Please feel free to tweet. Use #25x5 as the hashtag.

Good day, glad to hear and also support tweeting.

More twitter... NLM = @NLINIH, Vanderbilt = @vumcDBMI; Columbia @ColumbiaDBMI; AMIA = @AMIAinformatics

I presume this entire conversation, given the context Kevin shared, is meant to focus on US-based documentation recommendations?

Hi Craig, Sorry if I missed it, but is this being recorded?

Yes, the focus is US-based

Yes – focused on US Clinicians, given several problems related to doc burden are unique to US clinicians/US healthsystem.

Hi Julie, yes it is, and will be posted to the 25x5 website: https://www.dbmi.columbia.edu/25x5/

Thanks much, Craig!

Do the problems in the USCDI v2 include nursing problems or are they only medical problems?

Andy, is there a new definition for "Progress Note"? This has been a sticking point for Open Notes.

Great question Dick

What about problem lists?

I am a physician – I spend 56 minutes (I timed it knowing that this session was happening today) on the phone – on hold – being transferred to get authorization for a CT for a patient in acute pain yesterday. Why does nobody ever talk about this burden on physicians. This is a common occurrence when pre auth is needed for a CT or MRI. The insurance will pay $30 for the visit. It makes care burdensome and I spend more money to keep the lights on than I get reimbursed for things like this.

https://fixpriorauth.org/

shouldn’t the problem lists be part of the note?

No – problem lists are multi-specialty and persist over time and totally separate from progress notes.

the diagnosis and the data within the problem lists are part of the note

Problem lists may have different views based on who is looking at them. I really think they need to be 2 separate items.

Agree that the problem list should persist but it should update from the note. Should not require double documentation.

Better EHR design would allow it to be more integrated into the documentation workflow.

Not double, separate. Sounds as though this needs to be a separate discussion.

Agree,

The eye doc does not need the dermatologist's problem list.

The family doc needs both.

- It depends on the audience for the note, which I know will be discussed at this symposium! My vote would be to leave things out of the note that can easily be seen elsewhere in the chart, and to adopt CMS 2021 E/M guidelines to reduce note boat, and to document on either MDM or time. Full problem lists sometimes have things you didn't
discuss in the visit.
: I think it is possible to achieve we are both saying. :)
: The problem list is relatively useless since problems are never resolved making it difficult to slog through and determining what is truly an active problem.
: Indeed, there has to be curation of the list or it is worthless.
: I think the problem list is essential. A lot of decision support is driven from it. But it should be set up so that it is much easier to curate.
: @ – for me the problem list should have “signout” (active issues – whether specialist or PCP), and chronic stable issue. Epic has option to prioritize (“High, medium, low”) but no one takes the time to do so (and there is not clear who the “owner” should be)
: Is CMS looking at reducing documentation requirements for low dose CT scanning for lung cancer screening and advanced imaging clinical decision support? Both require providers to document many elements to schedule an advanced imaging test.
: USCDI and IB
: The ambiguity around what is actually required from CMS is a root cause of much of the problem. There is not one clear source of truth, so there are many regulatory myths circulating among the compliance professionals.
: Curating and ownership of the problem list is (I think) a cultural issue and less a technical barrier.
: Low dose CT and mammography for example are instances in which there is essentially only one indication—that would make it really easy to streamline.
: Agree @. We have been discussing issues with problem lists for so long. How do we curate and make it more useful?
: Agree completely with myths from compliance professionals.
: @. I think when you prioritize that is to each individual user and does not carry over to other users. The "Chronic" pin does carry over.
: How about mandatory reimbursement to a provider of at least $100 for time and effort each time prior auth is required? Even it prior auth is denied drive industry through economics?
: Craig, how is Kevin notifying speakers about time?
: He must have done a direct message.
: Mmmmm – not sure we can expect the speakers to be watching the chat.
: I couldn’t make that clock app work because multiple computers can’t share.
: Less is more in terms of documentation. The notes in the U.S. are way too long as we have showed.
: I would love to engage in a conversation about problem lists, that are focused around what we need for care, looking at it from the perspective of creating, curating and reviewing the list, and being careful not to do it all within the box of a certain EHR vendor’s capabilities.
: We have a similar problem with medication lists.. How often is the list full of medications that the patient is not taking any more?
: The big problem is fee-for-service, which drives both utilization
and need for documentation, prior auth, etc. Capitated payment would leave the appropriateness decisions at the level of the healthcare delivery system.

