# Secondary Uses of Data for Comparative Effectiveness Research

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## Disclosure/Perspectives

- Training: Internist/Hematologist/Cancer Research
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#### Kaiser Permanente (past)

- Heme/Onc Practice
- EBM (Guidelines & Population Management)
- HIT (EMR, Pop'n Mgmt, Oncology Systems)

#### Lewin/Optum (current)

- Center for CER
  - Inventory of CER and PCOR (ASPE/HHS; AHRQ & NIH)
  - Multi-Payer Claims
     Database (HHS/ASPE)
  - Autism Registry (NIMH)
  - Geographic Variation (IOM)

# Observations on the data and information infrastructure for cancer...

- This is a very complex area...
  - There is increasing <u>certainty</u> that there are workable and even elegant technical solutions
  - There is minimal <u>agreement</u> about how to scale solutions to a national level and/or sustain them over time
- Hypothesis: The current evolving national effort around comparative effectiveness research is a rich laboratory for exploring and refining effective and durable scaling and sustainability of the informatics support for cancer care and learning

## Overview

- Comparative Effectiveness Research (CER) and Patient Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR)
- Secondary use of data
  - Examples
- Sustainability
  - Key issues
  - Conceptual framework

## CER

Comparative effectiveness research is the conduct and synthesis of research comparing the benefits and harms of different interventions and strategies to prevent, diagnose, treat and monitor health conditions in "real world" settings...

Federal Coordinating Council for Comparative Effectiveness Research 2009

## Medicare Modernization Act 2003; Section 1013 (\$15-30M)

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## AHRQ Effective Health Care Program 2003-Present



#### ARRA 2009 (\$1.1B)



#### **ACA 2010**

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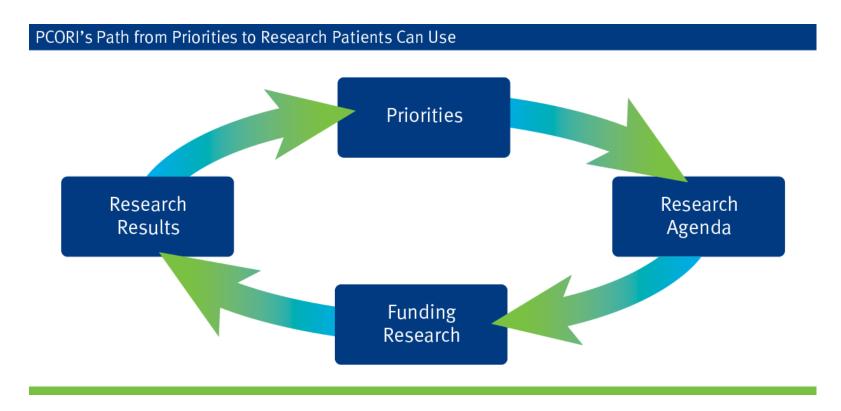
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Patient Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR) helps people make informed health care decisions and allows their voice to be heard in assessing the value of health care options.

#### This research answers patient-focused questions:

- "Given my personal characteristics, conditions and preferences, what should I expect will happen to me?"
- "What are my options and what are the benefits and harms of those options?"
- "What can I do to improve the outcomes that are most important to me?"
- "How can the health care system improve my chances of achieving the outcomes I prefer?"

## PCORI Draft Research Agenda

Priority	% Funding Allocation
Comparative Assessment of Options for Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment	▶ Approximately 40%
Improving Healthcare Systems	▶ Approximately 20%
Communication and Dissemination Research	▶ Approximately 10%
Addressing Disparities	▶ Approximately 10%
Accelerating PCOR and Methodological Research	▶ Approximately 20%

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## "Secondary Use" of Data

- "Reactive" Secondary Use
  - Insurance Claims
    - Single payer
    - Multiple payer
  - Clinical
    - Lab, radiology, pathology, ...
    - EMR, Population Management...
- "Planned" Secondary Use
  - Structured data creation and capture
  - Expanded common data sets outside clinical trials
  - Common intervention protocols
- Patient related and 'generated' data
  - Expanded demographics (race, ethnicity, language, SES, ...)
  - Functional status
  - Personal and family preferences and values
  - Genomics, etc...

