

Ninth Annual Sentinel Initiative Public Workshop

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Sentinel in 2017

Richard Platt
for the Sentinel Investigators

February 2, 2017

Sentinel partner organizations

Lead – HPHC Institute

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Data and scientific partners



Scientific partners

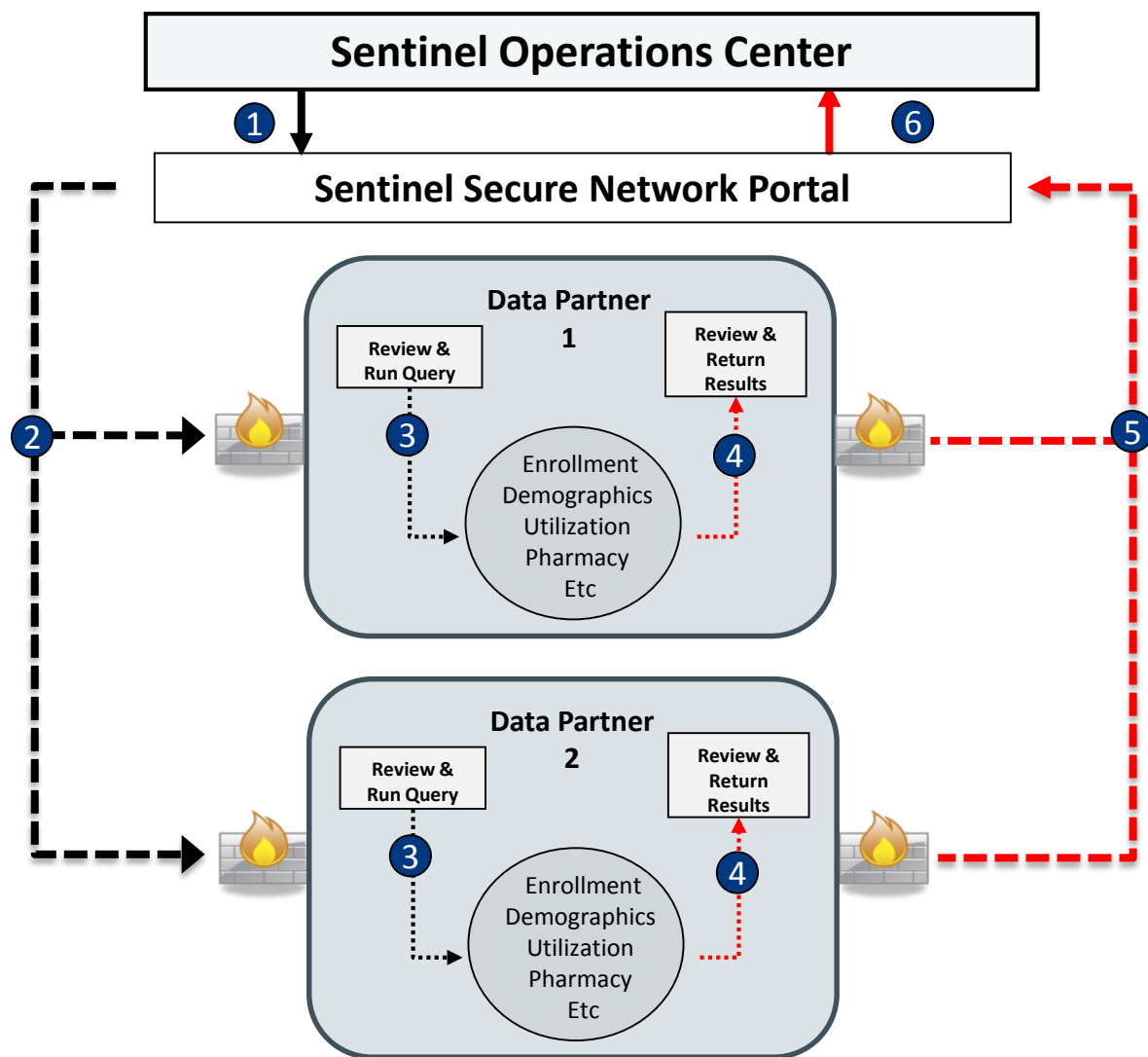


Sentinel Common Data Model and Distributed Database

Enrollment	Demographic	Dispensing	Encounter	Diagnosis	Procedure
Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID
Enrollment start & end dates	Birth date	Dispensing date	Service date(s)	Service date(s)	Service date(s)
Drug coverage	Sex	National drug code (NDC)	Encounter ID	Encounter ID	Encounter ID
Medical coverage	ZIP code	Days supply	Encounter type & provider	Encounter type & provider	Encounter type & provider
Medical record availability	Etc.	Amount dispensed	Facility	Diagnosis code & type	Procedure code & type
			Etc.	Principal discharge diagnosis	Etc.

Lab Result	Vital Signs	Inpatient Pharmacy	Inpatient Transfusion	Death	Cause of Death
Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID	Person ID
Result and specimen collection dates	Measurement date and time	Administration date and time	Blood product code and type	Death date	Cause of death
Test type, immediacy & location	Height and weight	Encounter ID	Encounter ID	Source	Source
Logical Observation Identifiers Names and Codes (LOINC ®)	Diastolic & systolic BP	National Drug Code (NDC)	Blood type	Confidence	Confidence
Test result & unit	Tobacco use & type	Route	Administration start and end dates and times	Etc.	Etc.
Etc.	Etc.	Dose	Etc.		
		Etc.			

Sentinel distributed analysis



1- User creates and submits query

2- Data Partners retrieve query

3- Data Partners review and run query against their local data

4- Data Partners review results

5- Data Partners return results via secure network

6 Results are aggregated and returned

Sentinel distributed database*

- ❑ Populations with well-defined person-time for which most medically-attended events are known
 - 223 million unique member IDs
 - 425 million person-years of observation time
 - 43 million people currently accruing new data
 - 5.9 billion dispensings
 - 7.2 billion unique encounters
 - 42 million people with ≥ 1 laboratory test result

* As of January 2017

Sentinel Initiative

Sentinel Infrastructure

Sentinel System

- ARIA
- PRISM (vaccines)
- BloodSCAN
(blood products)

FDA-Catalyst

Sentinel in 2016

- Janet Woodcock, Director of Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER) at 8th Annual Sentinel Initiative Public Workshop:
 - Sentinel is now an "*integral part of routine safety surveillance*"
- Two classes of activity
 - Production
 - New FDA requesters
 - Requests for new routine capabilities
 - Development

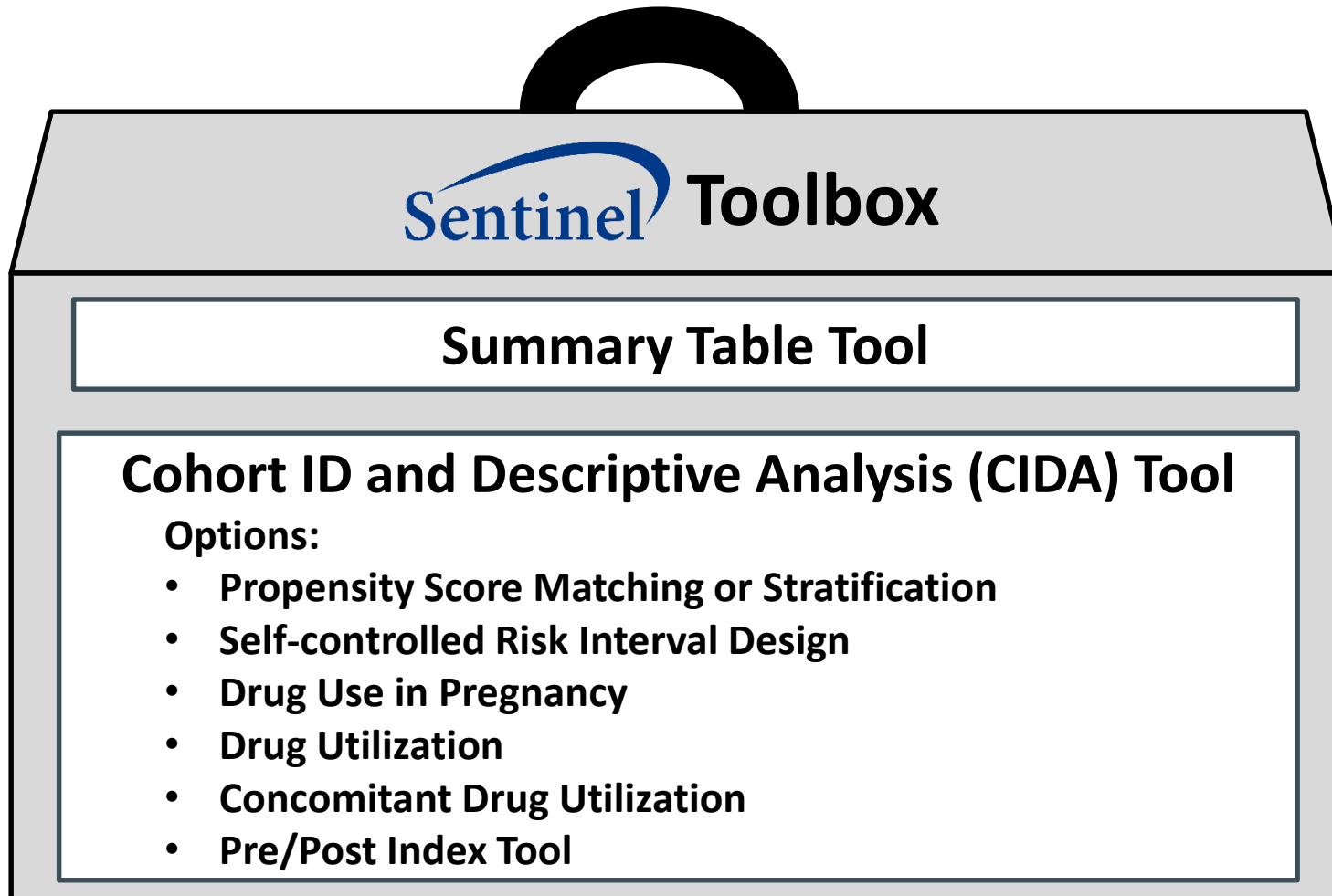
Protocol based analyses – Custom programs

- New programs to answer questions not addressable with existing tools
- Requires extensive planning, implementation, and testing

Production

- Routine Analytic Framework
reusable programs that support ARIA:
Active Risk Identification and Analysis

Sentinel's Tools



Rapid querying via reusable programs

Three ways to address questions

Routine Analytic Framework (RAF)



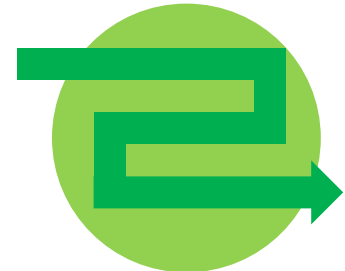
- Off-the-shelf query “templates”
- Standard inputs, standard output
- Quick execution

RADaR: Rapid Analytic Development and Response: RAF + custom code



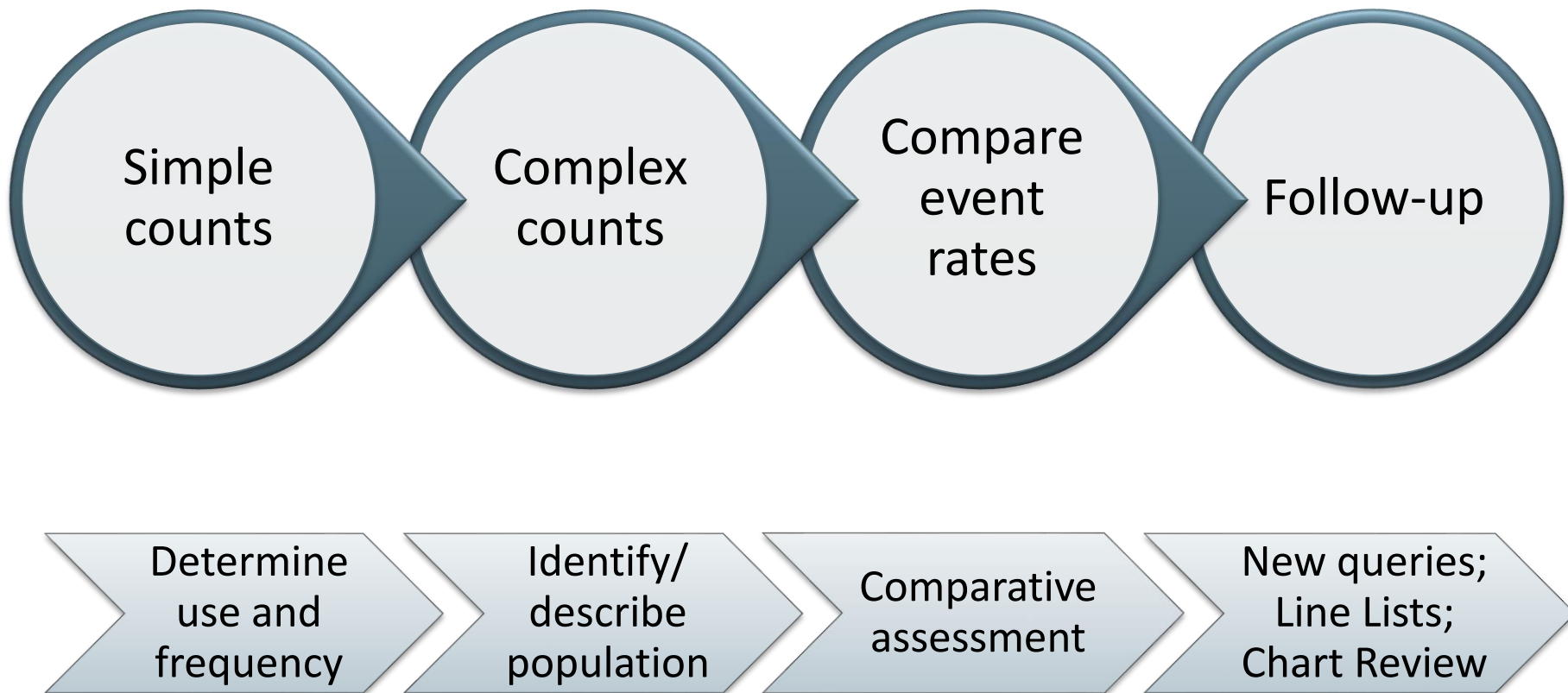
- Hybrid approach: custom code leveraging RAF
- Standard inputs, custom output

Custom Programs

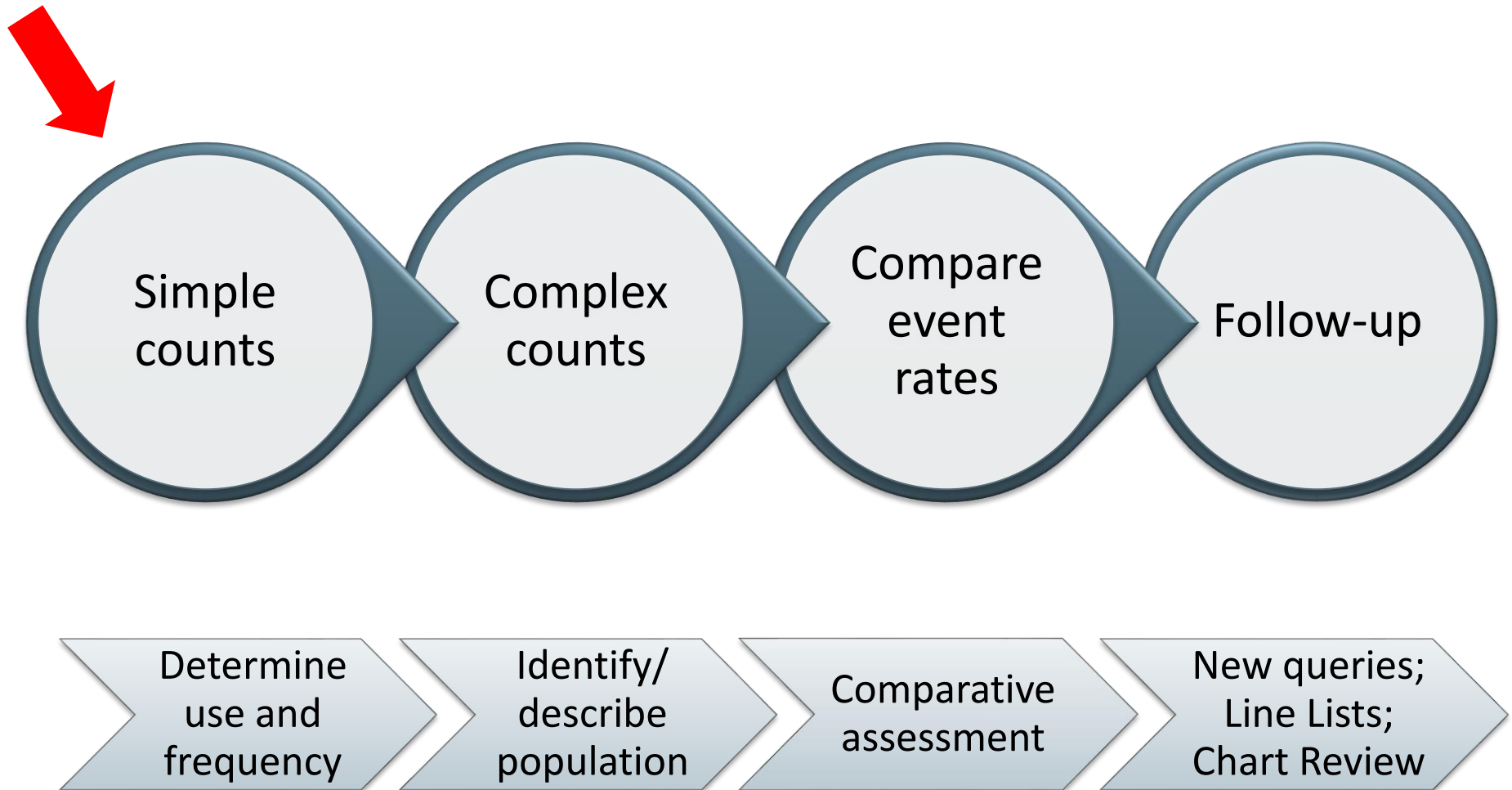


- Analysis as specified
- Custom inputs, custom output
- Longer execution

Querying Sequence



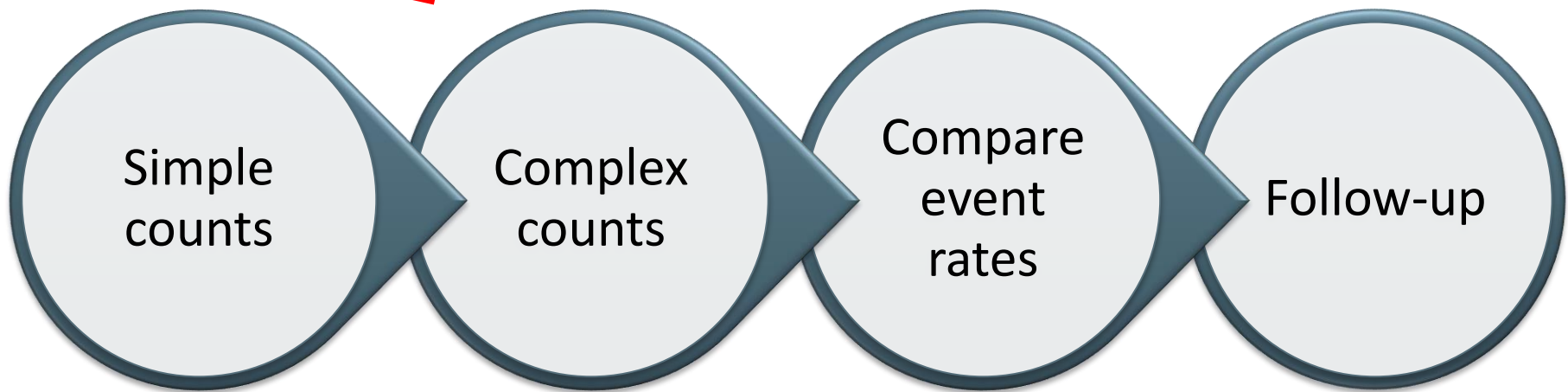
Querying Sequence



Simple counts (summary table queries)

- Counts of individuals with exposure or condition
- 49 queries / 291 scenarios in 2016

Querying Sequence



Complex count queries (Level 1 / 1+)

- Counts and rates of events within user specified times, among populations identified using complex “and/or/not” relationships.
 - Example: Rates of first diagnosis of heart failure or cardiomyopathy among new users of different drugs used to treat ADHD, by age and duration of exposure
- 53 queries, 800+ scenarios in 2016

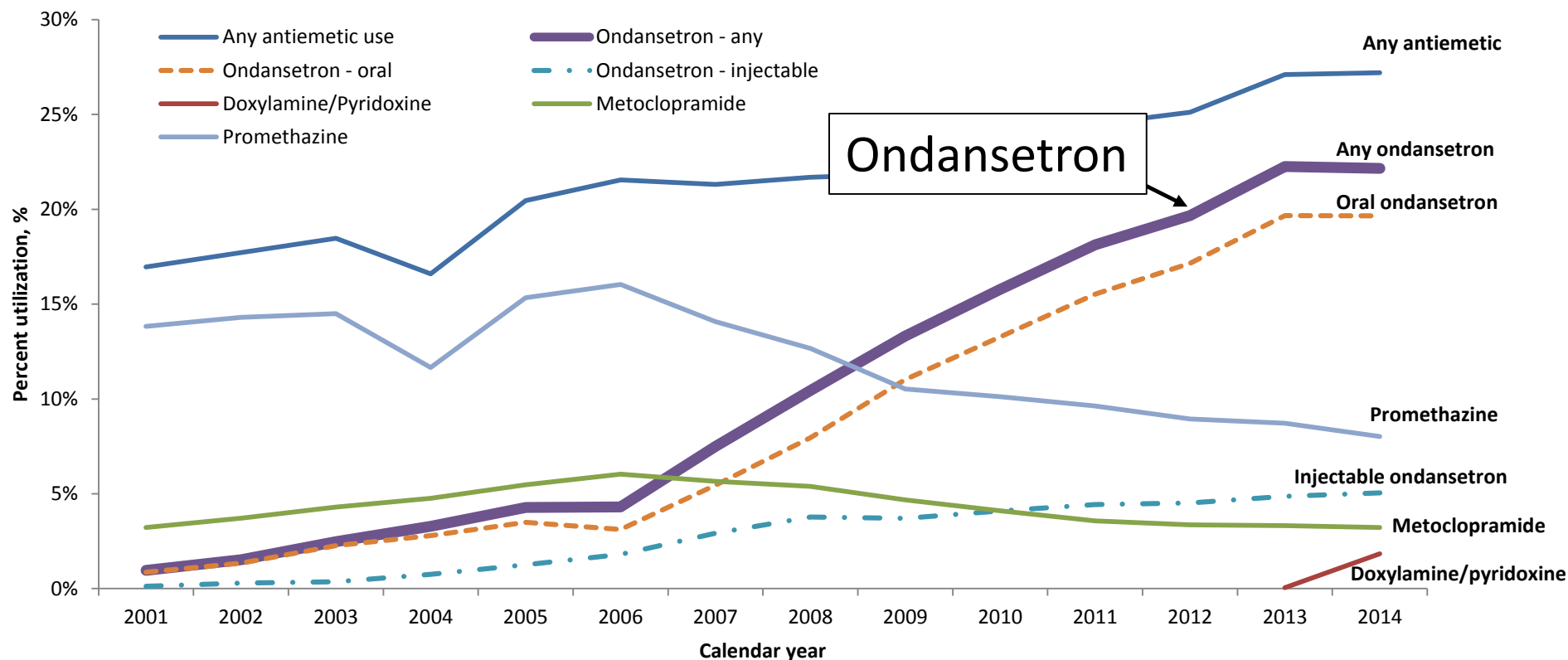
**You can observe a lot by just
watching
Yogi Berra**



Background

- Ondansetron is ... approved for prevention of nausea and vomiting (NV) with chemotherapy, radiotherapy, and post-operatively
 - Not approved for NV in pregnancy (NVP) but prescribed off-label
 - Only doxylamine/pyridoxine(Diclegis™, approved 2013) approved for NVP
- Several recent studies suggest an increase in congenital malformations with ondansetron use in early pregnancy; however evidence is inconclusive
- Needed to better understand antiemetic use in a cohort of pregnant women

Use of antiemetic drugs among live birth pregnancies in the Sentinel Distributed Database, 2001-2014^{a,b}



^a Dashed lines for oral and injection ondansetron form represent a portion of all total ondansetron use as shown by the solid purple line. Summation of oral and injection utilization sums to greater than total ondansetron use since some women received both products.

^b Not all Mini-Sentinel data partners contributed data for the entire study period

Lockwood G. Taylor, PhD, MPH, ICPE Aug 26, 2016

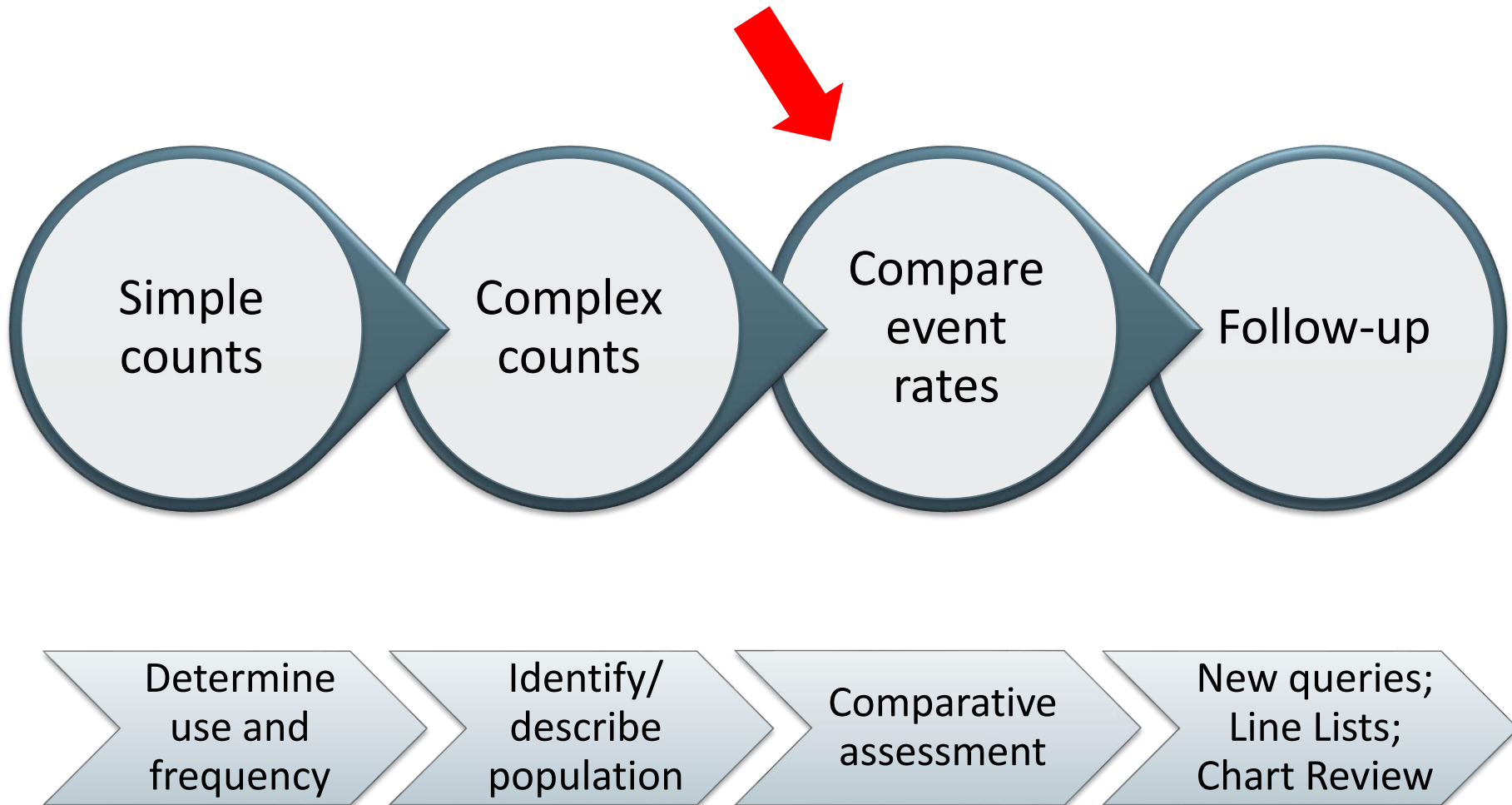
Conclusion

- Given the widespread use of ondansetron in pregnancy, a great need exists for data establishing its efficacy as well as methodologically rigorous post-marketing assessments to evaluate its safety in pregnant women.