- Compliance increases as volume of documentation deceases
- England has a national standard for problem lists. I would love to be part of that discussion.
- I agree with you, but CMS requires additional documentation of counseling and patient understanding prior to ordering or the patient can't be scheduled for low dose CT scan. Providers also order low dose CT scan for non lung cancer screening.
- @ – agree, especially if you start with clinical competency and not use required documentation to teach new clinical skills.
- @. Yes, I think every organization interprets how problem lists are used and who can or cannot contribute to them differently. Perhaps benefit from standardization?
- I was once almost fired for pointing out that professional auditors only agree 25% of the time on whether a billed chart is compliant.
- Capitation has its own set of problems. I do not believe it is better than Fee for Service. I participate in both fee for service and capitated plans.
- @ that is what we are finding as you have more focus on delivery vs on documentation.
- Is there an effort to align documentation requirements across settings. For example, nursing homes and home health have very different types of documentation requirements based on differences in assessments and reporting requirements. Different documentation requirements makes it difficult to follow patients across these settings consistently, which has impacts on quality and safety.
- problem lists, please reach out. I’ve worked at a couple of startups that are actively experimenting with this for homegrown EHRs, so we have a little more flexibility than the commercial shops
- do we think USCDI v2 is part of the problem or part of the solution. I look at adding Date of onset of problems has burdensome for many patients, as an example. Help us understand this!
- I think it is easier to maintain Med Lists than Problem Lists...
- Imagine how much money in healthcare could be saved if we could eliminate the medical coding and clinical documentation improvement departments that are necessary because of the complex documentation requirements. Satisfaction with the EHR would certainly improve if there were less CDI queries.
- I would disagree – when a patient comes in and I review the medication list they are often not able to confirm they are taking the med. "I don't know I take a water pill"...
- @ – agree med lists are an absolute mess. Especially as an urgent care doc, the auto-pulled in stuff is very out of date and inaccurate
- I agree that we need to be very cautious about adding content to the USCDI process – that’s why we made it a very open & transparent process. Problem list is a great example of content that is used variably by different clinicians – so “having the capability” is different than requiring it or how it is subsequently presented to
another clinician or the patient

: I guess depends on the lens. As a PCP maybe I have pruned the med lists over time. I find it easier to DC. The ones that are borderline are those PRNs that they take every once in a while.

: Excellent ...thank you all so far !

: Exactly! We have found the same results with our team based Primary Care Redesign program at U. of CO across multiple domains. Give these tasks to the staff and it will happen. Providers can focus on patient's individual and complex needs

: Is there a way to save the chat? It seems blocked for me.

: the best way to view the Q&A is through speaker view

: @ do you think the form of clinically relevant documentation will impact burden? If so how might CMS think through that aspect (forms versus structured data, versus text)

: Problem lists are entered from several disciplines. this gets confusing too!

: We seem to be spending a lot of time on reducing burden, but I have to ask, wouldn't it be better to spend time on eliminating burden? When you consider that clinical information is now digital and no longer on paper, we have not changed our administrative paradigm to take advantage of that transformation. We could eliminate turning clinicians into clerks, creating clinically unnecessary documentation, adding to note bloat, or spending time on hold if we reimagined our processes for a digital paradigm.

: What are the barriers to simply eliminating documentation requirements for billing or quality and pulling the data administrators need from the record?

: What about the burden of requirements for physicians to sign “reams and reams of PT, OT, Speech therapy forms”. (I happened to just receive an email from a physician not involved in this conference asking this question.)

: +1.

: Documentation requirements. Different documentation requirements, specifically different code sets for billing and interoperability, makes accelerating health information exchange challenging

: Patient engagement in problem list reconciliation needed as patients move across encounters and care settings like advanced hospital care in the home

: struggles on which problem to select and who owns ensuring it's accurate

: The first improvement would be to link each problem in a problem list to the provider who added that problem to the list who is managing the problem.

: Exactly !! Still is an issue today !! No one maintains it or updates it and therefore becomes a cumbersome tool

: Problem lists that are not accurate hinder nursing care delivery., but so do notes/ I can't say how many times my doc notes are not accurate and I need to remind them to change their notes. I understand they are busy, but it really hurts care that is delivered overnight when there is not a physician readily available.

