

Omni Shoreham 

■ Washington, DC
Tuesday and Wednesday, April 9-10, 2013

### **Final Agenda**

The April 2013 National Summit on OTC Medication Behaviors of Older Adults will be a full-day conference in Washington, DC, focused on safe and effective use of over-the-counter (OTC) medications. Attendees from industry, academia, research, and practice will convene to evaluate current research on the OTC medication behaviors of older adults and identify gaps in the evidence base. Specific areas of focus will include OTC medication literacy, the perceptual and cognitive basis of OTC medication decision making, technologies to support optimal OTC behavior, and the interface of clinical and family care with OTC behavior. The Summit is an effort of The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) in partnership with the Consumer Healthcare Products Association (CHPA).

### Objectives of the 2013 National Summit on OTC Medication Behaviors of Older Adults:

- Evaluate existing research on OTC medication behaviors among older adults.
- Identify gaps in available research and prioritize research questions to improve OTC medication behaviors of older adults.
- Determine how packaging and health literacy influence older adults' choice of OTC medications.
- Determine other influences on OTC medication use, including concerns about drug and disease interactions and clinician and family factors.
- Identify emerging technologies that support optimal OTC medication practices.
- Establish a framework and process to conduct critical research.
- Develop the science of OTC behaviors among older adults to promote safe and effective use of OTC medications.

### **TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2013**

6:00 PM-8:00 PM Registration and Networking Reception

Robert's Restaurant Private Dining Room

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2013

7:00 AM-8:00 AM	Registration and Breakfas
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Congressional Room

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Welcome and Why We Are Here

Barbara A. Kochanowski, PhD, Vice President, Regulatory & Scientific Affairs

Consumer Healthcare Products Association

James C. Appleby, RPh, MPH, Executive Director & CEO

The Gerontological Society of America

8:30 AM-9:00 AM Introduction of the Workgroup, Stakeholders, and the Goals for the Day

Steven M. Albert, PhD, Workgroup Chairperson

Professor and Chair, Department of Behavioral and Community Health Sciences

Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh

### 9:00 AM-11:30 AM

### **OTC Medication Literacy and Decision Making Among Older Adults**

Discussants: Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, MALD; Laura Bix, PhD

### Dimensions of OTC Medication Health Literacy Among Older Adults

Michael S. Wolf, PhD, MPH
Associate Professor, Associate Division Chief
Research for General Internal Medicine, Northwestern University

### • Assessing Older Adults' Decision Making in OTC Medication Behavior

Ruth S. Day, PhD
Director, Medical Cognition Laboratory
Senior Fellow, Duke Center for the Study on Aging
Duke University

### 11:30 AM-12:15 PM

### **Networking Lunch**

### 12:15 PM-2:30 PM

### Interventions to Promote Safe and Effective OTC Medication Use Among Older Adults

Discussants: Mary M. Bridgeman, PharmD; Steven M. Albert, PhD

# Promoting Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behavior Through Interface With Clinical Care

Elaine A. Leventhal, MD, PhD
Professor of Medicine
University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey
The Robert Wood Johnson Medical Group

### Promoting Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behavior Through Interface With Family Care

Laura N. Gitlin, PhD
Professor, Department of Community Public Health, School of Nursing
Department of Psychiatry and Division of Geriatrics and Gerontology
School of Medicine
Director, Center for Innovative Care in Aging
Johns Hopkins University

### 2:30 PM-2:45 PM

### Wiggle Break

### 2:45 PM-3:45 PM

### **Developing New Interventions to Support Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behaviors**

Discussant: Patricia J. Neafsey, PhD

### Emerging Technologies to Promote Optimal OTC Behavior

### Using Technology to Facilitate Safe OTC Medication Behaviors

Christopher B. Mayhorn, PhD
Associate Professor, Program Coordinator, Human Factors and Ergonomics Program
Department of Psychology
North Carolina State University

# Assessing Incremental Risk From OTC Medications in the Therapeutic Regimens of Older Adults

Patricia Meisner, MS, MBA Chief Executive Officer AdhereTx Corp.

### Designing Self-Management Products: Cognitive Prosthetics for Older Adults

Anthony A. Sterns, PhD

Chief Executive Officer, iRx Reminder LLC

Visiting Associate Professor, College of Nursing, Kent State University

3:45 PM-4:45 PM Prioritize the Research Questions

Steven M. Albert, PhD, Workgroup Chairperson

Participants break out into small groups led by Panel Discussants and Speakers

4:45 PM Closing Remarks: Summary of the Day and Next Steps

5:00 PM Adjournment







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# Speakers: OTC Medication Literacy and Decision Making Among Older Adults



### Michael S. Wolf, PhD, MPH

Michael Wolf is an Associate Professor of Medicine, Associate Division Chief of Research, and Director of the Health Literacy and Learning Program within the Division of General Internal Medicine, Feinberg School of Medicine at Northwestern University. Dr. Wolf is a cognitive/behavioral scientist and health services researcher with primary interests in adult literacy and learning, cognitive factors, medication adherence, and the management of chronic disease. A former Fulbright Scholar to the United Kingdom, he has received numerous national awards for his work in the field of health literacy,

medication safety, and adherence.

Dr. Wolf has written over 125 peer-reviewed publications, many of which address the problem of limited health literacy. He currently serves on many advisory committees for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, U.S. Pharmacopeia, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, and National Institutes of Health. He has repeatedly provided consultation on health literacy matters to the Institute of Medicine, American College of Physicians, American Medical Association, American Pharmacists Association, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He is the principal investigator on grants from the National Institute on Aging, National Cancer Institute, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, McNeil Pharmaceuticals, Abbott Labs, among others. Dr. Wolf also led an Institute of Medicine white paper on health literacy and medication safety, and he is the principal investigator of a trial to test enhanced drug labeling and the use of visual aids to improve patient processing and understanding of medication instructions.



Ruth S. Day, PhD

Ruth Day is Director of the Medical Cognition Laboratory at Duke University and Senior Fellow at the Duke Center for the Study of Aging. After completing her PhD in cognitive science at Stanford University, she was on the faculty at Stanford and Yale Universities before joining the faculty at Duke. She was a Visiting Scholar at Carnegie-Mellon University, on the faculty of the Linguistic Society of America Institute, and Fellow at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford. She

was a charter member of the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Drug Safety and Risk Management Advisory Committee, serves on many other FDA Advisory Committees, is a consultant for many organizations (such as FDA, U.S. Pharmacopeia, Institute of Medicine), and has given hundreds of invited research presentations at a various professional organizations.

Dr. Day's research examines the "cognitive accessibility" of medical information – the ease with which both healthcare professionals and patients can understand, remember, and use information about drugs and devices. She has designed and tested new ways to display medical information based on established cognitive principles. The resulting enhanced displays enable people to improve their ability to understand, remember, and use the information, often dramatically. Dr. Day conducts research both in the laboratory and in the everyday world using multiple cognitive tasks to assess attention, comprehension, memory, problem solving, and decision making. Professor Day has several teaching awards, including the Trinity Distinguished Teacher Award at Duke and Ten Best Teachers at Yale. She teaches courses in basic cognition, everyday cognition, medical cognition, courtroom cognition, psycholinguistics, and great ideas across disciplines.



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# **Presentation Briefing**

**Speaker:** Michael S. Wolf, PhD, MPH

Session: OTC Medication Literacy and Decision Making Among Older Adults

Individual Presentation: Dimensions of OTC Medication Health Literacy Among Older Adults

Discussant: Margaret Dyer-Chamberlain, BA, MALD

### Summary:

In this session, the evidence pertaining to the associations between health literacy and older adults' understanding and use of over-the-counter (OTC) products will be reviewed. From this perspective, certain recommendations for improving labeling and information to suit older adults' needs to promote health literacy will be mentioned.

### Objectives:

- Define health literacy in terms of the cognitive and social skill sets required by patients as well as how health literacy is affected by a health care system.
- Explain how age affects health literacy skills and use of OTC products.
- Identify three attributes of OTC products and labeling that contribute to medication errors and other concerns for patients' safety that are particularly salient to older adults.
- Name four ways that OTC labels could be made more understandable and actionable, supporting safe and appropriate use.

### Literature Review:

As this presentation specifically focuses on the role of health literacy, the evidence reviewed for this presentation will include qualitative, quantitative, epidemiological investigations as well as efficacy or randomized trials of:

- Studies that include a measure of consumer health literacy or numeracy and look at an outcome related to OTC product understanding or use (self-selection, dosing, concomitant use, demonstrated misuse, medication dairies, adverse events, etc.).
- Studies that examine the readability or suitability of OTC-related labeling or information.
- Physician, pharmacist, or allied health professional spoken counseling with adults around OTC selection or use.

Given the specific emphasis of this research, the period of study focuses from 1990-2013 and represents a limited amount of evidence in the context of both OTC use and older adults. Research is even more limited for designing effective interventions to promote this behavior among this specific population. However, there are promising studies related to medication use (prescription products) that could apply to OTC products. Furthermore, the unique challenges to safe use among OTC products will be reviewed and specific areas for prioritization of next step research efforts identified.

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### Research Questions:

- 1. What is the prevalence of OTC misunderstanding and misuse?
  - What is the role of health literacy? Age? Other relevant patient factors?
- 2. In deconstructing the tasks associated with OTC use, what are the root causes of misunderstanding and misuse?

- How do older adults differ from younger adults in their selection, understanding, and use of OTC products?
- 3. What is the prevalence of health care providers' counseling and communication with patients on OTC use?
  - Does counseling occur more or less frequently among older adults or those with limited health literacy?
- 4. What are the likely solutions, in terms of OTC labeling, provider counseling, etc. that would promote health literacy for OTC use, especially among older adults?

### Case Studies:

Brief cases that detail specific situations representing actual patients recruited in recent research studies will be highlighted, clarifying the epidemiology and root causes for how low health literacy is both a risk factor and target for improvement. Cases specific to non-prescription, non-opioid analgesic pain medicine will be used.

### **Handouts and Materials:**

PowerPoint presentation



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Session: OTC Medication Literacy and Decision Making Among Older Adults

Individual Presentation: OTC Decision Making Among Older Adults

Panel Discussant: Laura Bix, PhD

### Summary:

### Objectives:

- --Identify factors that can influence OTC decision making in older adults.
- --Distinguish between studies on cognition vs. metacognition.
- --Examine alternative research methods, from surveys to experiments.
- --Learn ways to study how people make decisions, not just the decisions they make.
- --Re-examine what it means to find age differences in OTC decision making.

### Literature Review:

This presentation acknowledges what is known about OTC decision making in older adults, but focuses primarily on what is missing, both in terms of content and methods. Most of the current research relies on self-report surveys and provides a useful list of factors that can affect OTC decision making. Since other types of methods would advance this area in new ways, examples are included, especially those that use experimental designs (with systematic variation of key factors and use of established cognitive tasks).