Blood transfusion during pregnancy

- Need for rapid assessment of frequency of transfusion during pregnancy
- Sentinel Distributed Dataset identified 1,946,032 deliveries with coverage during entire pregnancy from 2008-2015 (~8% of U.S. deliveries)
- 21,048 (1.1%) pregnancies had blood transfusion
- Report with integrated data from 15 data partners returned to FDA within 3 working days of final specification

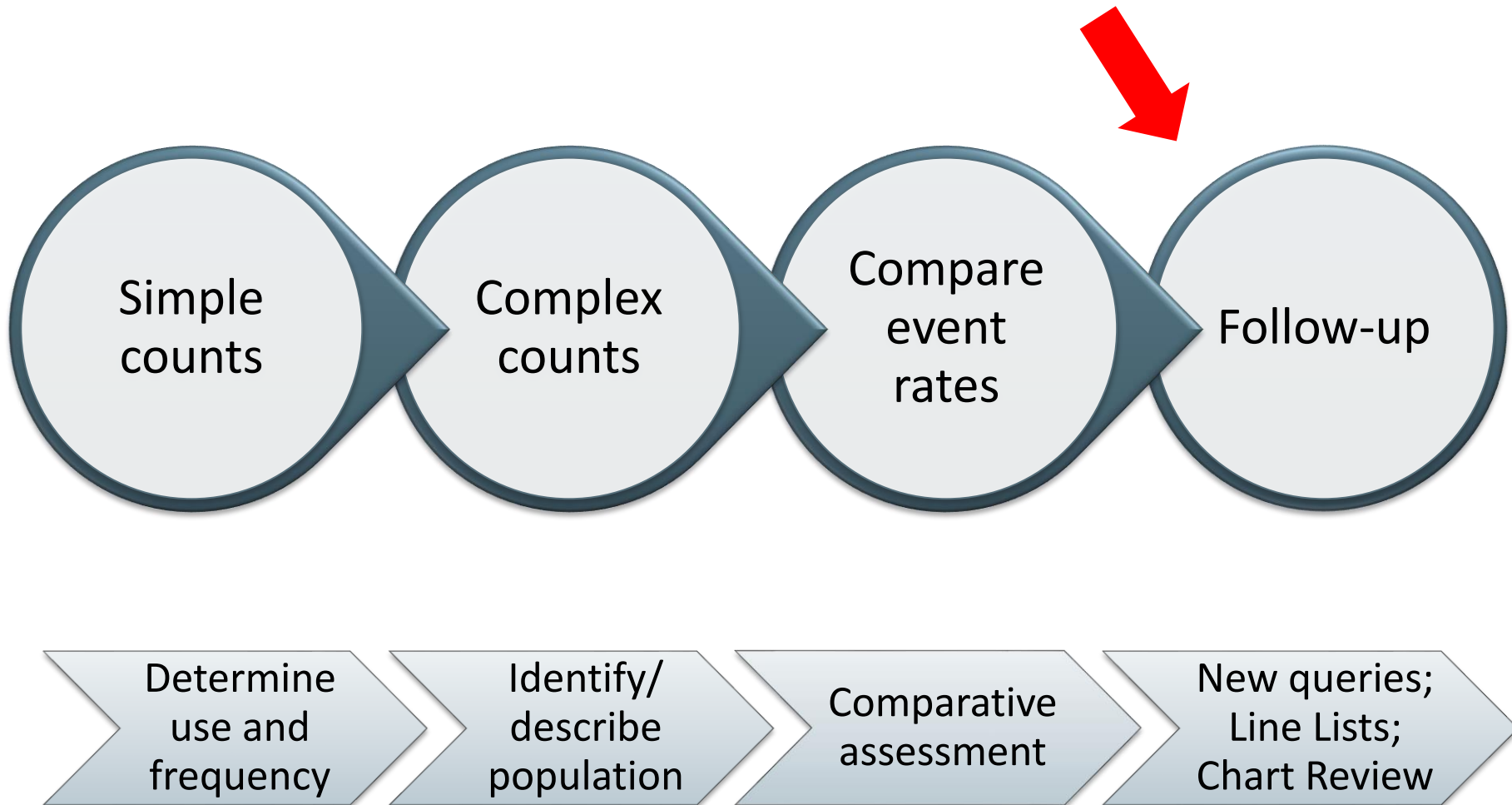
Querying Sequence



Comparison of rates (Level 2 / 2+)

- Adjusted relative rates or hazard ratios comparing outcomes among two cohorts identified by complex count program
 - or
- Adjusted self-controlled risk interval analysis
 - Example: Risk of seizures associated with new use of ranolazine
- 11 queries / 100+ scenarios in 2016

Querying Sequence



Patient Episode Profile Retrieval (PEPR)

Episode Detail						^ Incidence: F = first observed; I = incident; blank = prevalent # Primary Dx: P = primary; S = secondary; X = N/A ~ Med enroll segment containing the admission date of the encounter or the drug enroll segment containing the dispensing date									
Days from expos	Enc type	L O S	Clinical code			Code description	Incidence^	P Dx#	Node (Y/N)	Main expos (Y/N)	Any vacc (Y/N)	Rx days supp	Rx amt	Cov start~	Cov end~
Cat	Type	Code													
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7	IP	1	PX	C4	74000	X-Ray Exam Of Abdomen	F							-386	1260

New Types of Queries for Other Uses

- Medications errors
 - Name confusion medication errors
 - Dosing errors
- Geographic location stratification

Development Projects in 2016

Methods Development

Review Literature/
Develop Method

14

Evaluate Method

13

Develop Prototype

4

Tool Development

2

Tool Development

Tool Beta-Testing

0

Tool QC

0

Tool Complete

12

Data Expansion

2

Integration

0

Implementation

1

Planning

2

Discovery

Data expansion projects

Project name	Description	Status and timeline
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) fee for service beneficiary on-boarding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial extract, 2010-2015, covers ~35 million with prescription drug coverage 	2nd quarter 2017 for quality-checked, queryable data
Inpatient data expansion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Three sites exploring populating inpatient pharmacy + inpatient transfusion tables 	Go / no-go decision expected 2 nd quarter 2017.
Rapid surveillance / refresh-on-demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan and build a 'refresh on-demand' system using freshest-feasible data extracts 	Go / no-go decision expected 1st quarter 2017
Diagnosis date and procedure date/time expansion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inpatient records will add actual diagnosis date and procedure date and time 	Approx. 12 months

Methods development active in 2016 (selected)

ICD10 preparedness

Disease risk score exploratory methods

Optimal propensity score matching strategies for subgroup analyses

Analyzing Laboratory data for routine surveillance

Evaluating performance of analytic modules using simulation (Big Sim)

Quantitative Bias Analysis (QBA)

TreeScan Bias / Power Calculation / Evaluation / Propensity scores

Outcome-based TreeScan (aka DrugScan)

Sentinel is a National Medical Product Monitoring System

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ABOUT

- Background
- Coordinating Center
- Privacy and Security



SAFETY ASSESSMENTS

- Active Risk Identification and Analysis System
- Assessments of Drugs
- Assessments of Vaccines, Blood, & Biologics



DATA & SURVEILLANCE TOOLS

- Distributed Database and Common Data Model
- Complementary Data Sources
- Routine Querying Tools
- Validations and Literature Reviews



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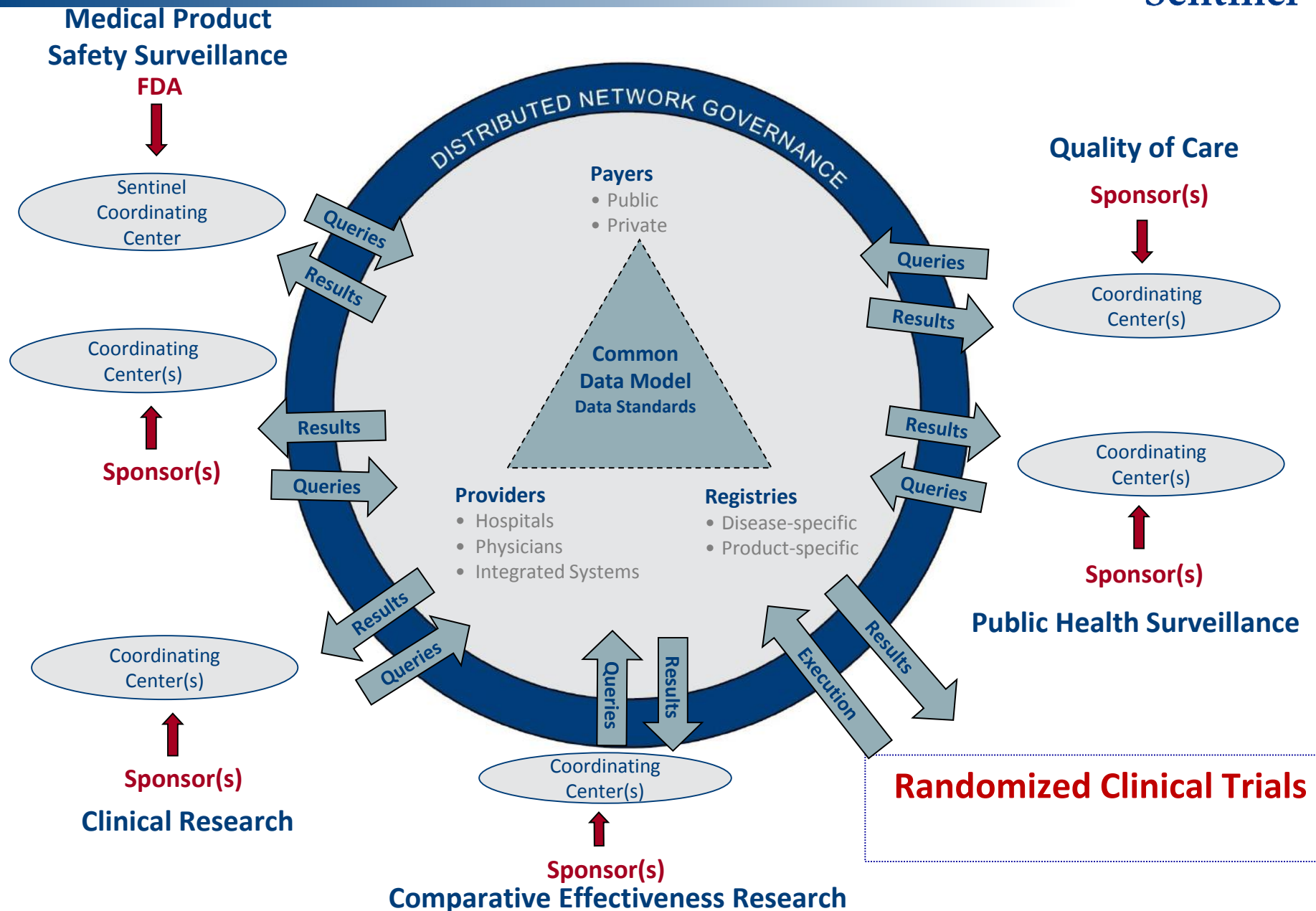
SPOTLIGHT

- Public Workshop: The Sentinel Post-Licensure Rapid Immunization Safety Monitoring (PRISM) System
Tue, 11/15/2016
- Sentinel Initiative Public Workshop - Ninth Annual
Tue, 11/08/2016

STUDY PROTOCOLS & SURVEILLANCE PLANS

- Influenza Vaccines and Birth Outcomes Protocol (PRISM)
Fri, 01/20/2017
- Identify and Evaluate Manufacturer-Level Drug Utilization and Switching Patterns in Sentinel
Mon, 12/12/2016

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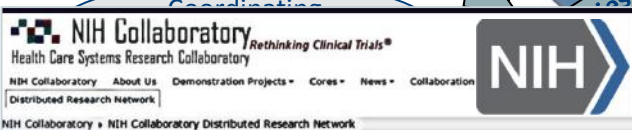
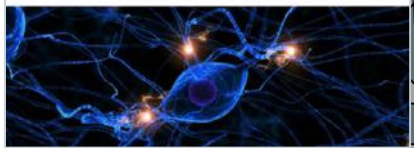
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NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network
Clinical Research

DISTRIBUTED NETWORK GOVERNANCE

Payers

- Public
- Private

Common
Data Model
Data Standards

Providers

- Hospitals
- Physicians
- Integrated Systems

Registries

- Disease-specific
- Product-specific

Quality of Care

Sponsor(s)



Coordinating
Center(s)



Public Health Surveillance



Comparative Effectiveness Research





- The Reagan-Udall Foundation for the FDA is a not-for-profit organization established by the United States Congress to advance regulatory science
- The Innovation in Medical Evidence Development and Surveillance (IMEDS) program provides an entry point for private and public sector stakeholders that would like to use Sentinel data, tools, and methods

Introducing IMEDS, a Public-Private Resource for Evidence Generation

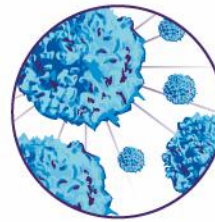
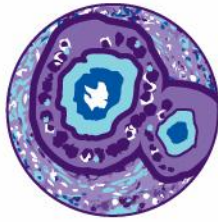
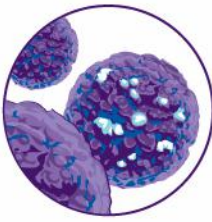
Posted on [January 17, 2017](#) by [FDA Voice](#)

By: Robert M. Califf, M.D.

FDA has been working to establish a national resource for FDA-approved medical products that can be used by public and private-sector entities, including regulated industry, to conduct large scale evaluations of safety issues in an environment that is secure and protects patient privacy. These evaluations include epidemiologic studies of medical products in collaboration with multiple healthcare data partners and the analytic center utilized by FDA through the agency's [Sentinel System](#). This new resource is called the Innovation in Medical Evidence Development and Surveillance System, or IMEDS.



One of the unique aspects and advantages of IMEDS is that it was launched on January 1, 2017 as a public-private partnership by the *Reagan-Udall Foundation for the Food and Drug Administration*, a not-for-profit organization created by Congress in 2007 to advance regulatory science. The IMEDS framework specifically provides governance that allows private-sector entities to gain access to the system with appropriate oversight. As a result, the FDA Sentinel System's distributed data as well as scientific methods and tools will now be available for



Insights from Phase II of the IMEDS Evaluation Pilot – Lessons Learned and Future Needs

PPIs Usage Patterns before/after 2010 Label Change

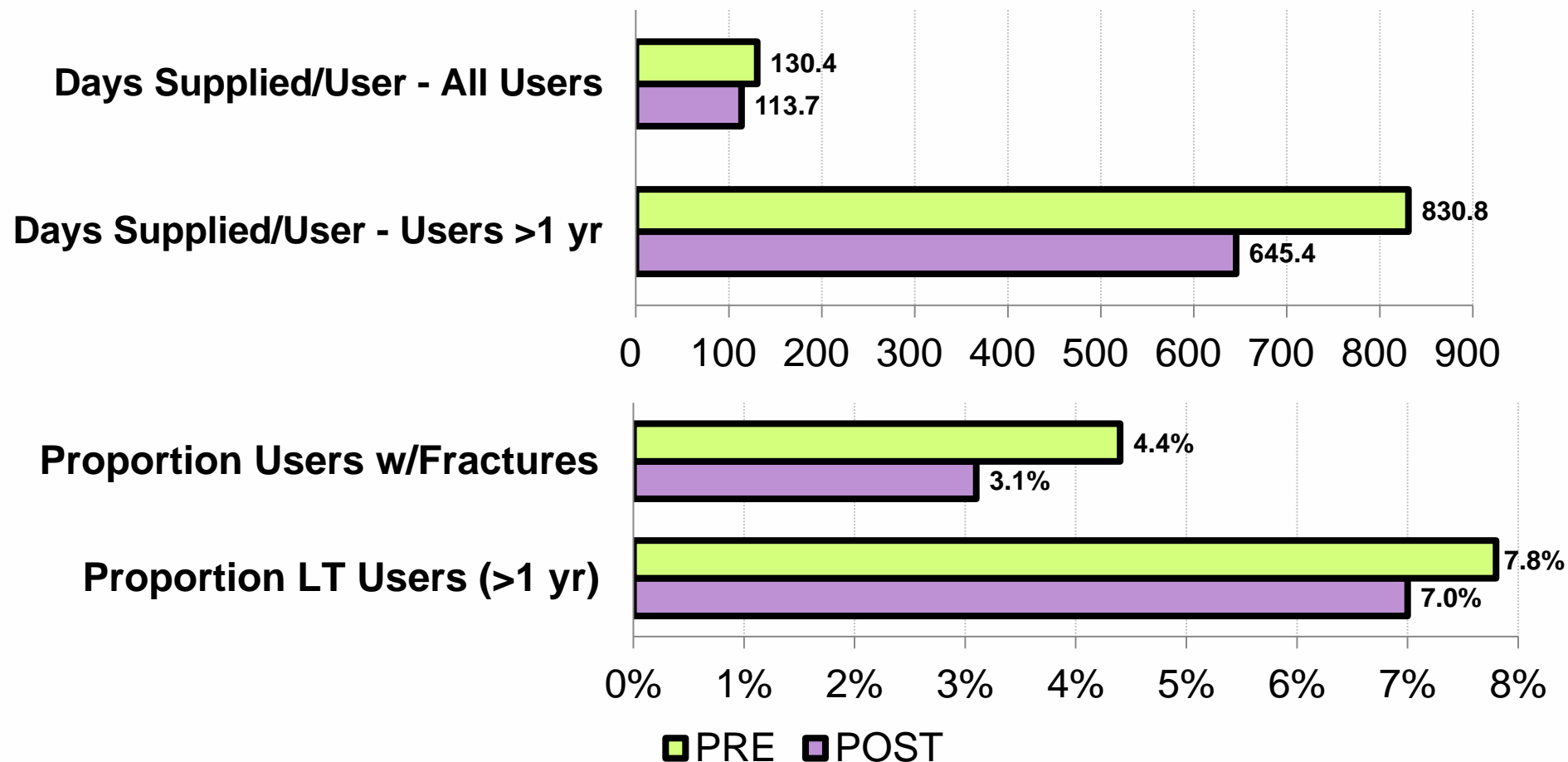
Rachel Sobel

January 4, 2017



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Worldwide Research & Development

Results – PPI Use Patterns and Incident Fractures



Results similar for prevalent users (data not shown)



WORLDWIDE SAFETY & REGULATORY
Worldwide Research & Development

■ NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network

Millions of people. Strong collaborations. Privacy first.

The NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network enables investigators to collaborate with each other in the use of electronic health data in multisite research programs.

The Network's querying capabilities reduce the need to share confidential or proprietary data by enabling authorized researchers to send queries to data partners). In some cases, queries can take the form of computer programs that a data partner can execute on a preexisting dataset. The data is aggregated (count) data, rather than the data itself. This form of remote querying reduces legal, regulatory, privacy, proprietary, and technical research.

The network seeks to build strong and trusted collaborations to support the research that will lead to improved health for millions of people.

What does the NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network do?

- Provides infrastructure and mechanisms to facilitate multicenter studies using electronic clinical, administrative, and research data
- Allows searchable discovery of available data resources, health systems, researchers, and re-usable analytic tools
- Enables authorized investigators to identify clinical, administrative, and research datasets of interest
- Facilitates multisite distributed querying of data resources, while allowing the data to remain in the control of the data owners
- Serves as a repository of tools to leverage EHRs to support clinical research across multiple health systems

[www.nihcollaboratory.org/Pages/
distributed-research-network.aspx](http://www.nihcollaboratory.org/Pages/distributed-research-network.aspx)

NIH Collaboratory Is Soliciting Users



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Do you have a question about the rates of medical conditions or the frequency of use of medical and surgical treatments? data that can answer these questions. The Collaboratory invites prep-to-research questions.

Download the [guidance document](#) (Word) for full details on the application process.

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PCORnet: The National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network

The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) is supporting the development of PCORnet, the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network, to create a large, highly representative, national network for conducting clinical outcomes research.

PCORnet will transform clinical research by engaging patients, care providers, and health systems in collaborative partnerships to improve healthcare and advance medical knowledge. By bringing research and patient care together, this innovative health data network will be able to explore the questions that matter most to patients and their families. [Read more ...](#)



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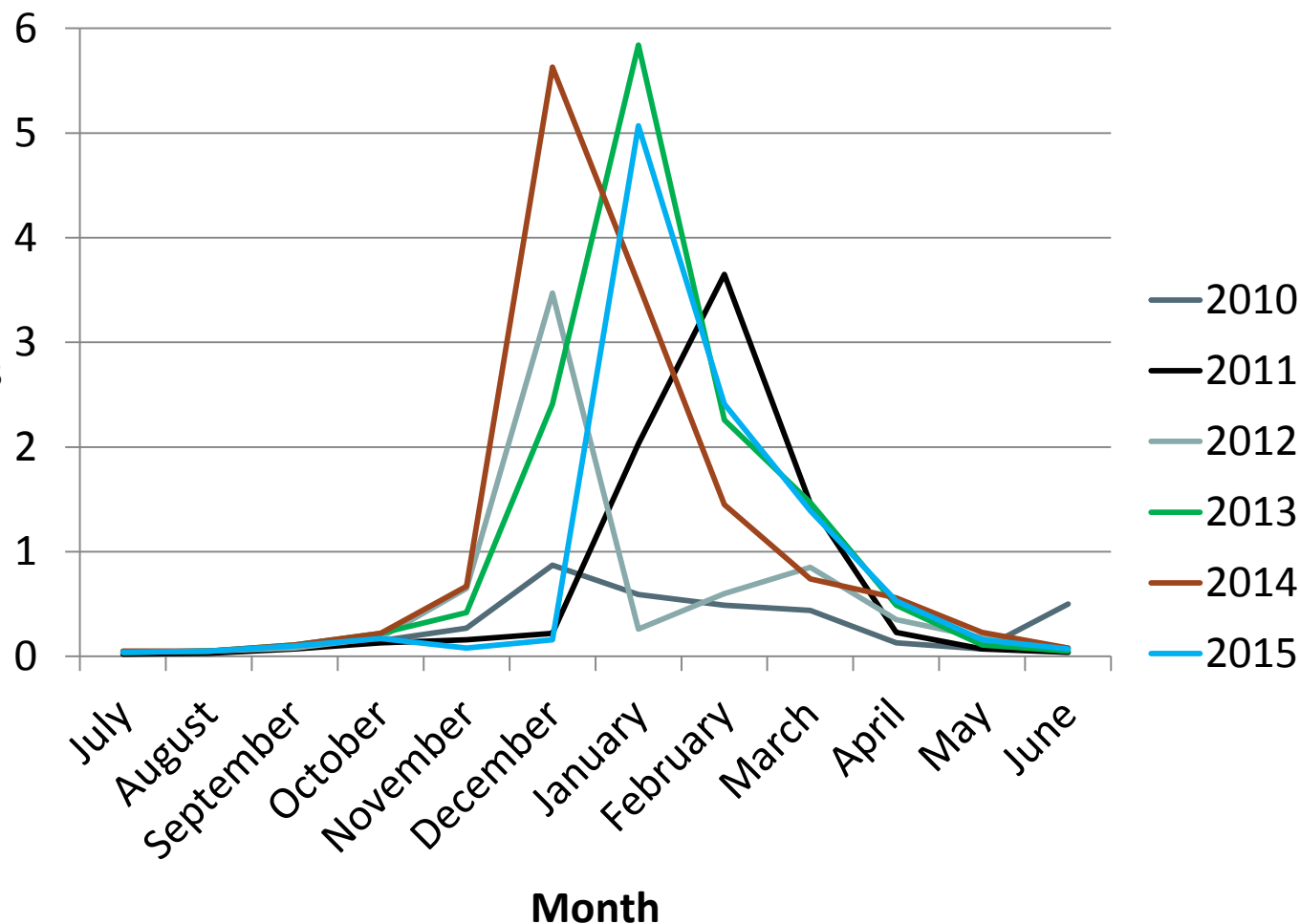
PCORnet-Sentinel Collaborations (Genesis) with CDC

- Surveillance methods for congenital Zika syndrome
- Inpatient antibiotic utilization

Oseltamivir dispensing: Influenza proxy



New Users /
1,000 members



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(blood products)

FDA-Catalyst

FDA-Catalyst: IMPACT-AFib Randomized Trial

Implementation of a randomized controlled trial to im**P**rove treatment with oral **A**nti**C**oagulan**T**s in patients with **A**trial **F**ibrillation

- Randomized controlled trial of direct mail to health plan members with AFib and to their providers to encourage consideration of oral anticoagulation
- Proof of concept multicenter randomized trial using Sentinel Initiative infrastructure

IMPACT-AFib Workgroup



Duke Clinical Research Institute



Harvard Pilgrim
HealthCare



Patient representative



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IMPACT-AFib

[HEALTH PLAN LOGO]

IMPACT AFib address
IMPACT AFib address

[Date]
[Member Name]
[Member Address]
[Member City, St, zip]

Dear [Member Name],

According to our records, you may have been diagnosed with atrial fibrillation. We know that managing your health can be a challenge, and hope this information about how to lower your risk for stroke will help.

People who have the heart beat irregularly known as "atrial fibrillation" are at an increased risk of having a stroke.

Please visit **www.IMPACT-AFib.org**, to learn more about atrial fibrillation, stroke risk, and anticoagulant medications. More information about the IMPACT-AFib initiative is available by calling [XXX-XXX-XXXX] or emailing [duke/healthplanext].

If you have questions about your benefits, call the number on the back of your health plan ID card.

Talk to your doctor about anticoagulant medications.

This packet contains information about the benefits of taking anticoagulant medications, also called blood thinners, to lower your risk of having a stroke. We recommend that you bring this information packet to your next doctor's appointment. We sent similar information to your doctor.

Anticoagulant medications may not be right for all patients, but they might be right for you. Even if you have talked about this with your doctor in the past, we encourage you to have another conversation about these medications. New anticoagulant medications are safe and effective options for many patients.

Protecting your health information

We take protecting your health information seriously. None of your health information has been shared with other health organizations. Only you and your doctor were sent this information.

