Shared Decisions through Transparency

Personal Health Record Systems

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Outline

- Driving towards patient-centered care
- Patients' need for information
- Tools for patients
- Using information transparency to transform health care delivery

IOM Principles for 21st Century *Transparency*

"Patients should have unfettered access to their own medical information and to clinical knowledge."

Crossing the Quality Chasm, 2001

Shared Decision Making Engaging Patients

- Shared Decision Making involving patients as active participants in decision making by providing:
 - Data
 - Knowledge
 - Tools

Information for Patients: The Status Quo

Ethnography at Northwestern The Status Quo



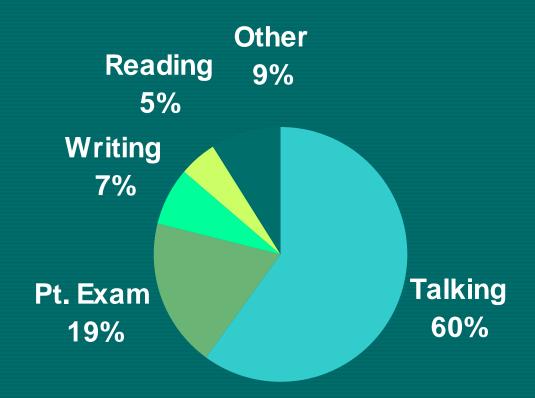
Time Allocation Methodology In Office

- 38 clinicians shadowed for 2 hours
- Activities recorded at 1 minute intervals
- 159 encounters observed
- 4541 observed minutes

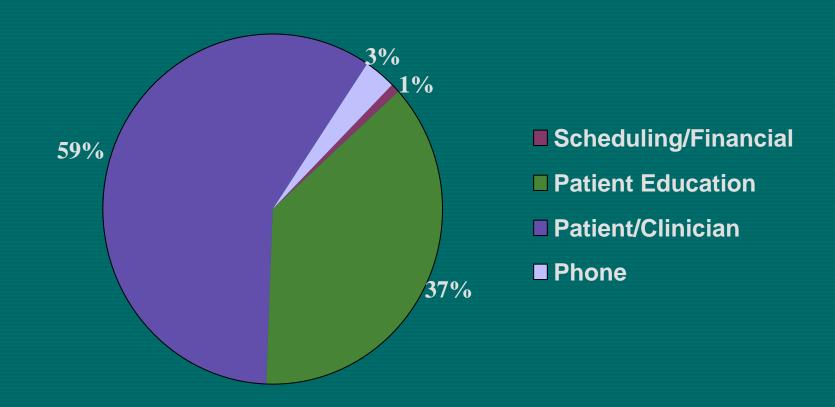




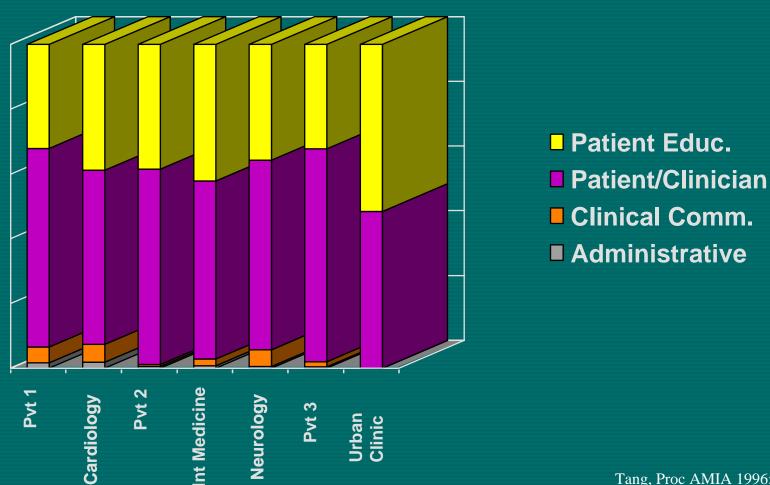
Information Activities During Encounter Average Distribution Across Sites



Sub-Categories of Talking Average Distribution Across All Sites



Observed Talking Activities Subcategories, All Sites



Outcome of Patient Education? Understanding of Diagnoses

- 57 Mayo internists; 458 visits, 2.7 prob/visit
- Post-visit questionnaires to MD and patient
 - Major health problems and other problems
- Patients failed to report 68% of problems
- Missed 54% of "most important health problem" according to MDs

What do patients want?

When all else fails...

... ask the patients!



