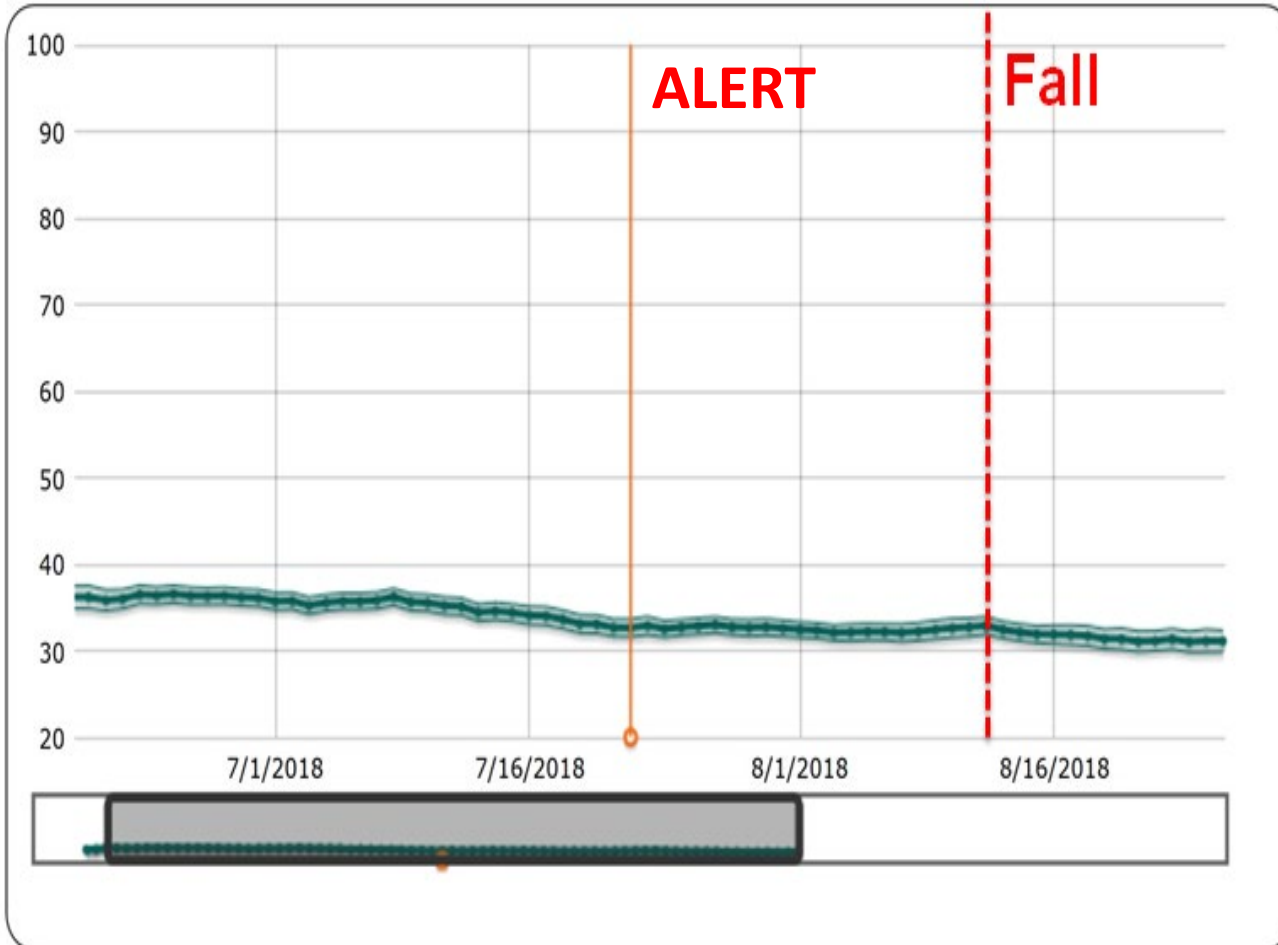
Examples of In-Home Walks

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MF6yZyLuull>



Stone & Skubic, EMBC 2012;  
*TBE* 2013; EMBC 2014.