: Very much agree that Electronic Clinical Quality Measures and the
The lifecycle of those measures is a real problem and often does not reinforce quality. Yet, the US clearly has quality and cost issues with many worldwide measures of evaluating quality/cost of care. So, my question is, how do we address accountability as an industry on cost, safety and quality? Is it a measures develop and execution issue?

@ agree. Though I would offer that there is still paper everywhere. We spend way too much time writing information on paper and transcribing it back and forth between different places.

By linking the problem to the person who is managing it, we then make somebody accountable for 'curating' that problem.

Also agree that we need to redesign how we chart based on what is capable in an digital world.

IF we eliminate requirements, then we don't need to align them.

As we change some of the burden around required content (and we'll have to start developing some new tools to handle patient-generated health data), we also need to make it easier to record our clinical thinking. We like to talk with our colleagues to coordinate care — how about talking with the EHR?

There needs to be more provenance in the record — especially when being shared across care settings.

Aligning documentation requirements key for safe care transitions, e.g. the PACIO project:

http://pacioproject.org/

does CMS have an actual count of the number of quality measures that must be documented and reported? just wondering so we can get a baseline

http://pacioproject.org

+1 michael brody

, long time no talk :-)

There is also the issue of the need of marking the problem list, med list, allergies as reviewed for meaningful use. Is this really necessary? If we are adding problems, meds etc. Shouldn't that indicate that we reviewed those lists?

@ – yes these certification signatures are a huge zero-value problem, likely only create barriers to timely care. Brings up larger question that much of provider documentation is designed to prevent fraud (a real problem but much less expensive than our massive regulatory infrastructure) and cost shifting.

Can we also align behavioral health and hospital standards? The fact that a psych unit in a hospital has very burdensome requirements that go far beyond the burden in the rest of the hospital is a long-standing issue and behavioral health stakeholders clearly want duplicate documentation and formal interdisciplinary treatment planning eliminated.

Has anyone analyzed the contents of international notes referred to in Kevin’s earlier slide? Is it a minimum data set?

Why not simply learn from the efforts of others?

Physicians have been involuntarily conscripted into the enforcement arm of payers to prevent fraud by other providers. Is this appropriate
use of physician resources? Are MDs the proper people to police PTs, OTs, etc/
: +1 for repatriation of innovation lok
: lol
: We counted the number of quality metrics too—didn’t come up with quite as many as Brent, but it is far too many. In Massachusetts we established something called the Mass Hospital Quality Partnership which has been very successful. It standardized the main quality metrics across the state across payers and this dramatically reduced the burden (but it is still too big). When I was CQO at BWH we were sending metrics to ~35 organizations. Some federal coordination here would be really helpful.
: I am wondering how many people in this conversation are actually clinicians that experience the burden
: +1
: @ I’m an internist. I recognize several physicians on the thread
: Especially metrics that are mostly similar with subtle denominator or numerator differences
: It is analogous to the movement to remove strings from international aid, and just give poor people money. Much better outcomes at lower costs. The financial and opportunity costs and burnout costs of the compliance regime is way more expensive than avoided fraud. We should have smarter ways to deal with fraud than we have currently.
: The new changes for outpatient are VERY confusing in terms of the medical complexity based documentation. For people who cover inpatient and outpatient, the difference in medical complexity documentation requirements are even more confusing.
: +1 a model to iterate from
: @ – that was one of the recommendations that we made in the Burden Report – hoping the next administration prioritizes that work too
: Brent James’ design issue concept could be translated into a confusion of quality assurance and quality improvement. His left hand pathway is QA, the right hand pathway is QI.
: @. Totally agree. No changes to IP vs. the new 2021 update simplified changes means still remembering both systems.
: In terms of reducing the documentation burden, though, I think the key steps are 1) simplify the billing requirements (underway, the new ones are MUCH better), 2) set up better interfaces for clinicians to document, 3) leverage AI to help docs out, 4) consider one can be done with new modalities like recording conversations in some instances
: Nursing has had a bad documentation burden going back to paper charts.
: To be fair I think the nurses have had a high clerical burden at baseline though
: absolutely. need more collaborative, dynamic documentation
: 100% agree, we actually are contracted by the union to decrease nursing documentation
: +1— more research on nursing documentation burden
: Would agree, think nursing has not been as vocal regarding this subject, but I hear it every day.
Need more BMDI, Verbal transcription into flowsheets and use of AI for all clinicians

Nurses are getting killed with Covid, the burden has to stop now! Many good nurses are leaving the bedside in droves!