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### **Research Questions:**

- 1. Many factors have been identified that affect OTC decisions in older adults.
  - -- Do these factors work independently or do some of them interact?
  - --Does the number of factors needed to determine self-selection for an OTC drug create information overload and reduce the effectiveness of decisions made?
- 2. There are classic models of decision making that underlie behavior for a wide variety of content and contexts.
  - --To what extent do they underlie OTC decisions as well?
  - -- Do younger and older adults rely on the same or different models?
- 3. Usually only one type of decision-making task is used in a given study.
  - --Would the same results occur if multiple tasks were used with the same participants or are the results method-based?
- 4. Many of the questions asked in OTC decision-making studies are similar what factors do people use, do the factors vary by age and other demographic variables, etc.
  - --What new questions can be generated using additional research methods to open up new areas of study?
- 5. There is some evidence that older adults make OTC decisions in a more organized way than younger adults.
  - --What is the nature of that organization?
  - -- To what extent is it based on thinking skills vs. prior knowledge of drug information?
  - -- Do older adults have a larger "toolkit" for guiding their decisions?
  - --Would this organizational superiority occur across other types of OTC decision tasks?

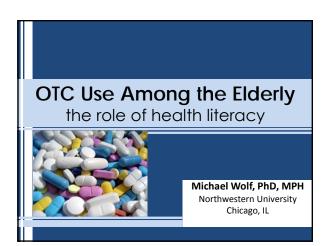
### Case Studies:

The MUST program (Medication Use Safety Training for Seniors) developed by the National Council on Patient Information and Education (NCPIE) was designed to "give older adults and caregivers the tools and know-how to avoid medication misuse, recognize and manage common side effects, and improve medicine use knowledge, attitudes, and skills to avoid medication errors." It includes implications for OTC decision making.

### Handouts and Materials:

PowerPoint presentation





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Health Literacy Is	
"The degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain,	
process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions."	
- Institute of Medicine, USA	
"The cognitive and social skills which determine the motivation and ability of individuals to gain access to,	
understand and use information in ways which promote and maintain good health."	
- World Health Organization	
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A \$200 Billion Problem	
The business case for health literacy HL	
Inadequate/inaccurate knowledge of disease, treatment	
Poorer self-care skills (medication use, monitoring, device use)	
Inappropriate health services use	
Translates to:  Non-adherence	
<ul> <li>Costly urgent services (Unscheduled visits, ED, Hospitalizations)</li> <li>Medication Errors &amp; Adverse Events</li> </ul>	
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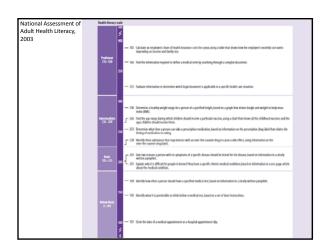
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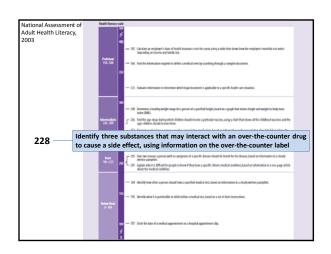
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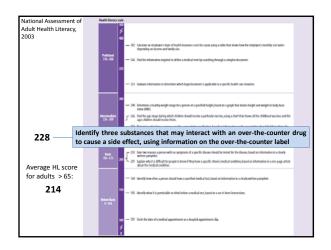
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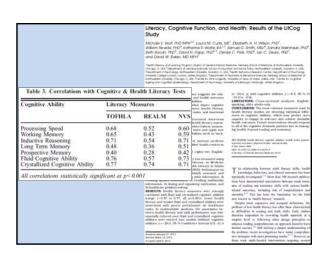
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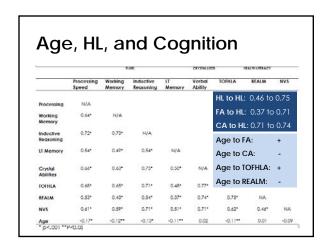


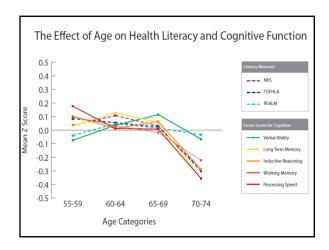


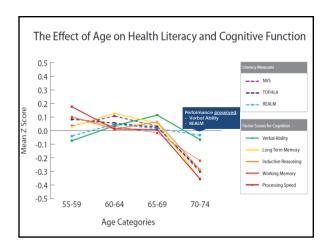


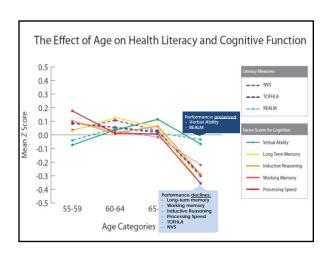




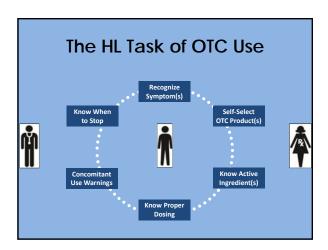


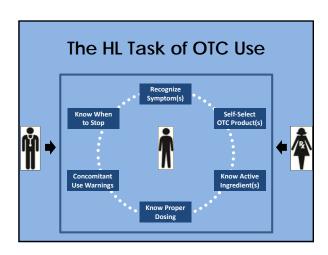












# **Some Unique Challenges**

- # of Product Choices
- Brand + Generic Options
- Single & Multi-Ingredient Products
- Problematic Labeling
- Variable, poor quality
- Front-of-package, Drug Facts, container vs. package
- Size of font, sequence
- No 'learned immediary'



Reviewing the Evidence

## **Unintentional Misuse**

- 42% of older adults use OTC drugs regularly (Qato et al 2008)
- 1 in 4 (24%) adults take more than recommended max dose for one OTC product (Wolf et al 2012)
- Nearly half (46%) of adults misuse OTC products by concomitant use (Wolf et al 2012)
- Older age not consistently found to be a risk factor (NO: Taylor et al,
- What DOES matter: sex, education, HL, prior experience

# What's Inside?

Drug name	% correct (n=32) <sup>b</sup>	Active ingredient
Bayer®	75	Aspirin
Motrin <sup>®</sup>	47	Ibuprofen
Tylenol <sup>®</sup>	31	Acetaminophen
Aleve <sup>®</sup>	19	Naproxen sodium
Advil <sup>®</sup>	19	Ibuprofen
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King et al, Am J Prev Med. 2011

# Functional Understanding Wolf et al. Risk of Unintentional Overdose with Non-Prescription Acete Products. J Gen Intern Med. 2012

### **Dosing Individual OTC products:**

- Pills per dose: **81 – 96%** correct

- Dosing interval: 61 - 86% correct

- Max daily dose: 42 – 65% correct

# Acetaminophen 500 mg Acetaminophen 500 mg Diphenhydramine HCl 25 mg Acetaminophen 500 mg Diphenhydramine maleate 2 mg Dextromethorphan hydrobromide 10 mg Phenylephrine hydrochloride 5 mg Acetaminophen 250 ms



Variable	Overdose Double-Dipping		pping			
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Limited	1.65	1.03-2.66	0.04	1.23	0.90-1.68	0.19
Age (years)	1.00	0.99-1.02	0.45	1.00	0.99-1.01	0.61
Female	1.02	0.72-1.45	0.90	0.64	0.49-0.83	0.001
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White	1.00	0.24 0.24	0.000		0.04 2.15	0.10
Black	0.46	0.28-0.76	0.002	1.36	0.86-2.15	0.19
Other	0.68	0.33-1.42	0.31	1.25	0.67-2.33	0.48
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Moderate	0.83	0.56-1.24	0.37	1.16		0.33
Heavy	1.70	1.10-2.64	0.02	1,42	1.02-1.98	0.04
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Wolf et al. Risk of Unintentional Overdose with Non-Prescription Acetaminophen Products. *J Gen Intern Med.* 2012

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# How Big a Problem?

- Rates of actual overdose (i.e., acetaminophen) not as high as demonstrated misuse (<10%)</li>
- Serper et al. (in prep): Examined actual misuse among 246 ED patients
  - 2% exceeded maximum daily dose
  - 11% 'double-dipped' (concomitant use)
  - 49% were unaware of double-dipping with common OTCs
- Potential Serious Problem: Knowledge of <u>ACTIVE INGREDIENT</u>

**Missed Opportunities** 



... & Simplify.

Reduce healthcare complexity and demands to match consumer abilities

"Can we confuse patients less?"











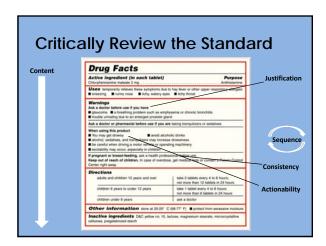




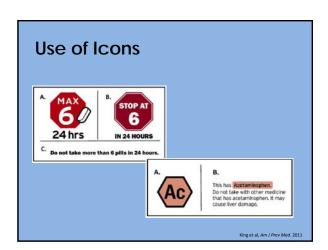
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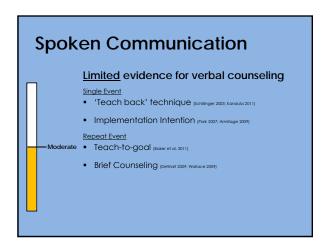
- Health Information
  - Print
  - Multimedia (video, web, mobile, etc.)
- Spoken Communication
  - Face-to-face
  - Phone
- Health Systems
  - Access/navigation
  - Outreach
  - Follow-up

# High Evidence strong for best practices: Plain language, written materials (Dock 1973; AMRQ 2012) - content, format, quantify (Degram 2007) Weben 2010) - understandability vs. actionability Broader evidence base to guide multimedia - use of imagery or icons w/ text (IMARDIVA 2012) - use of interactive testing for OTCS (Mediate 2002) - video vs. print (Median et al. 2012) - best practices for video/web design (Mison 2010: Sweller 2003) Web/mobile apps require further study (Chomulare 2011) Redesigning labels alone may yield limited benefit









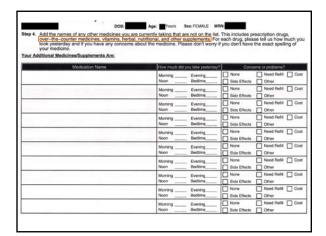
# 3 Minutes or Less • Implementation Intention (Dress Rehearsal) - Cognitive planning or 'mapping' a behavior - 3 min. counseling ▲ adherence (Pack 2007) How will you take this? When will you take this? How many pills do you take at a time? • It has to be taken with food...when do you eat meals? • Where will you keep it so you remember?