# Tracking Walking Speed and Fall Risk



Decrease in walking speed of 5 cm/sec over 7 days

→ 86% probability of falling within the next 3 weeks

# Tracking Fall Risk

Gait Parameters

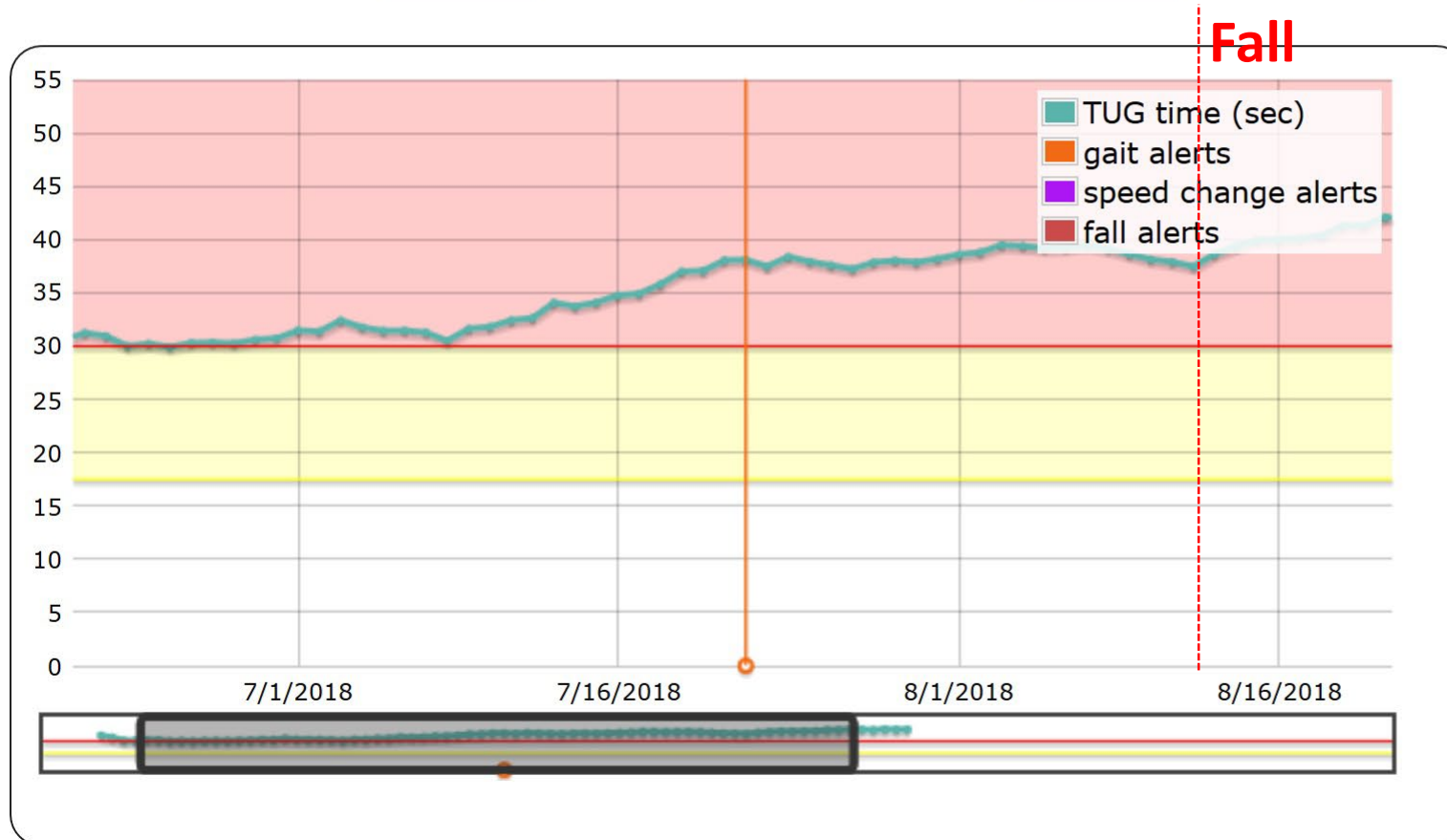
Estimated TUG (Fall Risk)