Nursing document move in the EHR than any other discipline. Ask to capture data for others, information that has nothing to do with nursing practice... such as tracking patient belongings

The burden of documentation is no just on physicians, the burden on nursing has been extensive since the 90's. It is not just an EHR issue actually the EHR just made it visible. (on paper, nursing completed much of the 'documentation' that was endorsed/attested to by the provider through a simple signature (much of which was suddenly deemed inappropriate in an electronic world)

Surprising Sharon — all of my experiences have supporting reducing the clinical documentation for all clinicians, and the impact on the care team as a whole. Eager to Hear if you considered alternatives to leverage forms of team documentation to compliment and reduce the burden for all

Ty Andy

+1 - we also need mechanisms for nurses to voice their concerns re documentation

Yes cringe at a hard stop...

give 4 million nurses an hour back and watch care be transformed

Amen!

Until the inpatient and outpatient documentation requirements are harmonized, there will continue to be confusion from providers who work in both venues. Moreover they will not change their "learned" habits until they are harmonized. Easier to just continue what you are doing than try to figure it all out by venue. Not to mention re-learning how to document clinically and "billingly" relevant notes ...

This is such an important discussion for the future of nursing documentation.

+1!

+2!

Alignment of incentives is the hardest thing to accomplish

@ and making the electronic systems support that too

We are on "disaster documentation" standards for nurses...it's more than adequate. Why can't the standard all the time be "disaster" level documentation, and proceed to reduce documentation burden further from that level??

There should be some consideration about the effect of new data forms (i.e. longitudinal sensor data to recognize change in condition on LTPAC) that are being integrated into the EHR in some settings. With novel technologies that are capable of collecting and reporting data about people 24/7 there becomes a great burden on clinicians to interpret and react to these new data forms in a timely, effective way. How does big data impact burden?

+3
Agree that "disaster documentation" levels might be a good starting point.
And as a database, there needs to be clean data. Do no contribute to the dirty data in the EHR.
Surge documentation really helped us operationalize reduction during Covid times.
The main point seems to be that we need to figure out what data adds value and getting rid of everything that does not.
This is a data insights problem.............and EHRs are not designed to address insights.
+1 – we need to leverage active and passive PGHD from sensors, wearables, phys. monitors, etc.
In my experience, a lot of the willingness to cut nursing documentation from the record rests on the partnership of CNOs and their regulatory partners at a given facility. It is scary for some to remove items that have been in the record for a long time. They may not be tied to a reg (or maybe they ARE tied to a safety event from 15 years ago)...but you have a have a pretty brave crew to be willing to sign off on pulling out large chunks of the nursing documentation record. Even if they are pretty sure those chunks provide no value and are never reviewed again.
+1
+1
@ – AGREE – similar to the freeing up of virtual care in the pandemic. COVID is exposing a host of absurdities that if eliminated will be transformative. Thanks to 25x5 for taking the global view beyond providers.
COVID has allowed us to think about what can be cut back, we need to be careful not to just add back..
Agree around the surge/disaster reductions... all came due to the CMS waiver which speaks to me that we need those in that space to understand the impact their requirements are having to people.
@ 100% agree
+1
When you read the CMS document for this COVID emergency, nurses were excused from Care Plans. Is that really where the burden is on a daily basis?
2+
@ – great point. Need to work on ridding the culture of 'if it wasn't documented, wasn't done'
@ yes great point
If it was documented, it may not have been done!
+1 (esp in quality and legal departments)
Documentation does not drive practice either
Is there any representatives from Compliance on this call?
+1 (esp, things like "bathroom offered q 2hrs" !! none value add to care
A lot of our nursing documentation burden comes from one-off
"corrective actions" either required by Joint Commission or others after an adverse outcome, with absolutely no evidence that "corrective action" would have made any difference if it had been in place in preventing the event.

: "If it can be templated, it probably shouldn’t be documented." Low value note bloat relates to smart phrases and templates.

: Not that I disagree with decreasing data documentation burden (because I suffer the pain also), but it will impact data science discovery opportunities

: +1 ...so much!

: ...and let's keep in mind that burdensome documentation to prove that you did something means you don't have time to do it! Talk about unintended consequences!!

: It is important that we generate consensus on what constitutes crisis documentation standard for across all care settings. Also, agree this is a place to start with in terms of what can be eliminated.

