

project, IPD on all-cause mortality were obtained from seventeen RCTs of approximately 3,700 patients. From aggregate data there was no significant difference in pooled mortality (relative risk 0.92, 95% confidence interval 0.67 to 1.26). IPD analysis revealed 701 events across exercise and control groups. Our ongoing IPD analyses will allow us to examine how patients' characteristics (e.g. age, New York Heart Association functional class, ejection fraction) modify treatment benefit.

CONCLUSIONS:

Given the limitations of current trial level meta-analysis evidence in CHF, access to individual data from several RCTs offers a timely and important opportunity to revisit the question of which CHF patient subgroups benefit most from exercise-based rehabilitation.

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OP92 Non-Opioid Therapy For Pain Management – Health Technology Assessment In A Time Of Crisis

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INTRODUCTION:

North America is facing a public health epidemic – the opioid crisis – part of which is attributed to the inappropriate use of opioids in pain management. As such, the 2017 Canadian Guideline for Opioids for Chronic Non-Cancer Pain recommends optimizing non-opioid pharmacotherapy or non-pharmacological therapy to treat chronic pain, before a trial of opioids. However, the Guideline itself is not designed to provide evidence on the effectiveness of these non-opioid alternatives, leaving a gap for those attempting to put the recommendation into practice.

METHODS:

In collaboration with its partners, including clinicians and policymakers, the Canadian Agency for Drugs and Technologies (CADTH) identified the gaps in evidence, and developed an action plan to bridge the evidence gaps to support the optimization of non-opioid alternatives in pain management.

RESULTS:

Since the release of the Guideline, CADTH produced over 20 Rapid Response reports that synthesize and appraise evidence on non-opioid alternatives in the management of a wide range of pain, both acute and chronic. Additionally, CADTH has also reviewed evidence on multidisciplinary pain treatment programs, and is developing environmental scan reports on the availability and access to non-pharmacological treatments for pain in Canada, and on drugs for emerging non-opioid pain. Further, CADTH developed knowledge mobilization tools based on the evidence reviews. The evidence reviews and tools are used as a resource by CADTH partners, including the Coalition of Safe and Effective Pain Management and McMaster University National Pain Center.

CONCLUSIONS:

This presentation will discuss the role of HTA and CADTH to fill the gaps in evidence for a crucial clinical practice guideline recommendation in a time of public health crisis, and help put the evidence into action. It will present the evidence synthesized by CADTH on various non-opioid alternatives for pain management, while highlighting the remaining gaps in evidence. Understanding the evidence on non-opioid alternatives will inform clinical and policy decisions and potentially reduce inappropriate use of opioids in pain management.

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OP95 Are Patient-Reported Outcome Measures Meeting Today's Standards?

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INTRODUCTION:

Over the past decade, health technology assessment (HTA) agencies have become interested in improving the patient-centeredness of their assessments. A common approach has been to prioritize patient-reported outcomes (PROs), often describing PROs as patient-relevant or patient-oriented. However, it is often unclear whether and to what degree PRO measures (PROMs) truly reflect what is important to patients. This review examined the pedigree of a sample of measures

used as primary or secondary endpoints in trials and discussed in Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved product labels between 2003 and 2014.

METHODS:

We examined all 26 PROs included in chapters 1 (Office of Microbial Products) and 2 (Office of Drug Evaluation I) of the FDA’s Pilot Clinical Outcome Assessment (COA) Compendium. Three reviewers independently searched PubMed and Google to identify publications or other relevant materials related to method and stage of measure development where patient engagement took place.

RESULTS:

Among 26 evaluated PROMs, we were unable to locate any information on development or validation for 12 (patient diary=9; rating scale=3). Among the remaining 14 PROMs, 5 did not include any evidence of patient engagement (questionnaire=1; patient diary=2; rating scale=2); 3 engaged patients during concept elicitation or psychometric validation only (disease-specific questionnaires=3); and 6 engaged patients during both concept elicitation and cognitive interviewing (disease-specific questionnaires=6). PROMs either previously qualified or submitted for qualification by FDA were more likely to include patient engagement.

CONCLUSIONS:

PROs can provide patient-centered data useful for HTA; however, patient-reported information is not inherently patient-centered. This study found that only a minority of sampled PROMs engaged patients during both concept elicitation and cognitive interviewing. To facilitate patient-centered HTA, manufacturers should ensure that PROMs incorporated into clinical trials measure concepts important to patients. Similarly, HTAs should request data on development and validation of all outcome measures incorporated into trials.

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OP96 Standardizing Collection Of Patient-Reported Experience Measures To Drive Service Improvement In Wales

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INTRODUCTION:

Co-production relates to patients and health professionals working in equal partnership with shared decision-making. Patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs) and patient-reported experience measures (PREMs) are increasingly being used to involve patients and measure healthcare quality. We set out to develop a set of universal experience questions for use across Wales. These will be used in various settings, including the national electronic PROMs and PREMs platform, which is already collecting outcome data across Wales and has received over 7,000 responses to date.

METHODS:

Patient experience leads and clinical leads were invited to a workshop to discuss standardized PREMs collection in Wales, with all health boards and trusts represented. It was agreed that quantitative patient experience data collection, while limited, would be a pragmatic way to collect responses from a large cohort. It was agreed that a previously developed set of PREMs questions could be adapted for use in all healthcare settings. Patient focus groups reduced the number of questions to a shortlist of those considered most important by patients. Wording was improved and an additional question was added.

RESULTS:

In partnership with stakeholders we developed and agreed on a set of universal PREMs questions. These have been added to the national electronic platform, with collection commencing imminently. This will allow patients accessing secondary care in Wales to provide PREMs and PROMs responses.

CONCLUSIONS:

Development of a standardized set of PREMs has allowed us to initiate collection on a national basis. Addition of PREMs to the national electronic platform provides a unique means of collecting large volumes of data consistently, allowing us to benchmark across and within organizations. It will also allow experience teams to target improvement initiatives and identify good practice. Together with outcomes responses, the data will be used to measure experience of care in Wales.

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