# **Health Systems**

### Addressing practice redesign issues

- 'Hardwiring' consumer education in practice
  - the reality of limited resources (Walf et al. 2012)
  - leveraging electronic health records (EHRs)
     patient portals
- Multifaceted Interventions
  - necessary but difficult to implement  $_{(\mbox{\scriptsize Kripolani}\ 2012)}$
  - deconstructing what actually worked (Rothman et al. 2004)

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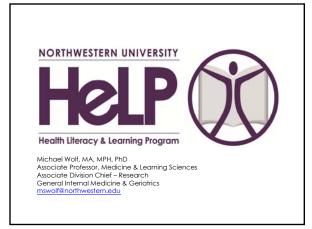
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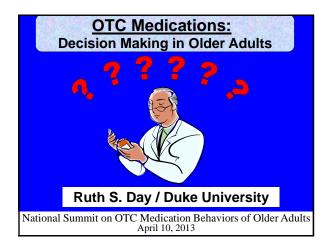
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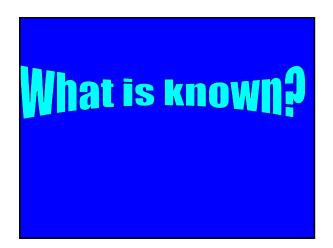
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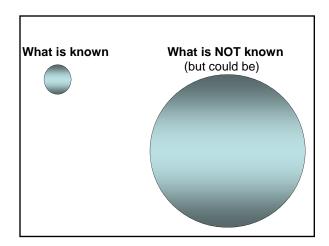
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- Solutions: improve labeling, increase counseling
  - at prescribing: include in medication reconciliation activities
  - at dispensing: getting pharmacists out from behind the counter
  - both: increase awareness via public health campaigns (print, multimedia)

# For the Long Term... Adapting the HL framework... Health System Culture and Society Health Literacy Health Outcomes and Costs Education System









### What is known



Some types of decisions Demographic factors Social factors What people say they do

### What is NOT known

(but could be)

HOW decisions are made
Cognitive processes involved
Decision strategies
How factors interact
Trade-offs
What people do in
controlled situations

# What Decisions?

Get an OTC product? Which type of product? Which specific product?

Self-selection? Risks?

How much to take? How to take it? When to take it? What not to do while taking it? What to watch for?

. . . .

# What Type of Decisions?

Yes/No Y/N/Maybe

Agree/Disagree Categorical vs. Continuous

# Choices # Factors involved Trade-Offs?

Process steps?



### Sample Decision Making Processes

Select the most salient option.

Identify factors in options.

Focus on one factor, select the one that is best on it.

Focus on several factors, the ones you care about most.

Consider pros and cons for each option.

Choose the option highest on all factors.

Consider alternatives only until you find an acceptable one.

-"Satisficing" (Herb Simon)

Choose a factor; eliminate all that do not have it; repeat until

-"Elimination by Aspects" (Amos Tversky)

Ask someone

--experts, friends/family

Flip a coin.



# **Nterpretation of Results**

"Older adults are slower"

Why? (sensory deficit, more thoughtful, ....)
Implications? (quality of decisions, ....)

# **Nterpretation of Results**

"Older adults may have visual problems"

What types? Implications? (miss words vs. overall layout?)

# Power Facts Many large from the Many large fr

"Older adults may have ... trouble reading OTC labels" Sansgiry & Cady (1996); Braus (1993); Holt et al. (1990)

So do others!

# Sample Studies

#### Typical Approaches

#### **FACTORS**

Age
Gender
Type of OTC
% of label read
Label info used
Price
Who recommends
Past use
Package opening

#### **METHODS**

Survey

--own purchases
--future purchases

#### **OUTCOME MEASURES**

- --% who choose
- --self-reported reasons
- --request help?

#### **More Adventurous**

#### **FACTORS**

Age
Gender
Type of OTC
% of label read
Label info used
Price
Who recommends
Past use
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#### **METHODS**

**Behavioral Tasks** 

- --search task
- --choice task (select from computerized labels)

#### **OUTCOME MEASURES**

- --decision speed
- --search organization

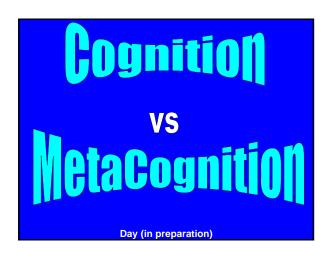
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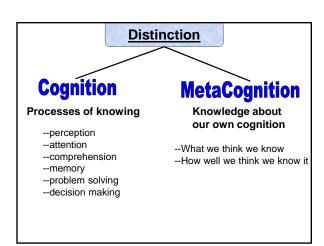
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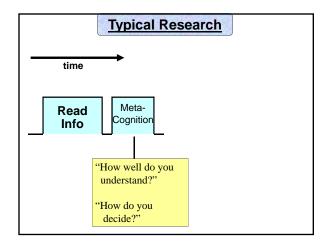
The present study examined age differences in the sources of information that older and younger adults use when making decisions about purchasing over-the-counter (OTC) cold/allergy medications. Participants completed a questionnaire addressing information sources that influence OTC purchases and advertising awareness. The questionnaire was given either before or after completing a decision task in which they searched a computerized display of label information and chose one of seven brand name medications to purchase. Analyses revealed age-related differences in sources of information considered and label information used when purchasing OTC medications. Priming participants to recall specific advertising claims using the questionnaire had little effect on the information used by younger or older adults. Younger adults relied on price and product use information, whereas older adults relied on side effect and drug interaction information. This finding has implications for OTC label design and health care professionals who counsel patients about OTC medication usage.

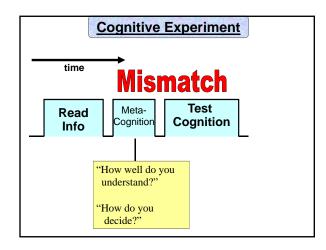
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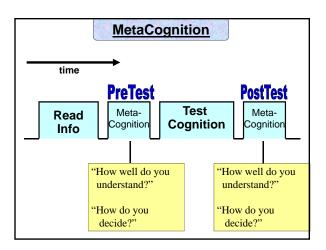
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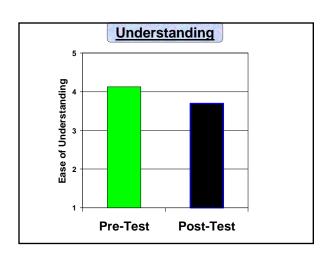












# **Nterpretation of Results**

e.g., "[many] seniors cannot read the label"

Why? (visual perception? Comprehension?) Implications? (larger print vs. label design?)

#### "MUST"

Medication Use Safety Training for Seniors

Quick Facts: Older Adults and Medicine Use

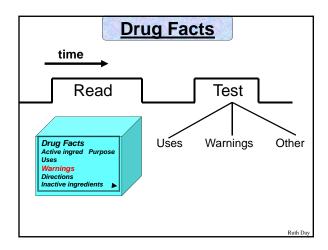
- Older adults comprise 13 percent of the population, but account for 34 percent of all prescription medicine use and 30 percent of all over-the-counter (OTC) drug use. Most older adults—4 out of 5—live with one or more chronic conditions. Many take multiple medicines at the same time. A recent survey of 17,000 Medicare beneficiaries found that 2 out of 5 patients reported taking five or more prescription medicines. Older adults are at increased risk of serious adverse drug events, including falls, depression, confusion, hallucinations and malnutrition, which are an important cause of illness, hospitalization and death among these patients. Purg-related complications have been attributed to the use of multiple medicines and associated drug interactions, age-related changes, human error and poor medical management (e.g., incorrect medicines prescribed, imappropriate doses, lack of communication and monitoring).

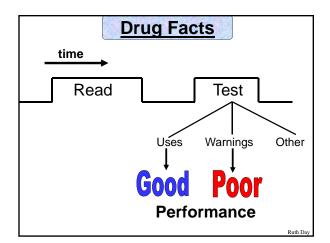
Almost 40% of seniors are unable to read prescription label,

For references or additional background information, download NCPIE's Fact Sheet "Medicine Use and Older Adults," available at <a href="https://www.mustforseniors.org">www.mustforseniors.org</a>.

# **y Facts Form** "Hidden" Warnings

Day (2002; 2009)





#### **Aspirin**

#### Original Warnings Version

Reye's syndrome: Children and teenagers should not use this medicine for chicken pox or flu symptoms before a doctor is consulted about Reye's syndrome, a rare but serious illness reported to be associated with aspirin.

Allergy alert: Aspirin may cause a severe allergic reaction which may include:

- hives facial swelling asthma (wheezing)
   shock

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- Enhanced 

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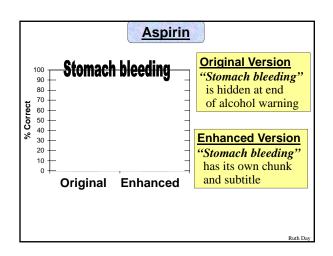
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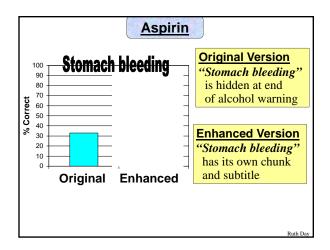
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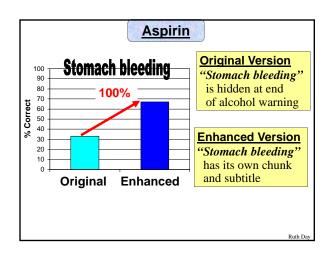
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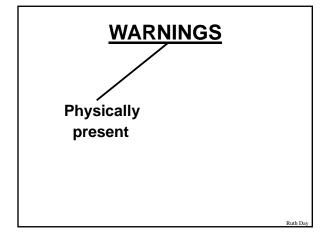
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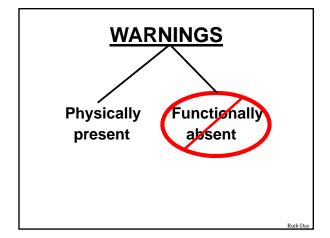
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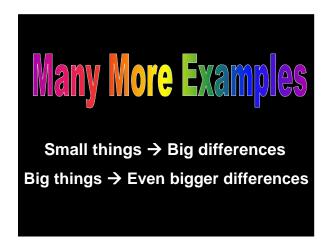




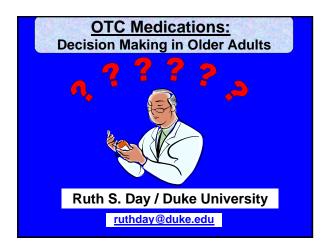














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# Speakers: Interventions to Promote Safe and Effective OTC Medication Use Among Older Adults



#### Elaine A. Leventhal, MD, PhD

Elaine Leventhal is a Professor of Medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. As an internist and trained geriatrician, she actively manages and studies patients with chronic illnesses. Her particular interests are in understanding patient self-management including adherence to complex medical regimens, choosing self-management strategies and the communications between patient and care-provider. Dr. Leventhal has collaborated with investigators worldwide in areas that are critical to understanding disease outcomes, adherence, and more efficient and effective care management as well as how to use this research to inform medical education.