: Agree! As much as we try to reduce unnecessary documentation for nursing, we get requests from nurses to add documentation fields to serve as reminders or "ticklers" to complete tasks and assessments.

: When we talked about releasing nursing notes as part of our new info-releasing initiatives I said, “That’s great! 5,000 versions of, “Pt to CT via stretcher...” for the patient to review! :)

: @ bet that one has to do with some quality measure related to an event

: changes in 'if it was not documented it was not done' requires changes to the 'medical legal' landscape.

: there is great conversation in this chat, but I am having a hard time listening to the presenters and reading the chat.... will the chat be saved and sent out afterward so we can review it?

: @ for sure!

: @ …. LOL... that made me laugh... the 5000 versions of Pt to CT...

: +1 @

: Interface patient documented information into the EMR not only during the OP environment but into the IP environment.

: @. What are the reasons Clinical Notes went from 8 to 5 from USCDI V1 to USCDI V2?

: Yes chat will be saved!

: might have been asked already. is mtg being recorded and sent out and or decks to be sent?

: @ - based on community feedback & moving lab/rad notes to a different category

: Sad to say I remember this trifold shhet

: trifold is used for downtime documentation ofent

: Would be great if those quality measures and Joint Commission requirements would have to have evidence that they make a difference before we would be required to meet them. So many are just created in order to have a requirement, not because they are evidence based, but then detract from what is truly important for patient care.

: Yes we are recording and will make available
"If it wasn't documented, it wasn't done" is a toxic victim to safe care. Consider instead “The Map is not the Territory.” A map (a note) attempting a 1:1 to reality (care delivered) is unmanageable. https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(16)00338-X/fulltext

The GROSS efforts is so important. It made sense when implemented but need to avoid "this is how we have always done it" mentality.

+1!! Yes; evidence-based documentation

When EHRs were designed the only option for "reporting" etc. was discrete fields, so we built forms, tables, etc.---------that is no longer the case -- with natural language processing "unstructured data" (aka notes with meaning and value) can be queried for the secondary needs of teams such as quality and regulatory.

Yes" but no info as to what PRN it was or why.

We had a 26-day downtime that started last October. The trifold emerged from someone's locker *very* quickly.

... and in most instances, when time is returned to nurses, that time is now taken back to do some other administrative, non-patient value-added activity, which may or may not be new documentation

Sherri, would value your perspectives on the relationship between cognitive burden and situational awareness. Are you deploying any strategies to lift up situational awareness for care team partners and the patient

Frequently said doctors don't read nursing documentation!

I never looked at the graphs -- I always read the narrative.

For step by step guidance on Getting Rid of Stupid Stuff, please see this STEPS FORWARD module on the same, written by Melinda Ashton. All of these modules are completely open access; all free. https://edhub.ama-assn.org/steps-forward/module/2757858

+1, ohh what you learned during these 26 days

As a psychiatrist, we used to read our nursing notes ALL the time in the paper world because they actually gave a 1 paragraph quick picture of how the patient was actually doing.

What needs to be documented will vary based upon the clinical focus (specialty) of the person doing the documentation.

@ many lessons learned from your experience, thanks for sharing

the docs were the ones at my large trauma center that insisted that nursing bring back the end of shift summary note in the EHR == only thing they read.

despite the thousands of entries in flowsheets, forms, care plans, etc.

HAS anyone here ever heard of linen change as a requirement? Isn’t it?

In Canada we have the same issue -- nurses don’t want to let go of some of the things they document.

No, we are not documenting linen change.

Let's not forget all we have learned because of COVID!

