



# **“Cross Talk”: Inter-professional Competencies**

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# Competency

- An observable, measurable, performance-based outcome that indicates the achievement of a particular knowledge component, application, or demonstration of a psychomotor behavior or skill

Greco, K.E., et al. *Essential genetic and genomic competencies for nurses with graduate degrees*. 2012 [cited 2012 5/22/2012]; Available from: <http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/EthicsStandards/Genetics-1/Essential-Genetic-and-Genomic-Competencies-for-Nurses-With-Graduate-Degrees.pdf>

# Genomic Competencies for Non-Genetic Specialist Healthcare Providers

- Nurses
- Nurses with Graduate Degrees
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- Physicians



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- [Nurses](#) - Essential Genetic and Genomic Competencies for Nurses with Graduate Degrees (document provided for your information-resources not yet mapped to these competencies)
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<http://g-2-c-2.org/competency>

# Other Health Professionals Establishing Genomic Competencies

## ➤ Pathologists

- Working group formed by College of American Pathologists
  - Developed initial list of knowledge and skills needed by practicing pathologists
  - Genomic expert review and rating of importance
  - Workgroup subset defined final competency subtopics and tasks
    - Appropriate delivery methods for educational material were suggested

# Competency Based Learning

- Health problems to be addressed
- Requisite competencies required for health system performance
- Assess achievements and shortfalls

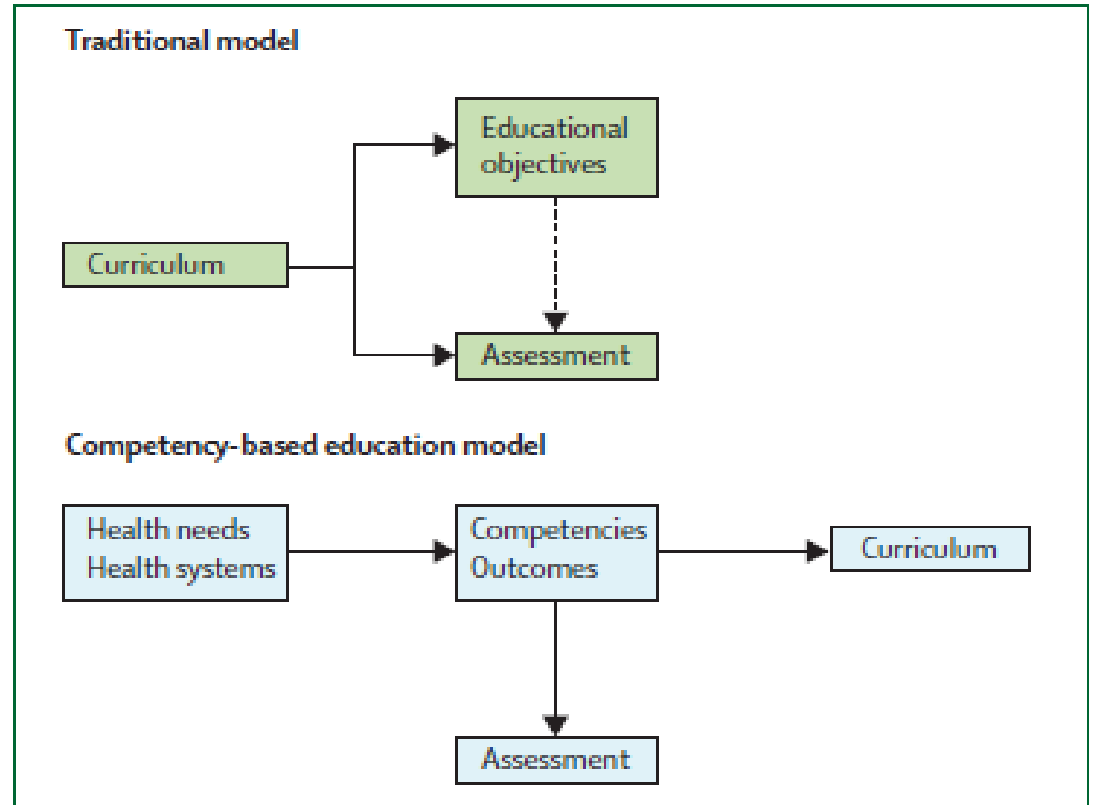


Figure 9: Competency-based education

Frenk, J., et al. (2010). Health professionals for a new century: transforming education to strengthen health systems in an interdependent world. *Lancet*, 376, 1923-1958.