### "Reactive" Secondary Use: Optum Natural History of Disease (NHD) Model

#### Challenge: Using claims...

- Define a disease protocol
- Find people who match the protocol
- -Gather all their medical history
- -Find control cohorts for each individual
- -Find their history
- Compare clinical and financial attributes between the two groups in every conceivable way
- —Do this in a minute or two…



## "Big Data" and NHD

- Massively parallel database (Netezza)
- Optimized Data Storage structures
- User Interface for mix and match attributes
  - Medical Codes
  - Temporal requirements
  - Member demographics
- -SQL based Real Time cohort matching
- -Signal Visualizations

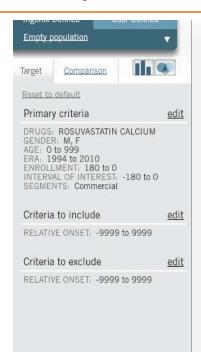


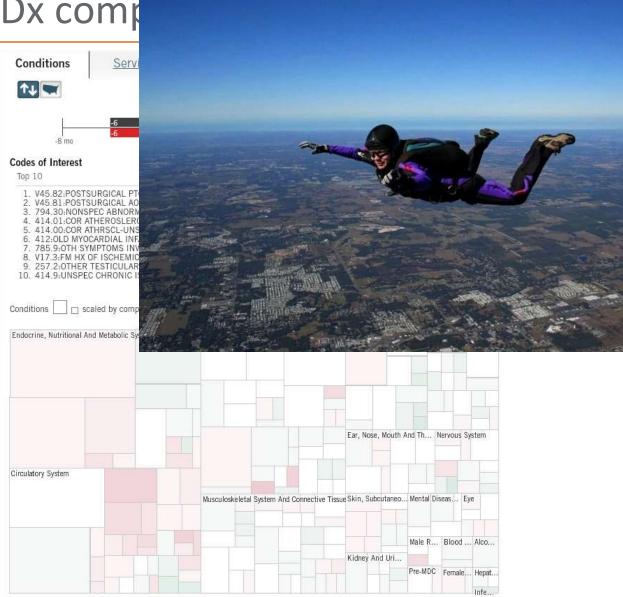
#### Matched sets





### Pre exposure Dx comp







## "Planned" Secondary Use: Optum Claims Linked Registries (CLRs)

#### A Registry for Healthcare Operations

- Initial Focus on Breast and Lung Cancer
- The registry is being created for healthcare operations purposes.
- All services provided by Optum in creation of the registry are conducted on behalf of the holder of the data.
- The holder of the data has sole discretion over the design of the registry, use of any PHI and whether to de-identify the data for healthcare operations and/or research purposes.



## Linked Longitudinal Data

#### **Claims Data**

#### **Other Linkages**

#### Member

Plan characteristics

Age

Gender

Dates of benefit eligibility

#### **Pharmacy Claims**

Prescribing Physician

Drug Dispensed NDC

Quantity and Date

**Drug Strength** 

Days Supply

Patient/Plan Paid Amounts

Standardized Costs

## Physician & Facility Claims

Physician or Facility Identifier

Procedures (CPT-4, revenue codes, ICD9, J-codes for medications)

Diagnosis (ICD-9-CM, DRG)

Admission and Discharge Dates

Dates and Places of Service

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## Linked Medical Records

- selected relevant clinical data
- Fill gap in claims:
- Identify patients from claims and add clinical data from medical record
- Baseline data and annual follow-up
- Periodically add new patients, and follow-up on existing patient

## Socio-economic Status \*

Income

Net Worth

Education

Race/ethnicity

\* Available for a subset of members.