I usually read nurse notes, frequently that was how I figured out what happened over night, esp. if I was making rounds late and missed shift change when I could ask the night nurses directly
: @, definitely a big no lol
: Linen change used to be required daily, now it is when deemed 'dirty' to decrease cost.
: We are not documenting linen changes but are documenting patient valuables
: #COVIDLife?
: care plans??
: We are trying to no longer expect nurses to document standard care that is expected for all patients.
: @ we also removed patient valuables
document extensions of self versus pt valuables
: Now we read the nursing shift hand-off report and don't bother with the nursing chart notes.
: Why are care plans needed for every patient especially with short stays. Look at the reality of requirement of care plans for patients in hospitals less than 48 hours
: @ ... same with belongings and valuables. struggles. I think HCA did something to remove this from nursing, if I remember correctly.
: @ and the documenting patient valuables have contribution nothing to nursing practice or outcome.. but the risk manager wants it to remain. sigh
: @ and @ we have a very big list for belongings
: Releasing nursing notes reminds of other uses to for nurse documentation such as for evidence-based practice analytics and to predict and deploy nursing resources
: @ >>> the dentures and hearing aids! in some orgs we had to document their safety in transfer from floor to floor!
: Patient perspective - I have patients walk into my office each day with their MD degree they earned from the internet with huge amounts of mis-information. Any patient generated information in the EHR has to be properly attributed to help those reviewing the information can process it with the proper filters.
: Thanks so much for this discussion/platform around DEI. So needed
: Ad education on that last bullet
: @ – YES.
: whatever the content, provenance is always key; PGD is fine, even if it's full of "huge amounts of mis-information." but at least I'd know the source
: I agree 100% I do not have a problem with PGD it is a problem with lack of attribution – and often that attribution can get lost when sharing information from one EHR system to another.
: Transgender is essential - or at least some way to know what organs exist in which patient.
: +1 - that misinformation can provide a lot of information, esp. related to DEI
: Pts who come with internet-driven knowledge, even if wrong, are actively seeking information, which is GOOD. So I congratulate them for that, reinforce it, and then say, "There is a lot of bad info out there, and I can't possibly have the time to look at every website." And I refer them to sites that I trust and ask them to look there for
good information. Then we can talk.
: many of our front line staff are uncomfortable recording race, and even more uncomfortable asking the patient to clarify it.
: sometimes patients are also uncomfortable being asked those things, esp. now
: https://www.annfammed.org/content/annalsfm/16/5/467.full.pdf
: Definitely need to build pt characteristics into electronic systems. In the meantime, how can we use indirect assessment of SDOH/place (e.g., census, pop data) if improvement is the end goal
: From a family member perspective, valuables aren't a minor thing. This is especially true for things like dentures, eyeglasses, and hearing aids. They can't just be sent home with family but when they get lost during transfers, the patient is hugely disadvantaged in terms of their care (if they can't hear/see/eat) and the costs of replacement and timeliness of replacement can be prohibitive.
: @ - I am not saying it is not good. It spurs conversation but I am saying that when it is documented - the next person reading the documentation needs to know the attribution of the data.
: Thanks Kenrick! I was not expecting DEI and much appreciated. There's much to be done in these sectors also. And then the impact it has to the healthcare workers on documentation to ensure equity for patients by not identifying the immigration status/undocumented individual. ReAL is so important to achieve much of these goals and yet uncomfortably bc of the unintended consequences.
: When I visit a doctor the visit is recorded
: At least for my primary care
: linen change likely came from a patient complaint that their linen was not changed. so it gets added to prove it was done. I'm not in agreement in it just sharing how it likely got there
: I would challenge the assumption that poor outcomes would be due to "disaster documentation" in any post assessment

the system is in crisis ......... lets make sure to take a systems view of this event
: There are times where paper is easier - and then scan the paper.
: +1 --- it's a use interface issue as much as a doc issue