Patient Education Focus Groups Methodology

- Independent market research firm
- Random selection of patients seen within 2 months in 5 clinics
- 24 patients in 2 focus groups
- One-way mirror

Patient Information Needs Focus Group Results - Themes

- Patients *do* seek information about diagnosis and treatment plan (including alternatives)
 - Friends, relatives
 - Libraries, Internet, pharmacy inserts

Patient Information Needs Focus Group Results – Themes II

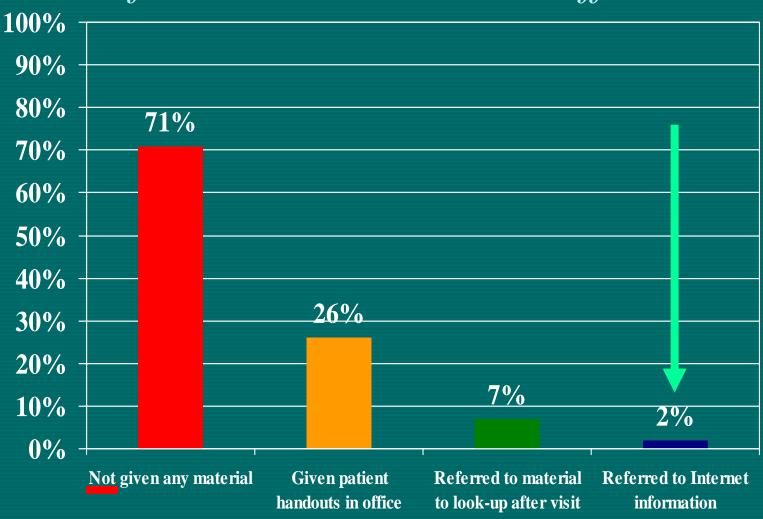
- Patients prefer custom-tailored information
 - Their own data (lab results, findings)
 - Information on *their* problem and possible solutions
- Need for their physician endorsement
 - Physician endorse material as relevant to them
 - Physician should briefly review with them

Patient Information Needs Focus Group Results – Themes III

- Timing should be when the questions arise
 - Not in the exam room!
 - At home, with friends and family

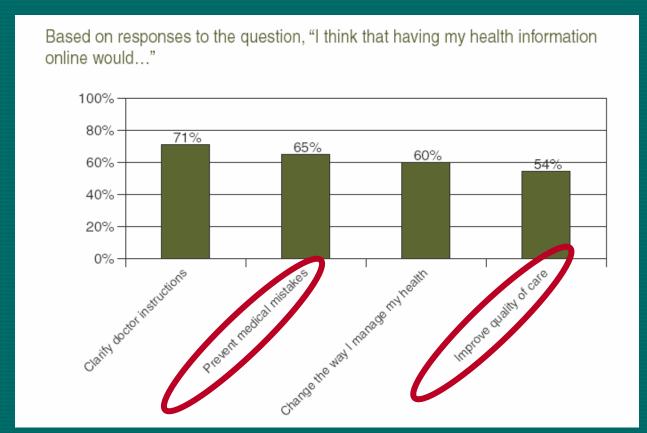
Assumption?

Information Given at Last Office Visit



Patients' Self Defense Personal Health Record Systems

40% of survey respondents keep medical records at home



Markle Foundation, Connecting for Health survey June, 2003

Change the Assumption

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Summary of Your Visit Today

Patient ZZTEST, LIBBY		MR # 2566680	DOB 12/03/1945	F
Date 09/27/01	Time 8:36 AM	Clinician Seen Today	Clinic/Dept SH/LAINT	

During your visit today, we recorded the following information about you:

Respiration

18/minute

Prescriptions as of 09/27/2001 LISINOPRIL TABS 10 MG OR Class: Historical	Disp 30	Refills 6	Start 9/27/2001	End
Sig: Take 1 by mouth each day. ATENOLOL TABS 50 MG OR Class: Historical	30	6	9/27/2001	
Sig: Take 1 tab daily ASPIRIN TABS 81 MG OR Class: Historical	30	6	9/27/2001	
Sig: Take 1 tab daily LIPITOR TABS 10 MG OR Class: Historical	30	6	9/27/2001	
Sig: Take 1 tab daily				

Return for Care: If symptoms worsen or fail to improve Patient Instructions:

Pulse

88/minute

102 degrees

- 1. Please take the antibiotics until finished.
- 2. Please let me know how you are doing in a few days via PAMFOnline (www.pamfonline.org).
- 3. Call if symptoms worsen or persist

Pneumonia

Home treatment is a very important part of treatment for pneumonia. If you have pneumonia, follow your doctor's advice. Watch carefully for complications of pneumonia.