Sincerely,

Chief Medical Officer
Enclosures

If you have any questions, please contact [name] at [phone #] or [email]

You can lower your risk of stroke.
Bring this letter and pocket card to your next doctor's appointment.

Talk to your doctor about the use of anticoagulant medications to prevent stroke.

Facts about atrial fibrillation, anticoagulant medication, and stroke

- Atrial fibrillation is an abnormal heartbeat in the top chambers of the heart that causes the chambers to contract irregularly. This allows blood clots to form in the non-beating chambers.
- Atrial fibrillation increases the risk of a stroke because a blood clot may form in the heart, then travel to the brain causing a stroke.
- Anticoagulants, also known as blood thinners, are a type of medication that reduces the blood's ability to form blood clots and decreases the chance of a clot forming in the top chambers of the heart.
- Aspirin is NOT effective in decreasing the risk of stroke.

Most people with atrial fibrillation should take an anticoagulant medication to reduce their risk of a stroke.

Should I be taking an anticoagulant medication?

This packet and the packet sent to your doctor are funded by the IMPACT-AFib Initiative. This U.S. Food and Drug Administration-sponsored research study is being conducted by [Health Plan], in collaboration with researchers at Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute and the Duke Clinical Research Institute. The goal of this initiative is to improve the use of oral anticoagulant medications for stroke prevention in patients with atrial fibrillation.

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IMPACT-AFib

Patient Information

You may have atrial fibrillation and may be at risk of a stroke.

Taking an anticoagulant medication may prevent a stroke.

Atrial fibrillation (AFib) is a heartbeat irregularity. If you have AFib, your blood can pool, which increases the risk of a blood clot forming in your heart. The blood clot can travel to your brain, causing a stroke.

Anticoagulant medications, also called blood thinners, can prevent most strokes in patients with AFib. If you are not taking an anticoagulant medication, you may suffer a stroke that could have been prevented.

Please review this information and talk with your doctor to find out if you should be on an anticoagulant medication to prevent a stroke.

Duke Clinical Research Institute

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How do I know if I'm at a high risk for stroke?
If you have AFib, you are at a higher risk of stroke. You are at additional risk if you:

- Have high blood pressure
- Have high blood sugar
- Have weak heart function
- Have had a stroke or mini-stroke
- Have had heart attack or blocked vessel in your leg
- Are over 64 years old
- Are a woman

I have AFib only sometimes. Am I still at risk for a stroke?

Yes, the risk is similar whether your AFib is all the time, often, or only occasionally.

What is an anticoagulant?

Anticoagulants are medications that:

- Prevent blood clots
- Keep existing clots from moving

Examples include: Coumadin, Eliquis, Pradaxa, Savaysa, warfarin, and Xarelto.*

*The information in this mailing is NOT sponsored by any drug company.

For more information, please visit impact-afib.org

If my doctor prescribes an anticoagulant, how should I take it?

- Take your medication exactly as directed by your doctor
- Take it at the same time each day
- If you forget to take your medication one day, take a dose as soon as possible on the same day
- Do not take a double dose the following day to "catch up"

Tell your doctor if you are pregnant or plan to become pregnant, are breastfeeding or plan to breastfeed, if you have liver or kidney problems, or are planning to have surgery.

Will anticoagulant medications prevent strokes?

- Anticoagulant medications reduce the risk of stroke by 70% in patients with atrial fibrillation.

What about aspirin?

- Aspirin is **not** an effective medication for decreasing the risk of stroke caused by atrial fibrillation.



Intervention Materials for Providers

- Provider letter – sent from health plan Chief Medical Officer, describes call to action
- Provider enclosure – myths and facts on use of OACs
- Response mailer – way for providers to share feedback

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Welcome to Mini-Sentinel

Mini-Sentinel is a pilot project sponsored by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to create an active surveillance system - the Sentinel System - to monitor the safety of FDA-regulated medical products. Mini-Sentinel uses pre-existing electronic healthcare data from multiple sources. Collaborating Institutions provide access to data as well as scientific and organizational expertise. Mini-Sentinel is part of the FDA's Sentinel Initiative, which is exploring a variety of approaches for improving the Agency's ability to quickly identify and assess safety issues.

Most Mini-Sentinel activities focus on assessments, methods, or data. Visit the following links to learn more about each type of activity:

- [Assessments](#) - Medical product exposures, health outcomes, and links between them
- [Methods](#) - Techniques for identifying, validating, and linking medical product exposures and health outcomes
- [Data](#) - Mini-Sentinel Distributed Dataset and tools used to access the data

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FDA's Active Risk Identification and Analysis (ARIA) System

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Center of Drug Evaluation and Research

February 2, 2017

2007 FDA Amendments Act (FDAAA)

- Post Marketing Requirements
- Safety Labeling Changes
- Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategies (REMS)
- Required Safety Reviews (“915” and “921”)
- **Active post-market Risk Identification and Analysis system**
 - FDA Sentinel Initiative

Public Law 110-85
110th Congress

An Act

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to revise and extend the user-fee programs for prescription drugs and for medical devices, to enhance the postmarket authorities of the Food and Drug Administration with respect to the safety of drugs, and for other purposes.

Sept. 27, 2007
[H.R. 3580]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Food and Drug Administration Amendments Act of 2007”.

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21 USC 301 note.

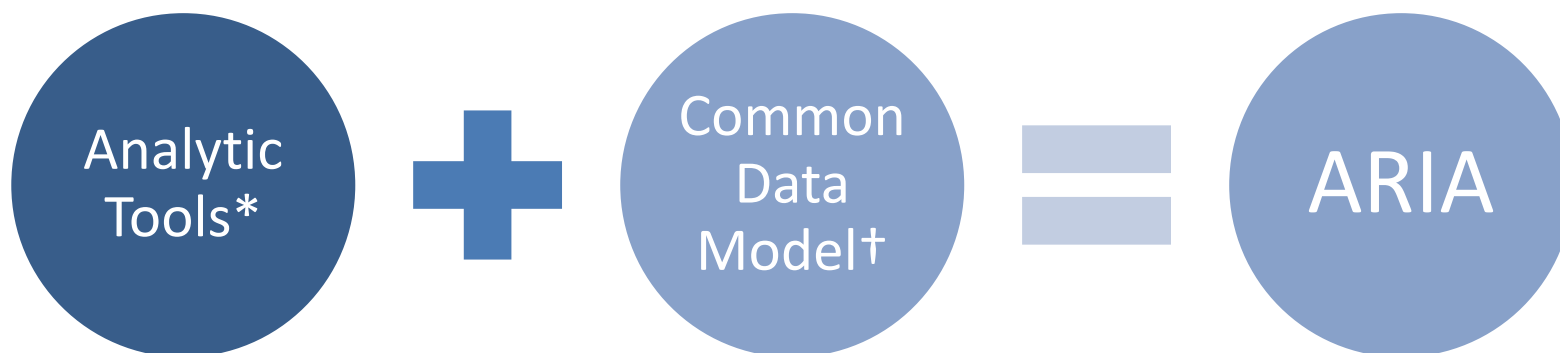


Active Risk Identification and Analysis (ARIA) System

- Mandated creation in Section 905 of FDAAA 2007
- Linked to PMR in Section 901(3)(D)(i):
 - “The Secretary may not require the responsible person to conduct a study under this paragraph, unless the Secretary makes a determination that the reports under subsection (k)(1) and the **active postmarket risk identification and analysis system** as available under subsection (k)(3) will not be **sufficient** to meet the purposes set forth in subparagraph (B).”

Defining ARIA

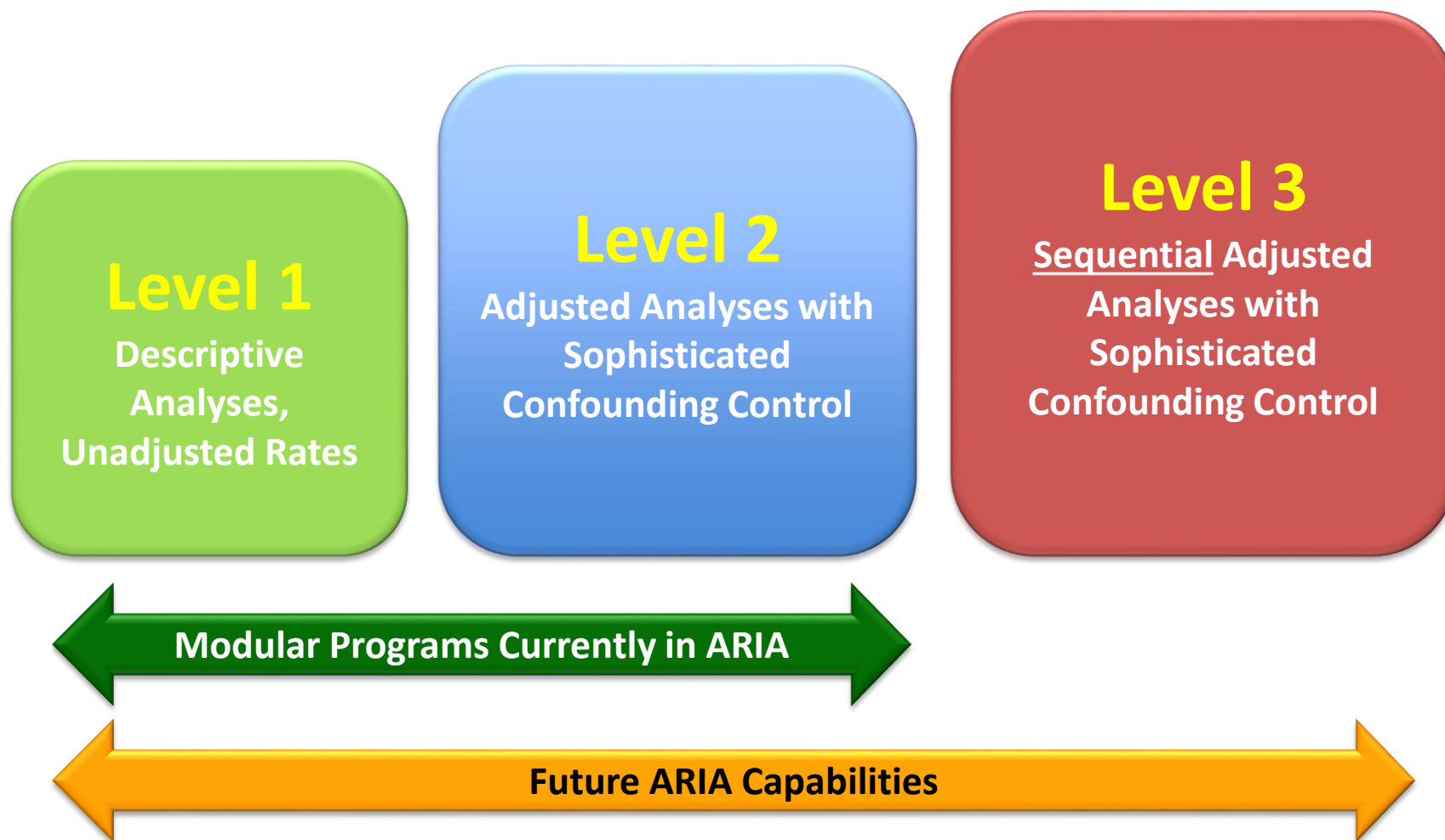
ARIA uses a subset of Sentinel System's full capabilities to fulfill the FDAAA mandate to conduct active safety surveillance



* Pre-defined, parameterized, and re-usable to enable faster safety surveillance in Sentinel (in contrast to protocol based assessments with customized programming)

† Electronic claims data, without manual medical record review

ARIA is Comprised of Distributed Querying Approach using Modular Programs



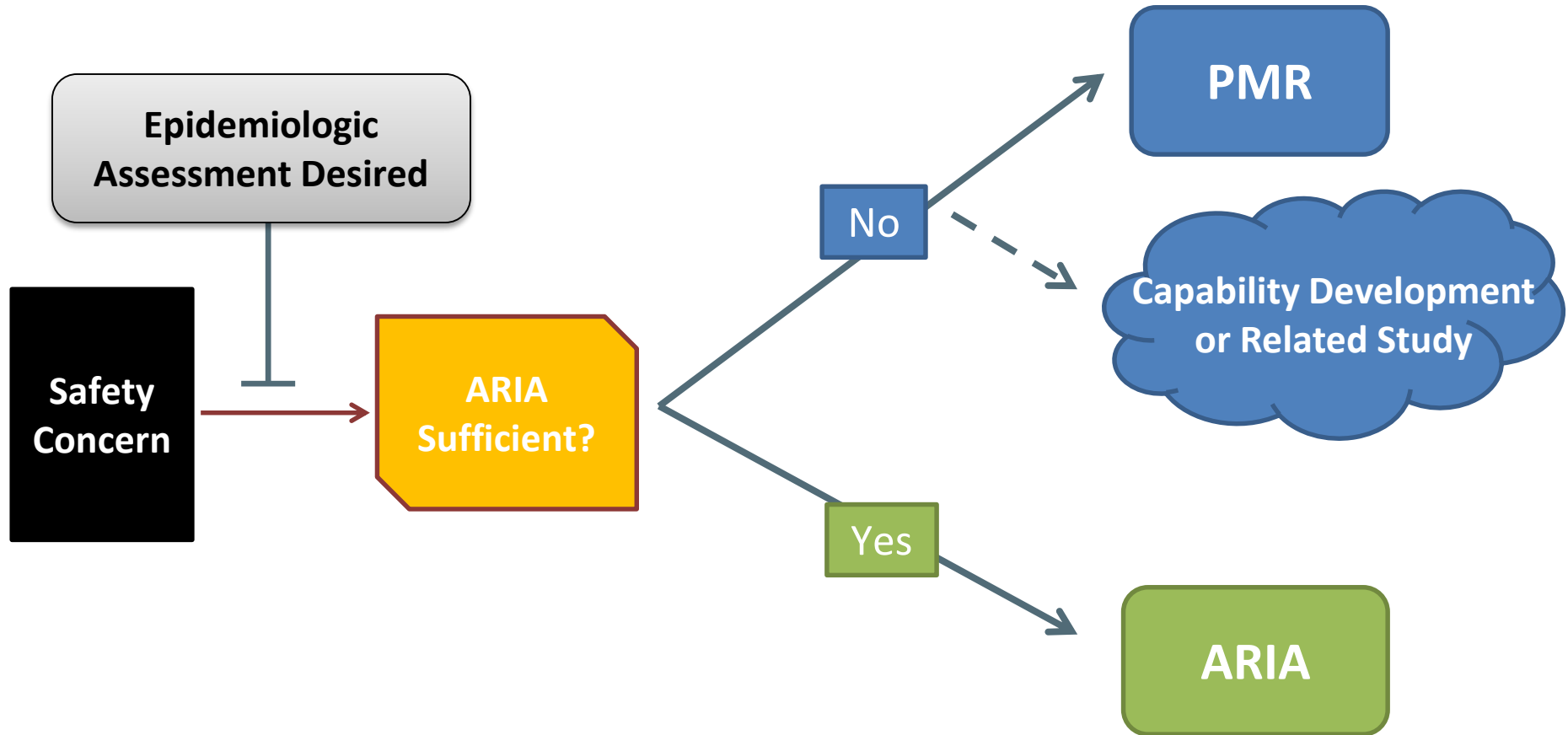
What is Sufficiency?

- Adequate data
 - Drug
 - Health Outcomes of Interest
 - Confounders
- Appropriate method
- To answer the question of interest*
- To a satisfactory level of precision

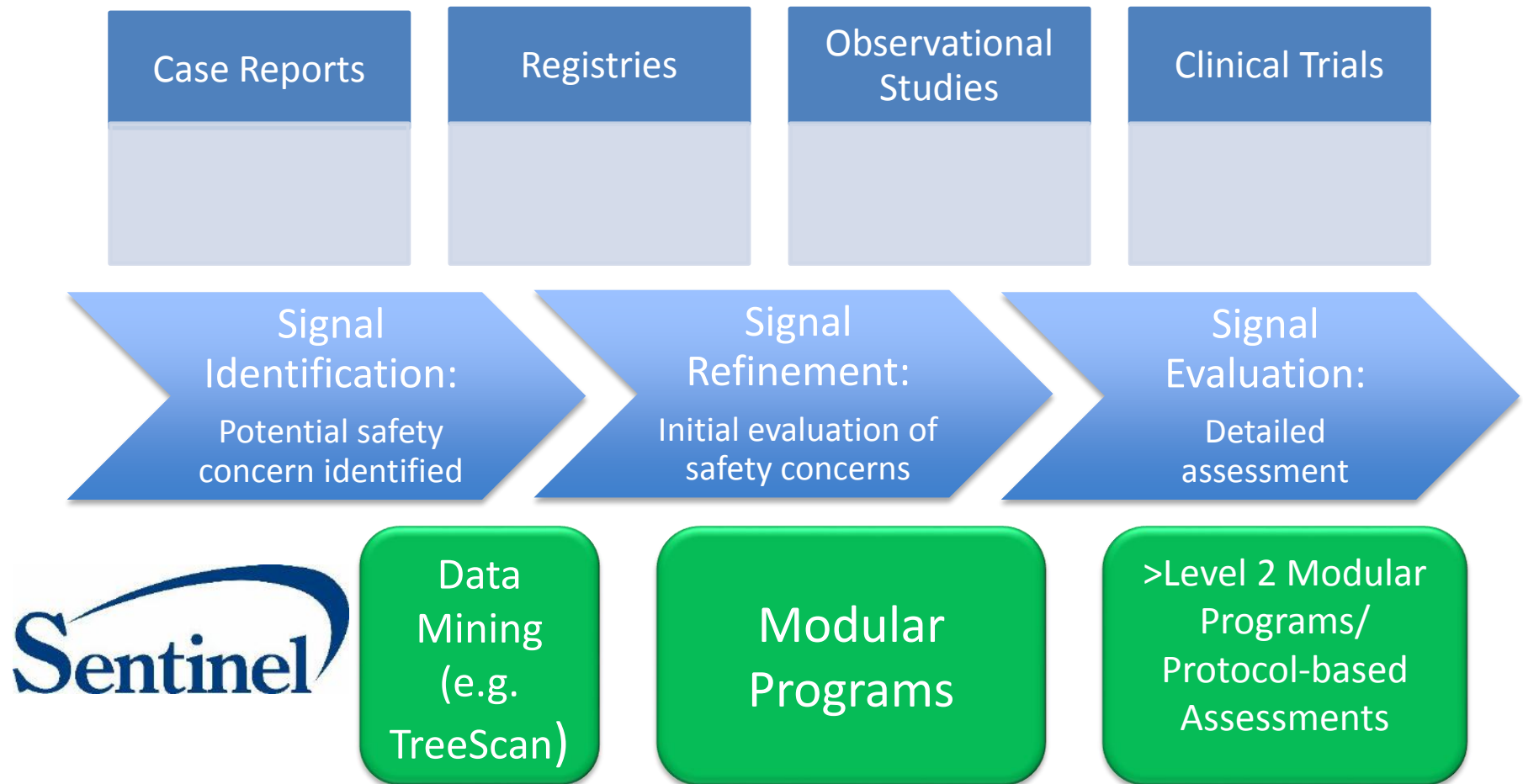
*FDAAA study purpose is one of the following:

- assess a known serious risk related to the use of the drug
- assess signals of serious risk related to the use of the drug
- identify an unexpected serious risk when available data indicate the potential for a serious risk

Sufficiency: A Regulatory Decision Point



Post-Market Safety Assessment



Thank you



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Integrating Sentinel Activities into the Drug Review Process: A CDER Perspective

Ninth Annual Sentinel Initiative Public Workshop
February 2, 2017

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Highlights from CDER Activities

Widespread Adoption & Integration ARIA

- Implementation of new processes for routine integration of ARIA into CDER review activities
- Routine use of ARIA in majority of therapeutic areas regulated by CDER

New Tools

- Evaluating confounding control tools and methods and developing new tools for generic drug switching, REMS evaluation, and medication errors

New Data Sources, Tough Outcomes

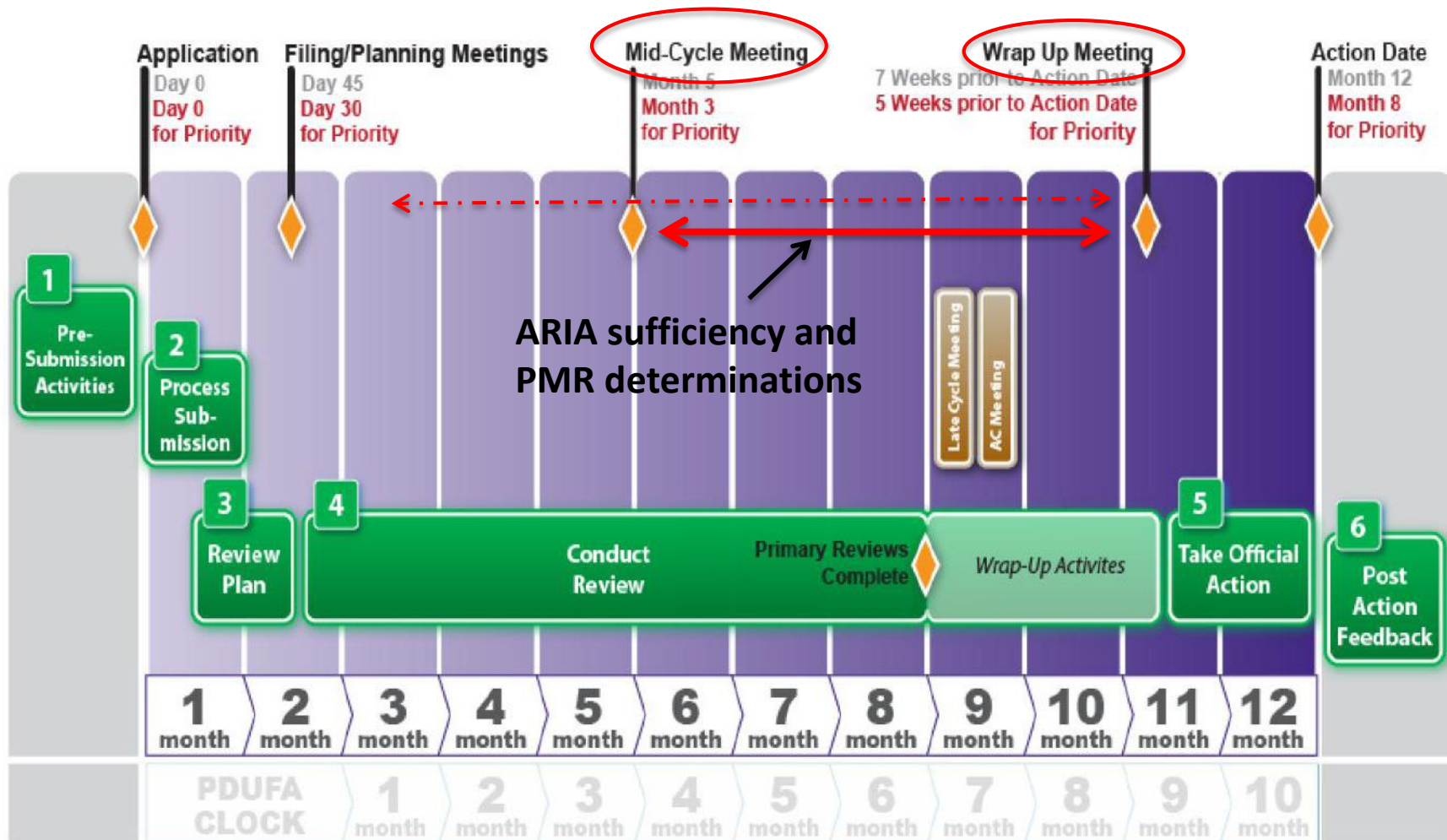
- Continuing to add new data partners
 - Expanding the CDM to capture Hospital Corporation of America's EMR data elements
 - Add Medicare Virtual Research Data Center
- Assess new approaches for detecting health outcomes of interest



Opportunities for Integration of Sentinel Analyses into Drug Review

- Review of new and supplemental marketing applications (NDAs/BLAs)
 - Determination of whether ARIA is sufficient for the purposes under section 505(o)(3) of the FDCA, or if a PMR is necessary
 - To supplement information about drug use and/or drug effects
- Postmarket surveillance
 - Signal identification
- Assessment of known or potential safety signals
 - Signal refinement
 - Signal evaluation

Integrating Sentinel Into NDA/BLA Review



Integrating Sentinel Into NDA/BLA Review Processes (contd.)

- Scientific considerations
 - What characteristics indicate sufficiency of ARIA for assessment of a particular safety signal
- Defining roles and responsibilities in Sentinel analyses
 - Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology (OSE)
 - Office of New Drugs (OND)
 - Office of Biostatistics (OB)
 - Other CDER offices
- Establishing processes for internal communication and documentation
 - Timeframes for assessment of ARIA sufficiency
 - Review team discussions about purpose of the signal evaluation and sufficiency of ARIA for this purpose
 - Documenting ARIA sufficiency determination

Results of Sentinel Analyses and Regulatory Decision Making

Works in progress...

- Process for communicating results of Sentinel analyses with review teams
- Interpretation of Sentinel analysis output
- Consideration of Sentinel analysis results in context of other available information
 - Strengths, limitations of Sentinel as a data source
 - Strengths, limitations of Sentinel analytic method(s)

Communicating about Sentinel

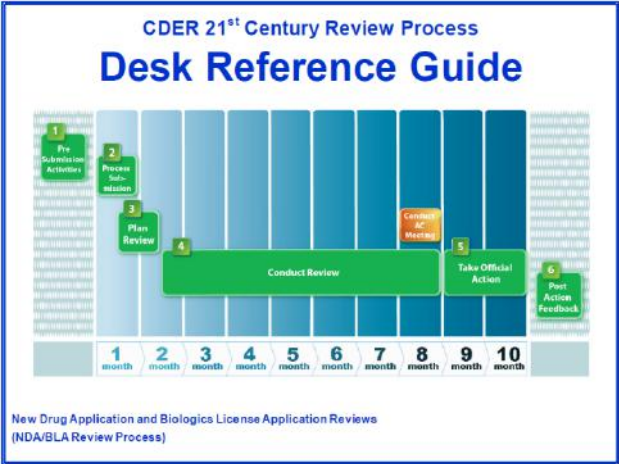


- Public communication about sentinel analyses and related work products
 - Completed Sentinel analyses
www.sentinelinitiative.org
 - Posters, abstracts, manuscripts
- *In progress* - Policies and procedures for informing sponsors about:
 - Planned use of Sentinel to evaluate a safety signal involving their respective products
 - Results from completed Sentinel analyses

PDUFA VI Commitment Letter:

“By the end of FY 2020, FDA will facilitate integration of Sentinel into the human drug review program in a systematic, efficient, and consistent way through staff development and by updating existing SOPPs and MAPPs, as needed.”

MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES	
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Other existing (or new) MAPP or guidance?