**Date of Death** 



## A few of the many applicable lines of research...

#### In both breast and lung cancer:

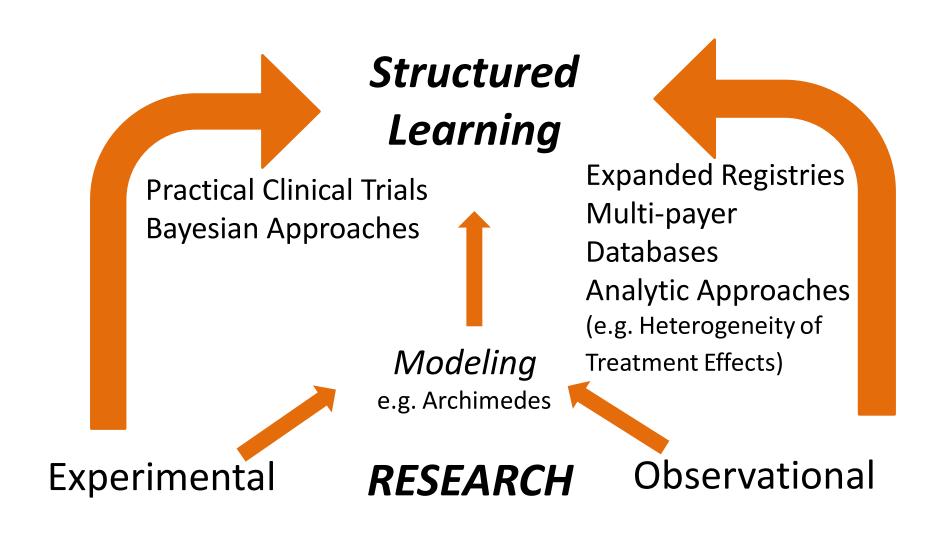
- How many patients have more than one line of therapy? What lines are used? Is there a relationship with survival rates?
- How do survival and costs compare for advanced cancer patients who opt not to have therapy compared to those who are treated?
- Can differences in costs and response rates for various lines of therapy be demonstrated?
- What is the incidence of severe infusion reactions among treated patients? How are they managed and treated? How much do they cost?
- How are chemotherapy regimens altered in response to adverse events (e.g., neutropenia, neuropathy)? Do dose delays or reductions follow?

#### Breast cancer:

 What are the treatment patterns among triple negative (HER2 under expressed, ER/PR negative) breast cancer patients?
 What are survival rates? Costs? Rates of disease progression?

#### Lung cancer:

— What are the treatment patterns among non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC) patients? What are survival rates? Costs? Rates of disease progression?



# National 'Secondary Use' of Data Efforts to Support CER, PCOR and Related Research

- The HMO Research Network
- AHRQ (AcademyHealth): The Electronic Data Methods Forum
- Sentinel (FDA)
- Health Care Cost Institute (HCCI)
- PACES (FDA)
- Multi-Payer Claims Database (ASPE/HHS)
- Registry for Autism Spectrum Disorders (NIMH)
- Others...

## Resources for Increasingly Structured Learning ...Examples with a Lewin/Optum Role

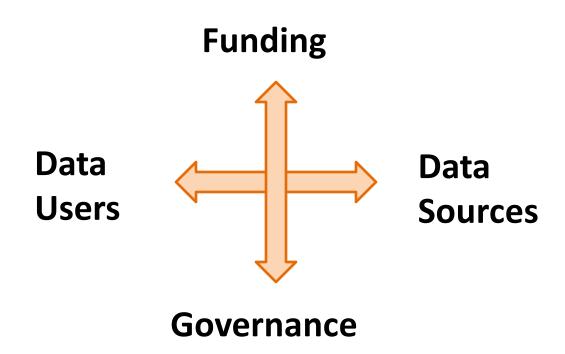
## Multi-Payer Claims Database (ASPE/HHS)

- Build a database to include multiple data partners (public and private) for CER
  - CMS (MediCare and MediCaid)
  - Commercial Plan
  - Others possibly state All Payer Databases
- Design to allow <u>both</u> distributed and aggregated analyses
- Beta-test for application to CER
- Develop a strategy for longer term sustainability

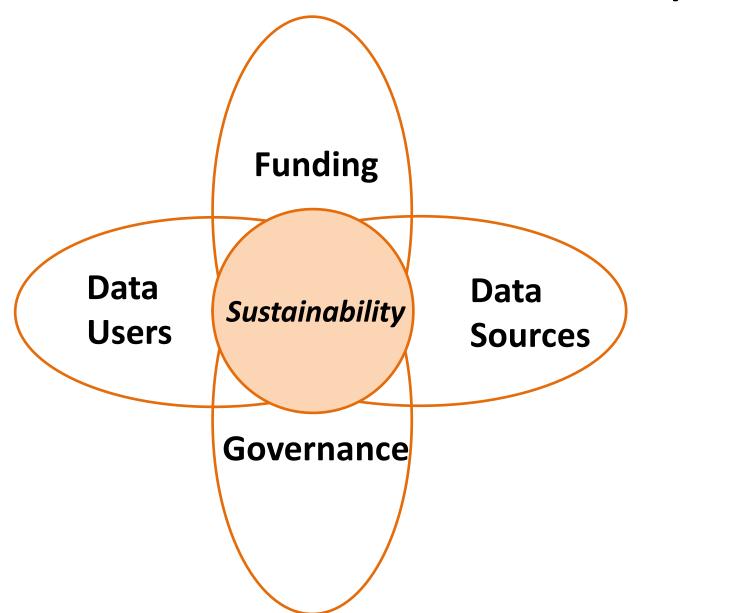
## Registry of Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (NIMH)