Walk Data Scatter Plots and Model(s)

Model Initialization

Model Window Size: 30 days

Data Window Size: 14 days



- ☒ TUG Time (sec)  
(Lower is better)
- ☒ Gait Alerts
- ☐ 95% Intervals

TUG = Timed Up and Go  
fall risk assessment

Stone & Skubic, 2015

# Fall Detection in the Home with Depth Sensors



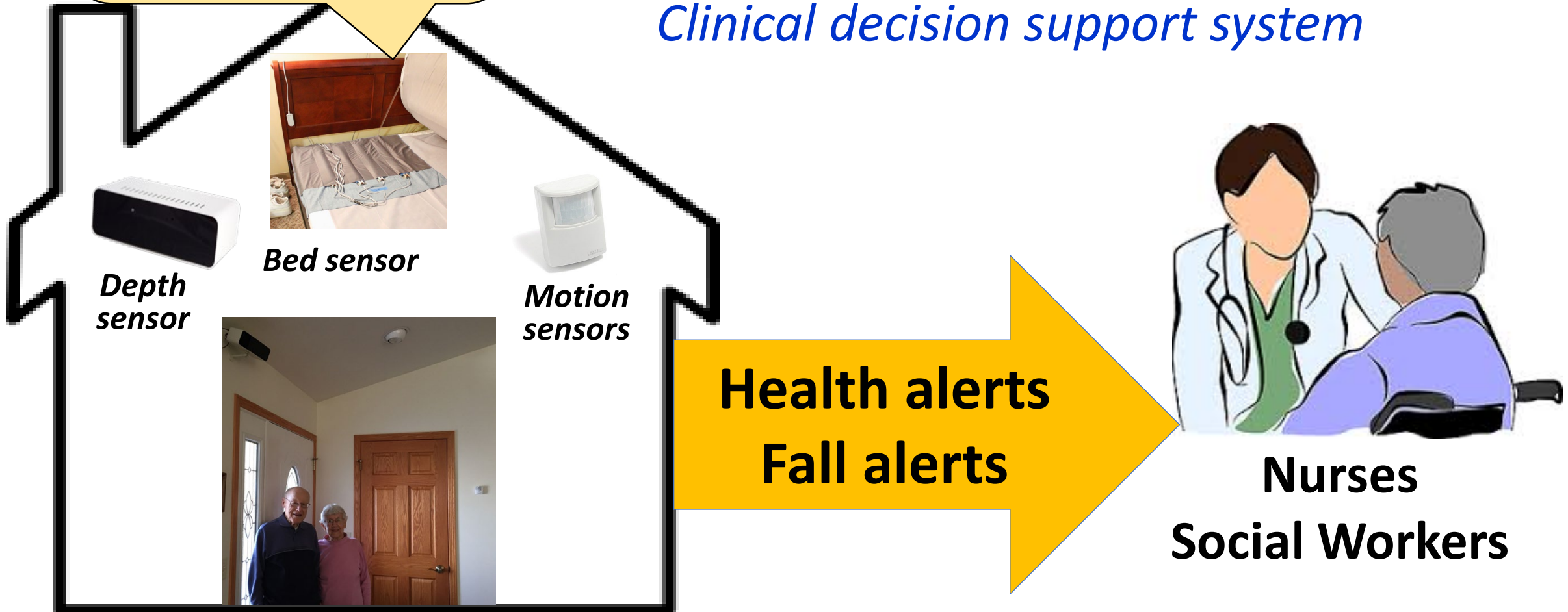
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Stone & Skubic, 2014, 2015