Guidance for Industry

Postmarketing Studies and Clinical Trials —

Implementation of

Section 505(o)(3) of the

Federal Food, Drug, and

Cosmetic Act

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Food and Drug Administration
Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER)
Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER)

April 2011
Drug Safety



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Integrating Sentinel Activities into the Regulatory Process: A CBER Perspective

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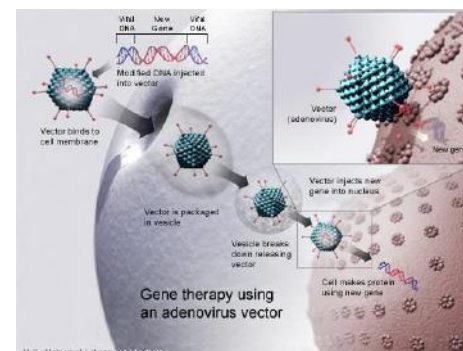
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CBER Safety Surveillance Data Sources

- Premarket safety data
- Postmarket spontaneous AE surveillance (FAERS/VAERS)
- Medical literature
- Other national regulatory authorities
- Signal detection in claims data (Sentinel/TreeScan)
- Pharmacoepidemiologic studies
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services data
 - Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD)
 - Sentinel

CBER Use of Sentinel

- Historically, CBER has used PBAs in all 3 product offices
- ARIA tools have become more sophisticated
- Transitioned to more use of ARIA
- Continue with some PBAs and methods development



CBER Sentinel Case Study - Blood Safety Continuous Active Surveillance Network (BloodScan) ---

- Safety surveillance for blood/blood products
- Uses all 18 data partners
- Claims data and electronic health records
- Inpatient blood transfusion data has improved surveillance
- Immune globulin (IVIG) and thromboembolic events (TEE) case study



CBER Sentinel Case Study



IVIG

- Purified plasma fraction of polyclonal immunoglobulin G
- Derived from pooled donor plasma
- Used for immune deficiency diseases, autoimmune disorders, and inflammatory disorders

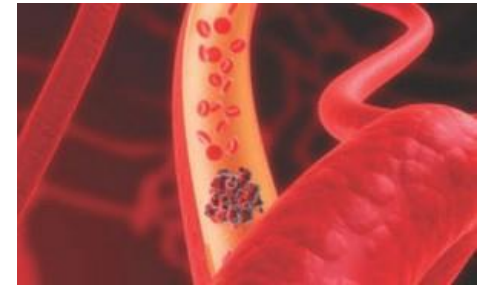
CBER Sentinel Case Study

IVIG and TEE

- Case series first reported in 1986
- Spontaneous case reports
- Laboratory evaluations – thrombogenicity
- Warning labeling in 2002
- Pharmacoepi study of IVIG-associated same day TEE (HealthCore claims data)
- Box warning in 2013
- Magnitude of risk and risk factors?

CBER Sentinel Case Study

“Evaluation of the Risk of Thromboembolic Events After Immunoglobulin Administration”



- Protocol-based assessment
- Retrospective, self-controlled risk-interval design
- Initiated IVIG use between 2006-2012
- 14 data partners, medical record confirmation
- Physician-adjudicators confirm exposures, outcomes, and timing
- Goal: estimate RR of IVIG for TEE, identify potential risk factors
- Results: to be posted on Sentinel Website soon!

Regulatory Decisions

- Continued monitoring
- Further study
- Public communication
- Label/PV plan revisions
- PMC/PMR/REMS
- Market withdrawal

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Overview of CBER's Current Sentinel System Activities



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CBER Sentinel Program

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February 2, 2017

Outline

1. Current priority areas
2. Update on recent activities
3. Major accomplishments
4. Future direction

CBER Sentinel

Regulated Products

Sentinel Components

Vaccines



Post-licensure Rapid
Immunization Safety
Monitoring (PRISM)

Blood & Blood-
Derived Products



Blood Safety Continuous
Active-surveillance Network
(BloodSCAN)

Cellular, Tissue,
Gene Therapies



General Sentinel

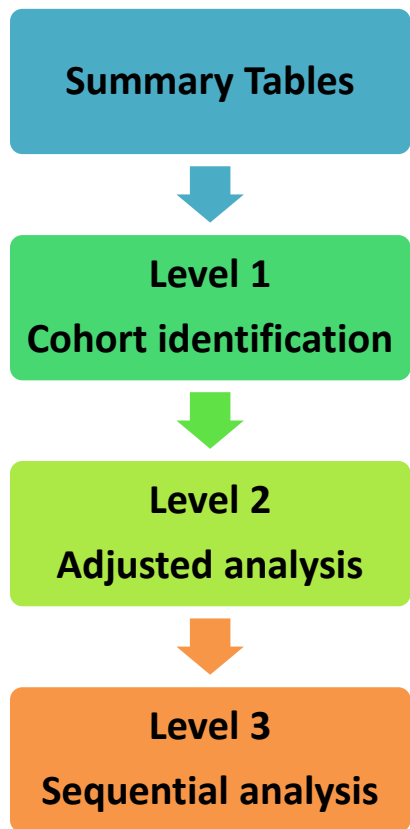
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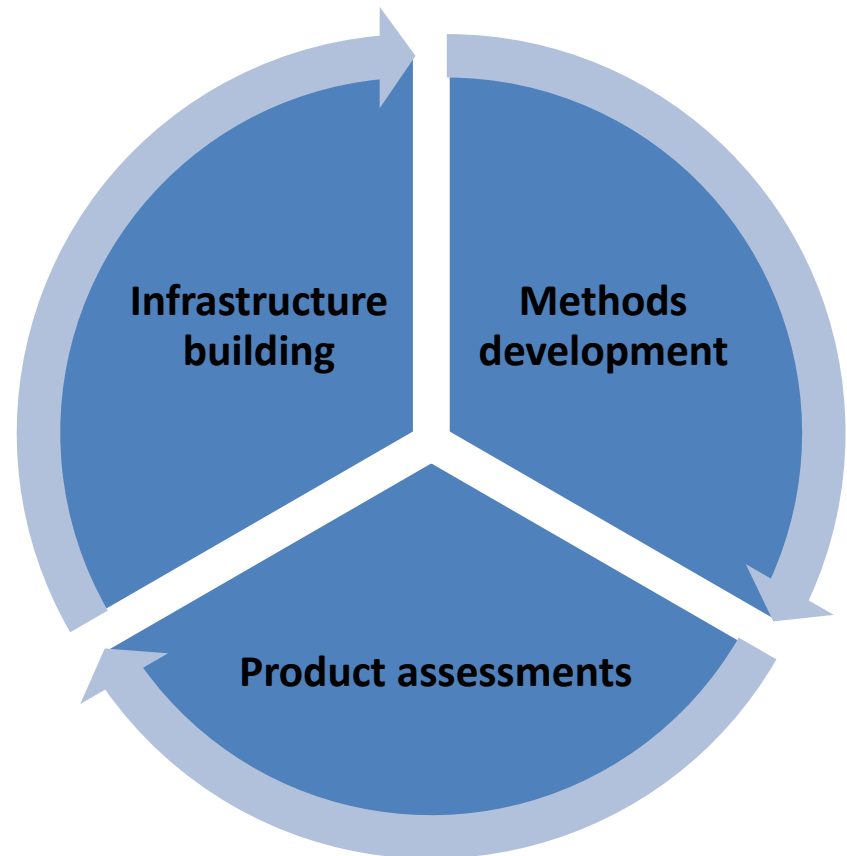
1. Expansion of hemovigilance capabilities
2. Signal refinement/evaluation of vaccines & blood through use of claims data, EHR such as HCA
3. Safety of vaccines in pregnancy
4. Signal identification of vaccines using TreeScan
5. Vaccine effectiveness activities

Current Instruments

Rapid Query Tools (ARIA)



Protocol-Based Activities



Update on recent activities

Rapid Queries (ARIA) 2016

Query Type	Frequency
Summary Tables	4
Level 1	10
Level 2	1
Level 3	1
Total	16

Protocol-Based Activities (Completed)

Methods Development Infrastructure Building

Data mining infrastructure

Birth certificate linkage

Scan statistics

Self-controlled risk interval
tool pilot

Vaccine effectiveness pilot

Product Assessments

Influenza vaccine and birth
outcomes

Intravenous immunoglobulins
and thromboembolic events

Protocol-Based Activities (Ongoing)

Methods Development Infrastructure Building

Quantitative bias analysis

TreeScan power calculation

TreeScan bias

Influenza vaccine and birth defects

Transfusion-Related Acute Lung Injury in HCA database

Product Assessments

Pneumococcal conjugated 13-valent (PCV13) vaccine and Kawasaki Disease

Influenza vaccine 2 seasons and febrile seizure in children

Human papilloma virus 9-valent (HPV9) vaccine TreeScan analysis

Vaccine Safety in Pregnancy

- Protocol-based activity with medical chart review
- Test case
 - Exposure: inactivated influenza vaccine
 - Outcome: spontaneous abortion vs. live birth, oral cleft in newborns

Objectives

- Build infrastructure and develop methods to examine pregnancy outcomes (PRISM priority area) and birth defects following vaccination
- Examine positive predictive value of claims-based algorithms for spontaneous abortion (SAB), gestational age, and oral cleft

Current Status

- Pregnancy outcomes: SAB and gestational age
 - Project almost completed
- Birth defects: oral cleft in newborns
 - Medical chart review close to completion

Signal Identification: TreeScan

- Human papilloma virus 4-valent (HPV4) vaccine analysis as a pilot completed
- HPV9 vaccine analysis underway
- Expanding TreeScan capabilities
 - Longer term and variable follow-up period
 - Power calculation

BloodSCAN

- Data sources:
 - Claims and administrative data
 - Inpatient electronic health records (EHR): Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) database
- Access to inpatient blood transfusion data broadens capabilities for blood safety surveillance

BloodSCAN

- Intravenous immunoglobulins (IVIg) and thromboembolic events (TEE)
- Transfusion-Related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI)

Intravenous Immunoglobulins and Thromboembolic Events

- Data source
 - Claims and administrative data
- Objective
 - Evaluate risk of TEE following IVIg exposure
- Study design
 - Self-controlled risk-interval
- Current status
 - Project almost completed

Transfusion-Related Acute Lung Injury (TRALI)

- Data source: HCA inpatient EHR
- Infrastructure building: become familiar with HCA database
- Test case: TRALI assessment
- Objective: to evaluate incidence rate of TRALI after plasma, platelet, packed RBC administration
- Protocol posted Sept. 2016
- Current status:
 - TRALI cases identified electronically
 - Medical chart retrieval and adjudication underway

Vaccine Effectiveness

- Assessing use of Sentinel capabilities for effectiveness evaluation in a limited capacity for specific situations
 - Pilot project almost completed

CBER Sentinel Program

Major Accomplishments

1. Use of rapid query tools (ARIA)
2. Integration of Sentinel into regulatory process and participation of product offices
3. Transition from development to production mode
4. Initiation of vaccine effectiveness activities

Future

- Less focus on protocol-based activities, more focus on rapid query tools (ARIA) for product safety assessments
- Continue to expand infrastructure and capacity
- In collaboration with the Sentinel Operations Center and CBER product offices
 - Work toward making Sentinel more efficient
 - Areas of improvement:
 - Reduce data lag
 - Explore alternative data sources, such as EHR, due to limitations in claims-administrative data

Summary

1. Significant accomplishments for CBER Sentinel Program over the past year
2. Availability and utilization of more sophisticated rapid query tools (ARIA) to interrogate database
3. Incorporation of biologics effectiveness activities
4. Integration of Sentinel into regulatory process
5. Transition from development to production mode
6. Contribution of Sentinel to medical product safety and to public health

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Conducting Vaccine Effectiveness Surveillance in Sentinel's PRISM Program

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Project Rationale

- PRISM, which is part of Sentinel and uses a subset of Sentinel data partners, is a valuable and rich resource.
 - Large number of members from geographically diverse areas
 - Multiple potentially useful data elements (e.g. demographics, outpatient pharmacy dispensing, outcome data etc.)
- PRISM had been used for successful vaccine safety studies; why not also for vaccine effectiveness?
- PRISM's observational data might be able to supplement data from randomized clinical trials (RCTs) under certain circumstances.

What Gaps Could PRISM Fill?

- In certain situations, for confirmation of effectiveness for vaccines approved under accelerated approval or the animal rule
- Evaluation of effectiveness in specific populations
- Evaluation of effectiveness to prevent rare conditions
- Situations in which an RCT is not ethical and/or feasible
- Supplement/confirm what has already been learned in an RCT

Biologics Licensure Pathways:

Some Key Aspects

- “Traditional” Approval
 - Provides direct pre-licensure evidence of effectiveness by demonstrating protection against disease or, in some cases, through use of a scientifically well-established correlate that predicts protection against disease
- Accelerated Approval
 - Demonstrates effectiveness using a surrogate endpoint that is reasonably likely to predict clinical benefit
- “Animal Rule” Approval
 - Demonstrates effectiveness in animal model(s) and applies to products that would ameliorate or prevent serious or life-threatening conditions

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Project Overview

- Objective: To address the suitability of using PRISM to estimate vaccine effectiveness
- Project Components
 - Overview of study designs and methods used in vaccine effectiveness studies, particularly observational studies using administrative databases
 - Exploration of the PRISM database through a use case

Project Approach

- Data Elements (Study Population, Exposures, Outcomes, Covariates)
- Methods (Study Designs and Statistical Adjustment)
- Assessments: Existing Sentinel/PRISM Tools and Protocol Based Assessments
- A Descriptive Use Case (would not link the exposure to the outcome)

Use Case

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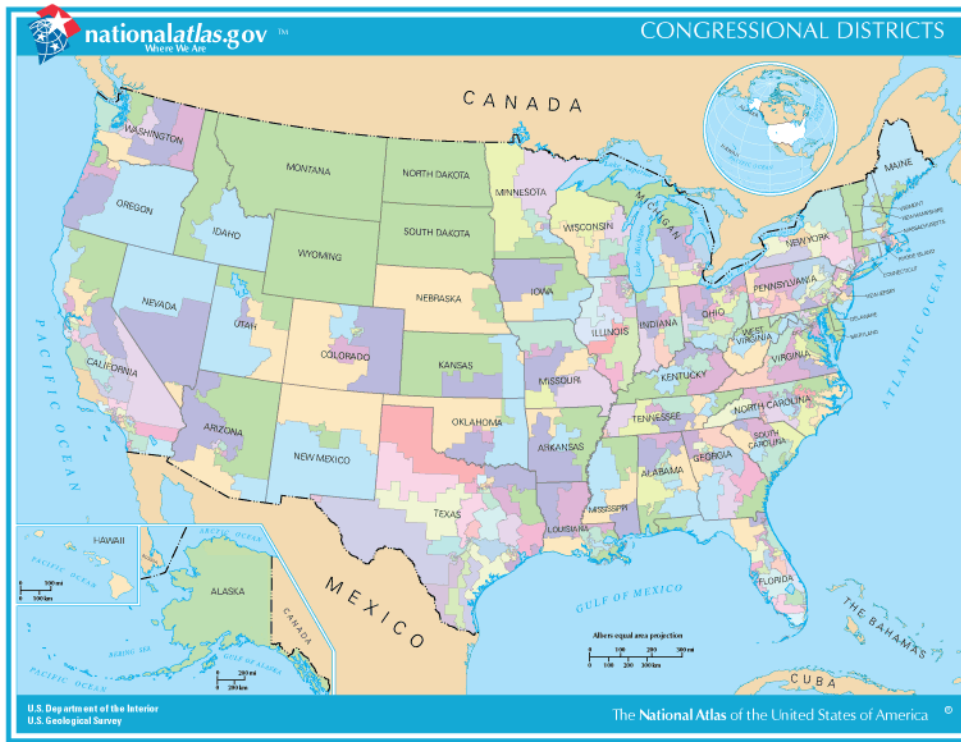
Could we do the same study, but using the PRISM Database?

Use Case

Table 1: Baseline characteristics of high-dose and standard-dose cohorts from 24 501 matched pharmacies

	High-dose cohort (n=929730)	Standard-dose cohort (n=1 615 545)	Standardised mean difference
Sex			
Female participants	538 380 (57.91%)	959 072 (59.37%)	0.03
Male participants	391 350 (42.09%)	656 473 (40.63%)	0.03
Race			
White	867 552 (93.31%)	1 512 633 (93.63%)	0.01
Black	25 463 (2.74%)	41 714 (2.58%)	0.01
Other race/unknown	16 235 (1.75%)	27 571 (1.71%)	<0.01
Asian	12 973 (1.40%)	21 178 (1.31%)	0.01
Hispanic	6 112 (0.66%)	10 328 (0.64%)	<0.01
Native North American	1 395 (0.15%)	2 121 (0.13%)	0.01
Dual enrolled	45 186 (4.86%)	79 750 (4.94%)	<0.01
Age (years)	75.74 (7.19)	75.35 (7.27)	0.05
65-74	461 260 (49.61%)	841 789 (52.11%)	0.05
75-85	340 728 (36.65%)	561 385 (34.75%)	0.04
85 and older	127 742 (13.74%)	212 371 (13.15%)	0.02

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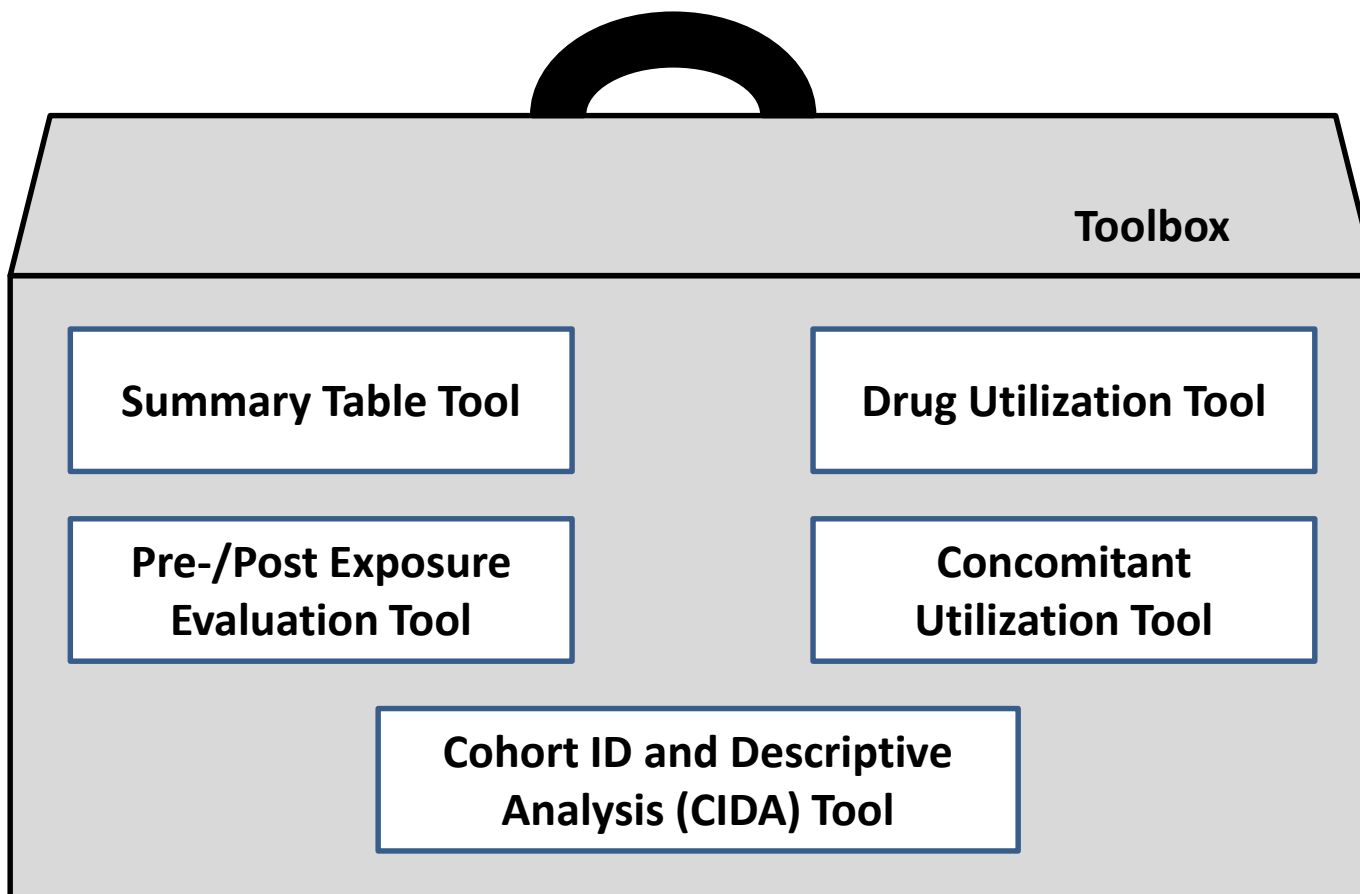


- Data Elements - Study Population
 - Size
 - Geographic coverage
 - Age distribution
 - Representativeness

(2) Methods (Study Designs)

Study Design	Description	Applicability to Sentinel	Recommended /Viable for Sentinel?	Example(s) from Literature
Cohort Study	Group of vaccinated and unvaccinated health plan members identified and followed up to ascertain vaccine-preventable disease events	<u>Strength</u> - Large captive population with longitudinal information <u>Limitation</u> - Difficult to identify unvaccinated people	Yes	Izurieta HS, et al. Lancet Infect Dis 2015;15(3):293-300. Panozzo CA, et al. Am J Epidemiol 2014;179(7):895-909
Case Control Study etc...

(3) Assessments/Tools



(4) Use Case Output

- Numbers of patients receiving high-dose vs. standard-dose influenza vaccination
- Numbers of episodes and patients with influenza diagnosis or pneumonia diagnosis
- Patient characteristics including age, sex, and medical history

Project Status

- Draft White Paper completed and revisions ongoing
- White Paper to be posted on the website

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Using Sentinel Data for Benefit-Risk Assessments

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Sentinel Annual Meeting

Washington, DC

February 2, 2017

CBER is responsible for regulating vaccines, blood and blood products, and cellular, tissue, and gene therapies with diverse benefits and risks

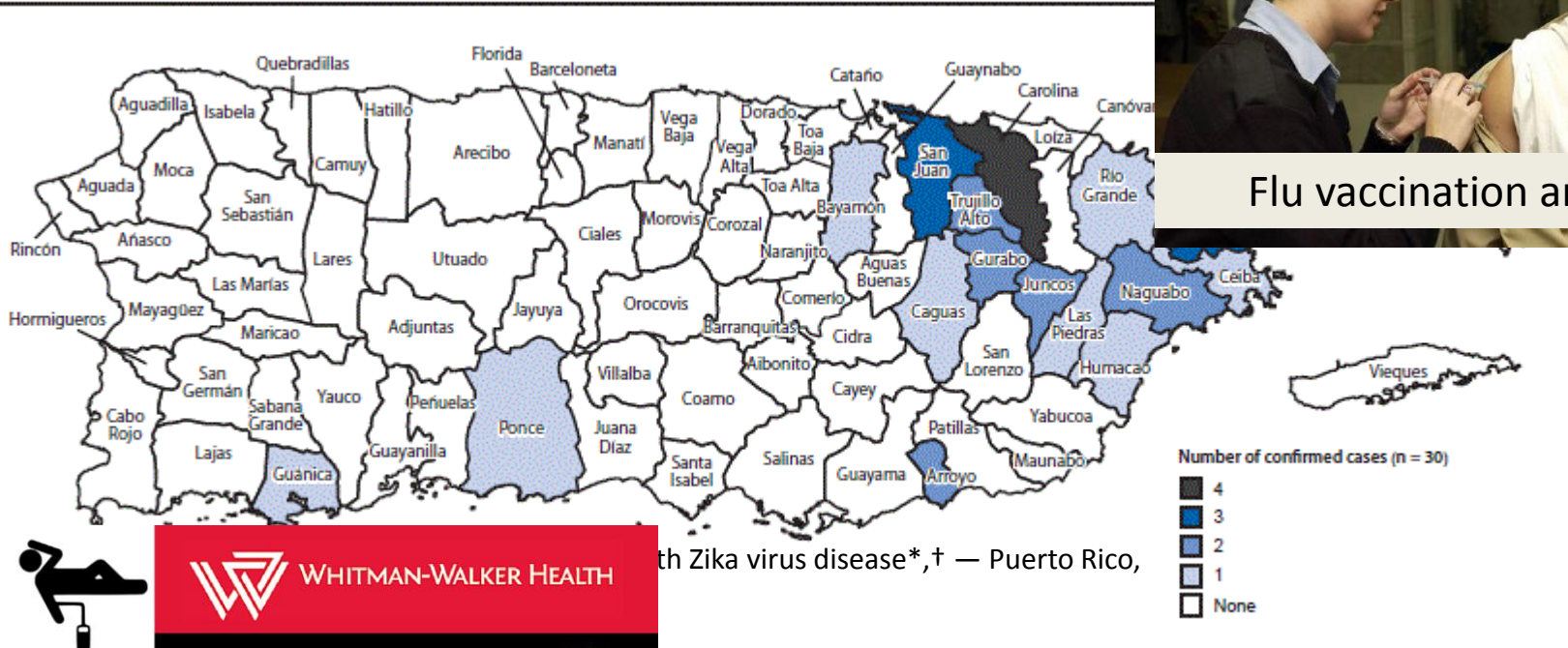
Consider three examples

Zika infections increasing rapidly in Puerto Rico

Widespread Zika infections warrant urgent action to protect pregnant women



Flu vaccination and GBS



WHITMAN-WALKER HEALTH

with Zika virus disease*,† — Puerto Rico,

FDA
1985

MSM who have ever engaged
in sex with a male partner
since 1977...

Can't Donate



FDA
2015

Draft
Proposal

MSM who have engaged in sex
with a male partner within one
year...

Can't Donate



2015
Proposal

Based on science.
Doesn't discriminate.