# Consensus Statement on a Framework for Professional Competence

- Mastery of the competencies is developmental
  - Academic preparation onwards
- Performance may improve with practice
  - Training and clinical practice
- Competence may decline over time
- Pace of growth will vary between individuals and vary based on the specific competency

Coalition for Physician Accountability. Consensus statement on a framework for professional competence

[http://www.physicianaccountability.org/pdf/Coalition\\_Compencies\\_Consensus\\_Statement.pdf](http://www.physicianaccountability.org/pdf/Coalition_Compencies_Consensus_Statement.pdf)

# Consensus Statement on a Framework for Professional Competence

- Six Domains of Competence
  - Professionalism
  - Medical Knowledge
  - Patient Care and Procedural Skills
  - Interpersonal and Communication Skills
  - Practice-based Learning
  - Improvement, and System-based Practice
- Provide a framework for the continuous improvement of physician competence relevant to scope of practice and patient needs

# Domain Cross Talk

| Physician  | Physician Assistant         | Nurse   | Pharmacists  |
|--|-----------------------------|---|--|
| <p>Practice Based Learning and Improvement, Interpersonal and Communication Skills, Professionalism, Inter-professional Collaboration, Personal and Professional Development</p> | <p>Knowledge, Attitudes</p> | <p>Professional Responsibilities</p>  | <p>Knowledge: Basic Genetic Concepts, Genetics And Disease, Pharmacogenomics/ Pharmacogenetics, Ethical, Legal and Social Implications</p> |
| <p>Patient Care, Systems Based Practice</p>  | <p>Skills</p>               | <p>Professional Practice: Assessment Identification Referral Activities Provision of Education Care and Support</p> |  |



# Basic Genetic/Genomic Concepts

|                              | Competency   |
|------------------------------|--|
| Nurses                       | Demonstrates an understanding of G/G to health, prevention, screening, diagnostics, prognostics, selection of treatment and monitoring of treatment effectiveness.   |
| Nurses with Graduate Degrees | Integrate best G/G evidence into practice that incorporates values and clinical judgment.  |
| Physician Assistants         | Recognize the genetic and environmental contribution to multi-faceted conditions (e.g. congenital heart disease, cancer, hypertension, diabetes, psychiatric illness)/.  |
| Pharmacists                  | To identify drug and disease associated genetic variations that facilitate development of prevention, diagnostic, and treatment strategies and appreciate there are differences in testing methodologies and are aware of the need to explore these differences in drug literature evaluation. |
| Physicians                   | Discern the potential clinical impact of genetic variation on risk stratification and individualized treatment.  |

