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RE-AIM Framework to Evaluate Genomic Medicine Implementation

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Implementation science

- The study of methods to promote the integration of research findings and evidence into healthcare policy and practice
- What works for who, when, and under what conditions



- Description
- Application to genomic medicine evaluation
- Application to program planning
- Summary and comments





"All models are wrong ...Some are useful" -- George E.P. Box



RE-AIM Framework

- Provides specific and standard ways of measuring key factors important for public health impact and broad application
- To facilitate translation of research into practice in the "real world"
- Encourages attention on dimensions to improve adoption and sustainability (individual and org factors)
- Equally emphasizes internal and external validity and representativeness
- Originally = evaluation tool, now has been used for planning as well



- Reach to the target population
- Effectiveness/Efficacy
- Adoption by target settings/staff
- Implementation consistency, costs
- Maintenance of program and effects over time



Other Important Points about RE-AIM

- Focus on the SETTING in which the program/intervention is delivered
- The STAFF delivering the program/intervention (and what THEY do, rather than what the individual participant does)
- Emphasizes potential for delivery in "real world"
- Encourages multi-level thinking and evaluation
- Concerned with costs (to implement/deliver program)
- Concerned with adaptations made to the program by individuals and within settings



Definitions (traditional/academic)

RE-AIM Construct	Definition
Reach	The absolute number, proportion, and representativeness of individuals who participate in the program
Effectiveness (or Efficacy)	Impact of the program on outcomes, including negative effects, QOL, economic outcomes
Adoption	The absolute number, proportion, and representativeness of settings/staff who initiate/participate in the program
Implementation (setting level)	How closely staff follow the program as intended (fidelity), what adaptations are made and costs
Maintenance (setting and patient level)	Setting level: extent to which program is integrated into routine practice and sustained Individual level: long term (6 months or more) effects of the program on outcomes

Operationalizing RE-AIM

Genomic medicine program evaluation



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MyCode Community Health Initiative

- Established 2007
- Inclusion criteria:
 - Any Geisinger Health System patient (PA and NJ)
 - Recruited through primary care and specialty clinics

• Consenting:

- Blood sample and clinical data provided for genomic research
- Broad consent for research use of samples and data and recontact for future research studies
- Specifically addresses possibility of returning research results from genomic studies
- Sample provided with normal clinical blood draw
 - Additional blood taken specifically for biobank

Reach - MyCode Participation

Standard	Reach – MyCode Participation	Calculation
Target population	Any Geisinger patient	Over 900,000
Exclusions	None	N/A
Total approached	Patients approached by consenter	85% consent rate
Total Consented	Patients completing consent	216,320
Total Samples	Patients who provide sample	140,519
Representativeness	Consented vs. population	Age, conditions

- All Geisinger patients are eligible for MyCode
- Approximately 85% of patients offered MyCode consent to MyCode
- 65% of those consented have actually participated (provided a sample for sequencing)
- MyCode participants tend to be older and more likely to have a condition than the general Geisinger population
 Geisinger

www.re-aim.org

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Effectiveness – MyCode screening and GSC

Outcomes to Measure

Measure of effects on health behaviors, including:

- Positive effects
- Negative effects
- unanticipated consequences
- QOL
- Economic outcomes

Genomic Screening and Counseling (GSC) Application

Effectiveness of screening:

 Prevalence of P/LP in population w/ and w/o FHx

Effectiveness of GSC:

- Diagnosis of latent condition
- Changes to medical management
- Misunderstandings, inappropriate procedures
- Costs to healthcare system due to additional tests



Adoption – of GSC Processes

Geisinger Measures

- Utilization of GOALS courses to learn about condition
- proportion of non-genetics providers contacting GSC to assist with patient results and management
- Qualitative and Quantitative differences between Geisinger and non-Geisinger providers in GSC process



Implementation – of MyCode and GSC

MyCode Implementation

- How consistently did consenters present MyCode
- What is the cost to implement (resource/personnel)
- What (if any) changes had to be made over time to maintain/improve fidelity to consenting protocol

GSC Implementation

- How well was the GSC protocol implemented
- What was the cost to implement the GSC protocol (testing, resource/personnel, cost per case detected)
- What (if any) changes had to be made over time to maintain/improve fidelity to GSC protocol