# Monitoring Health Changes with In-Home Sensors

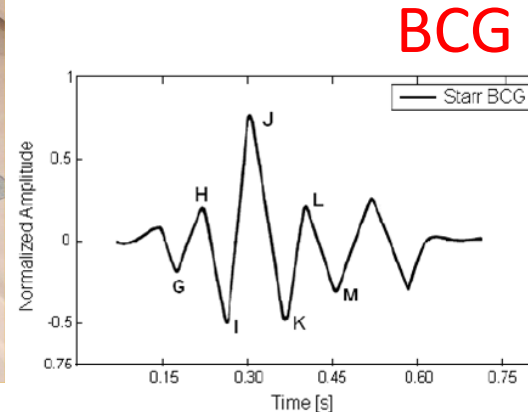
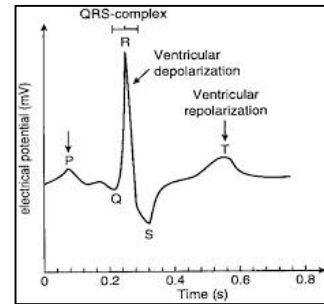
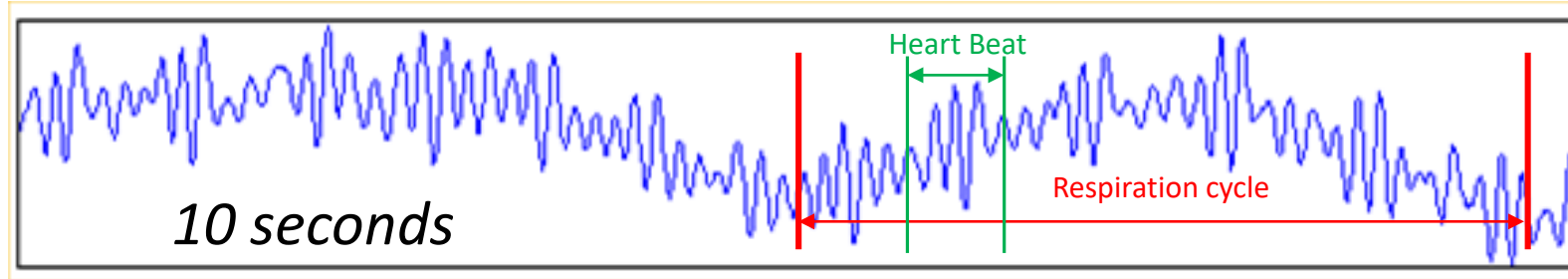
Captures pulse,  
respiration, bed  
restlessness &  
sleep patterns

