Telehealth Across the Lung Cancer Care Continuum

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Shared Decision Making in Lung Cancer Screening

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Outline

• Decision Making in Clinical Care
• Telemedicine and Telehealth
• Shared Decision Making (SDM)
• SDM in Lung Cancer Screening (LCS)
• SDM about LCS in Primary Care
• A Patient Outreach and SDM Pilot Study
• Opportunities to use Telehealth for SDM in LCS
Decision Making in Clinical Care

- Patient
- Decision Making
- Clinician
- Outcomes
- Family
- Community
- System
Telemedicine and Telehealth

What is telemedicine?

• Telemedicine is the practice of medicine using telecommunications technology to deliver care at a distance.

What is telehealth?

• Telehealth refers broadly to using electronic and telecommunications technologies to provide care and services at-a-distance.

Decision Making Before, During, and After a Clinical Encounter

**During the Encounter**

**Decision Making:** Reasons For/Against Options

**Before the Encounter**

**Reasons**

**After the Encounter**

**Reasons**
Shared Decision Making in Lung Cancer Screening

- Patient
- Decision Quality
- Screening

- Family
- Community
- System
The Ideal of SDM in Lung Cancer Screening

• Verification of patient eligibility for screening
• Education, values elicitation, and preference clarification using a decision support intervention that gives a balanced presentation of potential benefits and harms of screening
• Counseling on the importance of following up abnormal screening results and adherence to annual screening
• Counseling on tobacco treatment for current smokers

(CMS, 2015)
Decision Support Interventions and Shared Decision Making (SDM)

- Decision support interventions enable patients and clinicians to make a shared decision

  - Provide Information on Options
  - Elicit Values and Clarify Preference
  - Shared Decision

Well, are there risks? I may rather just not know...

You are eligible for lung cancer screening. Let's talk about it.
Is SDM about LCS Happening?

• A national survey of current smokers showed that only 9% had discussed lung cancer screening (LCS) with a physician.

• In clinical practice, only half of persons eligible for LCS recalled having a discussion about screening with their primary care physician.

• When conversations about LCS take place in clinical practice, they average < 1 minute, and potential harms related to screening are usually not mentioned.

• LCS rates nationally are less than 20%.

(Brenner et al., 2018; Byrnes, Lillie, and Studts, 2019; Huo et al., 2019; Rai et al., 2019)
Decision Support Interventions

• Print and online materials, scripted presentations, audiovisual presentations, interactive software
  • Help people understand what options are available
  • Provide information about benefits and risks of available options
  • Identify how personal values related to available options
  • Clarify level of preference for each available option
  • Make a choice that aligns with personal values and preference

(Elwyn et al., 2010)
An Interactive Online SDM Intervention

• Decision Counseling Program:
  • Education
  • Values Elicitation
  • Preference Clarification

www.jefferson.edu/university/jmc/departments/medical_oncology/divisions/population_science.html
**Lung Cancer Screening: Yes or No?**

Lung cancer is a disease in which abnormal cells grow in the lung. **Screening** tests look for cancer before you have symptoms. Lung cancer screening is typically offered to smokers who are over 50 and have smoked very heavily.

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<td>What does the screening test involve?</td>
<td>Pictures of your lungs are taken once a year using a low-dose computed</td>
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<td>tomography (CT) scan. This scan gives a radiation dose similar to having</td>
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<td>a spine X-ray. The test itself takes about 5 minutes to complete. The</td>
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<td>cost of the CT is usually covered by your health insurance.</td>
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<td>What does the screening test look for?</td>
<td>The test looks for abnormal growths (nodules) in your lungs.</td>
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| What is my chance of having lung cancer diagnosed?     | Out of 1,000 people who are screened:  
- lung cancer will be found during the test in about 24 (about 2%)  
- lung cancer will be missed in about 16 (about 2%), but found later because of symptoms | Out of 1,000 people who are not screened, lung cancer will be found in about 34 (about 3%). |
| What are the benefits?                                 | Screening can find cancer at an earlier stage and you can be treated     | You avoid tests and treatments. You    |
|                                                        | earlier.                                                                  | avoid the risks that come with testing.|
| What are the risks?                                   | Out of 1,000 people screened over 10 years:  
- 13 (1%) will die from lung cancer during that time  
- 367 (37%) will have nodules found but more testing does not show lung cancer  
- 100 (10%) will have other things seen inside the lung that may lead to more testing  
- 200 (20%) will have other things seen outside the lung that may lead to more testing  
- 4 (less than 1%) will get treated for a lung cancer that would not cause death if left alone | Out of 1,000 people not screened over 10 years, 22 (2%) will die from lung cancer during that time.
Decision Counseling Program - Values Elicitation