Range of Microcephaly Severity



Sentinel Data Can Help CBER Accomplish Our Public Health Mission

- Timely Data to support benefit-risk assessment
- Assessments support decision-making by FDA and stakeholders
- Will discuss two transfusion B-R assessments
 - Transfusion-transmission of Zika
 - Testing strategies of US blood supply for Babesia



Blood donation is common and provides multiple life-saving products

"U.S. Army Cpl. Christopher LeRoy, of the 932nd Blood Support Detachment, monitors the progress of Sgt. Jennifer Skebong, of the 583rd Medlog Company, as she gives blood at Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, July 4, 2007. For the first time blood platelets are being collected in country for treatment of critically injured patients. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Dilia DeGrego) www.army.mil "
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Blood and Blood Products

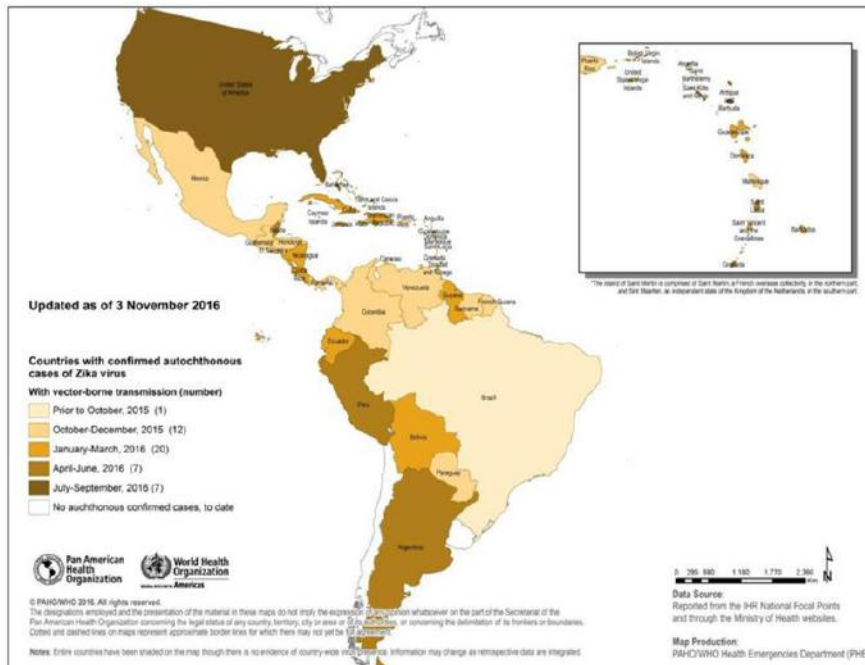
- Blood Donations and Transfusions
 - About 14.2 M RBC Units collected
 - About 13.2 M RBC Units were transfused
- Blood donations are the source for other blood products
 - Clotting Factor Products
 - Immune Globulin Products
 - Others

Sentinel can provide timely data
to support benefit-risk assessment:

Zika Virus in Puerto Rico Example

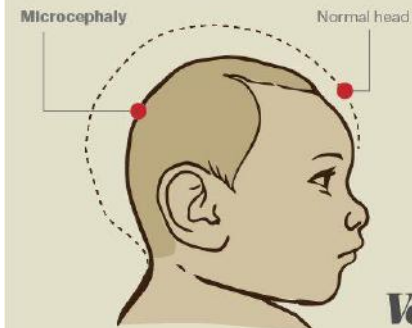
Background: Zika Virus

- Local transmission of Zika virus (ZIKV) in more than 59 countries and territories
- Microcephaly associated with infection during pregnancy
- Known risk of transmission through blood
- FDA recommended travel-based donor deferral and testing of blood collected in areas with active local transmission in Feb. 2016



Researchers think Zika might be behind the rise of “microcephaly”

A birth defect that is associated with a small head and incomplete brain development in newborns



Background: Zika Virus Outbreak in Puerto Rico



- 34,577 laboratory-confirmed Zika cases had been confirmed in Puerto Rico as of January 25, 2017 (CDC, <https://www.cdc.gov/zika/intheus/maps-zika-us.html>)
- Blood collection in Puerto Rico was temporarily suspended
- Nucleic acid test (NAT) under IND for testing of whole blood and components became available in March 30, 2016
- Local blood collection has been resumed and tested with NAT since April 3, 2016

Objectives of CBER TTZIKV Risk Assessment

- To develop a tool for rapid assessment of risk of transfusion-transmission of ZIKA Virus (TTZIKV)
- To estimate risk after blood screening using individual nucleic acid testing (ID NAT) for blood units collected in Puerto Rico
- To estimate the risk for pregnant women

Some of the Major Model Inputs

Input Parameters

Window period (days)

Triangular (0, 0.5, 3)

Transfused units for pregnant women

Normal (0.48%, 6.6×10^{-5})

Transfusion transmission rate

Triangular (37.5%, 37.5%, 100%)

References

AABB Zika Virus Symposium

O'Connor et al. 2016

Sentinel Database (Not Puerto Rico specific)

Minimum and most likely values- Sabino et al. 2016

Maximum value- assumption

Some of the Major Model Inputs

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Sentinel was able to quickly provide a key input for a risk assessment with important public health implications

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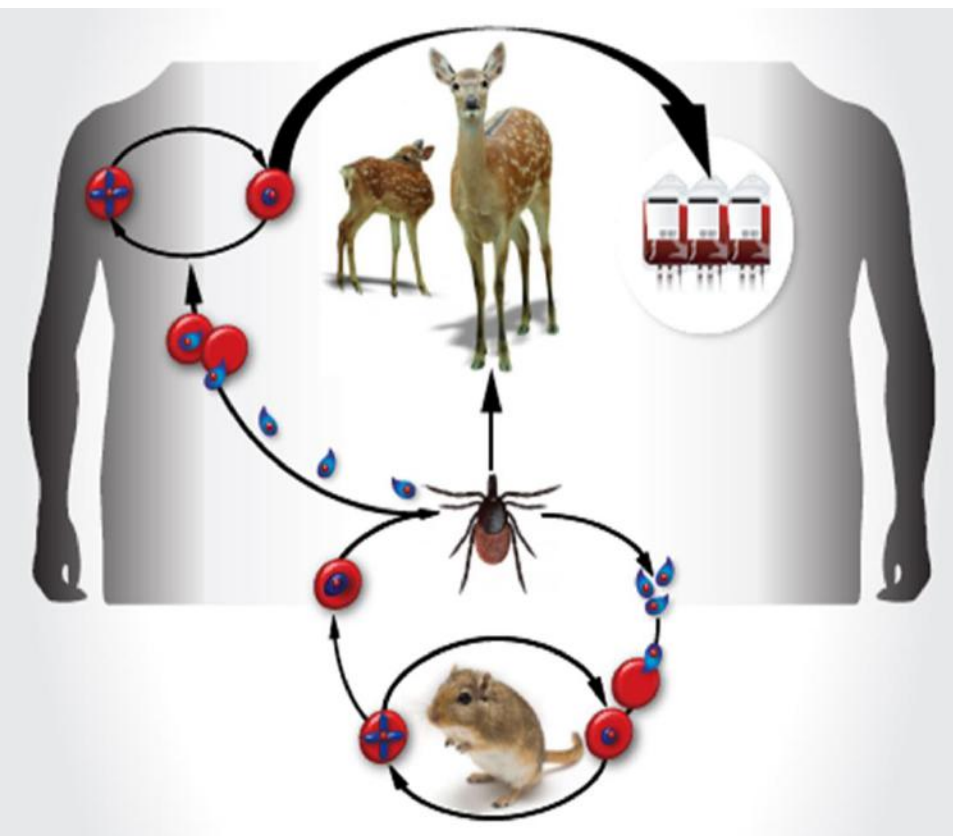
Partial Results- Model predicted cumulative risk, period April 3rd - November 17th, 2016

(33,227 total reported clinical cases)

	Mean Cumulative Risk (2.5-97.5 th %ile)	
	Without blood testing	With blood testing
Infectious RBC units	1936	262
ID NAT reduces TTZIKV risk by ~86%		
TTZIKV	1128 (159-3751)	153 (13-565)
TTZIKV in pregnant women	5.4 (0.8-18)	0.7 (0.06-2.7)
TTZIKV in immunocompromised	393 (56-1309)	53 (4-196)

Geographic data to support
benefit-risk assessment:
Transfusion-Transmitted Babesiosis

Babesia microti and Blood Safety



- Tick-borne disease
- Chronically infected asymptomatic individuals cause Transfusion Transmitted Babesiosis (TTB)
- Discussed at 2015 Blood Products Advisory Committee Meeting

Why this Issue is Important

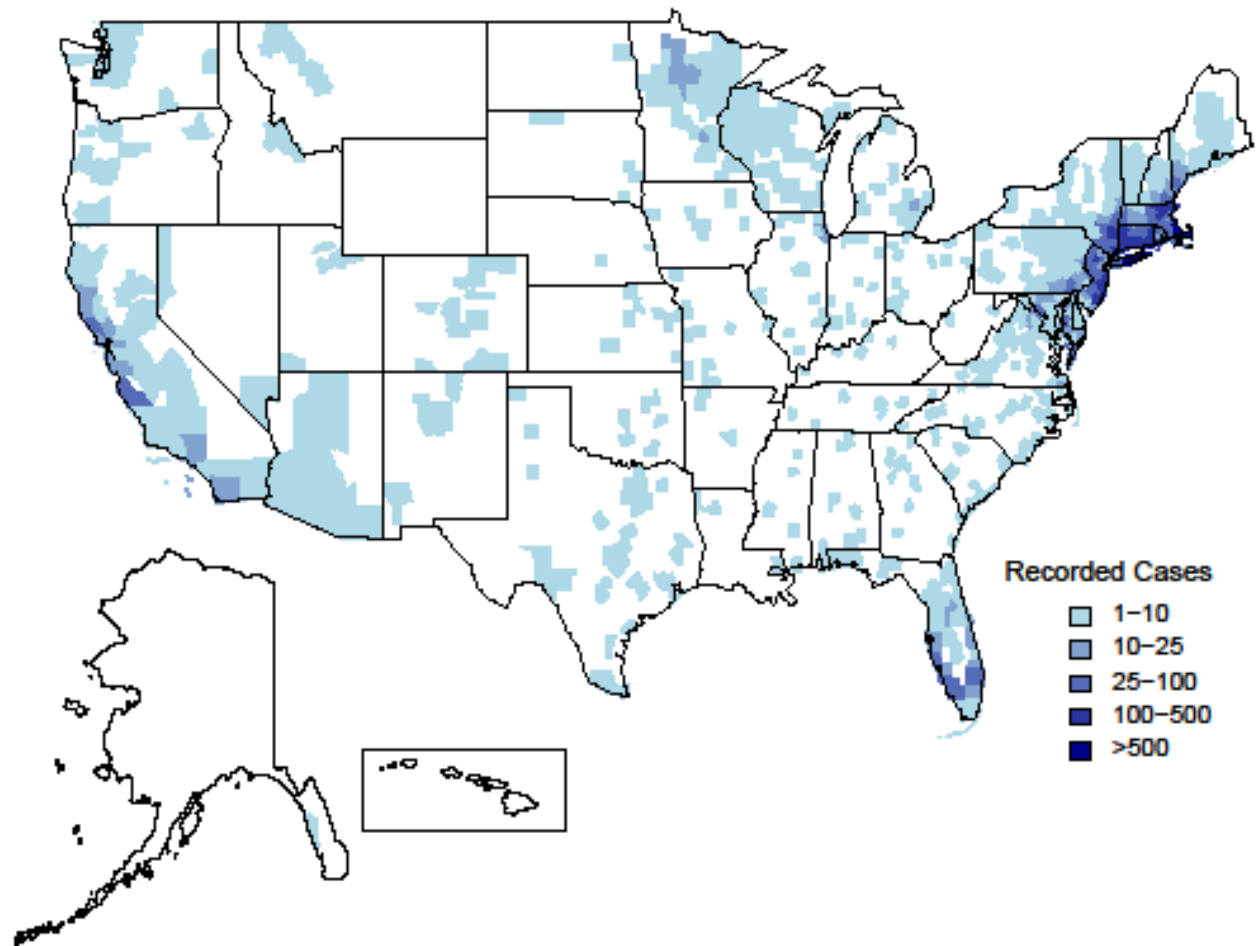
- No licensed donor testing is available
- *B. microti* is among the most frequently transfusion-transmitted infections
- Cases of Babesia in the U.S. are regionally located but risk of transfusion-transmitted infection is nationwide
- Recent investigational testing of blood donations for *Babesia microti* infections provides data on the potential utility of testing

Clinical Symptoms and Pathogenesis

- Ranges from asymptomatic to mild to life-threatening severe disease
- Neonates, immuno-compromised, asplenic, and elderly are at the highest risk of severe disease
- Fatality rates of 6 - 9% in the hospitalized cases and 21% in immuno-compromised cases

Geographic Distribution of Babesiosis (CMS)

- 2006-2013
 - 10,301 unique diagnoses of babesiosis
- Cases reported from all states and Washington D.C., except Wyoming



Summary of TTB Benefit-Risk Assessment

- **TTB B-R Assessment presented at and used to inform discussion/decisions at FDA Blood Products Advisory Committee Meeting in 2015**
- **Used Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) data to evaluate possible Testing Scenarios**

Scenarios overview



No Testing



Serology Only



Serology + NAT



S: 5 States*



S+N: 5



S: 9



S+N: 9



S: 15 + DC



S+N: 15 + DC



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N: 5**



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S+N: 50 + DC

*Number of States Using Testing

Summary of Benefits and Risks under Selected TTB Testing Scenarios

No Testing
 Serology Only
 Serology + NAT



Blood Products Advisory Committee Meeting, May 13, 2015

Geographic Distribution

- Data on the geographic distribution of emerging infectious diseases (and other conditions) can inform important regulatory decisions
- We have successful examples using CMS data
- Most CMS participants are 65+ years old
- For certain projects, Sentinel data with geographic data would be very helpful
- CBER recognizes the need to aggregate to appropriate geographic levels, such as 3-digit ZIP code

Conclusion

- Sentinel data has already been used as inputs in CBER benefit-risk assessments
- CBER continues to explore other ways that Sentinel data can help us accomplish our public health mission

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Ninth Annual Sentinel Initiative
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Incidence of heart failure and cardiomyopathy following initiation of medications for attention deficit hyperactivity disorder

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Background

- Stimulants used to treat Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) may be administered for long durations, often well into adulthood
- Illicit stimulant use is associated with cardiomyopathy (Diercks et al., Am J Cardiol 2008; Jafari Giv, Cardiovasc Toxicol 2016)
- Case reports of cardiomyopathy with therapeutic stimulant use exist (Marks et al., Am J Ther 2008; Nymark et al., Vasc Health Risk Manag 2008), but few available population-based data evaluate the risk

- Hypothesis: If cardiomyopathy is a long-term adverse effect of stimulant treatment, may observe an increase in the incidence with longer duration of use
- Purpose: To assess the incidence of heart failure & cardiomyopathy, among adult and pediatric ADHD medication users with no history of heart failure, by duration of ADHD medication use.

Methods



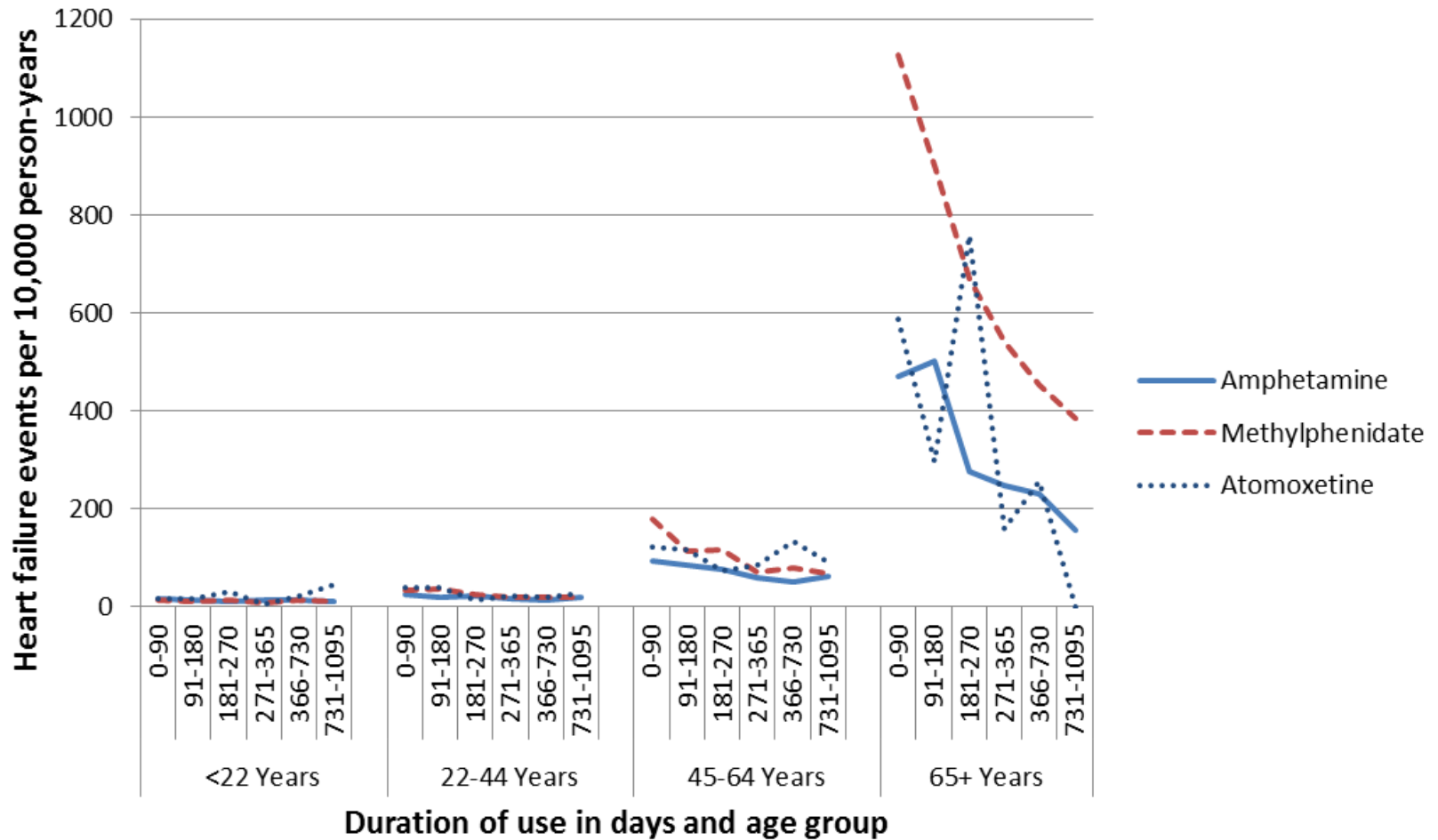
- Modified L1 descriptive analysis
- 15 Sentinel Data Partners contributed data
- Time period: January 1, 2000-March 3, 2016
- Patients: Users of amphetamine products (including lisdexamfetamine), methylphenidate, or atomoxetine
- No ADHD medication or outcome within the preceding 183 days
- Age groups: <22, 22-44, 45-64, and 65+ years
- Exposure episodes allowed gaps in days supply up to 90 days (to allow for variability in patterns of use).
- Only each patient's first treatment episode analyzed

Methods (2)

- Outcome (modified from Allen et al., 2014):
 - Heart failure or cardiomyopathy ICD-9-CM diagnosis codes (398.91, 402.x1, 402.x3, 404.x1, 404.x3, 422.90, 425.4, 425.9, 428.xx)
 - Principal diagnosis if inpatient/institutional
- Durations of use analyzed, in days
 - 0-90
 - 91-180
 - 181-270
 - 271-365
 - 366-730
 - 731-1,095 (=3 yrs)

Results

Figure 1. Rate of heart failure events (per 10,000 person years) by age group, medication, and duration of use



Limitations

- Did not assess risk relative to non use
- Could not account for potential confounding
- Combining heart failure with cardiomyopathy might have obscured a trend for cardiomyopathy alone

Conclusions

- No consistent increases in heart failure/cardiomyopathy over 3 years of ADHD medication use, in any age category.
- Hypothesis of a higher incidence emerging with longer duration of treatment not supported
- In older age groups, trend for higher incidence of heart failure earlier in the course of treatment
- 1.7% of patients 65+ years initiating ADHD medication developed heart failure/cardiomyopathy within 90 days

Conclusions



- Trend suggests depletion of susceptibles, to the extent that patients at risk of developing heart failure while receiving the medication tend to do so earlier in the course of treatment
- Biological plausibility?
 - Older literature suggests adrenergic agonists harmful in heart failure (Carbonin and Zuccala, 1996)
 - Beta blockers are used therapeutically in heart failure

Sentinel's Role in Safety Assessment

- Hypothesis that cardiomyopathy could be associated with long term stimulant use based on
 - Case reports
 - Known association with stimulant abuse
- Sentinel analysis
 - Did not support hypothesis
 - Identified a new signal for heart failure with short term use in patients 65+
- Possible next steps to address this new signal
 - Explore risk factors among older patients who develop heart failure/cardiomyopathy with ADHD medication
 - Conduct meta-analysis of heart failure & cardiovascular outcomes in randomized, controlled trials of ADHD medications in adults

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Prospective Surveillance of AMI Events in New Users of Saxagliptin

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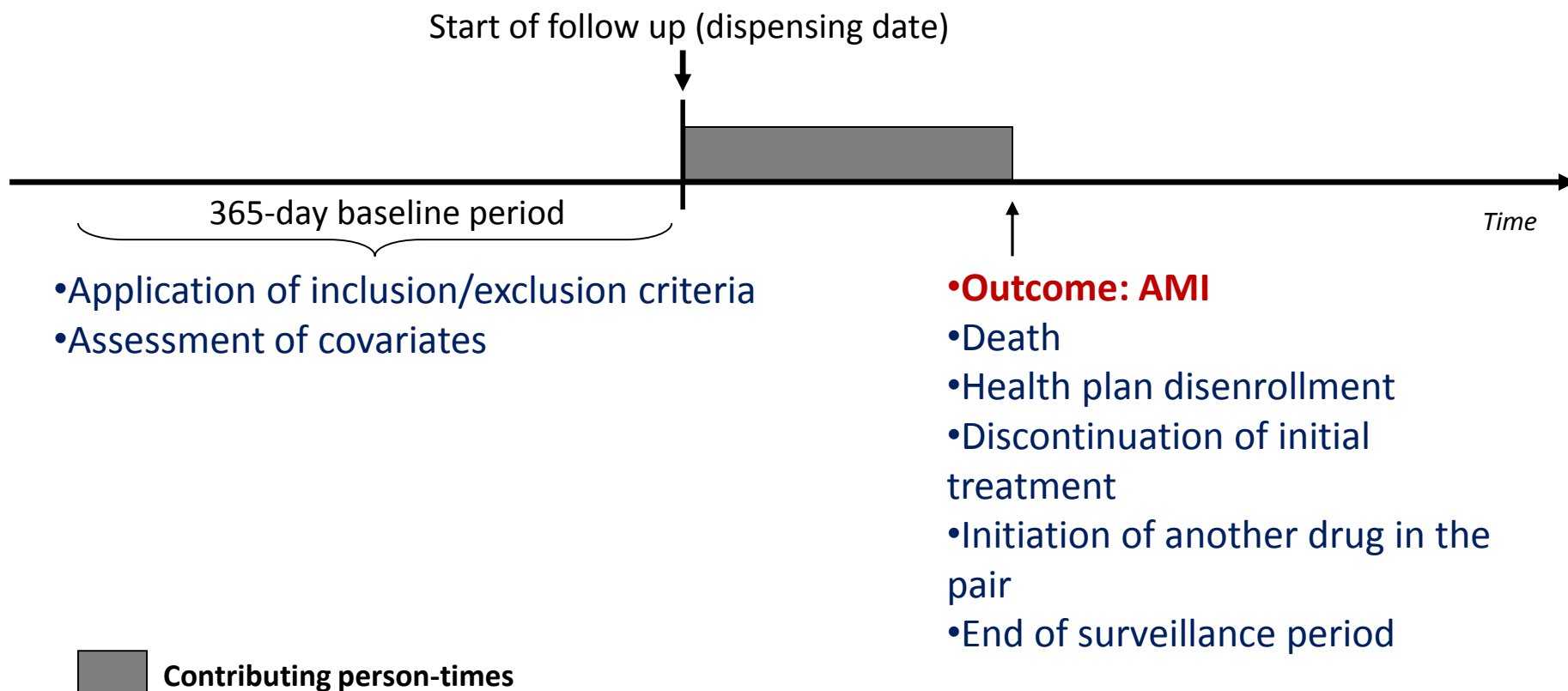
Motivation

- Need for infrastructure to prospectively monitor the safety of new drugs
- Saxagliptin, a DPP-4 inhibitor, is an oral anti-hyperglycemic agent approved in 2009
- Saxagliptin was chosen by FDA as the first NME to be prospectively monitored in the Mini-Sentinel pilot
 - Results from Mini-Sentinel would complement results from a post-market CV outcomes trial (SAVOR-TIMI 53)
 - Mini-Sentinel could provide interim safety info about saxagliptin while FDA awaited final results from the trial
 - Prospective surveillance could help identify safety issues more quickly than conventional observational studies

Surveillance design

- Protocol-based analysis: Protocol was published, subsequent revisions publicly posted
- New-user cohort design
- Four head-to-head comparisons
 - Saxagliptin
 - vs. sitagliptin
 - vs. pioglitazone
 - vs. second-generation sulfonylureas
 - vs. long-acting insulin products

Surveillance design



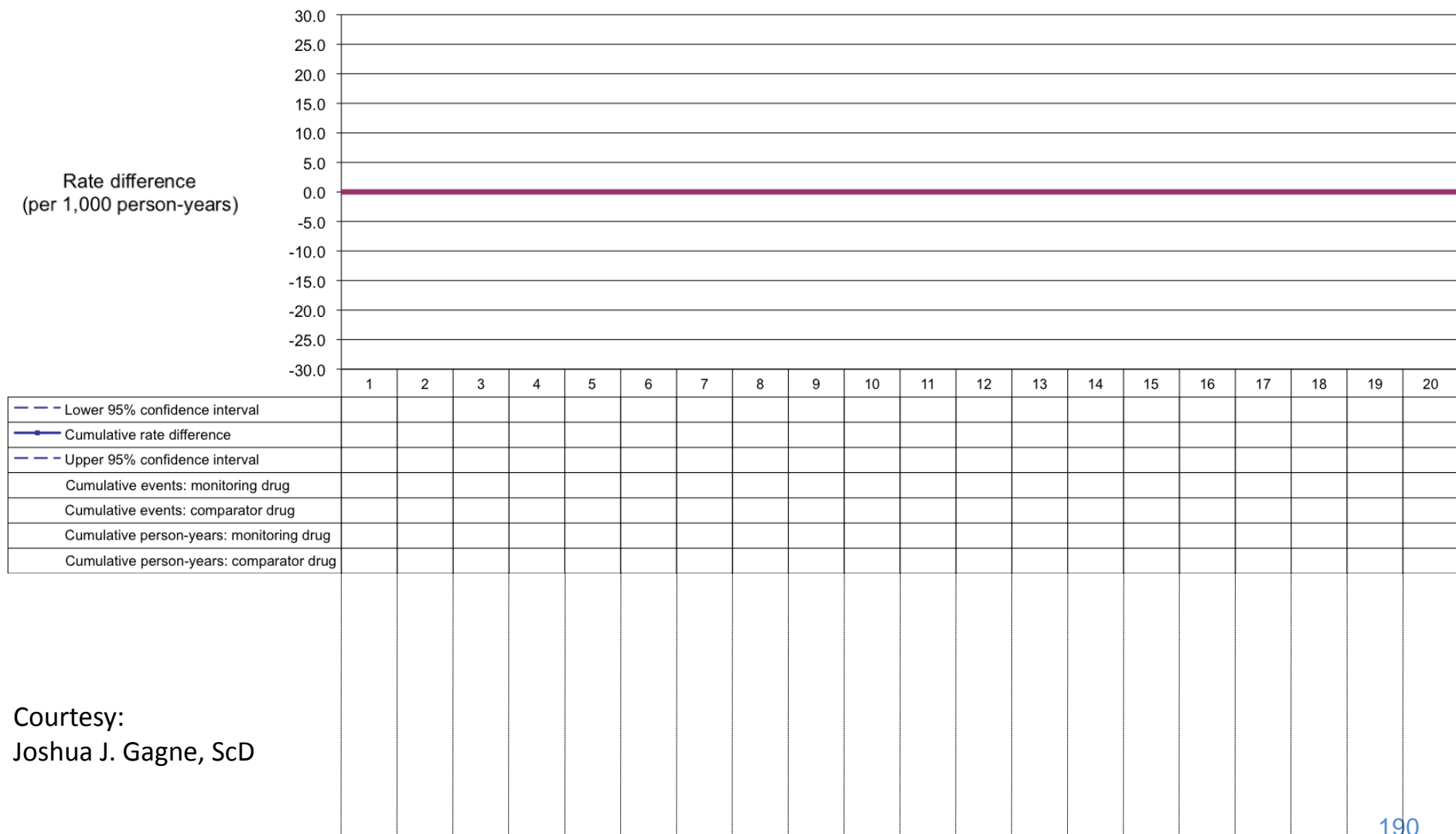
Statistical analysis

- Covariate adjustment:
 - Propensity score matching (1:1)
 - Disease risk score stratification (by decile)
- Covariates:
 - Patient demographics
 - Medical history
 - Medication use
 - Cardiovascular risk factors
 - Other antihyperglycemic treatments
 - Health services utilization measures