*Clinical decision support system*



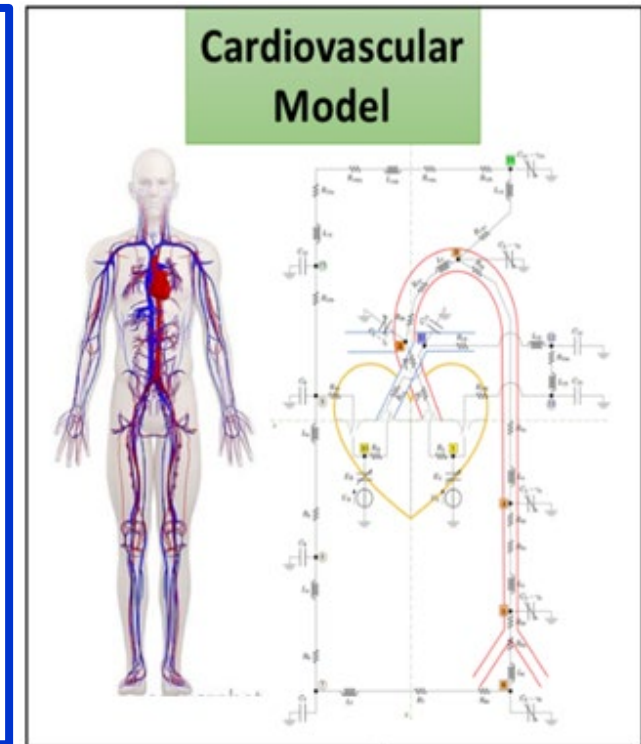
# MU Hydraulic Bed Sensor

## Captures the ballistocardiogram & respiration

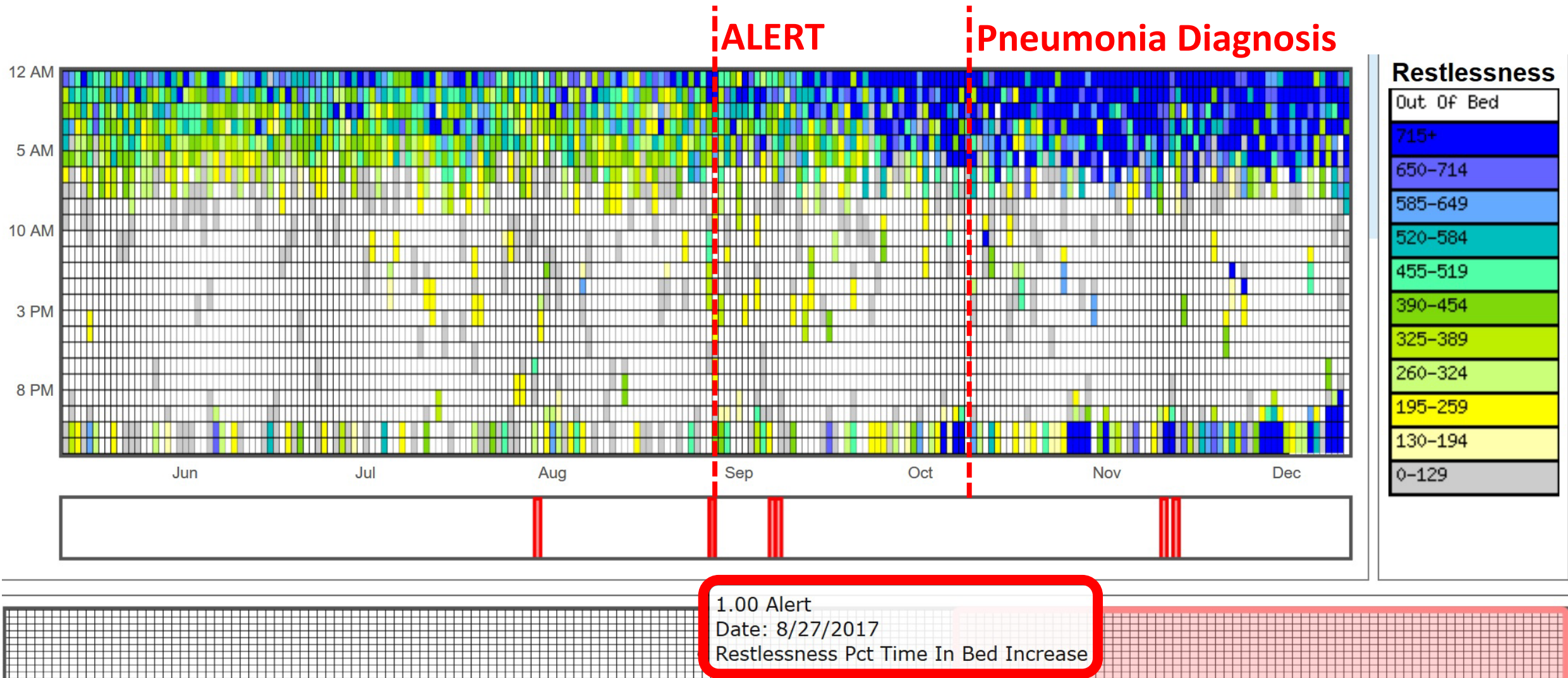


### Newest Work:

Using a cardiovascular model for clinical interpretation of the BCG waveform



# Changes in Bed Restlessness Density

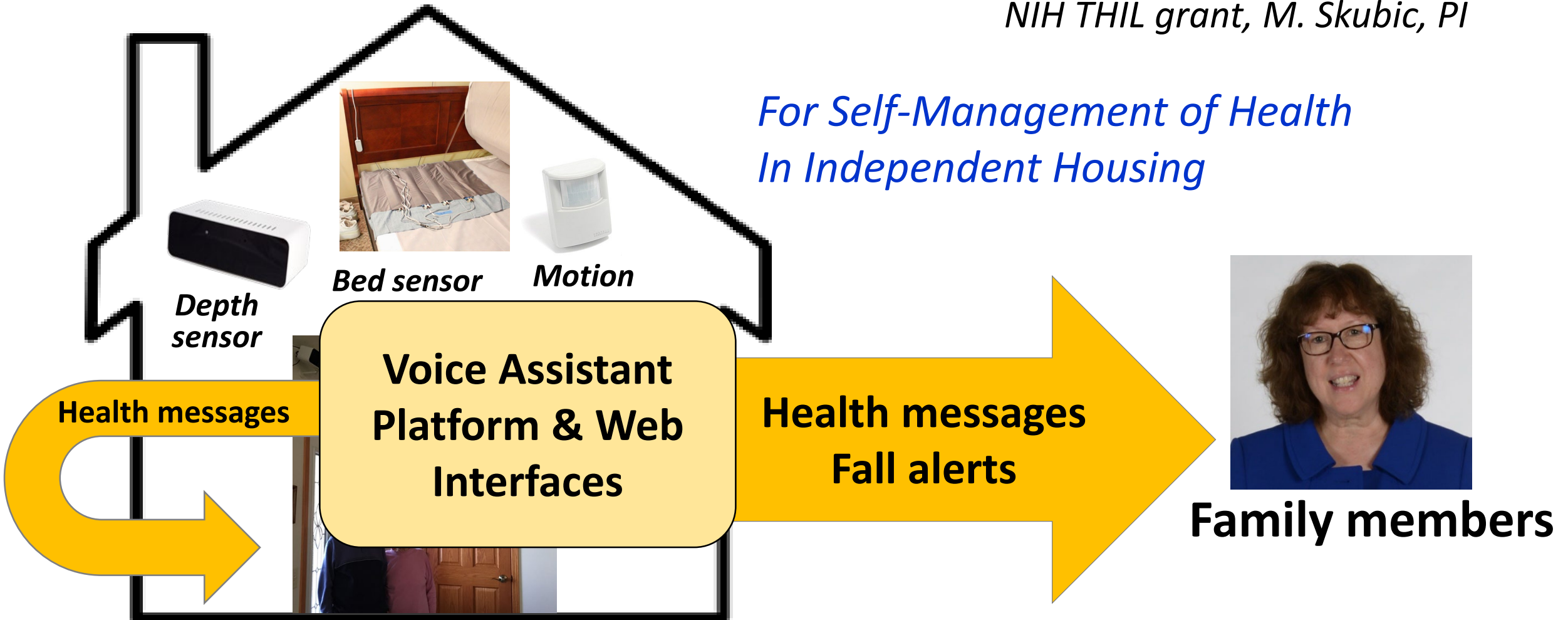


# Detecting Health Changes with In-Home & Wearable Sensors

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*NIH THIL grant, M. Skubic, PI*

*For Self-Management of Health  
In Independent Housing*



# Take-Away Message from NIH THIL project

- Consumers see the value of the sensors, especially for fall detection & fall alerts
- Most older adults did not feel the need to use the interfaces themselves, because they were already under the care of healthcare providers.
- Family members are more engaged but are unsure of how to interpret the data and health messages to improve diagnosis

