

National Institute on Aging (NIA) IMbedded Pragmatic Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and AD-Related Dementias (AD/ADRD) Clinical Trials (IMPACT) Collaboratory (NIA U54AG063546)

BUILDING DATA CAPACITY FOR PATIENT-CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH PATIENT PERSPECTIVES ON DATA NEEDS GARY EPSTEIN-LUBOW, MD

Background

Projected Number of People Age 65 and Older (Total and by Age) in the U.S. Population with Alzheimer's Dementia, 2010 to 2050



- >5 million with AD/ADRD; increasing
- Urgent public health need to provide care to PLWD and care partners
- Non-pharmacological interventions have efficacy but limited adoption
- ePCTs potential to accelerate translation of interventions into clinical practice



ePCTs Bridge Research and Clinical Care





ePCTs in Dementia Require Special Focus

ETHICS/

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Vulnerable

Consent

capacity

Federal-wide

assurance

SYSTEMS
Nursing homes
Assisted living
Home health
Rehab
Hospice
Hospital

HEALTH

CARE

SOURCES Medicare Minimum DataSet

DATA

EHRs





OUTCOMES

PWLD

Care partners

HCS

Ascertaining

from datasets

DESIGN/

STATS

Cluster RCT

Dyadic

Loss to follow-

up



IMPLEMENT

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Cores

Patient/Caregiver Reported Outcomes

Develops and supports use of PCROs relevant to PLWD and their CPs in the design and conduct of ePCTs.



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Stakeholder Engagement

Engaging stakeholders, including HCSs, in the conduct of ePCTs among PLWD and their CPs.



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What are the main data needs for dementia?

- Information to improve person-centered care.
- Reporting on functional status.
- Linkage of data: people living with dementia (PLWD) and caregivers.
- Strategies for capturing information about lived experience.
- Methods for standardizing proxy reporting for people who lack capacity to report directly.



Implications of the statutory scope of PCOR

- Increases opportunities for learning about PCOs
- Creates risk for under-representing PCOs from under-represented groups
- Potential for added burdens or missed opportunities related to family members and caregivers
 - Collection of data about caregiving
 - Collection of data as proxy respondents for PLWD
 - Missing data from family caregivers



Unanswered questions & underserved populations by current PCOR data infrastructure

- There is not a standard measure set for people living with dementia
- There is not a standard measure set for family caregivers.
- Quality measures for dementia care are optional in most reporting systems
- There are challenges regarding collection of PCOs from people living with moderate or severe dementia
- Accommodations for data collection may be required for people with limited health literacy
- Linkage of data for caregivers



What new data sources could be incorporated into the PCOR data infrastructure?

- Five dementia measures in Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) could become required:
 - Dementia Associated Behavioral and Psychiatric Symptom Screening and Management
 - Dementia: Cognitive Assessment
 - Dementia: Education and Support of Caregivers for Patients with Dementia
 - Dementia: Functional Status Assessment
 - Dementia: Safety Concern Screening and Follow-up for Patients with Dementia
- Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS) Measures of Patient Experience:
 - Continue use and consider expand to include proxy report of dementia



What data capacity challenges is HHS best positioned to address?

- 2020 Recommendations of the Public Members of the HHS Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care and Services, including:
- Clinical Care Recommendation 5: Encourage further development, evaluation, and use of health care models for AD/ADRD that align performance measures, the experience of care by persons living with AD/ADRD and their caregivers, and payment.
 - Use CMS definitions of care "value" and study models that enhance value
 - Rely on the CMS "Meaningful Measures" initiative, including use of new care planning codes, the annual wellness visit, and MIPS dementia measures

https://aspe.hhs.gov/public-members-advisory-council-alzheimers-research-care-and-services-2020-recommendations#clinical





Questions?

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