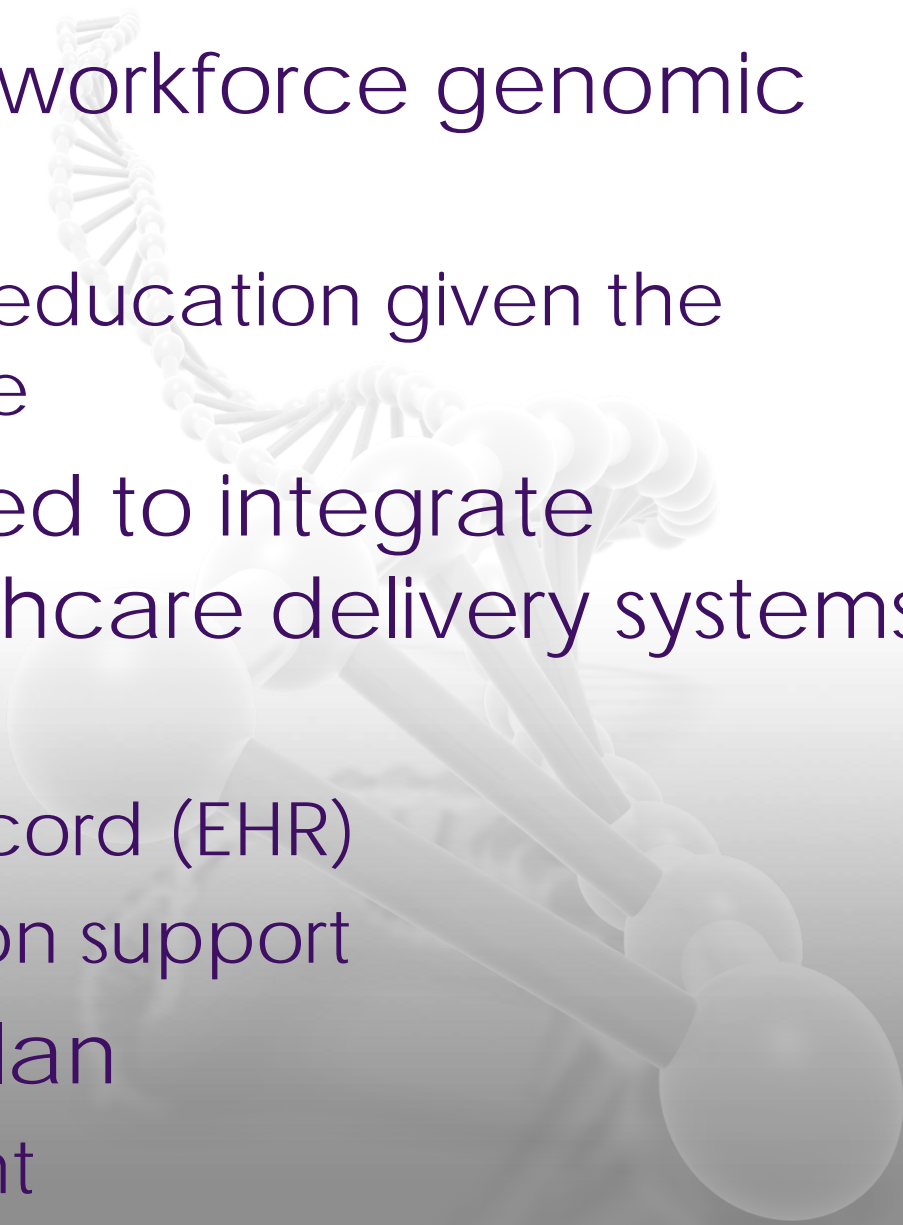
# Referrals

|                              | Competency   |
|------------------------------|--|
| Nurses                       | <p>Identifies clients who may benefit from specific genetic and genomic information and/or services based on assessment data.</p> <p>Facilitates referrals for specialized genetic and genomic services for clients as needed.</p> |
| Nurses with Graduate Degrees | <p>Refer at-risk family members for assessment of inherited predisposition to disease.</p> <p>Make appropriate referrals to genetic professionals or other health care resources.</p>  |
| Physician Assistants         | <p>Identify and appropriately determine referral of patients who would benefit from genetic services, e.g. recognition of dysmorphic features, genetic “red flags” in family histories.</p>  |
| Pharmacists                  | <p>To identify the need to refer a patient to a genetic specialist or genetic counselor.</p>   |
| Physicians                   | <p>Make appropriate referrals for specialty evaluation based on results of family history.</p>   |