: considering dictating notes for nursing.
: There is an empirical way to do this too - actually measure how often different information is viewed, which can be done w/ EHR audit data.
: a really smart nursing leader told me once that if a patient says we lost their dentures, glasses, etc. we will end up replacing their dentures, glasses, etc. That the patient belongings list doesn’t actually protect you from anything – and as a leader, she removed it from the record. That always stuck with me.
: Do any organizations use predominantly touchscreens? Are those better than just keyboard/mouse combination?
: +1 Brent
: @ and @ - agree, looking forward to seeing voice as the norm.
: @ I would argue that paper often seems easier because the design of
our digital systems has not lived up to what we need it to be
: I have a touchscreen computer and I find the keyboard better.
: +1 we did a similar study >> and leaders were still unwilling to
remove fields that were vary rarely used..........it's a cultural issue
as much as a technology one
: Also agree that if the interface were better then the electronic
chart would be better.
: I'm hopeful predictive analytics can continue to grow as a way to
help reduce cognitive burden
: @ so true
: We can intentionally design in Team based real time situation
awareness for patient safety, complication surveillance, care
coordination and shared outcome evaluation
: How are we addressing SDOH in the record?
: Agree . Looking forward to sharing the work we have done in that
area! Need less walls between disciplines in the EHR
: @ and @ short status of patient care/status using handheld device.
: +1
: We have been looking at the initial clinical use of this data as we
talk about documentation (primary purpose), But as data and real world
evidence use increases, how do we ensure we create "meaningful"
documentation for multiple possible uses?
: Way to go Kendrick
: Will we be bringing the top three EMR Corp's into these Roundtable
discussions ?
: +1 Kenrick!
: So much great conversation in the chat and I’m having a hard time
keeping up. Will it be possible to get the chat transcription
afterwards?
: +1 Kenrick Cato on SDOH!!!!!!
: What does that mean to you Kenrick? Would love an example of what
you mean
: YES Kenrick!
: I think the challenges with multiple assessments such as SDOH, ACEs,
Development etc and there is a significant overlap in the different
tools and there is a challenge as to which visits and who completes
all the assessments.
: I have seen system generated notes generated by EHR systems that are
internally contradictory - one thing in the generated note and one in
the narrative from the EHR user. has anybody else ever run into
that?
: Would be helpful for all of us to get CHAT transcription between
sessions
: SDOH is yet another abstraction which can be a playground for bias!
: SDOH and Populomics data. both
: SDOH must be more than just collecting another data point.
: @ I see Cerner physicians on the participant list
: @ – all the time. The problem (one of them at least) is that we
have the write the same information in so many diff places. So there are naturally contradictions because we can't keep it all updated. +1 @
: Absolutely need to drive to a LPOC
: I have also seen contradictory notes—esp doctors and nurses saying different things—or one doctor contradicting another.
: Patient self-report should be part of the solution. We should not shift doc burden to patients, though. Right size the capture and frequency of patient goals and characteristics too.
: ...thank you :)
: That's why it's a plan!! LPOC is essential!
: Is this Paul Fu from YNHH?
: @, I'm a physician at Epic. Emily Barey is a nurse at Epic, and we have a couple of User Design experts (usability experts) from Epic on the call too.
: 1) there aren't widely accepted coding standards yet; and 2) until health care providers can deal with problems by referring to social care providers the way we refer to specialists, with bidirectional flow of information, then SDOH data show problems that just frustrate clinicians.
: All of the above
: I would vote different for MDs vs others.
: @ nope! from City of Hope, previously LA County
: +1 Ruth!
: I have heard it described as Social *Drivers* of Health rather than determinants.
: @ yes we will be saving the chat
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: But also agree should rethink requirements :)
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we impose on ourselves is greater burden
@ great point
@ I would recommend we consider the role of registries and how we can leverage interoperable data exchange with clinical documentation and how this might be an approach to reduce the burden
@ – completely agree! There is value to documentation that has been lost in all of this
@ An interesting topic for discussion is how much the clinician/staff documentation burden can be diminished and how much the comprehensiveness and quality of data can be improved if we can come up with effective ways for patients to self-document things like demographics, social determinants, symptoms, family history, etc.
@ +1
@ our attention should be on what determines quality of documentation you don't have that radial option :)
@ we need to make sure the EHR is a tool we can use reliably to make medical decisions. that is the most important thing we can do.
@ – agree 100%. I guarantee you 14 point ROS will continue to be documented, despite regulatory changes
@ +1
@ Sounds like a fund-raiser
@ Totally agree with Patti. Sometimes, even the regulatory experts at a given hospital aren’t necessarily correct in their interpretation of regs. At smaller hospitals, the job of interpreting regulations often falls to someone who has 5 other jobs....
@ In oncology, the biggest challenge is documenting extractable disease status/progression of disease/treatment response. Have to make it easier to document that critically important stuff.
@ Completely agree @
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@ >> in the 90's pre-EHR we were having patients contribute the their record (admission histories, problem lists, goals, priorities) — and we took most all of that away with EHRs ....crazy.
@ Tough question as all have some impact
@ I picked regulatory this time bc i think it's more easily moved
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@ if the burden of regulation/billing wasn't there, we wouldn't add to the burden by our self-imposed work. Remove the root cause!!
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@ Hard to hit the target when there are 6 divergent targets
@ I chose that we should focus on the self-regulated ones, because I agree with the comments on *perceived* external requirements of regulation and reimbursement, and how they translate into self-imposed criteria that are even more burdensome.
+1  
@ agree, we need to check to be sure if it is required.  
Doesn't Self imposed come from Education level  
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Joint Commission

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