Statistical analysis

- Cox regression model to estimate hazard ratios and 95% confidence intervals
- Three patient groups
 - All patients
 - Patients with prior CVD history
 - Patients without prior CVD history

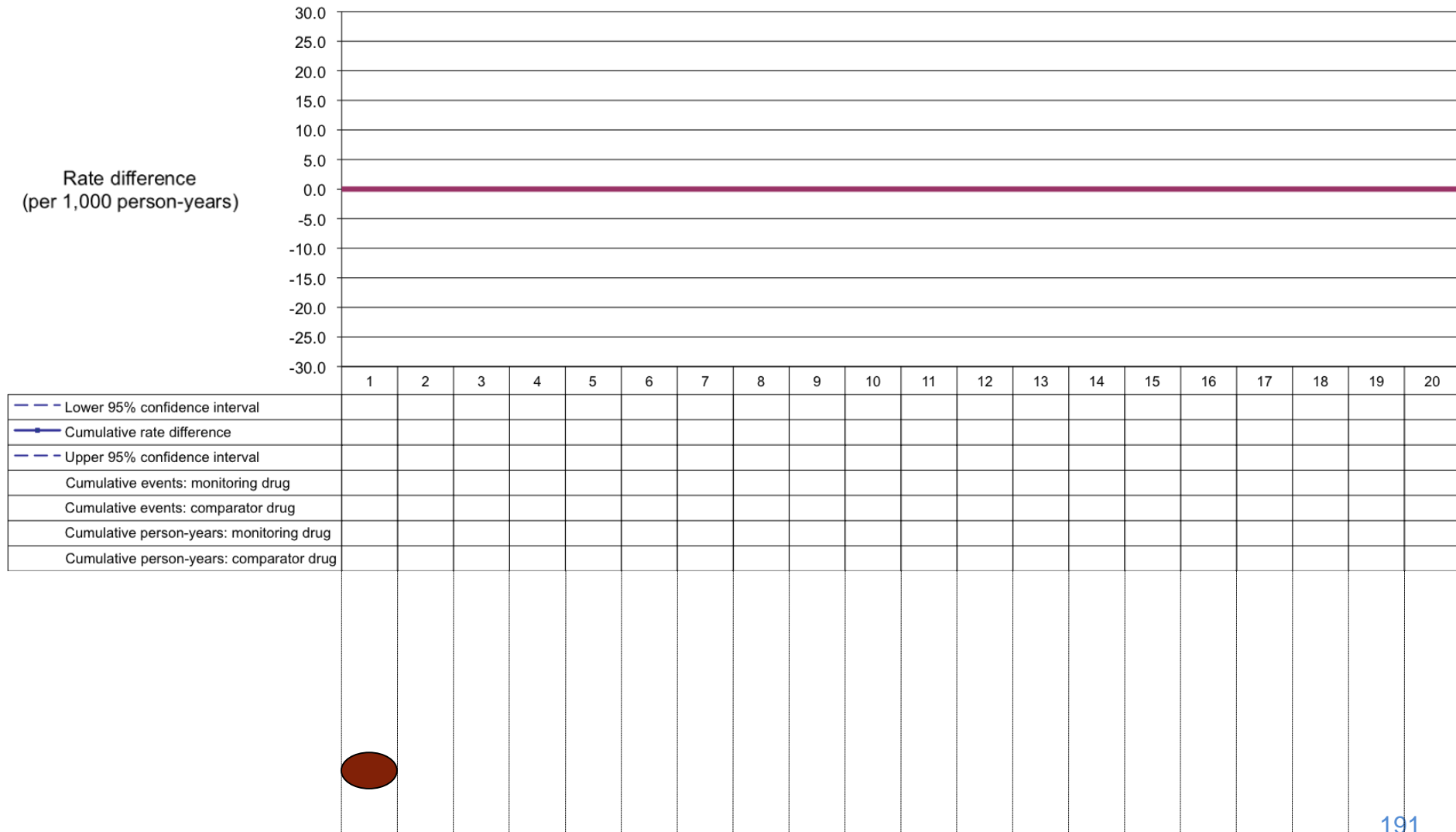
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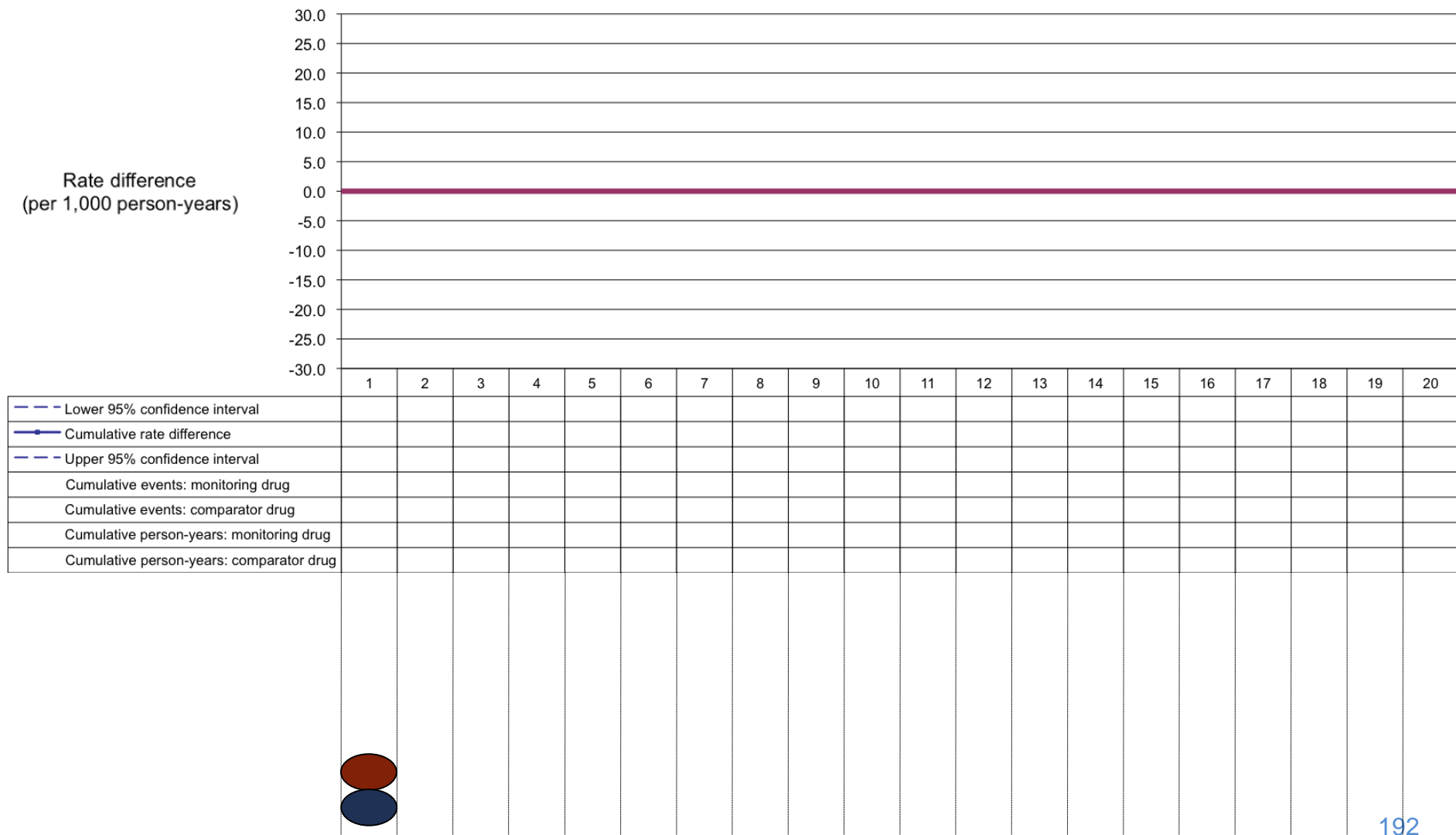
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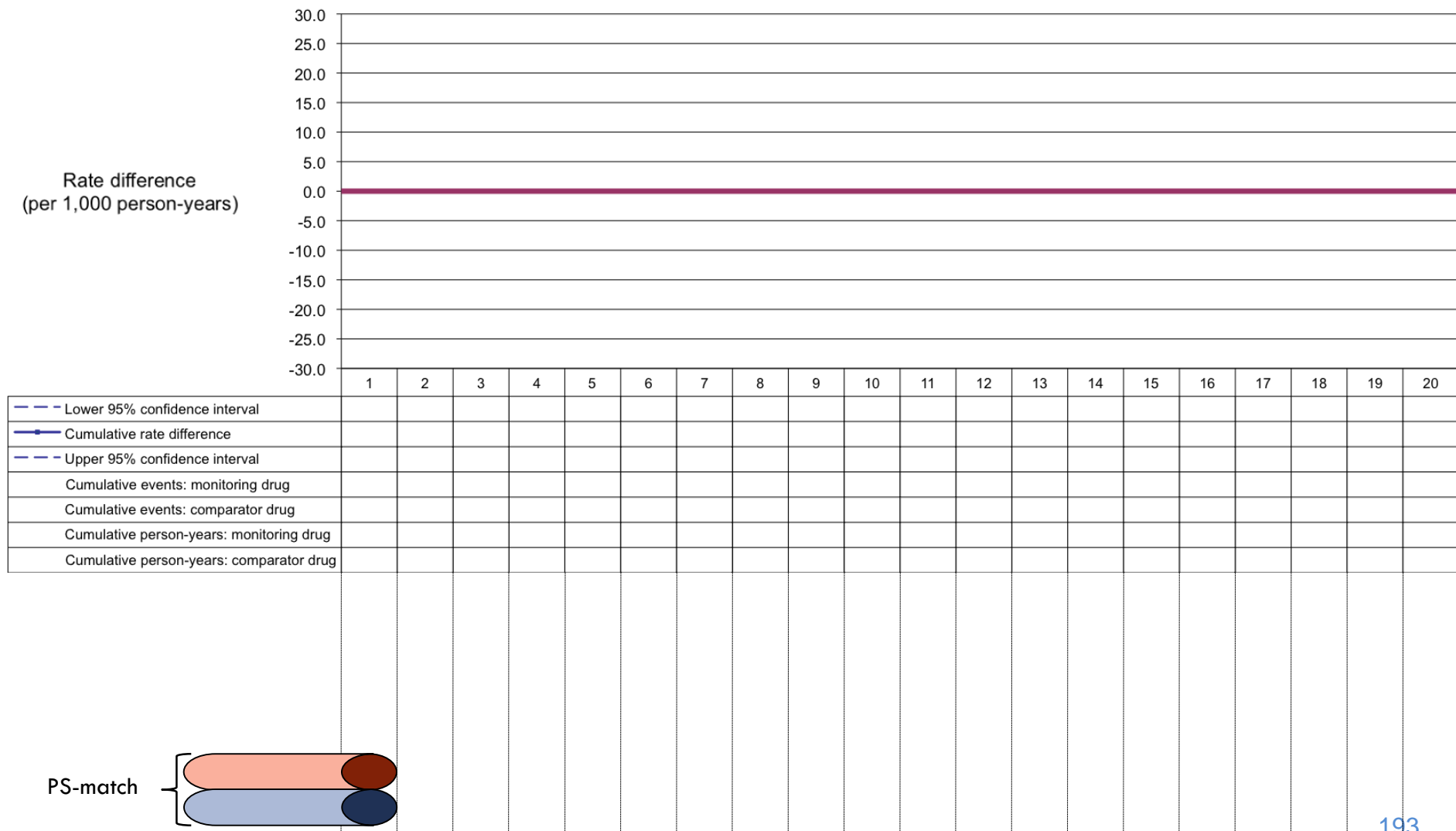


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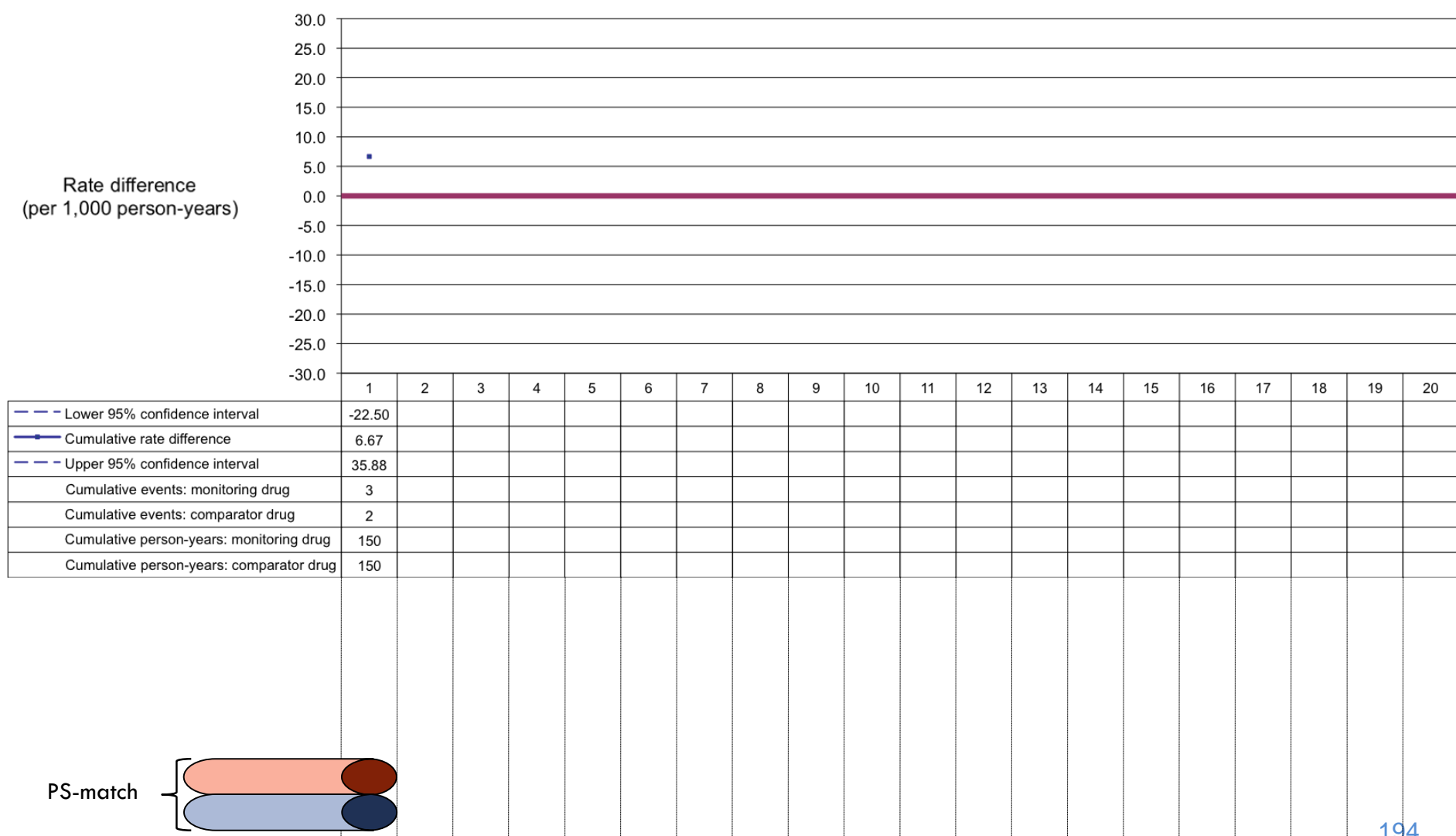
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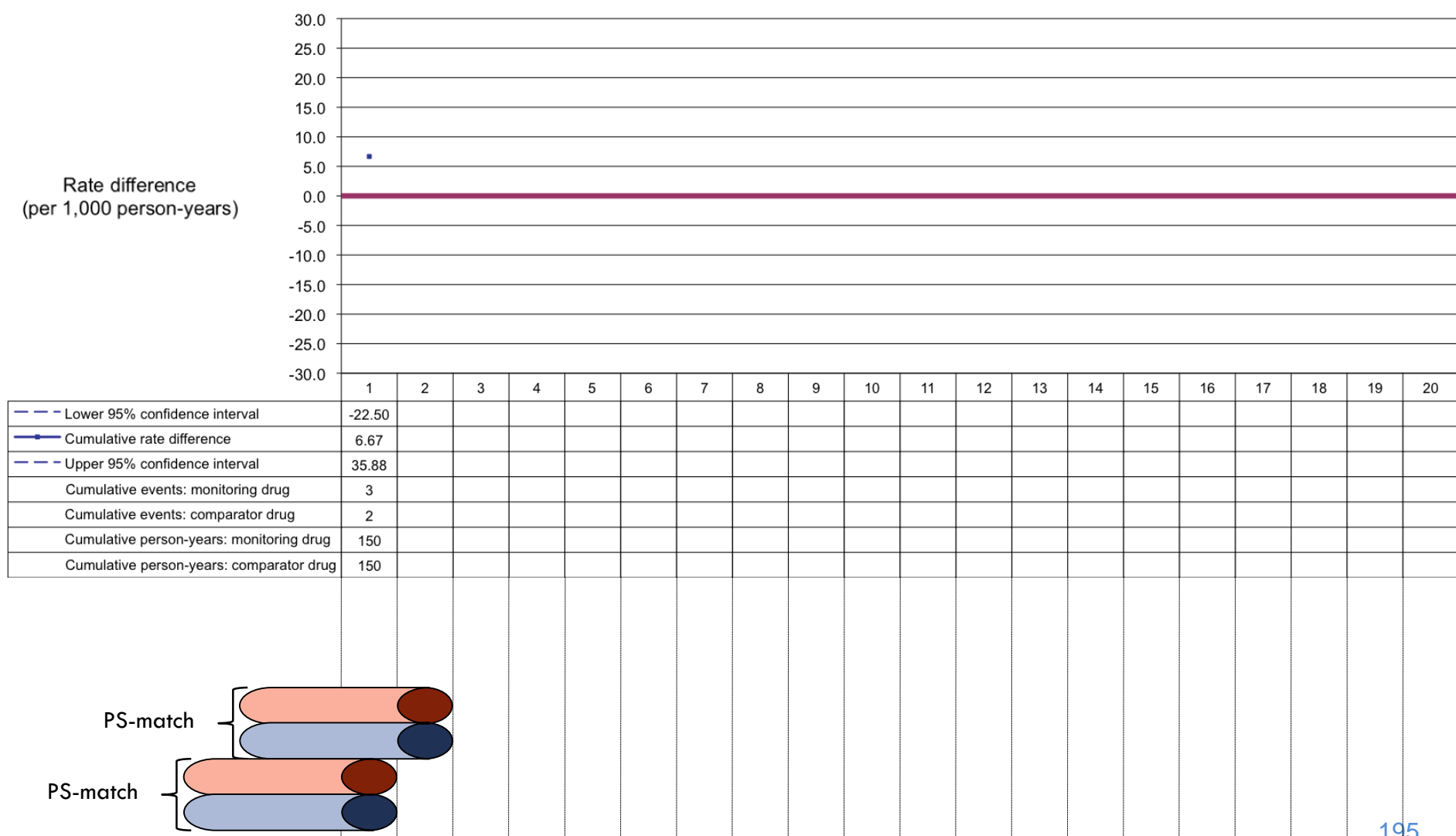
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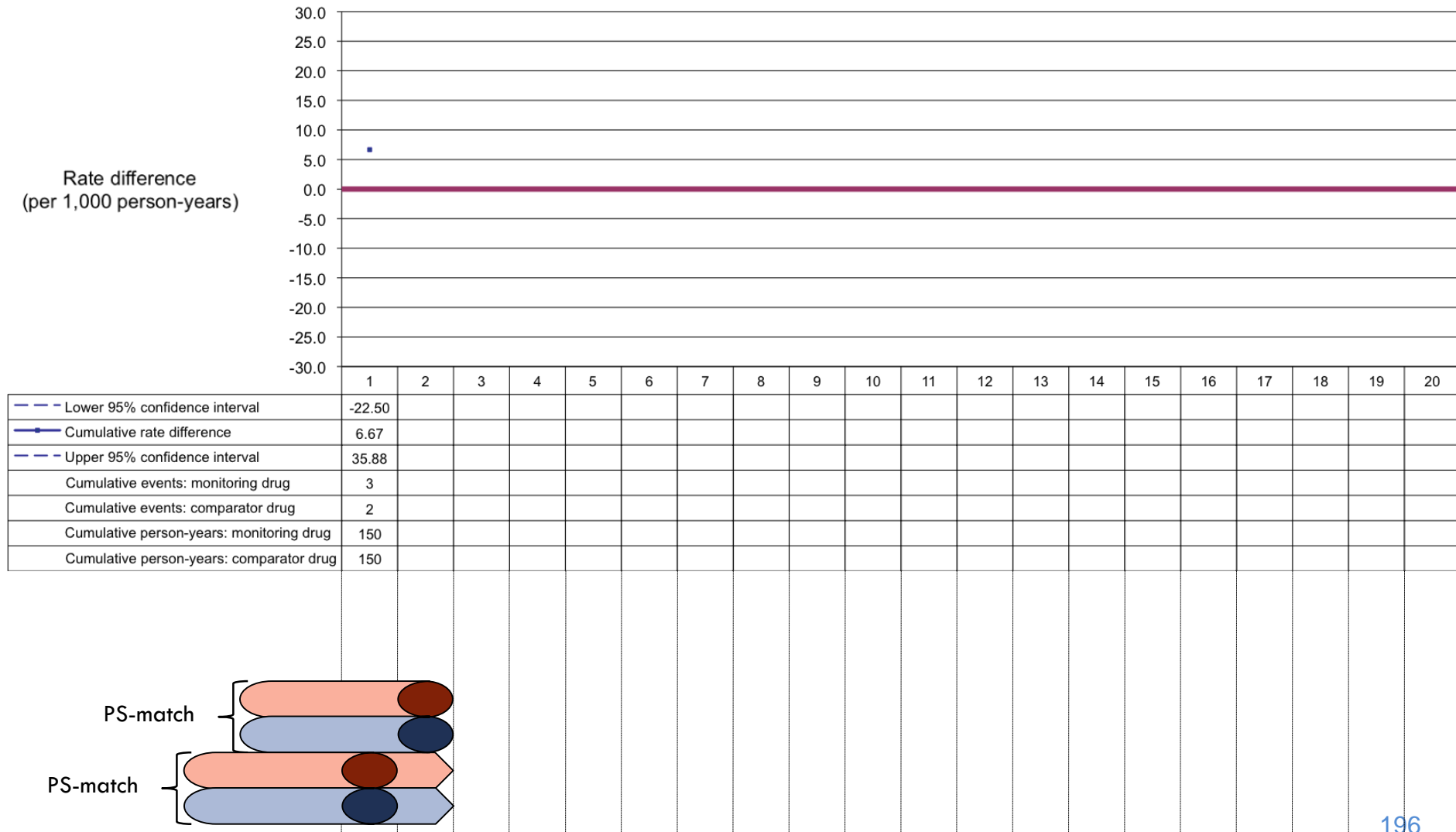
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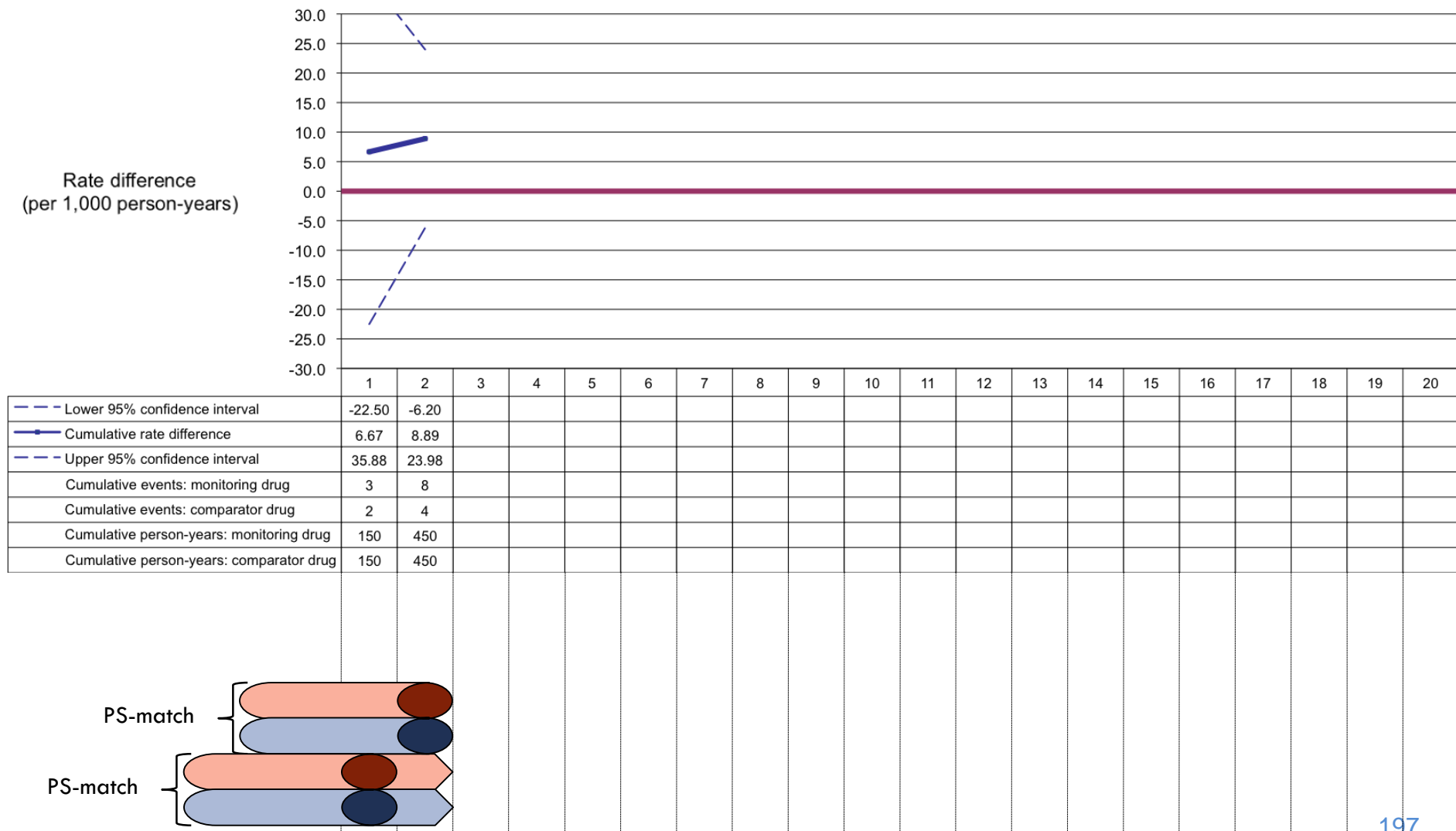