# Ethical, Legal, and Social Issues

|                              | Competency   |
|------------------------------|--|
| Nurses                       | Identifies ethical, ethnic/ancestral, cultural, religious, legal, fiscal, and societal issues related to genetic and genomic information and technologies.             |
| Nurses with Graduate Degrees | Implement effective strategies to resolve ethical, legal, and social issues related to genetic/genomics.   |
| Physician Assistants         | Consider the influence of ethnicity, culture, related health beliefs, economics, and health literacy in the patient's ability to use genetic information and services. |
| Pharmacists                  | To adopt a culturally sensitive and ethical approach to patient counseling regarding genomic/pharmacogenomic test results.   |
| Physicians                   | Explain to patient relevant social and legal risks related to family history as well as relevant legal protections.  |

# Competency Considerations

- Limited healthcare workforce genomic knowledgebase
    - Novel strategies for education given the current fiscal climate
  - Infrastructure needed to integrate genomics into healthcare delivery systems
    - Policies
    - Electronic health record (EHR)
    - Point of care decision support
  - Business/financial plan
    - Return on investment
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# Genomics and Interprofessional Education

**FIGURE 4: Barr's (1998) three types of professional competencies**



Core Competencies for Interprofessional Collaborative Practice.  
<https://ipecollaborative.org/uploads/IPEC-Core-Competencies.pdf>

# Competency Based Learning

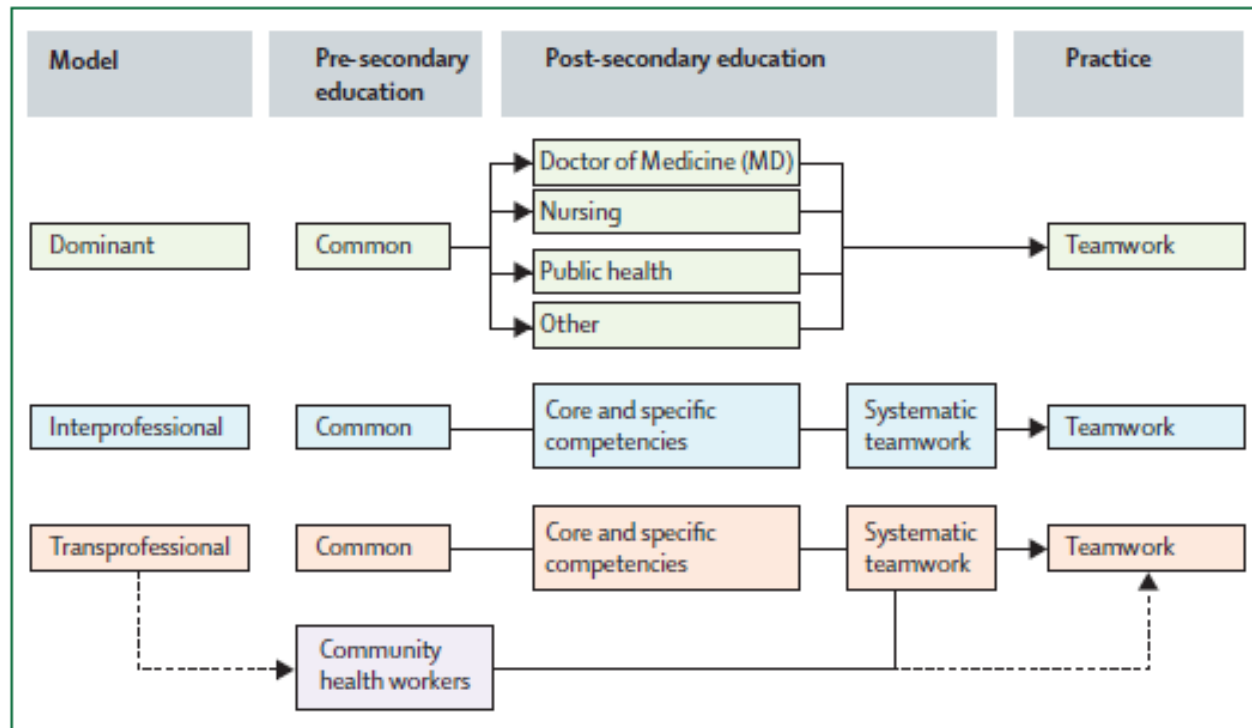


Figure 10: Models of interprofessional and transprofessional education

- Interprofessional:  $\geq 2$  professions learning together
- Transprofessional : non health professional workers  
i.e. policy makers, administrators, ancillary staff,  
payors, community leaders