- Develop an advisory group including patients and families
- Build a registry from commercial claims that includes the individuals of interest plus their families
- Validate the registry through chart review
- Test hypotheses about etiology and health services use by patients and families
- Examine options for sustainability

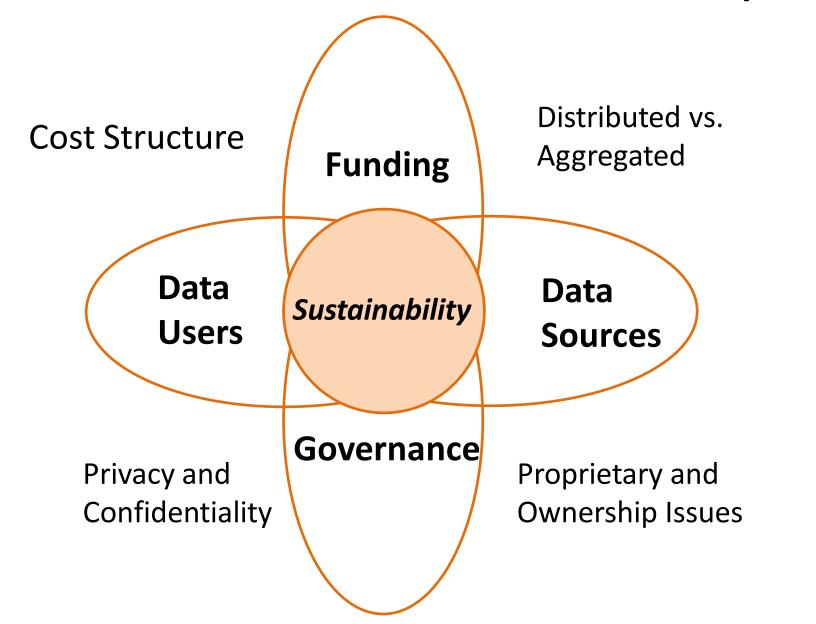
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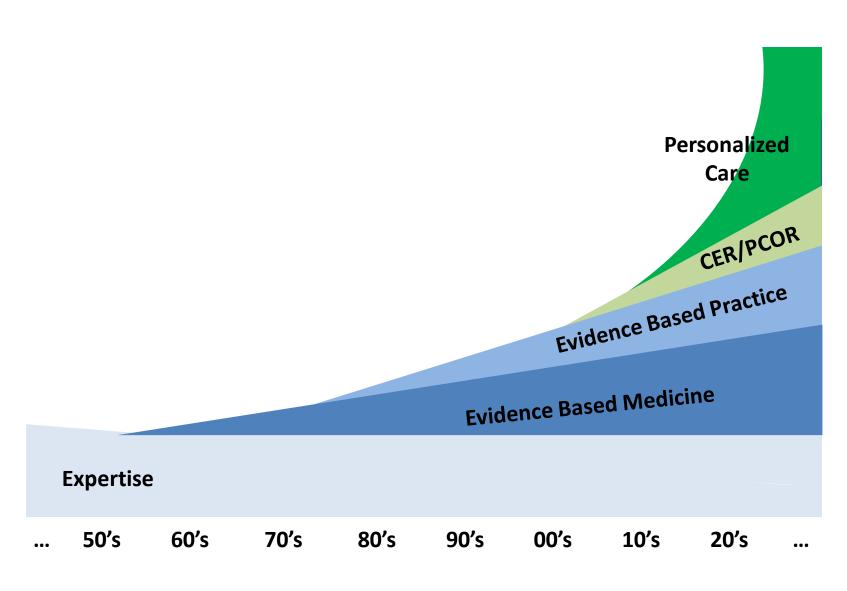


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