#### Laura N. Gitlin, PhD

Laura N. Gitlin, an applied research sociologist, is nationally and internationally recognized for innovative nonpharmacologic interventions to improve quality of life of persons with dementia and their family caregivers and also for research on improving daily functioning in older adults with functional disability. She has received continuous research and training grants from both federal agencies and private foundations, including the Alzheimer's Association and the National Institutes of Health for over 25 years. Her current funded research programs include testing a novel home-based intervention to enhance aging in place of older adults with disabilities, a tailored activity program to address behavioral

symptoms in persons with dementia, and a community-based partnership to address mental health disparities and reduce depressive symptoms in older African Americans. She is also involved in translating and implementing proven interventions for delivery in different practice settings. In 2011, Dr. Gitlin joined the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing as a Professor in the Department of Community Public Health with joint appointments in the Department of Psychiatry, and Division of Geriatrics and Gerontology, School of Medicine. She is the founding director of a new inter-professional initiative, the Center for Innovative Care in Aging, which seeks to transform health care delivery and the health and well-being of older adults, families

and their communities through rigorous research, the training of health and human service professionals in evidence-based interventions and models of care, and through the translation and implementation of interventions in service delivery settings. Dr. Gitlin is the recipient of numerous awards including the 2009 Eastern Pennsylvania Geriatric Society, Charles Ewing Presidential Award for outstanding contribution to geriatric care; the 2010 United Way Champion Impact Award for Healthy Aging at Home; the 2010 National Institute of Senior Centers Award with Center in the Park; the 2010 MetLife Award for translating the Skills₂Care Program (a dementia caregiver intervention program) with Fox Rehabilitation (a home health agency); and the 2011 John Mackey Award for Excellence in Dementia Care from Johns Hopkins University. She is the author of over 180 scientific publications and has authored or coauthored four books.



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Session: Interventions to Promote Safe and Effective OTC Medication Use Among Older Adults

Individual Presentation: Promoting Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behavior Through

Interface With Clinical Care

Discussant: Mary M. Bridgeman, PharmD

#### Summary:

As a clinician, I have too often felt the challenges of understanding patient self-management. Since the only time I have control over behavior is during a patient's hospitalization, I am fully aware that all other decisions are under patient control. Illness behavior is complex, context determined, with a large age-relevant dimension that has been nurtured in part over last 30 years in the Pandora's box of direct-to-consumer advertising, the influence of the media as well as with the advent and availability of the Internet. Thus, the urgency to understand why and what patients do regarding medication use and disease management has grown. This presentation will include the work of our research network, both in the United States and the United Kingdom on a broad model of health behavior. We have demonstrated that the Common Sense Model (CSM) of patient self-care explains the illness behaviors patients adopt and is dependent on patients' perceptions of symptoms and the best strategies to manage them. The neurological elements of the model are located in the structure and function of the brain and the psychology of self-awareness that takes place across the life span. We will discuss the research on what role drugs (whether prescription, OTC, "alternatives," or supplements) play in the illness behavior choices patients make and how physicians can best elicit and help shape patient practices in the practitioner-patient context, in the larger social milieu, or through effecting health care policy.

#### Objectives:

- Understand common mechanisms behind the health and illness behaviors of patients.
- Describe interventions clinicians can utilize to identify OTC medication use, be it appropriate
  or inappropriate.

• Recognize where, how, and what barriers—safety, access, and health literacy—can be addressed through the interface with the clinician.

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#### **Research Questions:**

- 1. Given the state of current literature in the area of geriatric OTC medication use, what kind of future studies need to be done?
- 2. How can we train clinicians to collect information from patients about health practices related to self-care?
- 3. How can patients use health information more safely?
- 4. What kind of national database do we need to create to inform policy decisions?

#### Case Studies:

Case studies and anecdotes will be incorporated throughout the lecture to highlight examples of patient illness behaviors and understanding of disease self-management.

#### Handouts and Materials:

PowerPoint presentation



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Discussant: Steven M. Albert, PhD

#### Summary:

Providing care to an older family member is an activity that spans time, place, and cultures. Family members have been, are now, and will continue to be the primary caregivers for older adults. As families provide over 80% of the long-term care to older adults, they are the backbone of health care systems in the United States and worldwide. Broadly speaking, family caregivers are family members, friends, fictive kin, or neighbors who provide some form of assistance to an older adult with whom they have a relationship. Providing some form of medication assistance is part of a vast array of care tasks by families that may occur either episodically, in transition from hospital to home, or over time at home or in long-term care facilities. Family involvement in over-the-counter (OTC) medication use must be examined within the broader context of overall medication management and the complex care tasks and responsibilities families assume. Very little is known about family knowledge of OTCs and care decision making concerning these medications. A limited evidence base suggests the following: families have poor knowledge of OTC side effects and risks; family caregiver use of OTC medications may be associated with older adult OTC use; in dementia patients, being a spouse or Hispanic caregiver, and taking an inappropriate medication are associated with risk of potentially inappropriate medication use also involving OTC use. Medication management including OTCs often signals a downward trajectory in functioning of older adults and is identified by families as stressful. This presentation will provide a review of the prevalence and scope of responsibilities of family caregivers, the roles of families in the management of medication regimens of older adults, domains of concerns related to medication administration, and future research directions.

#### Objectives:

- Understand the magnitude of family involvement in daily care of older adults.
- Identify the knowledge base of family involvement in prescribed and OTC medication taking.
- Examine future directions for research in this area.

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#### Research Directions:

- 1. Population-based studies to:
  - Identify knowledge of family caregivers concerning OTC safety hazards (e.g., overdosing concerns), active ingredients, and label warnings.
  - Determine prevalence of potential misuse and overdose of OTC medications.
- 2. Intervention studies to:
  - Educate family caregivers concerning potential safety hazards of using OTC medications and potentially inappropriate medication use.
  - Support family involvement in complex medication regimens.
  - Identify effective health information approaches.
- 3. Workforce development studies to:
  - Educate health professionals how to assess family knowledge of OTC medications and train families in safe medication assistance.

#### 4. Other:

 Identification of theoretical base and mechanisms underlying decision making concerning OTC medication use and administration.



Interventions to Promote Safe and Effective OTC Medication Use Among Older Adults





## National Summit on OTC Medication Behaviors of Older Adults

Omni Shoreham, Washington, DC April 9-10, 2013

#### **OTC Medication Use in the Elderly:**

Promoting Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behavior Through Interface With Clinical Care

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#### **Learning Objectives**

- Understand common mechanisms behind the health and illness behaviors of patients
- Describe interventions clinicians can utilize to identify over-the-counter (OTC) medication use, be it appropriate or inappropriate
- Recognize where, how, and what barriers safety, access, and health literacy—can be addressed through the interface with the clinician

#### **Changes in US Health Care from the** 1980s to the Present

**Direct-to-Consumer Advertising** 

via:

**Print Media, Television,** the Web

Focus on "Shared Decision Making"



Self-Care

#### Why This Conference? What Are the Issues for the Clinician?

- Adverse drug reactions (ADRs)
- Drug-drug interactions
- Delayed care seeking
- Cost

#### **Self-Care in the Current Health Care Environment**

- Do patients make decisions?
- If they do, how do they...
  - Decide what to do to maintain health?
  - Get better if they feel sick?

#### **What Guides Patient Actions?**

Patients Actions Are Guided by Their Common Sense Perception and Beliefs About their SELF-CONDITION AND ILLNESS

ACTIONS — Foods, over-the-counter medications, prescription medicines, exercise, etc.

**COHERENCE** — How these parts work together

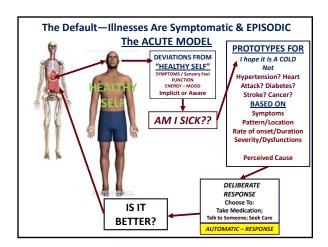
## What Is Common Sense? How Does it Work in Self-Care?

#### The Common Sense Model (CSM)

CSM = A Model of the

Cognitive, Behavioral & Affective Processes

for Common-Sense Self-Management



#### **Empirical Examples of CSM Health Decisions:**

How People Attempt to Prevent & Manage Illness Threats in Daily Life

#### • EVERYDAY / MINOR ILLNESSES

- Influenza or cold/allergies
- Stomach aches or benign gastrointestinal complaints
- Headaches
- Rashes
- Others

#### • CHRONIC CONDITIONS

- Hypertension
- Asthma
- Myocardial infarction
- Heart failure
- Others

#### **People Respond to Symptoms**

PERCEIVED Deviations from "USUAL SELF" Triggers

Somatic sensations – SYMPTOMS – trigger care seeking

Care Seekers Matched Controls

Matched Controls

N=111 N=:

New Symptoms YES 100% 30% NO ------ 70% Sought Care 100% 0%

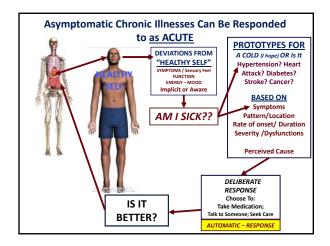
NOTE: Difference in Sx reporting by care seekers vs. controls is replicated within care seekers when ill vs. well

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### Common Sense and Care Seeking Properties of Symptoms Affect Seeking Care

111 of 111 Ss 111 controls At Clinic Did NOT seek care New Symptoms YES 100% 30% (33/111) 100% Sought Care 0% **Number of Symptoms** 7.15 6.40 Have a Disease label 68% 46% Sx Serious 2.40 1.15 Sx Disruptive 3.27 1.39 **Active Coping** 85% 64% 9.91 5.70 **Duration - Days** Talked to someone 92% 61% Advised to Seek Care 50% 9%

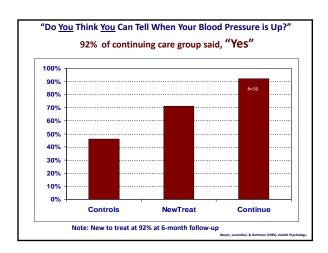
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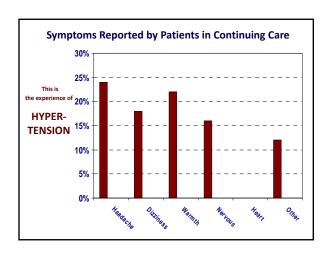


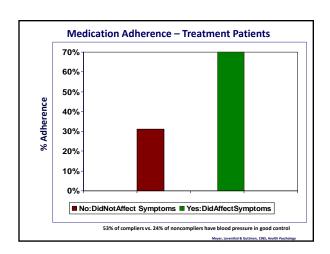
## Common Sense of a Chronic Condition: Hypertension

- A group of 50 patients in continuous treatment (no history of drop outs) were asked:
  - "Do you agree that people <u>can't</u> tell when their blood pressure is up?"
- 80% agreed
- BUT when asked...

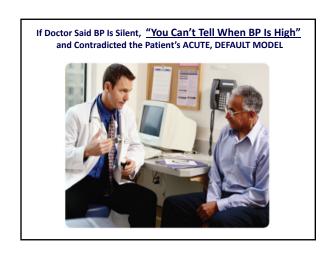
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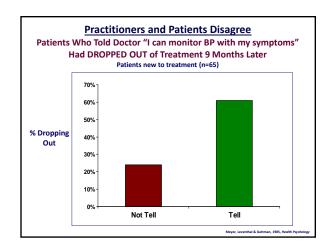






# Medication Adherence Affects Blood Pressure (Continuing Treatment Patients) 53% of adherers are in control 24% of nonadherers are in control Adherence =/= control!





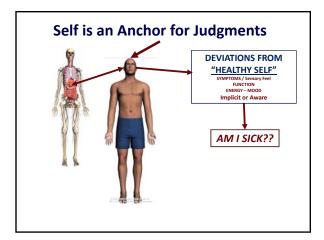
"The Patient Can't Tell But
I CAN."