People with impaired immune systems are at high risk for complications from pneumonia. If you have an impaired immune system:

If you can, avoid contact with people who have respiratory tract infections,

Blood pressure

130/80

Consequences? Comments from a Focus Group

- "It shows that the doctors are more organized, more professional."
- "It shows they are paying more attention to you."
- "I feel like there is more care involved."
- "I feel like they are professional, well organized. And I would more likely stay with them rather than going to a place that didn't do something like this."

Institute of Medicine Providing Continuous Care

- "Patients should receive care whenever they need it and in many forms, not just face-to-face visits.
- times (24 hours a day, every day) and that access to care should be provided over the Internet, by telephone, and by other means in addition to faceto-face visits."

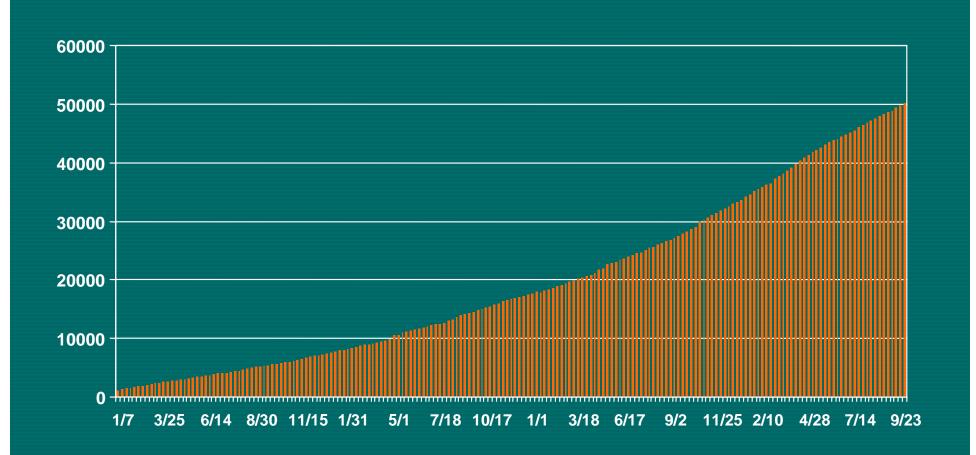
Crossing the Quality Chasm, 2001

Delivering Continuous Care – Online

Engaging Patients as Active Participants

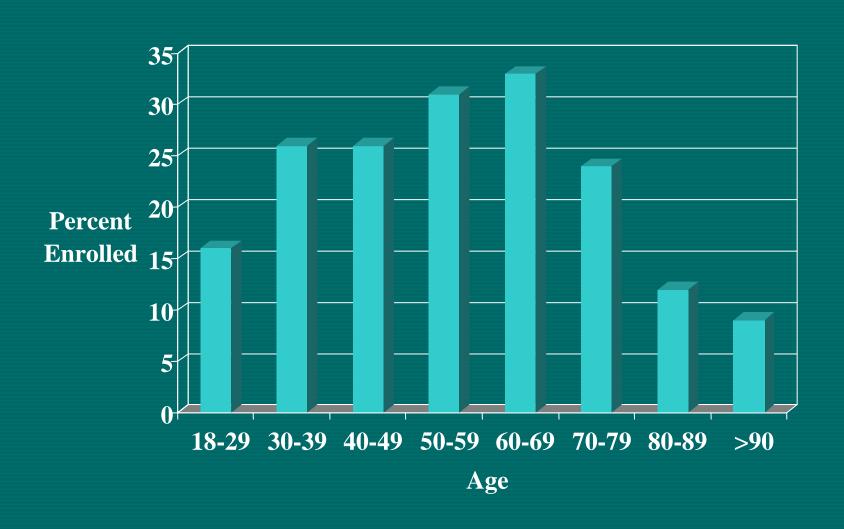


PAMFOnline Enrollment



PAMFOnline Patients

Adoption Rate by Age

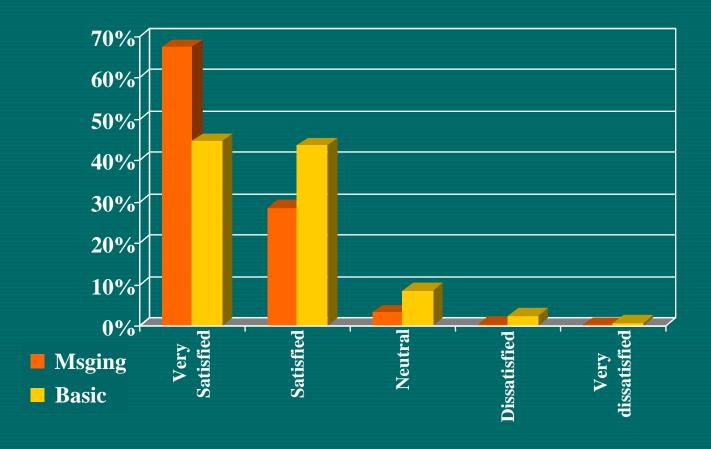


PAMFOnline 2005 Survey

Overall Satisfaction

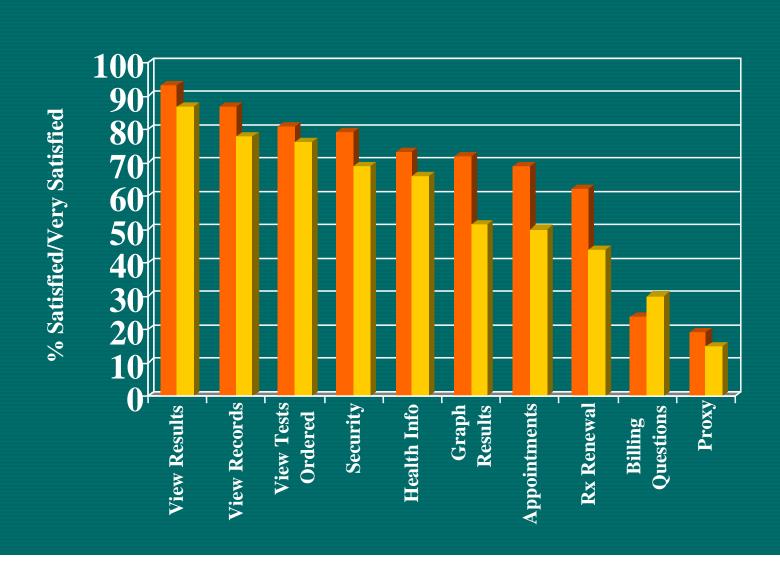
96% of messaging subscribers are very satisfied/satisfied

88% of basic subscribers are very satisfied/satisfied



PAMFOnline 2005 Survey

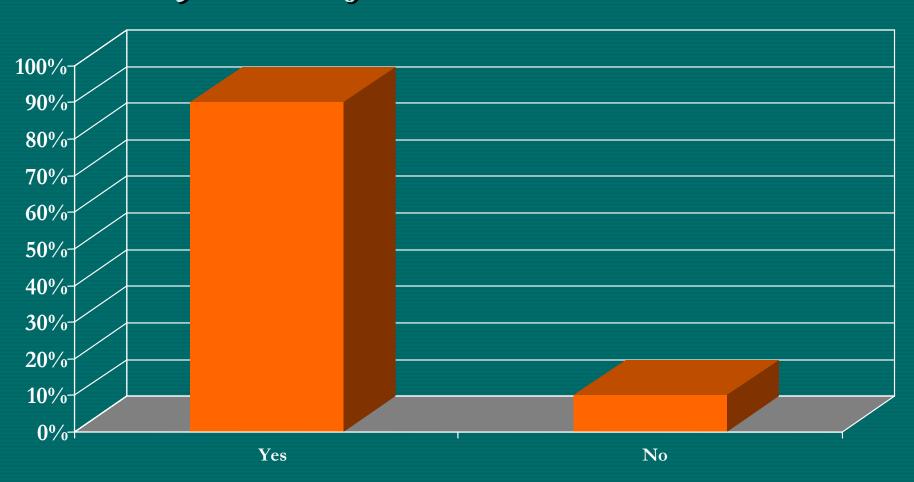
Features Satisfaction



PAMFOnline Survey What changes did you make?

- "Seeing graph of test results against time helped me stick to my diet."
- "I feel a stronger relationship with my doctor and more accountability to his advice as a result of having online access to test results and email communication with my physician."
- "Lost weight and started exercising more"
- "I always check my lab results... I was able to tailor a diet specifically to adjust my blood lipids... I saw the improved test results 2 weeks ago. Not only was I hugely successful (Triglycerides from 333 to 85) but I lost 20 lbs, too. Having the lab results online was tremendously helpful."

Physician PAMFOnline Survey "Are you satisfied with PAMFOnline?"



Physicians with 100+ PAMFOnline patients

Patient Satisfaction Survey Transforming Healthcare Relationships

- "I can' tell you how great this system is. It changes totally the dynamic of medical care as far as I'm concerned."
- "Since I am in my 80s... the most important [factor] is the savings in physical travel to the clinic I am getting a bit handicapped physically, but as yet not mentally."
- "I can be current on test results and be a team member in my own care..."
- "It's not just a website. It's a good deed."

Summary

Achieving a New Standard of Care

- Driving towards patient-centered care
- Shared decision making requires:
 - Data
 - Knowledge
 - Tools
- Personal health record systems are tools for transforming care