**STEP ONE**
Enter reasons to favor Option 1 (Having a screening test) over Option 2 (Not having a screening test)

- Worry about having lung cancer
- Doctor recommended screening

80 characters remaining
Enter your third reason here.

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STEP TWO

Enter reasons to favor Option 2 (Not having a screening test) over Option 1 (Having a screening test)

Concern about the accuracy of screening

Worry about exposure to radiation

80 characters remaining
Enter your third reason here.
STEP THREE
Check boxes for up to three (3) reasons that are most important to you.

- Worry about having lung cancer
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Lung Cancer Screening Preference: Results of this session indicate a preference that favors screening.

A. Preference (0-100%) for Option 1 and Option 2

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<td>Option 1</td>
<td>71%</td>
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<td>Option 2</td>
<td>29%</td>
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B. Top Reasons Influencing Preference

Reasons to favor Option 1

- Worry about having lung cancer
- Doctor recommended screening

Reasons to favor Option 2

- Worry about exposure to radiation
What if SDM were delivered via telehealth to primary care patients identified via the EMR as potentially-eligible for LCS?
An Outreach and SDM Pilot Study

EHR list of potentially-eligible patients in 4 primary care practices (N=2,376)

- Usual Care (UC) Group (N=1,748)
- Outreach Contact (OC) Group (N=314)
- Outreach Contact + Decision Counseling (OC-DC) Group (N=314)

Randomization

Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center
Jefferson Health | NCI – designated

Until every cancer is cured
Conclusions

• SDM and LCS rates are low in primary care

• It is feasible to deliver outreach and SDM contacts by mail and telephone

• LCS rates increase when SDM is added to standard mail and telephone contact

• Research is needed to determine the impact of telehealth (telephone and video) contacts on engaging patients in the SDM - prior to a scheduled primary care office visit
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Telemedicine

• Telemedicine, a term coined in the 1970s, which literally means “healing at a distance”, signifies the use of ICT to improve patient outcomes by increasing access to care and medical information.

• Recognizing that there is no one definitive definition of telemedicine – a 2007 study found 104 peer-reviewed definitions of the word – the World Health Organization has adopted the following broad description:

• “The delivery of health care services, where distance is a critical factor, by all health care professionals using information and communication technologies for the exchange of valid information for diagnosis, treatment and prevention of disease and injuries, research and evaluation, and for the continuing education of health care providers, all in the interests of advancing the health of individuals and their communities”
Focus of Telehealth

- Increase patient engagement
- Care in ‘real time’
- Reinforce self-care techniques
- Increase access to care
Embracing Telehealth

90% of employers are currently offering or planning to offer telehealth
Towers Watson

When the Veterans Health Administration used telehealth for their post-cardiac arrest care program, hospital readmissions fell by 51%
American Hospital Association

More than one-half of all US hospitals have a telehealth program
American Telemedicine Association

ICU telemedicine programs are associated with better survival rates and reduced hospital lengths of stay
American Hospital Association

Healthcare executives cite improved patient satisfaction scores as providing the biggest ROI
ReachHealth

The average cost per in-person visit is $125, while the average cost for a telehealth visit is around $45
US News & World Report
PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS

Telemedicine is the use of telecommunications technology to deliver health care to populations with limited access to care.

Telemedicine has generally been demonstrated to be at least equivalent to in-person care, improve access, and decrease costs with high levels of patient and health professional satisfaction.

Telemedicine may take place synchronously, asynchronously, or blended with in-person care. The patient and the consultant may engage virtually via fully interactive video technology in real time or asynchronously by storing and forwarding clinical data elements, such as medical reports, images, and video recordings, to be interpreted at a later time.