A Famous Cardiologist/Epidemiologist

#### The Prototype of the Healthy Self

- HOW I FEEL & FUNCTION PHYSICALLY & COGNITIVELY
  - Is constructed by experiences built upon pre-existing neural networks
- PROTOTYPES OF ILLNESSES
  - Are constructed on pre-existing neural circuits
  - Based on experiences of symptoms/pattern/location/ duration/etc.

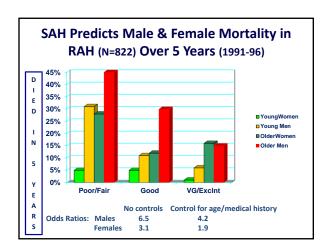
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#### **Self-Assessments of Health (SAH)**

- A single question can be used for self-assessments of health (SAH)
  - In general, would you say your health is...
    - 1=Poor
    - 2=Fair
    - 3=Good
    - 4=Very Good
    - 5=Excellent
- SAH can predict important outcomes

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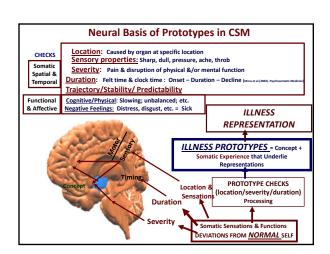
#### **Prototypes of Illness**

### Are Constructed on PRE-EXISTENT NEURAL Circuits by Experiences of:

 Symptoms/Pattern/Location/Rate of Onset Duration/Rate of Offset/Etc.

#### and

• By response to intervention or treatment



Prototypes of Coronary Heart Disease (CHD)

Are Constructed on PRE-EXISTENT NEURAL Circuits Shaped by Experience
Symptoms/Pattern/Location/Rate of Onset Duration/Rate of Offset/Etc.

#### **CONTRASTING REPRESENTATIONS of CHD**

**Myocardial Infarction (MI)** 

**Representation Is Clear & Accurate** 

**Congestive Heart Failure (CHF)** 

Representation Is Ambiguous &/or Invalid

#### Coronary Symptoms Match Prototype for MI and Activate Representation of Heart Attack **Easily Defined as Heart Shared Representations** Myocardial Infarction - MI Patient HEART ATTACK!! **Symptoms** Check Location/pattern (MI) Chest Pain Physician HEART ATTACK!! Profuse Novelty (?MI) Sweating Shoulder pain Pattern/location Patient: Stomach upset (MI) GI Distress Location (GI) Bunde J, Martin R. (2006) Psychosomatic Medi

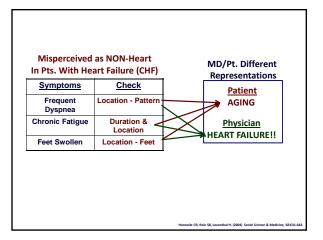
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Chest Pain	Location/pattern (MI)	.23 .24	ATTACK!!
Profuse Sweating	Novelty (?MI)	.12	Go to ED
Shoulder pain	Pattern/location (MI)	-,37	
GI Distress	Location (GI)		Stomach Upset

Failure to Link Different Symptoms to Abstract Concept

#### **CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE (CHF)**

Non-Recognition of Risk From Subtle & Ambiguous Symptoms Results in Decompensation

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#### No Connection of Symptoms to Concept - CHF

Patient: "When you hear about having heart problems ...you're supposed to feel maybe a pain in your left arm, maybe a pain in your chest, or pressure."

"I couldn't describe what I felt as pressure but I guess it must have been that, uh because I had to struggle in order to talk..."

Patient: "I guess it would have been more clear to me if I

had chest pain and then I would have said, okay, I'll call and say I'm having chest pain but it didn't just seem to me like anything came together where I could call."

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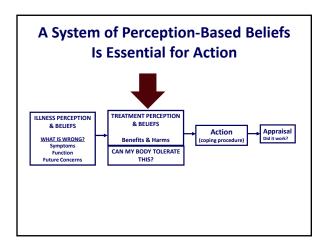
# No Concept of CHF → No Connection Between Symptoms Interviewer: "And how do you make that decision that it's time to go to the emergency room?" Patient: "...well, all these things seem to happen in the middle of the night so I don't call doctors." Interviewer: "During the week, you said you weren't feeling that great..." → Patient: "Maybe I was kind of tired but it just didn't seem to be anything out of the ordinary." Interviewer: "Were there any warning signs earlier?" Patient: "Not that I could detect. Like I said, I didn't feel that great. Oh, I guess that I could have gone to the doctor after I had that collapse on the hallway floor. It might have been a good idea."

# No REPRESENTATION of HF + No ACTION PLAN = NO ACTION

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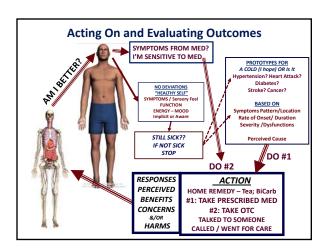
#### Abstract Concept of Illness Such as Heart Failure

- Links diverse experiences to a common source
- Create time frames: link past, present & future
- Make "sense of actions" to manage ongoing
   events
- TRANSFER OF SKILLS ACROSS EPISODES AND TIME



### Perceptual/Beliefs About Medicines/Treatments That Affect Adherence

- 1. MY BODY IS SENSITIVE TO MEDICINE
- 2. MEDICINES ARE BENEFICIAL
- 3. MEDICINES CAN BE HARMFUL



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My body is very sensitive to medicines	
My body overreacts to medicines	
I usually have stronger reactions to medicines than	
most people	
I have had a bad reaction to medicines in the past	
Even very small amounts of medicine can upset my	
body	
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#### **Specific Necessity/Benefit**

- My life would be impossible without my medicines
- Without my medicine I would be very ill
- My health, at present, depends on my medicines
- My medicines protect me from becoming worse
- My health in the future will depend on my medicines

#### **Specific Concerns/Harms**

- I sometimes worry about the long-term effects of my medicines
- Having to take my medicines worries me
- I sometimes worry about becoming too dependent on my medicines
- My medicines disrupt my life
- My medicines are a mystery to me

# Segmentation: Belief Groups & Adherence High concerns Skeptical | Ambivalent | (p < 0.001) | skeptical | (p < 0.001) | and indifferent | (p < 0.01) | Low necessity | High necessity | Accepting | Accepting | Accepting | Ambivalent | (p < 0.01) | Low concerns Low concerns Reported adherence differed significantly between groups, with the accepting group having higher adherence than all other groups [F(3,210.44) = 36,9, p < 0.001]. n = 1871 (A survey of 1 in 10 members of the National Association of Crohn's and Colitis)

## "Common-Sense" Evaluations Trump Evidence in OTC Use

- Community pharmacy survey of 1461 people in Northern Ireland (female 81.2%; age range 20-60 years)
- Perceived efficacy and safety and brand familiarity influenced choice
- Ambivalence for need for evidence of efficacy
   Previous experience more important
- Anecdotes are assumed evidence

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## How Should We "Translate" Side Effects and Define Risks?

# PHARMACY

"It's a sedative. The side effects are anxiety

## Patient Perceptions of MD's Use of Medicines

- If doctors had more time with patients, they would prescribe fewer medicines
  - Doctors use too many medicines
  - Natural remedies are safer than medicines

#### **Patient Case Scenario**

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#### **Chemical vs. Natural**

In public perceptions the harmful nature of medicines is often linked to their chemical nature, which is adversely contrasted with more "natural" and therefore 'safer' remedies Home R. et al. Inflammatory Bowel Diseases 2009;15(e):837-44.











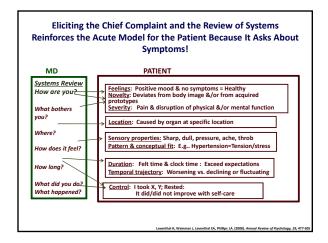


#### When Medication Is the "Illness Threat"

- Patients' response to the experience of symptoms, attributed to be due to medication side effects and to concerns about potential harm (including OTC) can be explained by CSM
  - The experienced or anticipated harmful effects are operationalized as the "illness threat" entry to the cycle of representation, coping procedure and appraisal
  - The components of illness representation can therefore be applied to medication harm
- Representations of medication harm have identity, timeline, cause, consequences and control/cure components
- The CSM components also can be applied to understanding the common-sense evaluation of treatment *necessity*

# Common-Sense Regulation of Illness-Related Behaviors Advice Interpretation & Evaluation Does this advice make common sense? Levethal H. et al. (1997). (Bluess representations: Theoretical foundations. In K. J. Petrile & J. Weilman (Ed.), Proppings of health and illness: Current research our geginations. (ips. 19-46). Lordon: Favorated Academic. Levethal H., Bettled Jr., Moso PA, Levethal H. (2005), Lay representations of diffuses and fusetiment. A framework for action. Femilodox of phatholisms (Academic Academics. Levethal H., Bettled Jr., Moso PA, Levethal H. (2005), Lay representations of diffuses and fusetiment.

# DO WE INADVERTENTLY TEACH THE ACUTE, DEFAULT MODEL IN CLINICAL SETTINGS?



#### **How to Change the Model**

- Clinicians <u>NEED</u> to ask the questions to elicit, address, and change the acute, default model in order to enhance clinical outcomes
- The same strategies apply to eliciting patient's expectations about treatment – time frames/outcomes

## Perceptions and Practicalities Approach to Facilitate Informed Engagement with Medication



#### Perceptua

- Communicate a "common-sense rationale" for why the treatment is needed – taking account of the patient's perceptions of the illness and symptom expectations
- Elicit and address CONCERNS about potential adverse effects of the treatment? – including support with sideeffect management

#### Practical

3. Make the regimen as convenient and easy to take as possible...

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The challenge for medical institutions is to educate expert physicians in the Modern Informational Age

#### Don't Ask, Don't Tell!



http://healthrecordresources.files.wordpress.com/2012/06/seniors-drugs.iog

# THE END is just the beginning!

Drugs don't work in patients who do not take them!

- C. Everett Koop, MD, Surgeon General, 1980s

Or to Paraphrase:

Treatments don't work if patients do not do them!

There is nothing so practical as a good theory.

- Kurt Lewin, 1930s

#### Promoting Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behavior Through Interface With Family Care

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"There are only four kinds of people in the world —

- -those who have been caregivers,
- -those who currently are caregivers,
- -those who will be caregivers and
- -those who will need caregivers."

**Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter** 

#### **Overview**

- Magnitude of family involvement in elder care
- Profile of family caregivers
- Family involvement in medication taking
- Future research directions in family involvement in OTC use of older adults

#### **Magnitude and Profile of Families Providing Care**

#### **Historical Perspective**

- Family members historically have been and will continue to be, now and into the future, involved in the health and care of older adults
  - 80% to 90% of long-term care provided by families
- Family involvement is a global phenomenon occurring across all socioeconomic levels, within all race and ethnic groups, and in developed and developing countries
- Current societal trends place families at forefront of elder care:
  - Aging of population (1 in 5 will be 65 years old by 2030)
  - Medical advances
  - Shorter hospital and rehabilitation stays
  - Expansion of home care technologies
  - Preference to stay at home
  - New medical models depend upon families (patient-centered care, hospital at home, collaborative primary care models, hospital to home models), Boull, & American Geriatrics Society Health Care Systems Committee, 2003: Coleman & Pandya, 2002: National Alliance for

Coleman, Boult, & American Geriatrics Society Health Care Sy. Caregiving & AARP, 2009

#### **Estimates of Individual Caregiving Prevalence by Age of Recipient**

Type of Recipient	Prevalence	Estimated Number of Caregivers
Overall	28.5%	65.7 million
Only child recipients	1.7%	3.9 million
Only adult recipients	21.2%	48.9 million
Both adult and child recipients	5.6%	12.9 million

National Alliance for Caregiving in collaboration with AARP - November 2009

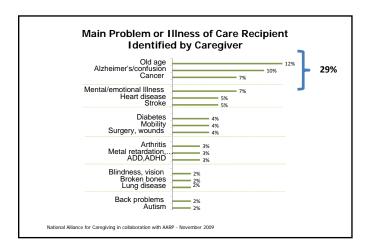
## **Limited Estimates of Family Members Who:** Provide care long distance Accompany an older adult to health care visits Provide episodic care Provide care in specific health transitions (e.g., hospital to home) Monitor but do not provide hands-on care Are from specific race/ethnic/cultural backgrounds Gitlin and Schulz, 2012 **Who Provides Care?** • The "woman (and the man?) in the middle" 66% are women • 59% work full-time or part-time >90% graduated high school; 43% are college graduates Spend >20 hours a week caring for a parent (mother) • 1.4 million children (8 to 18 years of age) provide care to elders Number of male caregivers increasing 40% of caregivers of people with dementia 42% of older adults with other disabilities Average age = 49.2 years of age (older than 5 years ago) 66% indicate other unpaid caregivers help out Older caregivers (<u>></u>65 most likely to be sole unpaid carer) Only 35% use paid help (aids, housekeepers, others) **Race and Ethnic Differences** Hispanic caregivers may be: Younger Unmarried Care for other children in household Report greater depression/upset Long-distance caregivers tend to be white and Unclear about other race/ethnic differences in profiles

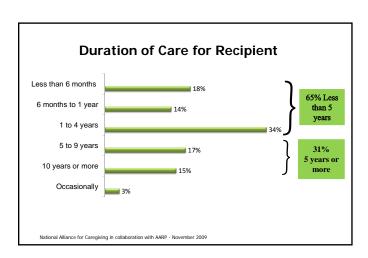
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## **Who Are Recipients of Care?**

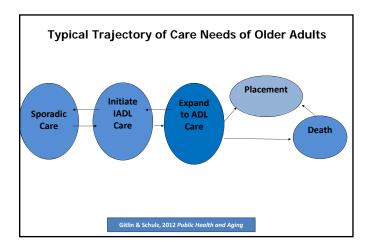
- Female (62%)
- Average age of 69.3 years (older than 5 years ago)
- Long-term physical conditions (69% of caregivers) vs short-term physical condition (35% of caregivers)

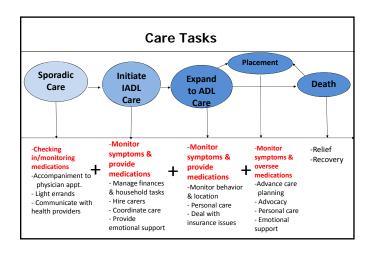
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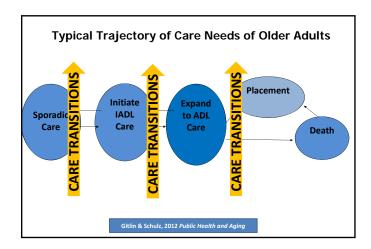


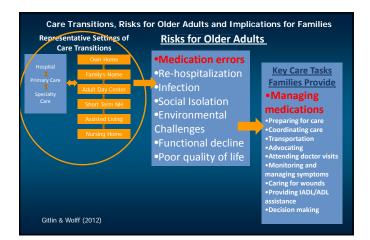




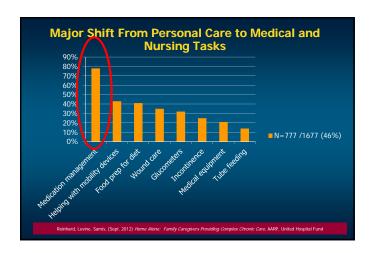


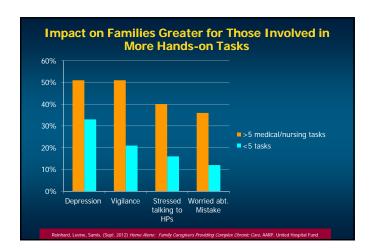






What Do We Know About
Family Involvement in
Medication Taking?





## Role of Caregivers in Medication Management (N=183)

- Ordering prescriptions from surgery for older person (81%)
- Collecting prescriptions from surgery (81%)
- Taking prescriptions to pharmacy (89%)
- Buying medications or other remedies for person (60%)
- Giving or lending meds (10%)
- Opening containers (51%)
- Assisting with taking meds (34%)
- Deciding how much med person should take and how often (25%)
- Managing side effects (58%)
- Giving person other help or information (44%)

Francis et al., 2002, Int J Pharm Practice

## Caregiver "Hassles" Administering Medications

- 23 Families indentified 122 hassles
  - Scheduling logistics (29.5%)
    - Working administration into care routines
    - Giving medications on time
    - Keeping medications filled
  - Administration procedures (32.0%)
    - Giving medications to a confused/uncooperative person
    - Knowing when to hold, alter, discontinue meds
    - · Knowing how to administer missed doses
  - Safety issues (38.5%)
    - Recognize adverse or toxic effects
    - How to recognize an emergency
    - Knowing how to give meds safely

Travis et al., 2000, J Gerontology

#### **Race and Ethnic Differences**

- Fewer African Americans report OTC and total medication use than nonblacks (Hanlon et al., 1992; Sleath et al., 2004).
- National survey of 2032 caregivers of Veterans:
  - Black caregivers less likely to use any medication than white caregivers

#### Percentage of Caregivers Reporting Medication Use (N=2032) **Drug Class** White Analgesics 67.1% 84.4% <.001 Nutritional supplements 12.3% 14.2% .376 Vitamins 9.2% 14.4% <.05 **Antihistamines** 5.4% 5.85% .754 Mean number of drugs 4.1 <.001 Sleath et al., 2004, Am J Geriatr Pharmacothe

#### **Dementia Care**

- "My wife has a lot of headaches. I don't give her Tylenol because I know these are due to her dementia." Spouse caregiver in Gitlin et al., ACT Trial.
- 54% of caregivers actively involved in daily management of patient medications; later stages, exceeds 90% (Bradford et al., 2011)
- Caregivers actively managing their own medications (average of 4 to 6) (Sleath et al., 2002)
- Caregivers report strain in tasks related to patient medications (Smith et al., 2002)

#### Dementia Caregivers (REACH II N=566)

- Potentially Inappropriate Medication (PIM) use
  - 33% dementia patients taking 1+ PIM
  - 39% caregivers taking 1+ PIM
- Caregiver factors associated with increased risk of patient PIM use
  - Caregiver's own use of PIM
  - Spouse caregivers
  - Hispanic caregivers
  - Greater number of years living in US
- Increased caregiver age associated with decreased risk of PIM patient use

Thorpe et al., 2012, Am J Geriatr Pharmacother

#### **Future Research Directions**

- Observational studies to:
  - Identify knowledge of family caregivers concerning OTC safety hazards (e.g., overdosing concerns), active ingredients label warnings
  - Determine prevalence of potential misuse and overdose of OTC
- Strategy:
  - Integrate questions in existing data sets
    - National Health and Aging Trends Study

    - National Long-term Care Survey
       National Longitudinal Caregiver Sample (US veterans with dementia)
  - Studies on OTC with older adults should include questions concerning involvement of family members

#### **Future Research Directions**

- Intervention studies to:
  - Educate family caregivers concerning potential safety hazards of using OTC and reviewing label warnings
  - Develop supportive strategies for the range of medication support families provide
- Strategy:
  - Add modules to existing supportive caregiver interventions to enhance OTC knowledge
  - · Augment care transition models with specific caregiver medication support interventions

#### **Project ACT**

Nurse Medical Assessment and Caregiver Education
Review patient's
medical issues

- Provide caregiver education about:
  - Pain
  - Dehydration
  - Infection
  - Constipation
  - Medication use
- Work with caregiver to take care of themselves



#### **Conclusions**

- Families provide >80% of long-term care to older adults
  - Older adults on complex medication regimens involving prescription and OTC
- Little known about family knowledge and management of medications overall and OTC specifically
- Considerations in family involvement in OTC
  - Family members (e.g., spouses) are aging too
  - Health literacy may impact OTC provision
  - Knowledge/beliefs about medications/OTC
  - Race/ethnicity/acculturation and OTC decision making
- Opportunities for research on OTC and caregivers:
  - Leveraging existing data sets by adding questions
  - Leveraging existing intervention protocols by modules on OTC
  - New interventions needed specific to medication training

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# Speakers: Developing New Interventions to Support Safe and Effective OTC Medication Behaviors Emerging Technologies to Promote Optimal OTC Behavior



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#### Anthony A. Sterns, PhD

Anthony Sterns is a national expert in gerontechnology and a pioneer in the application of mobile computers and smartphones for improving the quality of life for individuals living with chronic illness. Dr. Sterns has over 20 years of experience in designing and bringing to market products and services for the silver industries marketplace. He has led National Institutes of Health grants and contracts in the development of software for medication adherence on mobile devices since 2001. His direct project experience includes serving as the principal investigator developing a post transient ischemic attack (mini-stroke) intervention and heart failure intervention both delivered using smartphones. Now serving as CEO of iRx

Reminder LLC, Faculty Statistician and Visiting Associate Professor for the Kent State University College of Nursing, and Adjunct Associate Professor for the City University of New York, School of Professional Studies, Dr. Sterns has extensive experience in research methodology, survey and instrument design, and advanced statistical analysis. He has been principal investigator and statistician for numerous completed health care, military, transportation, community agency, and corporate research projects, surveys, and technical reports. He has made over 100 presentations for national and international audiences. Dr. Sterns has previous executive start-up experience having launched six products for older adults, including the cognitive intervention therapy, The Memory Magic™ Program, which is now in over 1,500 facilities in seven countries.



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## **Presentation Briefing**

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**Session:** Developing New Interventions to Support Safe and Effective OTC Medication

Behaviors: Emerging Technologies to Promote Optimal OTC Behavior

**Individual Presentation:** Using Technology to Facilitate Safe OTC Medication Behaviors

Discussant: Patricia J. Neafsey, PhD

#### Summary:

Drug interactions due to over-the-counter (OTC) self-medication practices are known adverse consequences of unsafe medication behaviors. Well-designed, usable technology offers the potential to improve the medication behaviors of older adults because it can improve information accessibility and provide cognitive support when and where it is needed. Functionalities related to behavioral monitoring, hazard alerting, and decision assistance related to error recovery and preventative action become particularly important when designing technology-based interventions. Advances in sensor technology and mobile computing offer tantalizing evidence that such interventions can be effective with older adults yet stakeholders should not lose sight of barriers such as technology adoption and privacy concerns. Discussion will focus on efforts to use design principles from human factors and ergonomics (hf/e) research to build persuasive technology. Examples of previous efforts will be presented and critiqued for the purpose of evaluating the likely effectiveness of emerging technologies.