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# Genomics and the Nursing Workforce

| Study  | N    |
|--|------|
| National Nursing Workforce Study in collaboration with ANA (NNWF)                                      | 619  |
| ANA House of Delegates (HOD)   | 244  |
| National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurses (NCEMNA)  | 389  |
| Expanding RN Scope of Practice: A Method for Introducing a New Competency into Nursing Practice (MINC) | 7798 |

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# Family History

| Question   | NNWFS              | NCEMNA             | MINC                 |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Not at all or only a little confident in deciding what family history information is needed to identify genetic susceptibility to common diseases. | 41%<br>(n=227/551) | NA                 | 52%<br>(n=3313/6000) |
| Not at all or only a little confident in deciding which patients would benefit from a referral for genetic counseling and possible testing.        | 54%<br>(n=298/553) | NA                 | 64%<br>(n=3837/5962) |
| <b>Always Collect:</b>   |                    |                    |                      |
| Relationship to the patient  | 83%<br>(n=403/483) | 91%<br>(n=330/364) | 72%<br>(n=4010/5591) |
| Age of diagnosis   | 41%<br>(n=200/483) | 64%<br>(n=231/361) | 29%<br>(n=1617/5566) |
| Maternal and paternal lineages   | 66%<br>(n=320/484) | 77%<br>(n=278/359) | 53%<br>(n=2953/5551) |
| Race or ethnic background  | 49%<br>(n=233/477) | 77%<br>(n=242/315) | 33%<br>(n=1819/5533) |



# Family History



|       | In the prior three months nurses seeing patients who RARELY OR NEVER assessed a family history | AGREED OR STRONGLY AGREED that family history taking should be a key component of nursing care |
|-------|--|--|
| NNWFS | 67%, (n=288/510)   | 84% (n=369/442)  |
| HOD   | 58% (n=59/102)   | 91% (n=219/242)  |
| MINC  | 65% (n=3193/4923)  | 71% (n=4204/5942)  |

# Physician Healthcare Provider Knowledge

Stanek et al. 10,303 US physicians

- 98% agreed that genetic variation may influence drug response
- 10% felt adequately informed about pharmacogenomic (PGx) testing
- 85% had no PGx education in medical school
- 77% had no PGx in post grad training
- 29% had received PGx education

Stanek, EJ et al. Adoption of pharmacogenomic testing by US physicians: results of a nationwide survey. CPT, 91, 450-8.