Effective teleoncology interventions include cancer telegenetics, telepathology, bundling of cancer related teleapplications, remote chemotherapy supervision, symptom management, survivorship care, palliative care, and approaches to increase access to cancer clinical trials, some of which may use mobile technologies.
Barriers to Telehealth Expansion

1 | Restrictions on how Medicare and other payers cover and pay for telehealth.
2 | Licensure laws and regulations that limit the ability to provide telehealth services across state lines.
3 | Some areas still lack adequate broadband service to support telehealth.
4 | Lack of leadership and organizational commitment to develop an overarching strategy and integrate into care delivery.
5 | Decentralized departmental solutions and pilot programs without governance structure and dedicated management.
6 | High cost of the technologies and infrastructure and a lack of funding.
7 | Inadequate clinical engagement and readiness without consideration of human factors in the user experience and workflows for both clinicians and patients.
8 | Evolving measures of success and key performance indicators hamper scaled platforms
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Manatt 2019
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<td>1 eConsult</td>
<td>Templated communications, where primary care provider eConsults with specialist to share information and discuss patient care.</td>
<td>Asynchronous</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Medical records and images</td>
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<td>2 Virtual video consult</td>
<td>Distant specialist connects in real time to a provider/clinical setting to deliver a clinical service directly supporting the care of a patient (e.g., telestroke).</td>
<td>Synchronous</td>
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<td>3 eICU/TeleAcute</td>
<td>Remote covering clinicians use multiple modalities (video, monitor data) to follow a defined set of seriously ill patients.</td>
<td>Synchronous</td>
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<td>Medical records, images and monitoring data</td>
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## Direct-to-Consumer Platforms

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<td>4 Second opinion</td>
<td>Patient-initiated electronic request for provider to give an opinion on a clinical case.</td>
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<td>5 Remote-patient monitoring</td>
<td>Providers remotely monitor patients via connected/mHealth devices or PROs.</td>
<td>Synchronous</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>Monitoring data and patient-reported data</td>
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<td>6 Video visit</td>
<td>Provider connects directly with patient via video to conduct equivalent of a visit.</td>
<td>Synchronous</td>
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<td>7 eVisit</td>
<td>Provider connects with patient via email or secure messaging to provide clinical advice or support.</td>
<td>Asynchronous</td>
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Source: Manatt, 2019
Telehealth and Oncology

Community Hospitals

Telehealth-use cases
Consultation and office visits 45%
Stroke care 47%
eICU 21%
Psychiatric and addiction treatment 29%
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Remote-patient monitoring post-discharge 19%

Health Systems

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Source: 2017 AHA Annual Survey, 2017 AHA IT Supplement Survey
Oncology Telehealth Programs

• **Surgical Oncology** – Utilizing telehealth connections for post surgical consults

• **Radiation Oncology** - Effectively utilizing physician resources across facilities to ensure we have the right provider at the right time

• **Provider on-call** - Using an APRN from Oncology to see patients who are reaching the on-call line or doing Triage of patients with oncology complications

• **Oncology Support Services** – Providing support services such as social worker, nutrition, psychology, integrative medicine and patient navigators

• Using telemedicine in each emergency room for dermatology, pediatrics and other consults
Never Truly Being Discharged

Using telehealth to create solutions where our care of the patient continues after discharge.

• Utilizing telehealth technology to connect with patients sooner and more frequently
• Providing a virtual resource to assist with social determinants of health, care navigators or a re-connection point
• Developing a support system for secondary conditions such as wound care

As a result, Memorial Healthcare System offers the following telehealth programs:

• Wound care (soon, TeleWound Care)
• Telehelath on-call
• Virtual Lactation Consultant
• TeleNutritionist
• Post-surgical follow-up
• TeleBehavioral Health
• Post-discharge TelePharmacy
• Virtual Primary Care Coordination
Coronavirus Alert

Memorial Healthcare System is diligently monitoring the development of COVID-19 (2019 novel coronavirus) and taking all appropriate and necessary precautions for the safety and well-being of our community. We remain vigilant and continue to follow the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Florida Department of Health guidelines. Please refer to our websites below for updated information related to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) prior to your visit to Memorial Healthcare System.