#### Objectives:

- Understand how hf/e principles can improve design for technology used by older adults.
- Identify pertinent technology functionalities and describe how older adults can benefit.
- Recognize the barriers of technology use by older adults.
- Distinguish persuasive technology from other technological solutions.

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#### Research Questions:

- 1. Can the results of intervention studies designed to assess prescription medication adherence be generalized to address OTC medication use?
- 2. Do technology solutions for older adults also work with other age groups? Does universal design work in this area?
- 3. How do trends in mobile computing and technology minimization particularly affect older adults?
- 4. Are older adults willing to accept and use persuasive technology?
- 5. How will stakeholders overcome issues with privacy related to technological innovation?

#### Case Studies:

Possible handouts might depict the informational format (Drug Facts) that appears on OTC medications for the purpose of evaluating readability and cognitive factors that can make regimen management difficult for older adults. Other handouts might depict screen shots from current mobile telephone applications used to manage medications.

#### Handouts and Materials:

PowerPoint presentation, OTC products



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## **Presentation Briefing**

Speaker: Patricia Meisner, MS, MBA

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Individual Presentation: Assessing Incremental Risk from OTC Medications in the Therapeutic

**Regimens of Older Adults** 

Discussant: Patricia J. Neafsey, PhD

#### **Summary:**

Many older adults suffer from multiple chronic conditions, see multiple providers, and have complex therapeutic regimens as a result. The complexity can be compounded by selfmedication for pain, insomnia, and other common ailments with over-the-counter (OTC) drugs, many of which are as pharmacologically active (and potentially dangerous) as prescription medications. It is difficult for the health care team to reconcile medications from various sources as their patients travel through the continuum of care. Some information may be available from electronic health records or insurance claims, but often the most important piece of information, how the patient is using his or her prescription drugs as well as any other OTC or supplements, is missing. ActualMeds<sup>TM</sup> is developing medication management and reconciliation solutions that can be used at the point of care by the health care team to assemble a patient's complete medication landscape and to identify the associated risk. This is accomplished through interoperability with other sources of medication information and the use of a structured interview to elicit important information about the patient's self-medication behavior. Once data are aggregated and validated, evidence-based rules identify risk and provide guidance to the health care team enabling them to resolve risk and tailor interventions for the patient at the point of care. This new model has potential to improve patient outcomes and reduce hospitalizations for patients with chronic conditions, such as heart failure and diabetes, that respond well to rigorous medication management in the non-acute environment.

#### Objectives:

- Understand how OTC medications can add considerable, hidden risk to therapeutic regimens.
- Recognize that health care teams require tools to identify risk in patient self-medication behavior at the point of care and to guide intervention.
- Recognize that adherence programs can be most effective when therapy is appropriate and

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#### Research Questions:

- 1. What is the differential risk added by OTC medications to the already complex therapeutic regimens of older adults?
- 2. Can reducing the risk associated with self-medication behavior in older adults lead to better outcomes?
- 3. Can enabling health care teams to reconcile and optimize therapeutic regimens at the point of care make patient adherence programs more effective?

#### Case Studies:

Summary of several use cases that enable medication management and reconciliation in the primary care setting or at a transition of care.

#### Handouts and Materials:

PowerPoint presentation, Point of Care use cases summary



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Speaker: Anthony A. Sterns, PhD

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**Emerging Technologies to Promote Optimal OTC Behavior** 

Individual Presentation: Designing Self-Management Products: Cognitive Prosthetics for Older

**Adults** 

Discussant: Patricia J. Neafsey, PhD

#### Summary:

US health care system presents challenges and barriers. The US health care information system is now incentivizing the use of electronic health record systems. But these systems are still paperless paper. They are generally closed systems and are universally focused on supporting the health care provider exclusively. What is needed are dynamic systems that can identify changes in a patient over time, interconnect across all providers who care for the patient, and center on self-management of the patient with mechanisms for support from health care professionals. This kind of system works within the chronic care management model proposed by Wagner [1]. Barriers to goal attainment. Nationally, current blood pressure (BP) control rates for hypertension are only about 34% [2]. Therapeutic inertia, or the tendency of health care providers not to intensify treatment when necessary, and patient nonadherence to antihypertensive regimens together account for a significant portion of poor BP control. For example, over half of patients have drug "holidays" consisting of several days of missed doses. "Typical" adherence is associated with nearly twice the risk of cardiovascular events compared with "ideal" adherence [3, 4]. Mobile health (mHealth) solutions are a powerful approach. There are six key concepts we use when developing health interventions: readiness for change, focusing on strengths, setting goals, training, giving behavior choices, and reinforcing positives [5]. Smartphone apps (i.e., mHealth) provide a practical and effective technological platform to support collaborative care [6]. Smartphone apps can provide patient education, medication reminding, and symptom tracking (e.g., BP, blood glucose [BG]). In addition, they can make medication adherence and daily measures such as BP and BG values available to support provider decisions and enable frank physician-patient discussions during office visits. Availability of smartphones is no longer an insurmountable barrier. In 2011, 35% of Americans used smartphones, and by 2012 the figure had increased to 46% [7]. With respect to access to care, smartphone technology does not discriminate; 49% of African Americans, 45% of Hispanics, and

49% of women use smartphones [8]. Our solution, the iRx Reminder software, forms a strong platform on which to design interventions. *mHealth solutions are needed*. Here we propose a smartphone-based system (i.e., "mHealth") for patient self-management of chronic illnesses that supports collaborative care. Through funding from the National Institutes of Health, our research team has developed a flexible software platform: iRx Reminder (www.irxreminder.com). The smartphone system allows for medication reminding, surveying (e.g., BP, BG), and educating patients (e.g., podcast videos). Older adults, ages 56 to 89 years, have successfully used and reported liking the iRx Reminder system [9, 10, 11].

#### Objectives:

- Understand the chronic care management model.
- Recognize interventions that contain the six key elements of health behavior change.
- Understand how smartphones can provide a platform for interventions that act as a cognitive prosthetic to support independence and maintenance of healthy behaviors.

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#### Research Questions:

- 1. Can smart devices be used to improve adherence for the complex therapeutic regimens of older adults?
- 2. What are key elements and combinations of elements required to achieve high adherence in older adult patient populations?
- 3. Can providing smart device—based self-management monitoring tools that integrate with health care teams make long-term patient treatment more effective and efficient?

#### **Case Studies:**

Summary of smartphone-based intervention studies of patients recovering from transient ischemic attack ("mini-stroke") and heart failure.

#### **Handouts and Materials:**

PowerPoint presentation, Point of Care use cases summary



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## **Select Abstracts of Studies Utilizing iRx Reminder**

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**Curriculum Design and Program to Train Older Adults to Use Personal Digital Assistants** 

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#### Abstract

**PURPOSE:** The aim of this study was to demonstrate that many older adults can share in the potential benefits of using a personal digital assistant (PDA), including using the device as a memory aid for addresses and appointments, to improve medication adherence, and as a useful organizational tool and communication device.

**DESIGN AND METHODS:** A curriculum, designed specifically for older adults, was developed that provided the necessary information and practice to use the technology. The degree to which the curriculum improved user skills was measured by testing participants on basic and advanced features of each of the standard PDA programs.

**RESULTS:** Participants were successful in using the technology and indicated satisfaction with the medication-reminder program specifically designed to accommodate the needs of older adults.

**IMPLICATIONS:** The PDA, supported with well-designed software and well-executed training, can provide unique benefits to older adults.

#### iRx Reminder Summa Health System Pilot — Improved Medication Compliance

Sterns, A. A. (2011, April). Using smartphone technology for chronic care self-management: a new strategy for health care management. Invited address of the Cellar Conference, Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing, University Center on Aging & Health, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH.

#### **Abstract**

Recently, Sterns et al. (Grant No. 1R43AG033500, PI Sterns, A.) conducted a pilot to test improving medication compliance using smartphones for older adults (Mean Age = 65) recovering from stroke (Sterns et al., 2010). Overall, participants complied with 83% of medication events, implying 9 or more missed doses in a 2-month period. No additional interventions such as calling or behavioral reinforcements such as display of counts of successful events were provided. When asked if the individual had recorded when they took medications 77% indicated yes in the experimental group and 67% indicated they had in the control group. About 33% of the experimental group indicated they recalled missing doses and indicated that 1.3 times they had missed over the 2-month period. In the control group 44% said they recalled missing doses and indicated they missed 1.8 times over the 2-month period. These pilot outcomes show that older adults are capable of using smartphones to track medication adherence, that they are significantly better at recording taking medications with the smartphone than a diary. Also both groups missed significantly more pills than they remembered demonstrating the importance of in-the-moment data collection.

Generations. Winter 2004-2005;28(4)

#### Transforming the Personal Digital Assistant Into a Health-Enhancing Technology

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#### Abstract

The challenge of connecting business and aging can focus on bringing existing products and services together in a way that meets a need of special concern to older consumers. Combining the now-ubiquitous technology of the personal digital assistant (PDA) with the high use of pharmaceuticals by older adults is a good example of such convergence. In this article, the authors discuss barriers to using the PDA, the importance of medication adherence, and approaches to bringing the technology to market.

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Perfecting the Handheld Computer for Older Adults: From Cognitive Theory to Practical Application

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#### Abstract

The older population in the United States is increasing and the average American is getting older. These demographic changes pose a significant challenge for those interested in designing and developing technologies because the special needs of this particular group of technology users will have to be considered more fully. To illustrate how knowledge of cognition and aging can be applied through the technology design process, the purpose of this article was to describe the methodological process associated with one case study: developing personal digital assistants (PDAs) to provide cognitive support for older adults during medication adherence tasks. Findings from two separate previously published empirical studies (Mayhorn, Lanzolla, Wogalter, & Watson, 2005; Sterns, 2005) were reviewed to document how the implementation of technological interventions that are based on cognitive theory can be used in practice to improve medication adherence in older adults. Implications for training, technology design, and future directions for research were discussed.

## Persuasive Pillboxes: Improving Medication Adherence With Personal Digital Assistants

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#### **Abstract**

Personal digital assistants (PDAs) can be used persuasively to change attitudes regarding medication taking, thereby facilitating adherence for older adults. A pillbox that integrates onto the body of the PDA was created as a place to store mid-day pills. Results from a lab and field experiment on older adults' perceptions and use of PDAs for medication minding are reported. In both the lab and field experiment, older adults were successfully trained to use PDA standard programs and a program for medication reminding. At the conclusion of the 3-month field experiment, a physical pill count yielded increased compliance with two-thirds of the

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participants missing 1 pill or less in the third month of the study. Implications for PDA training curricula, hardware design, and future research are discussed.