Maintenance

Definition

- Individual level: long term effects of program on outcomes after 6 months or more
- Setting level: extent to which the program/policy becomes institutionalized or part of routine organizational practice

GSC Application

- What is the impact on longer term patient outcomes after receiving a result (e.g. 12 months, 24 months)
- How feasible and sustainable are different GSC protocols



Operationalizing RE-AIM

Genomic medicine program PLANNING and evaluation



Pragmatic Use of RE-AIM

RE-AIM Dimension	Pragmatic Priorities to Consider/Answer	
Reach	WHO is/was intended to benefit, WHO actually participates or is exposed to the program	
Effectiveness	WHAT is/was the most important benefit you are trying to achieve? WHAT is the likelihood of negative outcomes?	
Adoption	WHERE is/was the program applied and WHO applied it?	
Implementation	HOW consistently is/was the program delivered by staff? HOW will it/was it adapted? HOW much did it cost, and WHY did you get the results you did?	
Maintenance	WHEN will it/has it been sustained (setting); HOW LONG have the results/benefit been sustained by patients (individual level)?	
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RE-AIM Planning – Population Health Sequencing

- WHO GHP members only (Reach)
- WHAT sequence and return results of ACMG 59 (Effectiveness)
- WHERE at 2 clinics only (Adoption)
- HOW during routine visit and using MyCode GSC infrastructure for returns (Implementation)
- WHEN review and consider sustainability and scale up potential (Maintenance)



https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fpubh.2018.00071/full

Pragmatic Use of RE-AIM for Planning and Evaluation



Iterative and temporal application of the RE-AIM framework

Adaptions Made to Date to PHS

- Eligible patients not identified \rightarrow Give list to front desk staff
- Not enough eligible patient visits in desired window to reach recruitment goals → expand eligibility criteria (also fixes issues with identification)



Pragmatic RE-AIM Questions for Evaluation

- What percentage and types of patients are <u>REACHED</u>?
- For whom is it <u>EFFECTIVE</u> at improving outcomes and with what unanticipated consequences?
- In what percentage and types of settings and staff is the program <u>ADOPTED</u>?
- How consistently are different program parts <u>IMPLEMENTED</u> and at what cost to the different parties?
- How well are the program components and their effects <u>MAINTAINED</u> over time?

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RE-AIM Pragmatic Evaluation*

RE-AIM Domain	Pragmatic Evaluation PHS	Possible Data for evaluation
Reach	Total eligible patients, patients actually approached, patients tested (or declined)	Representativeness of those tested/declined
Effectiveness	Number and type of results	Diagnosed conditions Pt/provider medical management plan Cost to the system
Adoption	Actual clinics that participate, staff that offer (don't offer)	Representativeness of pilot clinics, representativeness of pilot clinicians/staff
Implementation	Staff fidelity to planned program protocol, adaptations/iterations to program protocol	Cost to implement (personnel, training)
Maintenance	Is it sustainable and how	What do clinicians and patients do with the information over time

* For impact of adaptations measured over time and for overall pilot outcomes



Summary Points on Pragmatic use of RE-AIM for Genomic Medicine Implementation

- Focus on "real world" enables utilization of data and outcomes available in the clinical setting
- Allows iterative evaluation of adaptations and improvements over time
- Pragmatic questions are useful for clinicians, innovators, and champions who may not "do research"
- Accepted framework applies scientific rigor for research and researchers



Summary Points on RE-AIM as a Framework

- Each dimension provides opportunity for intervention
- RE-AIM can be used in observational, efficacy, effectiveness, and implementation science projects
- All dimensions can be addressed in a project (but not all need be intervened upon)
- Methods available to combine and summarize RE-AIM outcomes
- RE-AIM is an outcomes framework that can be used for planning and evaluation



Adapted from Glasgow 2018 re-aim.org

Resources

- <u>http://re-aim.org/</u>
- <u>https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/IS/</u>
- https://societyforimplementationresearchcollaboration.org/
- http://www.nature.com/articles/gim2017144
- <u>https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3592983/</u>
- http://dissemination-implementation.org/index.aspx



Questions?

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