We have tried one approach, but it requires an EHR

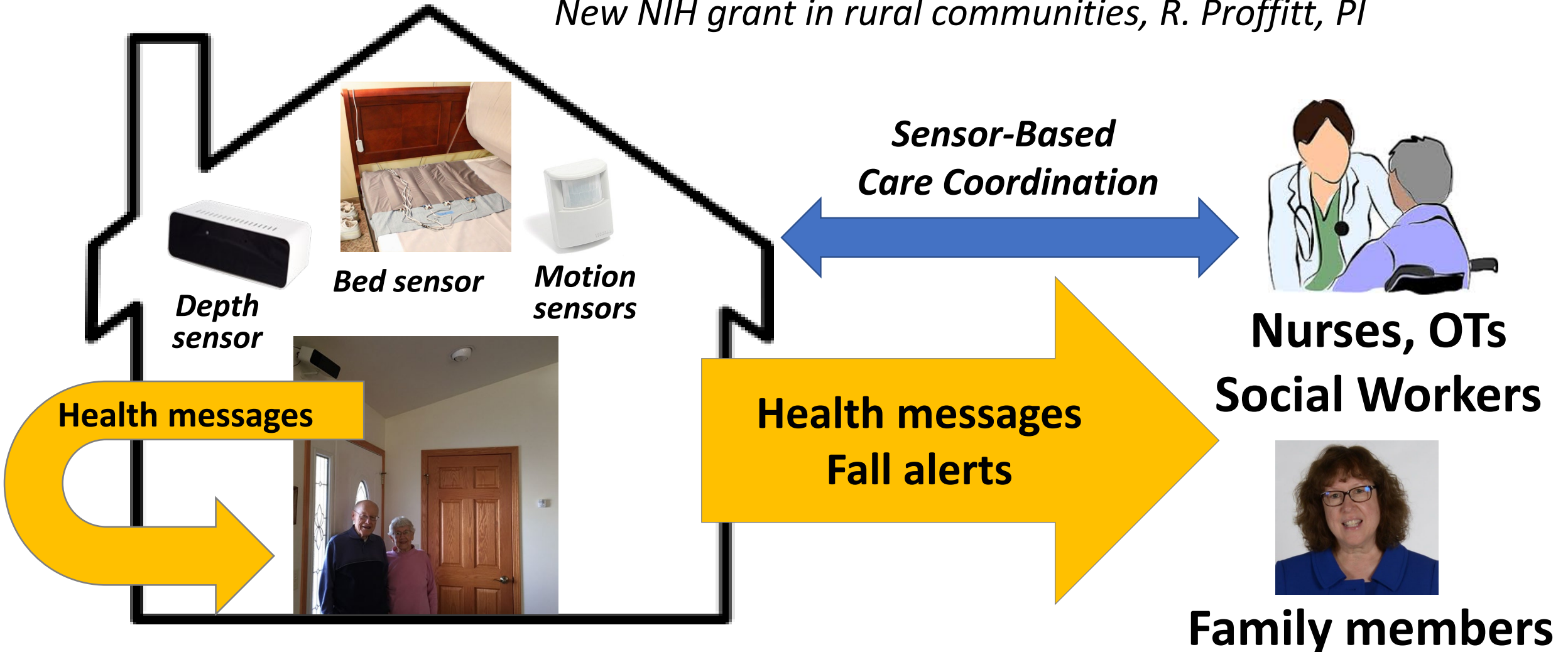
# Future Directions towards Proactive Healthcare & Earlier Diagnosis

- Shows the need for a **Care Coordination team** to help seniors and their family caregivers
- Potential for Prevention and Improvement
  - Use the fall risk scores and health messages to **maintain and regain function and strength**
  - Consumers want health messages with **positive changes**
  - Use the individual's health conditions, needs & goals for **improved personalization**