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- Sterns, A. A., Hughes J., & Goldstein, C. (2012, June) Getting the US mHealth market to take our medicine. Gerontechnology. A paper presentation as part of the symposium Expanding e-Health Knowledge at the 2012 International Society of Gerontechnology meeting, Eindhoven, The Netherlands.
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- Sterns, A. A. (2011, April). Using smartphone technology for chronic care self-management: a new strategy for healthcare management. Invited address of the Cellar Conference, Francis Payne Bolton School of Nursing, University Center on Aging & Health, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH.
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- Sterns, A. A, & Murphy, M. (2008, November). What are we doing and who with? Long-term activity monitoring using Smartphones. Part of the Symposium on New Tools for New Data presented at the 61st annual meeting of The Gerontological Society of America, National Harbor, MD.
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## Using Technology to Facilitate Safe OTC Medication Behaviors

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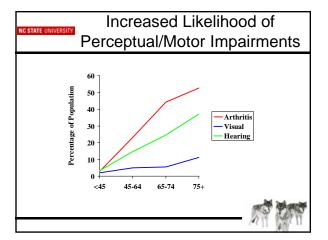
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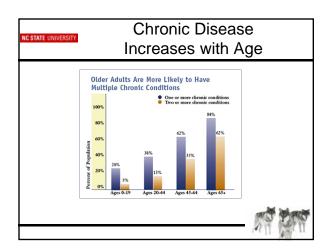
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Age-Related Declines with Perceptual, Motoric, and Cognitive Variables

- Perceptual
- Motoric
- Cognition
  - Selective Attention
  - Working Memory
  - Reading Comprehension







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#### Drug Use and Aging

- Older adults aged 65+:
  - Are the largest users of prescription and OTC medications (Glaser & Rolita, 2009)
  - Account for 40% of OTC use in the U.S. (Maiese, 2002)
  - Are 2-7 times more likely to experience an adverse drug interaction than younger adults (Higsbee, 1994)
  - Account for 61.5% of emergency room visits associated with adverse drug reactions (SAMHSA, 2011)



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## Why Do Older Adults Experience Adverse Drug Events?

- Lack of communication between patient and clinicians (Granger & Bosworth, 2011)
- Inadequate patient knowledge regarding OTC and prescription drug interactions (Neafsey et al., 2002)
- Forgetfulness (Stegemann et al. 2012)





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# Functions Likely Facilitated by Technological Intervention

- For the Patient:
  - Enhanced information accessibility
  - Cognitive support
  - Hazard alerting



- Behavioral monitoring
- Reconciliation solutions





#### Assessing Commercially Available Technology









#### **Observed Shortcomings**

- Primary focus on prescription medications
- Reminder functionality well supported but there is a lack of decision aids
- Connectivity with mobile devices varies
- Interface design is poor
- Devices are expensive



#### Focusing on OTC Interactions



#### Advantages:

- Portable
- Includes barcode scanner
- Connectivity to drug interaction database

#### Disadvantages:

- · Does not support reminding
- · Does not communicate with clinicians
- · Complex menu system



#### Potential Barriers to Adoption by Older Adults

- Privacy concerns (Wogalter & Mayhorn, 2005)
- Usability for older adults often not considered (Fisk et al., 2009)
- Design barriers might prevent older adults from using new technology (Thompson & Mayhorn, in press).
  - Trends in miniaturization (Mayhorn et al., 2005; Mayhorn & Mendat, 2006)
  - Choice of input device (McLaughlin, Rogers, & Fisk, 2009)
  - Previous experience and perceived usefulness are important factors (Mayhorn et al., 2004; Melenhorst et al.,



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## Conclusions

- ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL!
  - Technological interventions must be tailored to meet the cognitive/perceptual needs of older adults.
- Such systems must be assessed in terms of usability (Lin et al., 2009) before they are deployed.
- Caregivers and clinical stakeholders must be educated about the needs of older adults.
- Older adults must actively choose to adopt these technologies.



(AdhereTx is becoming...).



"Assessing Incremental Risk from OTC Medications in the Therapeutic Regimens of Older Adults "

> AdhereTx Corporation OTC Summit April 10, 2013

#### **Company Information**

#### ActualMeds

AdhereTx Corporation 222 Pitkin Street East Hartford, CT 06108 Founded 2009

- Team-based solutions for medication management and reconciliation at the point of care
- •Original technology developed by pharmacologists and clinical pharmacists, licensed from the University of Connecticut
- •Validated in clinical trials, peer-reviewed publications

#### The Origin of ActualMeds: **Evidence-Based Outcomes Studies**

NIH Sponsored Clinical Trial: Capture and Interpret Risk of Self-Medication Behavior in Older Adults\*

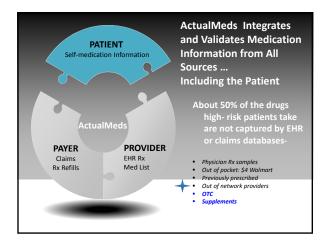
Improved clinical outcomes in a hypertension model vs. standard of care

- •Greater absolute reduction of blood pressure
- Patients reached target BP more quickly
- Reduced polypharmacy and improved adherence
   Use of NSAIDs reduced the efficacy of hypertension therapy

#### Lowered cost of care in intervention group

- •Fewer emergency department visits, hospitalizations and •Savings of \$300-\$800/patient in 12 months post trial
- \* Neafsey, et. al., Aging International, Dec 2010; licensed from the University of CT, School of Nursing

#### \$200B in Hospitalizations Are Due to **Poor Medication Management in High-Risk Patients** Medication information is incomplete and unavailable at the point of care PATIENT What the PROVIDER "Medicare beneficiaries with patient is "What the multiple chronic illnesses see actually doing Doctor Ordered" an average of 13 different physicians, fill 50 different ???? prescriptions per year, account for 76% of all hospital admissions and are 100 times more likely PAYER to have a preventable hospitalization " "What Rx Got Filled" on Aging. The Future of Medicare: recognizing the need for chronic care coordination. Serial No. 110-7, pp 19-20 (May 9, 2007)



#### The Use of OTC Medications Is Pervasive

- > OTC retail sales totaled \$17 billion (excluding Walmart sales) in 2010
- > Currently, 35% of adult Americans use OTC medications on a regular basis
- Many are high risk for older adults
  - Analgesics and antipyretics: NSAIDs, acetominophen w/ NSAIDs Cold, cough, and allergy products: Benadryl (diphenhydramine) Nighttime sleep-aids: diphenhydramine in "PM" formulations

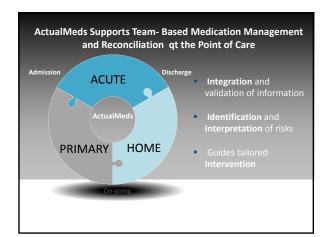
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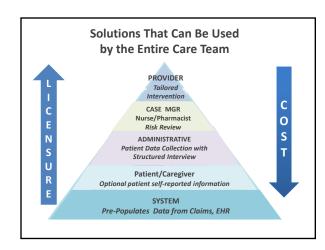
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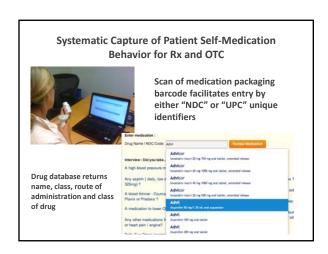
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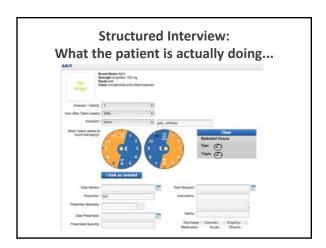
- 1. Stay abreast of the trends in OTC usage patterns as well as the risks associated with incorrect use and storage of OTC
- 2. Routinely document OTC use in the medical history:

  - to detect incorrect use to detect potential drug-drug interactions
  - to identify therapeutic duplication
- 3. Discuss with patients the potential risks of the OTC medications they have disclosed during history taking.
- 4. Provide alternative medication choices if misuse of an OTC medication is suspected.



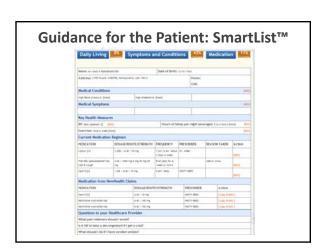








# Clinician Action Plan Trigger Advantage Trigger A



#### **Key Areas for Further Investigation**

- What is the differential risk added by OTC medications to the already complex therapeutic regimens of older adults?
- 1. Can reducing the risk associated with self-medication behavior in older adults lead to better outcomes?
- 2. Can enabling health care teams to reconcile and optimize therapeutic regimens at the point of care make patient adherence programs more effective?

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- Challenges and Barriers
- US Health Care Information System
   Understanding Health Behavior Change
   Designing for Older Adults

- iRx Reminder System
- Design
- Research







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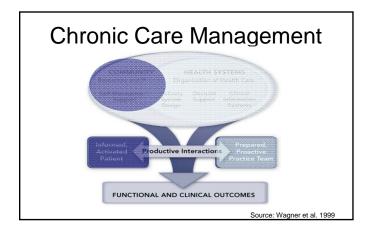


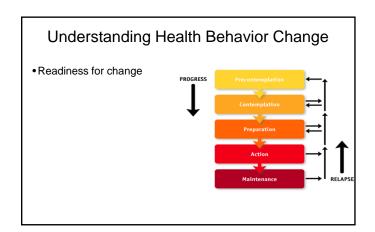




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## US Health Care Information System Paperless Paper Closed Provider Focus Output Dynamic Interconnected Support Focus





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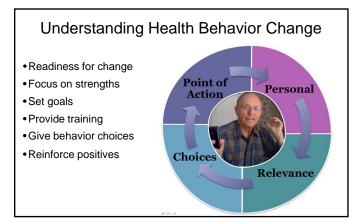
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## Understanding Health Behavior Change Readiness for change Focus on strengths Set goals Provide training Give behavior choices Point of Action Personal Relevance



## Design Challenges for Older Adults Heterogeneity User-centered Capabilities Limitations Prosthetics Physical Cognitive No effort data Delight Meyhorn, C., & Stems, A. (2006). Cognitive Technology, 12(1), 15-21.











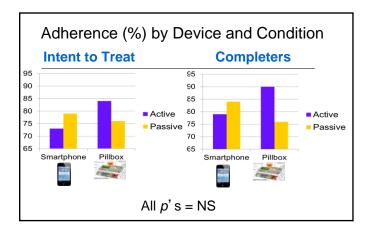


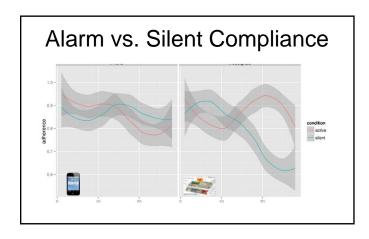
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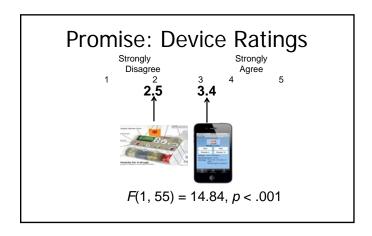
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Session 3 Intervention assessment at 28 days







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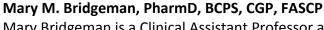
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