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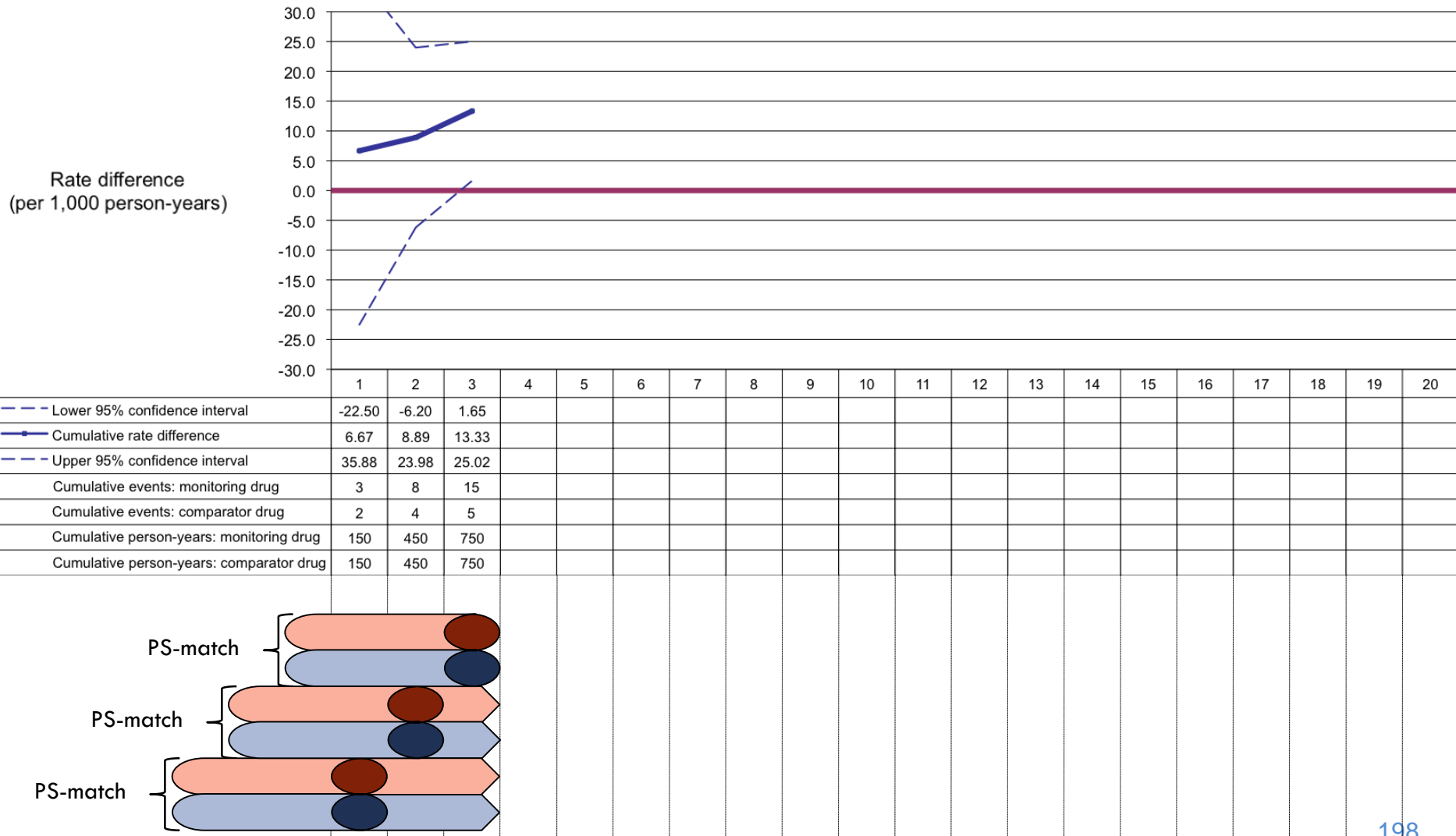


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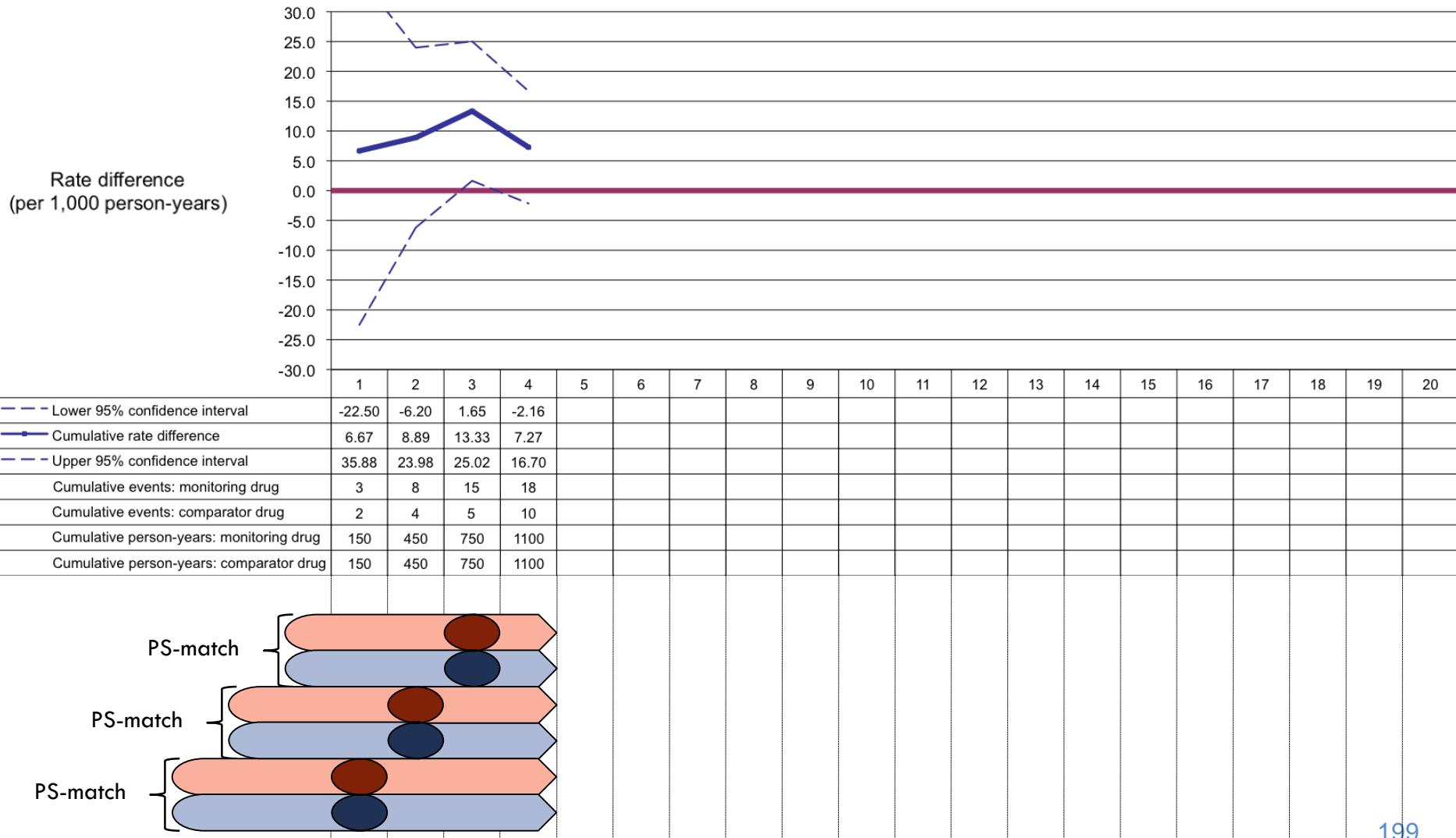


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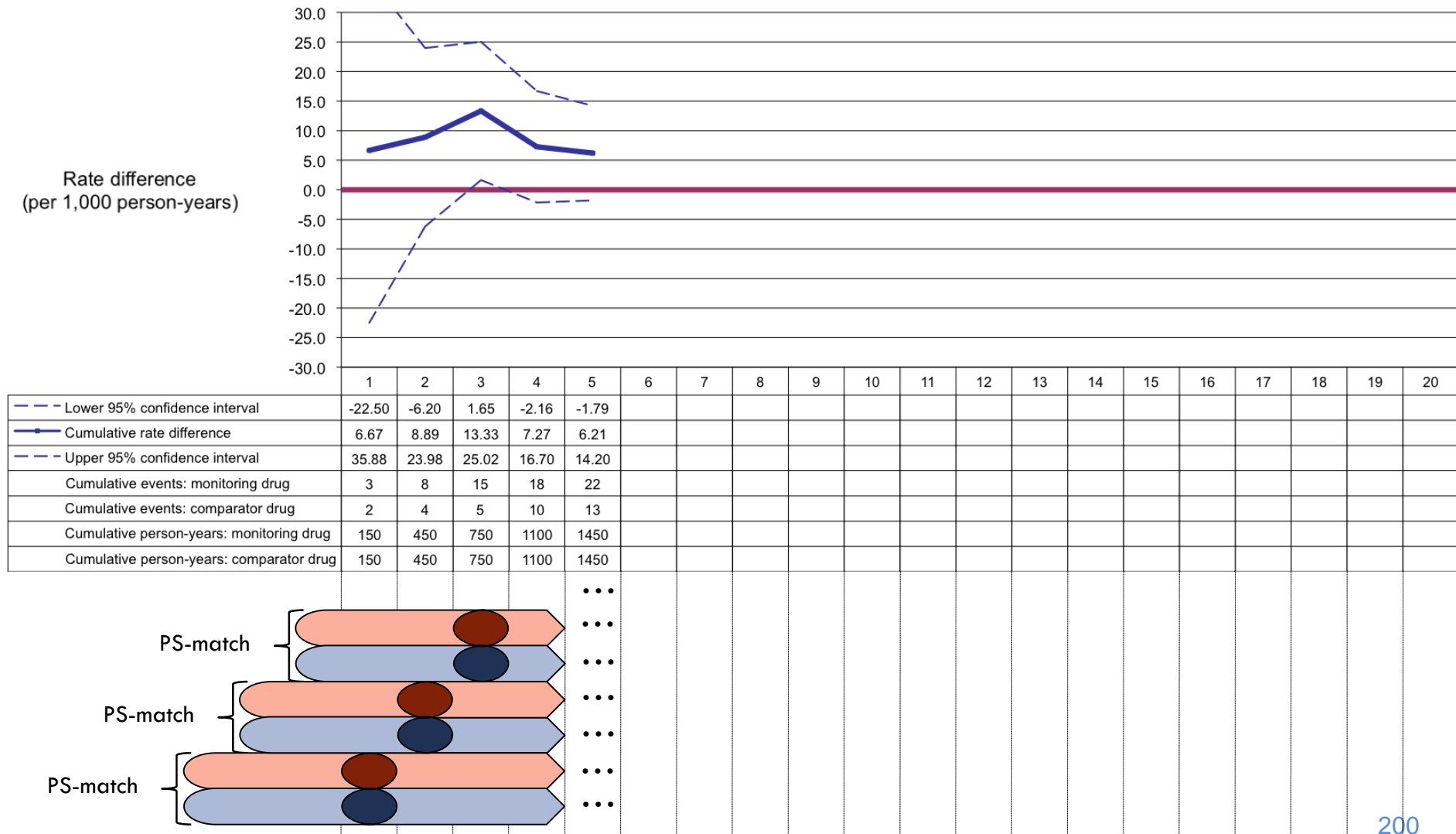
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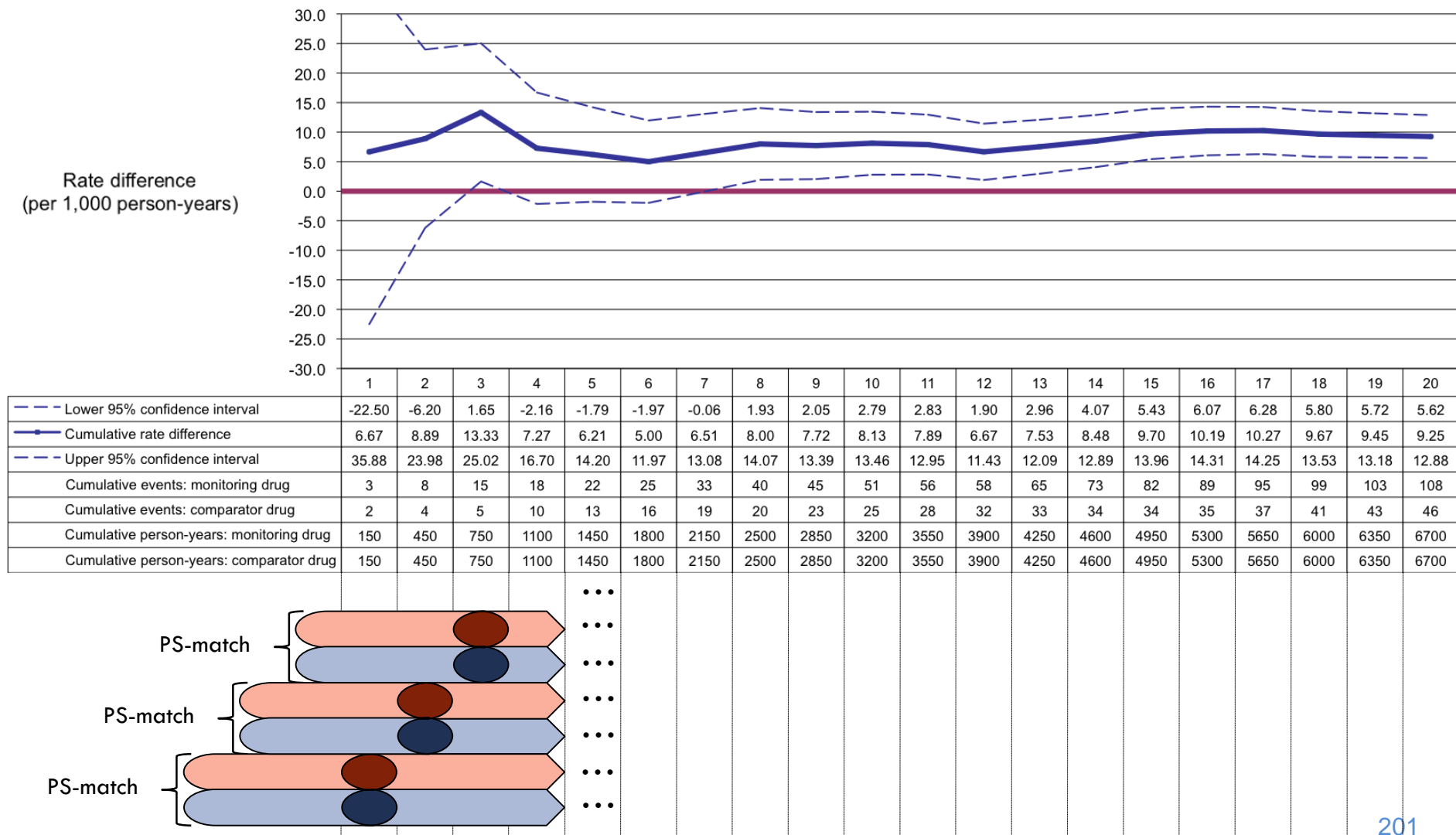


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Sequential surveillance

- Prospective surveillance: **7** sequential analyses
- Overall chance of false positive signal kept below 0.05 (one-sided)
- At each sequential analysis step: **2** methods of covariate adjustment x **4** comparisons x **3** CVD strata = **24** analyses

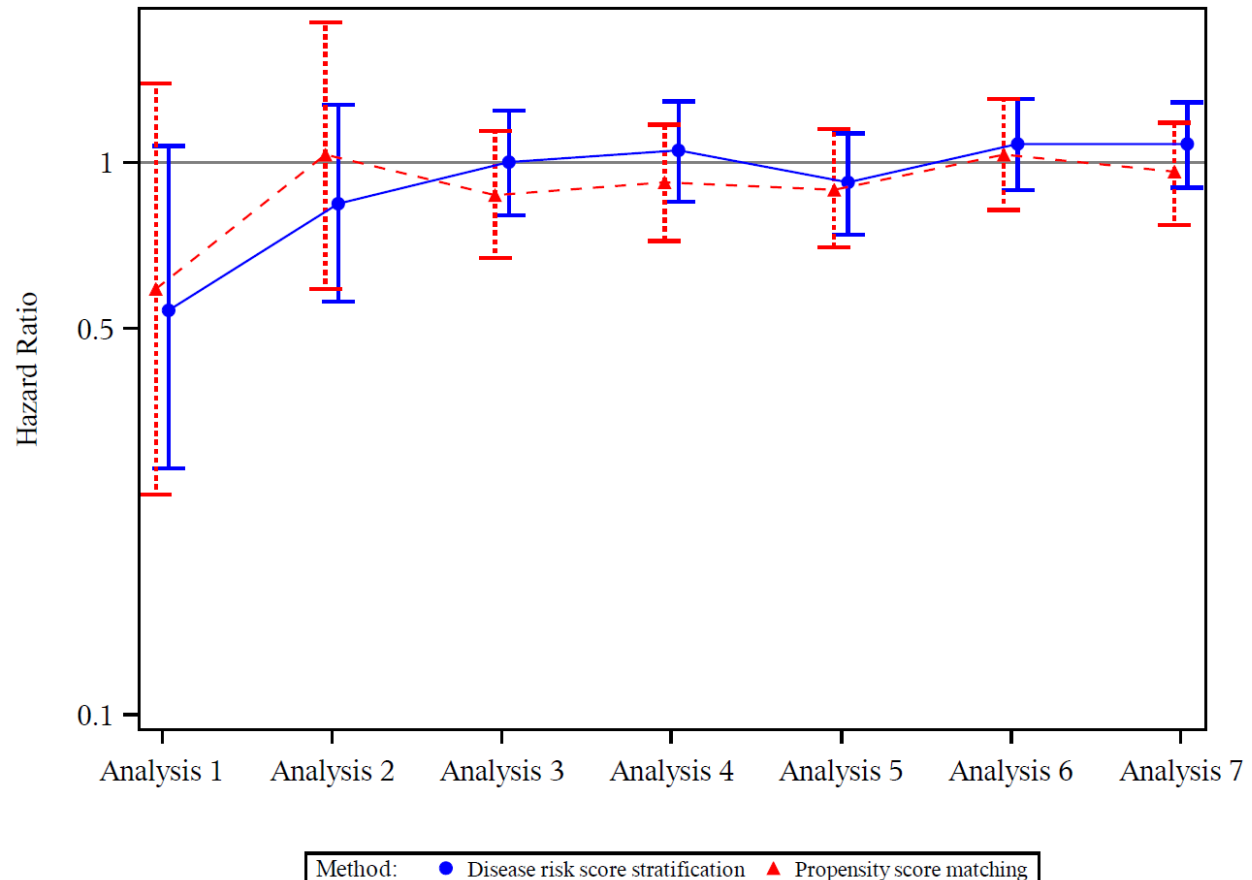
Selected baseline characteristics

Covariate	Saxagliptin*	Sitagliptin	Pioglitazone	2 nd -generation sulfonylureas	Long-acting insulin
Total N	82,264	220,912	146,045	452,969	262,117
Patient demographic					
Mean age	57.3	59.1	58.4	59.0	59.5
Male sex	56.1%	54.9%	58.1%	55.2%	54.0%
Comorbid condition					
	%	%	%	%	%
Asthma	6.6	7.2	6.6	8.0	9.3
Cancer	6.4	7.4	6.2	7.3	9.1
COPD	6.2	7.7	6.3	8.6	11.0
Chronic kidney disease	5.8	7.6	7.6	9.1	13.8
Dementia	1.4	2.5	1.9	2.7	3.9
Depression	9.0	10.1	9.2	11.1	14.0
ESRD	0.5	0.9	0.8	1.1	2.0
Fracture	2.8	3.4	3.1	3.3	4.3
Heart failure	5.3	7.5	4.5	7.8	11.8
HIV / AIDS	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Hyperlipidemia	79.2	77.5	76.7	71.5	76.4
Hypertension	78.0	78.0	76.0	74.2	79.4
Hypoglycemia	4.2	5.2	5.4	6.4	10.6
Obesity or weight gain	18.8	19.3	16.9	20.1	24.0
Osteoporosis	4.3	4.8	4.2	4.4	4.6
Peripheral neuropathy	14.4	15.9	15.6	15.0	22.9
Tobacco use	7.2	7.6	7.1	10.4	12.4

* Included saxagliptin users who contributed to one or more pairwise comparisons

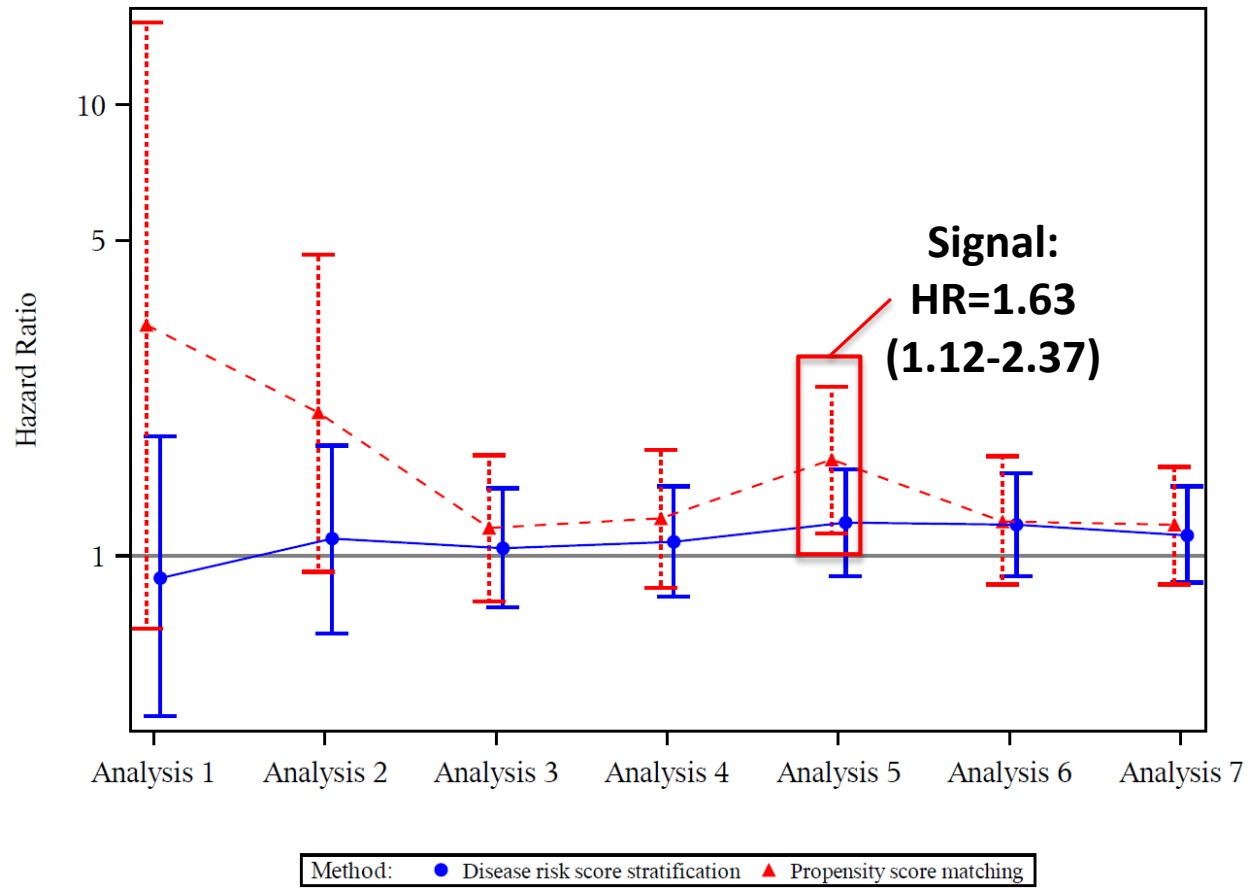
AMI: Saxagliptin vs. sitagliptin

	Look 1	Look 2	Look 3*	Look 4	Look 5	Look 6	Look 7
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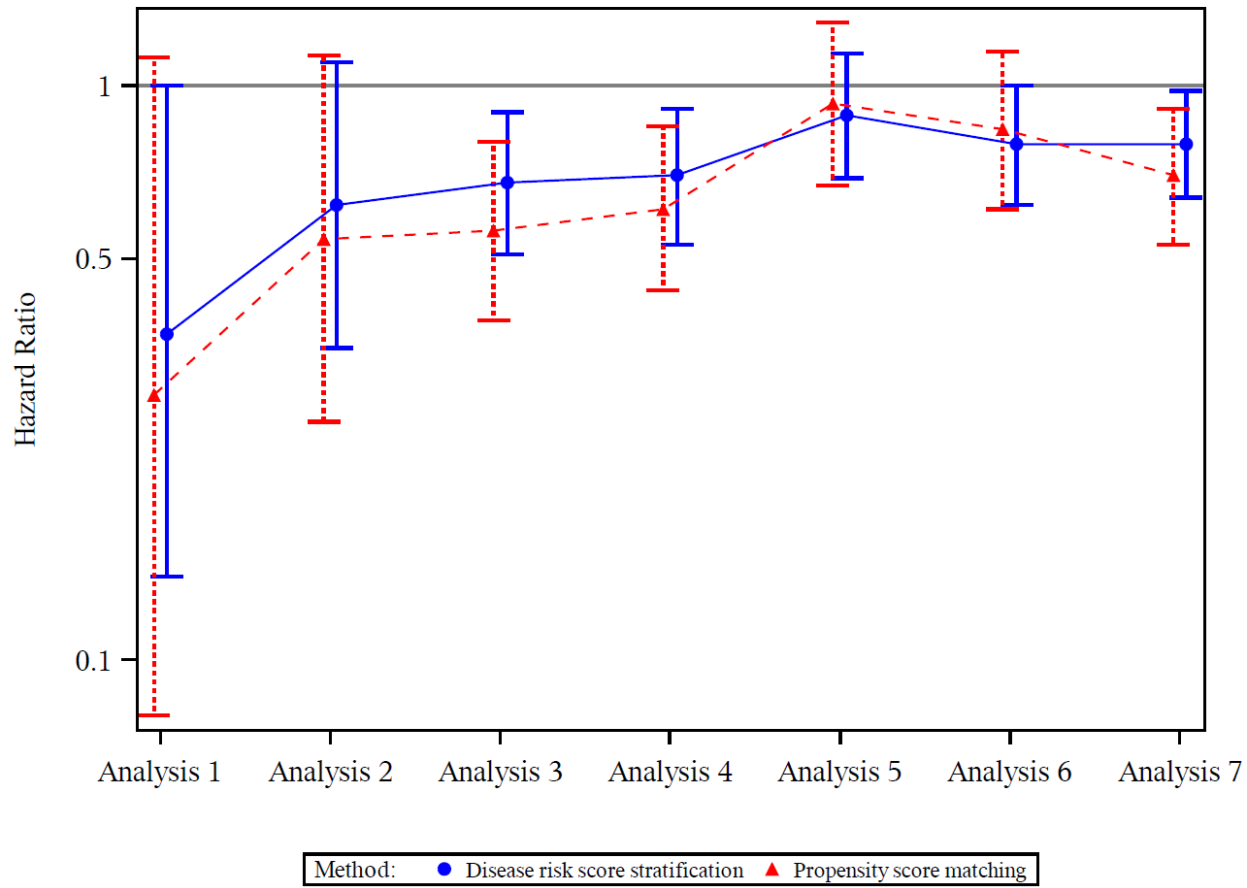
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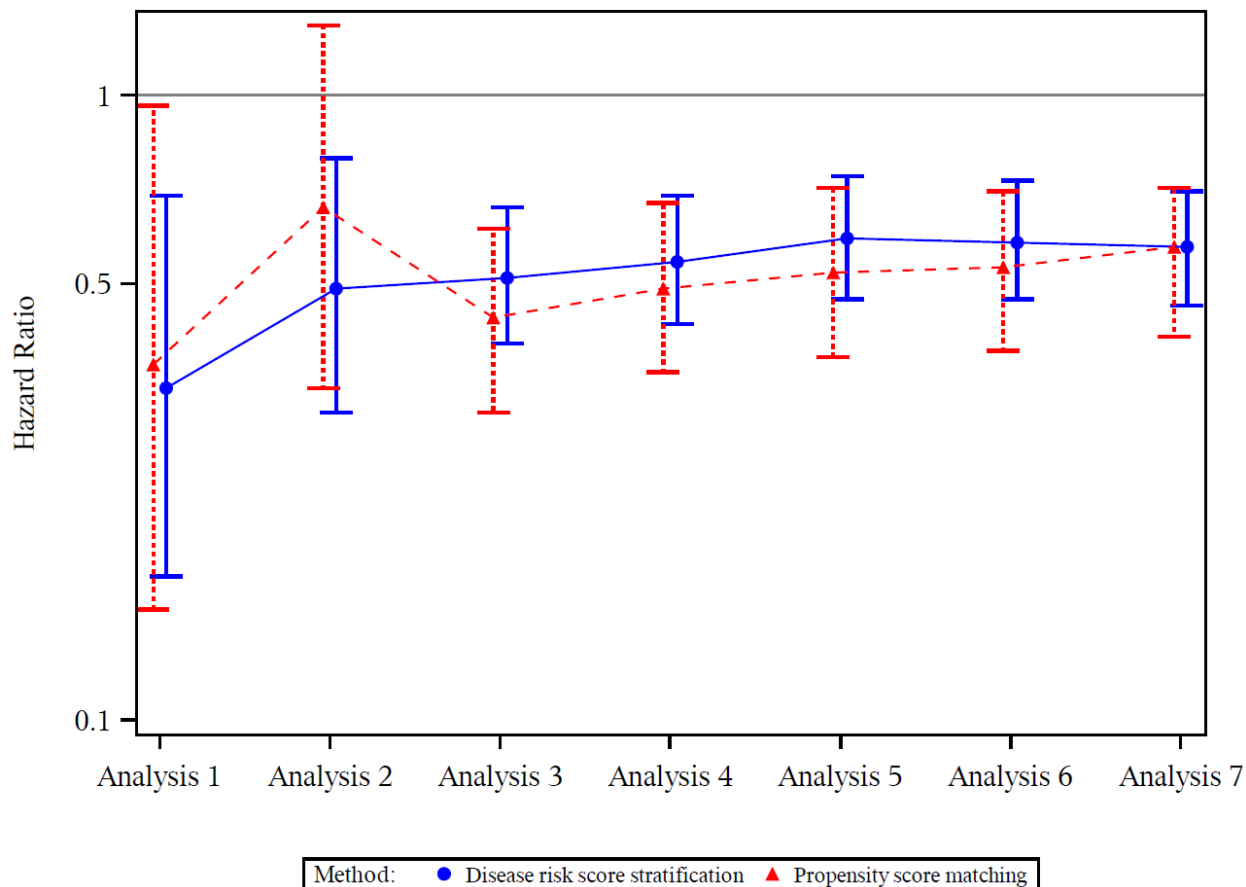
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AMI: Saxagliptin vs. sulfonylureas