MHS COVID-19 Updates

JDCH COVID-19 Updates

If you are concerned that you have been exposed to COVID-19, Broward County is asking you please call 954-412-7300 before traveling to any healthcare facility.

Communicate with your doctor

Get answers to your medical questions from the comfort of your own home

Request prescription refills

Access your test results

No more waiting for a phone call or letter - view your results and your doctor's comments within days

Manage your appointments

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Benefits for Research

• Remote consenting
• Remote follow ups: Telemedicine visits and tests done at home
Telehealth Update
Overview: Congressional Coronavirus Response

- Congress has enacted three laws to address the Coronavirus threat

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Overview: Telehealth Provisions in Coronavirus Packages

**Coronavirus Supplemental (HR 6074)**

HHS can waive restrictions during emergency:
- Originating site and geographic restrictions
- Urban and rural restrictions

Other restrictions:
- Bill requires smart phone
- Previous (within 3 years) relationship

For provider, a previous payer relationship with the patient doesn’t count.

**Families First Coronavirus Response Act (HR 6201)**

Requires insurers to provide coverage – without any cost sharing or prior authorization or other medical management requirements for:

1. COVID IVD products and
2. Items and services furnished to an individual during health care provider office visits (which includes in-person visits and telehealth visits), urgent care visits, and ER visits that result in an order for or administration of an in vitro diagnostic product

**CARES/Supplemental (HR 748)**

- Deletes modality and previous relationship restrictions in first coronavirus bill
- Reauthorizes the network and resource centers grant program
- First dollar coverage for telehealth in HSAs
- Allows payments to FQHC and RHCs
- Allows telehealth for dialysis, hospice authorization
- Expands authority to provide telehealth for home health services
- Provides funding for VA, IHS, FCC for telehealth services and infrastructure
Overview: CMS Expansion of Medicare Coverage & Payment of Virtual Services

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) expanded access to Medicare telemedicine health care services—via broader services and lesser geographic restrictions—through regulatory flexibilities under the 1135 waiver authority and Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act.

**TELEHEALTH**
- Effective March 6, 2020 and for the duration of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE), telehealth services --
  - Expanded to include all areas in all settings
  - Applicable to new or established patients a/
  - BILLING – Payments furnished for services in all settings, at same rate for in-person visits
  - COST SHARING – Medicare coinsurance and deductible applies for all services and settings*
  - HHS OIG provides flexibility for providers to reduce or waive cost-sharing for telehealth visits paid by federal health care programs

**VIRTUAL CHECK-INS**
- No geographic or location restrictions
- Applicable only to established patients
- Individual services need to be agreed to by the patients, but practitioners may educate beneficiaries on availability of the service prior to patient agreement
- BILLING – Services may be billed using HCPCS codes G2012 or G2010, as applicable
- COST SHARING – Medicare coinsurance and deductible applies for these services

**E-VISITS**
- No geographic or location restrictions
- Applicable only to established patients
- Individual services need to be initiated by the patient, but practitioner may educate beneficiaries on availability of the service prior to patient initiation
- BILLING – Services may be billed using CPT codes 99421-99423 and HCPCS codes G2061 – G2063, as applicable
- COST SHARING – Medicare coinsurance and deductible applies for these services
  - Patients communicate with their provider via online patient portals

a/ To the extent the 1135 waiver requires an established relationship, HHS will not conduct audits to ensure that such a prior relationship existed for claims submitted during this PHE.
What’s Next? Efforts to Bolster Telehealth Post-Pandemic

• Permanent authorization – no snap back

• Help employers – excepted benefits; fix employer benefits notice issue

• Occupational licensure reform -- make licensure across state lines work
  • New era for this longstanding debate
  • Focus of administration’s recent deregulatory efforts; urging state reform

• Broadband funding

• At-home testing

• Reimbursement clarity (Medicare issue/employer issue)

• Telemental and telebehavioral health reforms

• 90+ bills reaching telehealth in this Congress; more to come
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