Patient-Centered Validation of a New Palliative Care Patient/Caregiver Questionnaire
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ABSTRACT

OBJECTIVES
- Let the health domain covered by the Patient-Caregiver questionnaire. Compare the validity characteristics of patient-reported outcome measures derived from the Palliative Care Questionnaire to the criterion measures from the PROMIS Global Health Scale.
- Compare the ratings of healthcare providers from patients with serious chronic conditions to ratings of the same healthcare providers from the patient's caregivers.
- Discuss the strengths and weaknesses of patient-centered research in Palliative Care.
- Evaluate the role of gender, patient reported measures in maintaining certification of physicians in internal medicine.

RESULTS

You may see different doctors for your condition(s). He or she should be someone who participates in a large portion of your medical care and someone you have seen at least twice in the past 12 months. What is the specialty of this doctor?

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<th>Specialty (%)</th>
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<td>Internal medicine (primary care) 51% (518)</td>
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<td>Rheumatology (arthritis, lupus) 14% (144)</td>
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<td>Oncology (cancer) 4% (37)</td>
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Palliative Care Questionnaire PIM® Measures

- Physical health: Four items measure emotional distress and physical pain.
- Mental health: Four items measure anxiety and depression.
- Social function: Four items measure social activity and role limitations.
- Pain and Fatigue are included in the Physical health scale.

CONCLUSIONS:
- PCQ questionnaire is an example of patient-centered research through a social network for assessing physician skills in providing palliative care.
- PCQ domains: physician-to-patient communication; PRO outcomes: pain, dyspnea, and emotional distress associated with chronic medical conditions; and the relationships between these outcomes and patient’s perceptions of the quality of care they receive from their physicians.
- PCQ measures are not condition specific, and they represent the interplay between physician and patient encounters, as well as the patient’s ability to make the best of their care given the circumstances.