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*New NIH grant in rural communities, R. Proffitt, PI*



# Center to Stream Healthcare In Place



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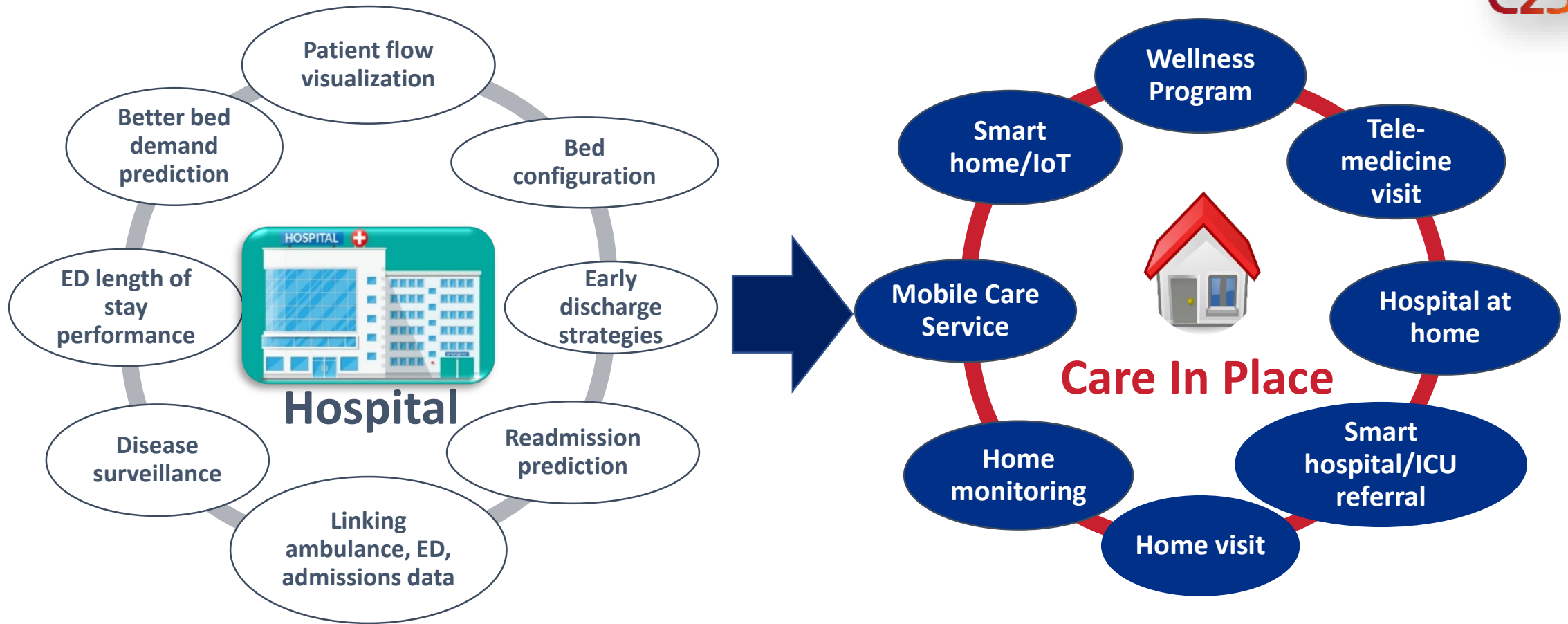
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<https://c2ship.org/>

# The C2SHIP Vision: *Care In Place*



Decentralization of care model: From traditional **Hospital** centralized healthcare delivery model (LEFT) to **Care In Place**, a new patient-centered healthcare delivery model (RIGHT).

# Research Questions

- What information is clinically relevant?
- How do we detect very early health changes?
- Can we diagnose early to facilitate early interventions?
- Are health outcomes improved?
- Can we do this in the home for Care In Place?