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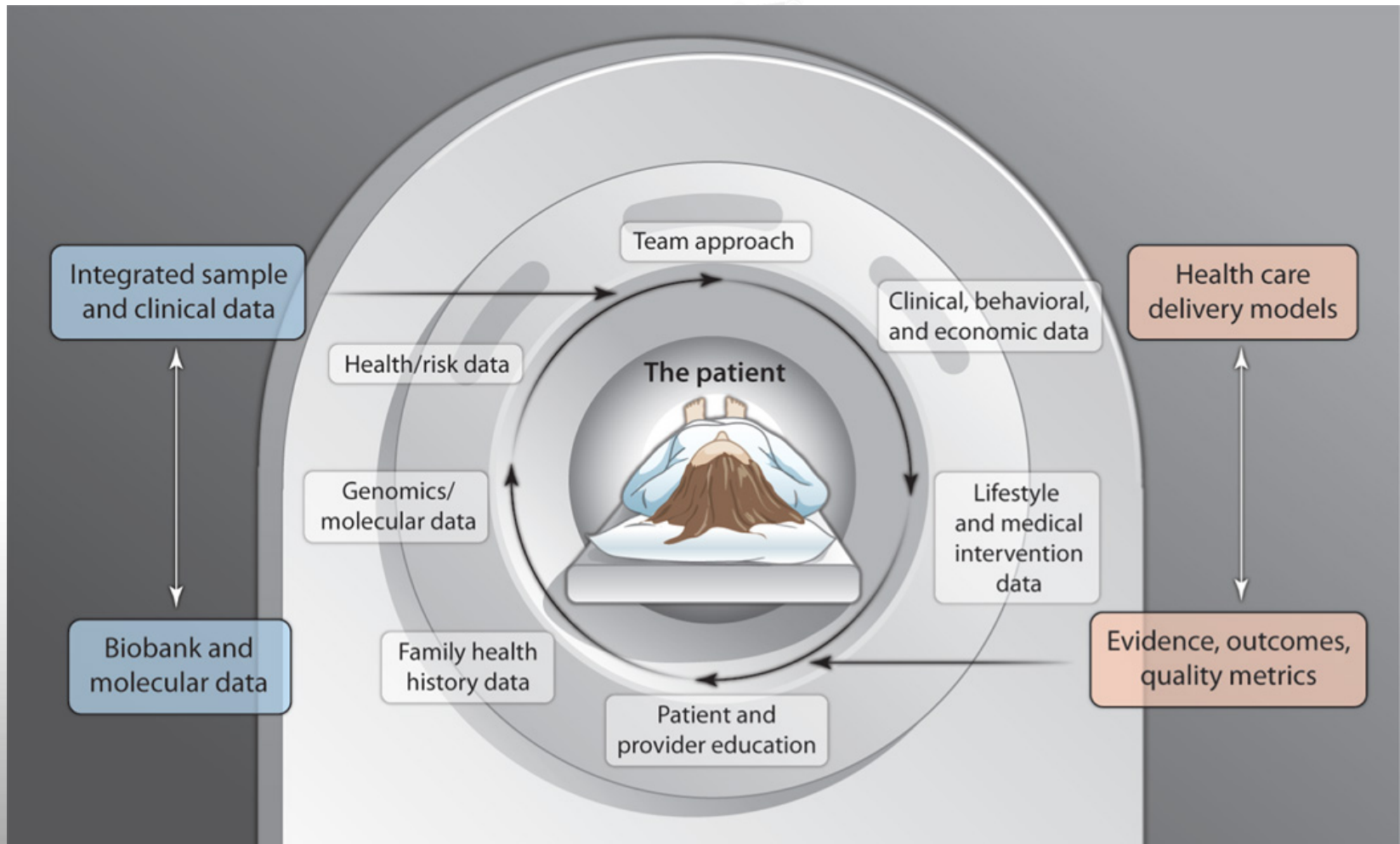
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- MDs with prior PGx education were more likely to have ordered PGx tests (OR 1.63, 95% CI 1.34–1.97,  $P < 0.001$ )
- MDs who felt well informed about the availability and applications of PGx were more likely more likely to order PGx testing (OR 1.92, 95% CI 1.51–2.45,  $P < 0.001$ )

# The Inter-Society Coordinating Committee for Practitioner Education in Genomics (ISCC)

- Coalition of 58 interprofessional organizations
  - Competencies in Genomic Medicine
  - Case Studies
    - Mitochondrial DNA mutation A1555G and aminoglycoside-induced hearing loss and deafness
    - Utilizing family history to identify Lynch Syndrome
  - Insurer Staff Education
    - Identify areas of greatest need for genomics knowledge in the clinical context among the staff and medical directors of health insurers' claims and preauthorization processing pipelines
    - Execute a pilot webinar series to educate insurer staff, and gather effectiveness data iteratively

# Personalized Health Care Requirements



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# Questions/Discussion

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