Each estimate is based on the cumulative data on all AMIs in users since August 1, 2009

AMI: Saxagliptin vs. long-acting insulin



Each estimate is based on the cumulative data on all AMIs in users since August 1, 2009

For the one analysis that signaled

- PS-matched analysis
 - Fifth look: HR 1.63 (1.12, 2.37)
 - Sixth look: HR 1.19 (0.86, 1.66)
 - Seventh look: HR 1.17 (0.86, 1.57)

- Corresponding DRS-stratified analysis
 - Fifth look: HR 1.18 (0.90, 1.55)
 - Sixth look: HR 1.17 (0.90, 1.52)
 - Seventh look: HR 1.11 (0.87, 1.42)

Possible reasons for the signal

- Risk of AMI was higher with saxagliptin vs. pioglitazone
- Residual or unmeasured confounding
- Errors in data or analytic code
- Chance finding

Study Conclusion

We found no strong evidence to suggest a higher risk of AMI in saxagliptin users compared to users of sitagliptin, pioglitazone, second-generation sulfonylureas, or long-acting insulin

SAVOR-TIMI 53 trial

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Comparisons with SAVOR-TIMI 53 trial

Characteristics	SAVOR-TIMI 53 Trial	Mini-Sentinel surveillance*
Comparator	Placebo	Select anti-hyperglycemics
No. saxagliptin users	8,280	82,264
No. comparator users	8,212	146,045 to 452,969
Length of follow-up	2.1 years (median)	4 to 8 months (mean)
No. AMI in saxagliptin	265	94 to 171
No. AMI in comparator	278	75 to 1,085
Statistical analysis	Intention-to-treat	As-treated
Hazard ratio for AMI	0.95 (95% CI: 0.80, 1.12)	0.54 to 1.17

* From end-of-surveillance analysis that included all patients

Regulatory Importance

- Results from first “looks” were available before SAVOR-TIMI 53
- Real-life, head-to-head comparisons
- First prospective surveillance in (Mini-) Sentinel: established infrastructure for future studies



Thank you

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Ninth Annual Sentinel Initiative
Public Workshop, February 2, 2017

Risk of seizures associated with Ranolazine (Ranexa)

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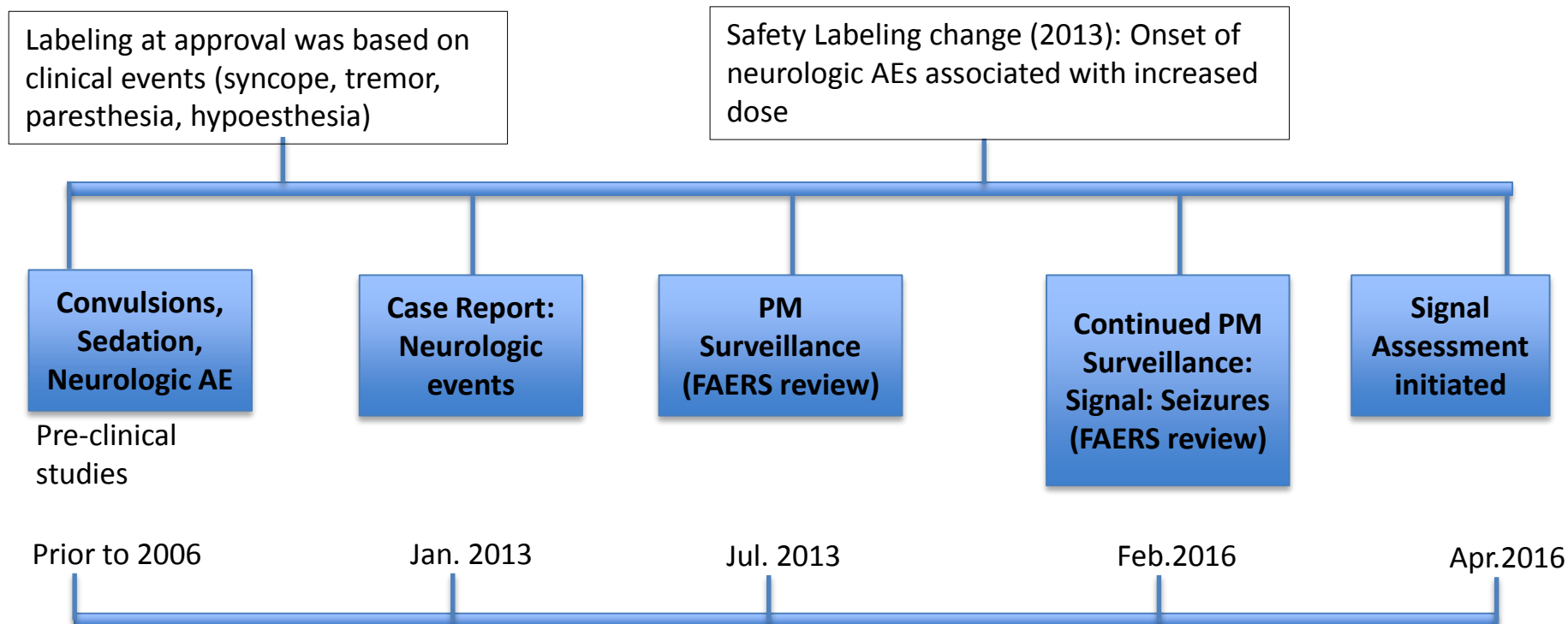
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Background

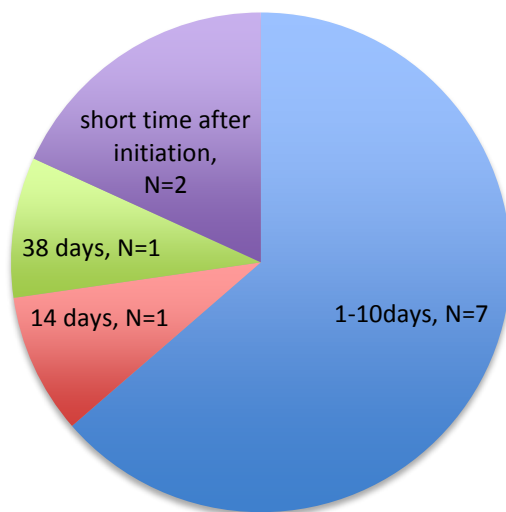
- Ranexa is an oral drug given twice daily for angina
- Angina is chest pain caused by insufficient blood flow to the heart (myocardial ischemia)
 - Possible pharmacological activity:
 - Demonstrated effects on sodium channels which are present in the cardiac, central and peripheral nervous systems

Safety Issue Timeline



Description of FAERS Case Reports

FAERS Reports
Time to Seizure Onset Following Ranexa Exposure
(N=11)



Median Age: 78 years

Outcome: Hospitalization (63.6%);

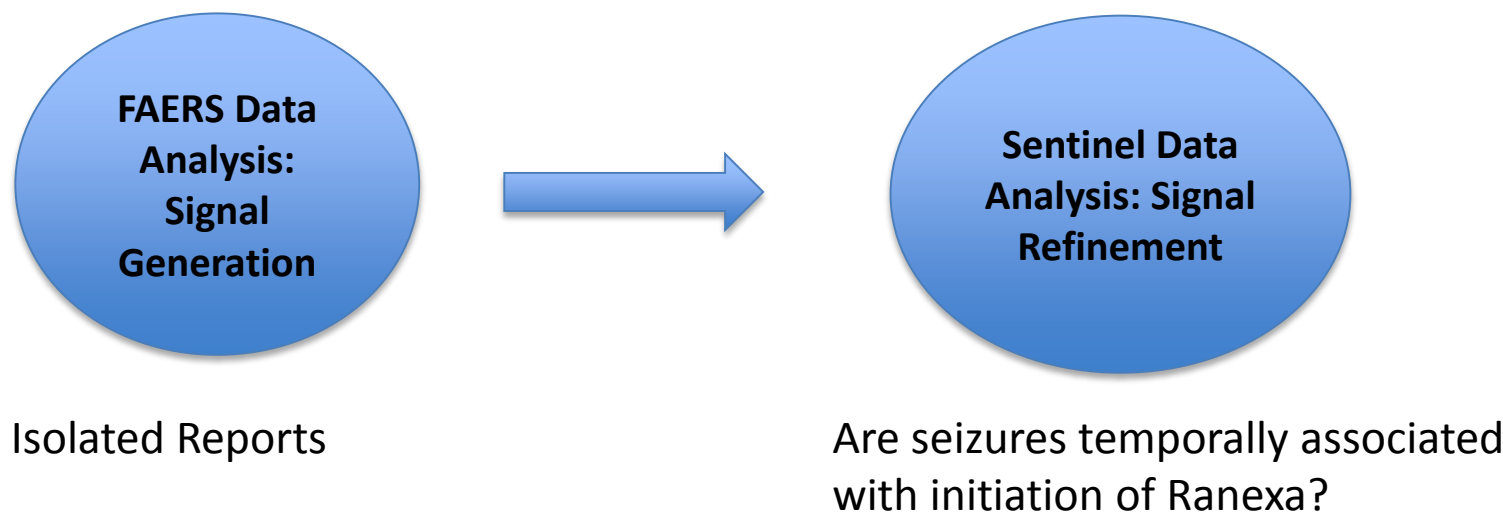
Dechallenge: Positive (72.7%)

Renal status: Chronic renal failure (36.3%); not reported (63.6%)

Temporality/Dechallenge: indicators for possible causality

Sentinel Objective

- To investigate whether Ranexa use is associated with an increased risk of seizures



Study Design Considerations

- Absence of an appropriate comparator
 - AHA* recommends Ranexa in circumstances in which beta blockers, calcium channel blockers, and nitrates are not adequately effective or are not tolerated.
- Self-controlled risk interval design (SCRI)-Level 2 Sentinel modular program
 - FAERS data reveal onset of seizures within a short period after exposure (7 out of 9 cases* occurred within 10 days)
 - SCRI design best suited for acute outcome, time-invariant confounders are controlled

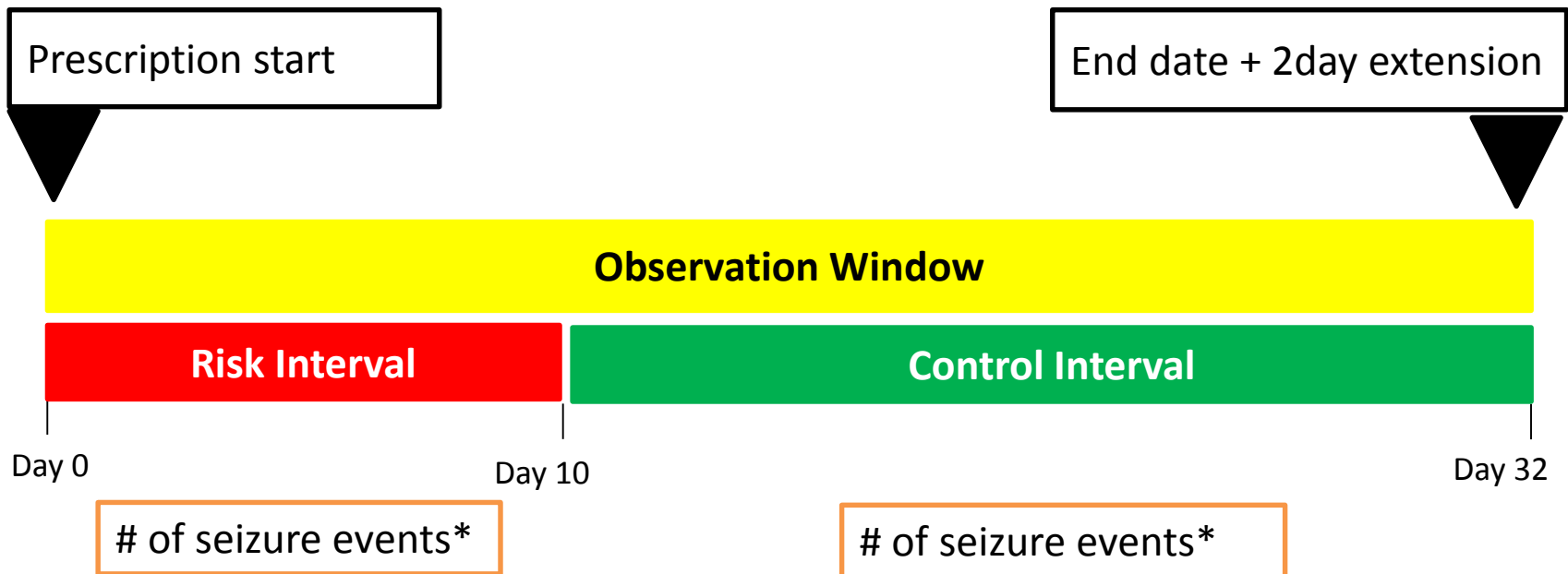
*AHA: American Heart Association

* Cases for which onset of seizure was reported

Methods

- Data: 01/01/2006 – 09/30/2015 from 12 health plans
- Cohort Definition: Patients ≥ 18 years old with at least 183 days medical and drug coverage
- Eligibility Criteria:
 - New use of Ranexa (no Ranexa during 183 day period (baseline) before use) and No epilepsy or seizure diagnosis and/or no anti-epileptic drug (AED) during baseline period – Ranexa cohort
 - New use of Ranexa (no Ranexa during 183 day period (baseline) before use) and No epilepsy or seizure diagnosis **but use of AED** during baseline period – Ranexa with AED cohort
- First valid 30-day prescription plus a 2-day extension period (observation window)

Self-Controlled Risk Interval Design



*Seizure event: ICD-9 codes for Epilepsy (345.X), convulsions (780.3X) or myoclonus (333.2) in Inpatient or Emergency Department discharge (PPV: 84% - Kee et al. 2012)

Populations of Interest

Population of interest	Description
Ranexa Users	Ranexa users with no epilepsy and no use of AED at baseline
Ranexa Users with AED	Ranexa Users with no epilepsy at baseline but used AED at baseline
Age categories	55-64 years, 65-74 years, 75+
Pre-existing renal disease	Presence of a diagnosis code for renal conditions including dialysis at baseline
Pre-existing liver disease	Presence of diagnosis code for liver conditions at baseline

Cases Characteristics Summary

Variables	FAERS cases	Sentinel Cases ^a	
		Ranexa users	Ranexa with AED ^b
Number of patients	11	28	11
Age, 55-64	0	5	1
Age, 65-74	2	5	4
Age, 75+	5	16	5
Gender, Female	50%	42.9%	72.7%
Renal Condition	36.3%	64.3%	NR
Liver Condition	NR	17.9%	NR

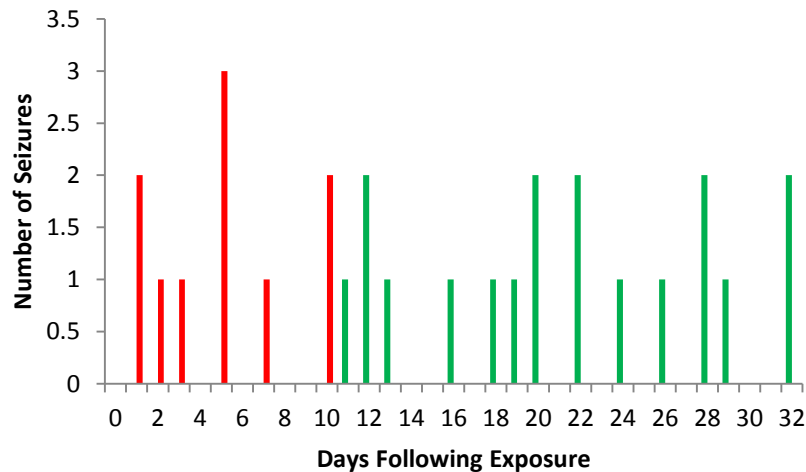
^aAmong 58,285 Ranexa users included in the study

^bAED: Anti-epileptic Drug

NR: Not Reported

Seizure risk in risk window compared to control window

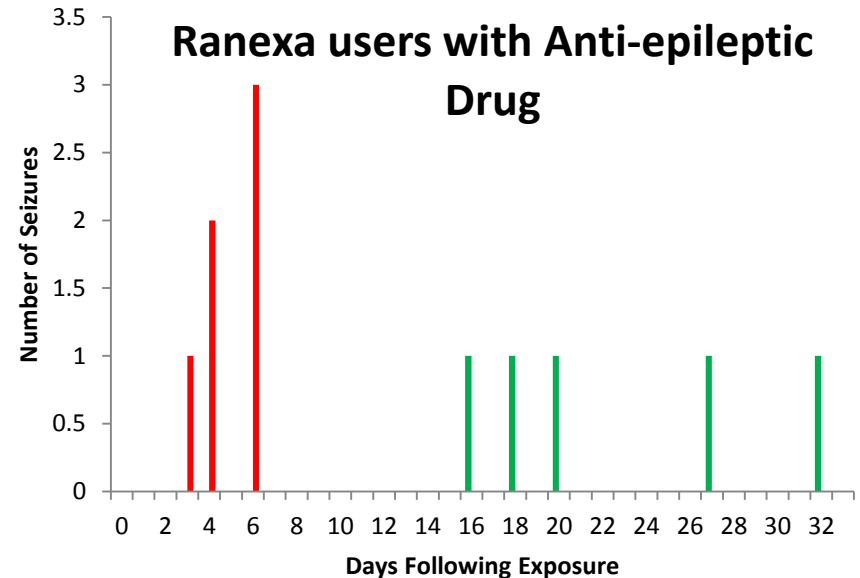
Ranexa Users



# Events in risk window	# Events in control window
10	18

Relative Risk: 1.1 (CI: 0.5-2.6)

Ranexa users with Anti-epileptic Drug



# Events in risk window	# Events in control window
6	5

Relative Risk: 2.4 (CI: 0.7-7.9)

Seizure risk stratified by population of interest

Population of interest	Number of Events in Risk Window	Number of Events in Control Window	Relative Risk	95% Confidence Interval
Age: 55-64	2	3	1.3	0.2, 8.5
Age: 65-74	3	2	3.0	0.5, 24.1
Age: 75+	5	11	1.0	0.3, 3.0
Pre-existing renal disease	7	11	1.3	0.5, 3.7
Pre-existing liver impairment	1	4	0.5	0.1, 3.8

Result Summary

- Seizure rate within 10 days of Ranexa initiation is rare, and does not appear to be higher than in days 11-30
- For Ranexa users with history of AED, there is a non-significant 2.5 fold increase in seizure risk
 - AED population is a mix of epilepsy patients and those who use AED for other conditions such as pain
 - Role of epilepsy
 - Role of polypharmacy
- Slight increased risk (not significant) for renal impairment patients as well as older patients

Sentinel's Role in Safety Assessment

- **FAERS data:** Identified seizure signal among Ranexa users
 - Severity of signal, temporality, dechallenge heightened need for further investigation
- **Sentinel:** Signal refinement
 - Quantify seizure risk among Ranexa users
 - Identified populations for future evaluation— older patients, renal disease condition and use of anti-epilepsy drugs
- Further signal refinement in Medicare underway
 - Better representation of cases in an older population



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Engagement in the Sentinel System



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SENTINEL ENGAGEMENT PARTNERS WORKGROUP

J. Stephen Mikita

Sentinel Planning Board Member
Patient Advocate

February 2, 2017

SENTINEL ENGAGEMENT PARTNERS WORKGROUP

Issue: Critical Stakeholders are largely unaware of the Sentinel System, its commitment to health, safety, and protection of patient privacy.

- Public
- Health Advocacy Groups
- Providers
- Health Plan Members

WORKGROUP CHARTER

“Create a Plan of Action to Increase Awareness and Tell the Sentinel System’s Story, Successes, and Value”

“Develop Messages and Tools to Increase Awareness of the Sentinel System’s Public Health Value and Commitment to Privacy”

WORKGROUP

Patient Representatives

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- Sharon Terry

FDA

- Carlos Bell
- David Martin
- Anna Staton

Health Plan Members

- Jamie Brocki
- Nancy Falk

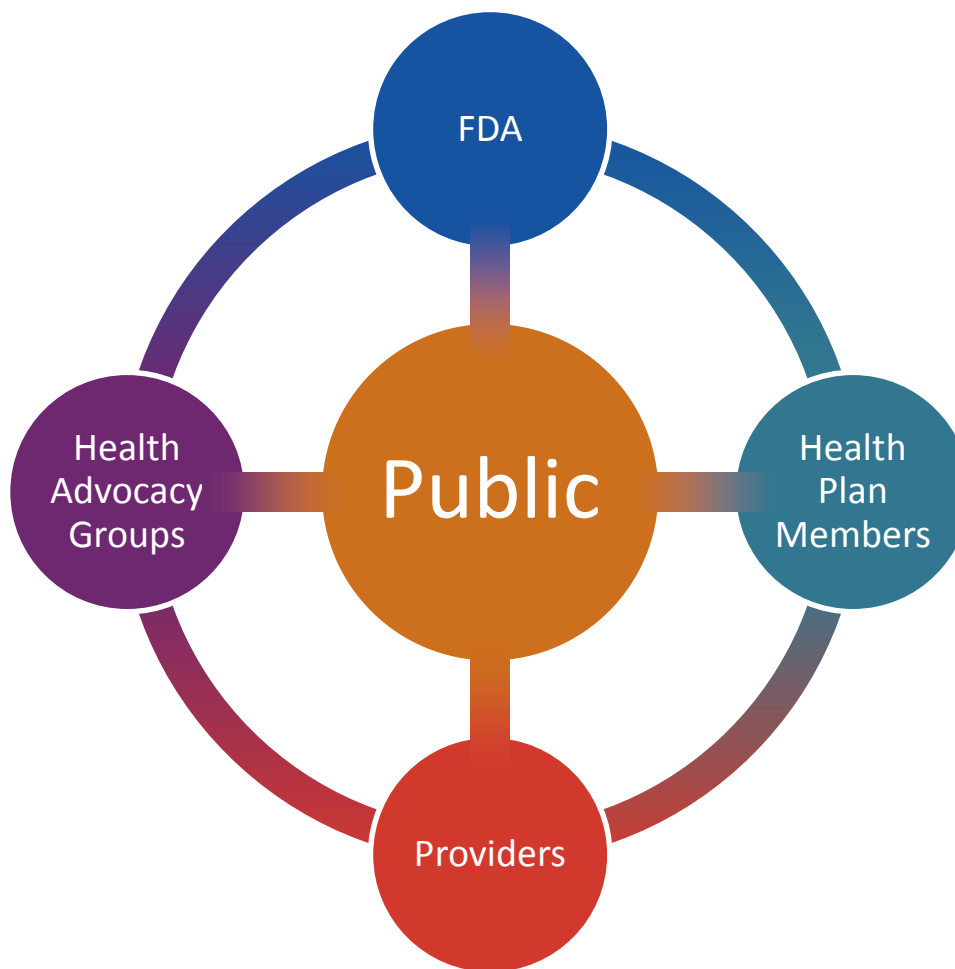
Providers

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The Engagement Partners Workgroup



WORKGROUP OBJECTIVES

Foundational Principles

- Transparency
- Relevance
- Effective Communication

STRATEGIES FOR ENGAGEMENT

- **Coordinated Communication Strategy**—Key Elements of the Sentinel System.
- **Targeted Messages**—Tailored to Each Engagement Partner's Critical Role.

WHAT IS SENTINEL SYSTEM'S STORY?

- FDA's Safety Mission/Another Tool
- Critical Components
- Operation
- Sentinel System in Action
- Privacy

Sentinel is a National Medical Product Monitoring System

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ABOUT

- Background
- Coordinating Center
- Privacy and Security
- The Sentinel System Story



SAFETY ASSESSMENTS

- Active Risk Identification and Analysis System
- Assessments of Drugs
- Assessments of Vaccines, Blood, & Biologics

Latest Postings

SPOTLIGHT

- Public Workshop: The Sentinel Post-Licensure Rapid Immunization Safety Monitoring (PRISM) System
Tue, 11/15/2016
- Sentinel Initiative Public Workshop - Ninth Annual
Tue, 11/08/2016

MODULAR PROGRAMS



HOW IT WORKS?

For the Public

Sentinel System's Story

How does the Sentinel System work?

The Sentinel System answers questions like these: *How many people are taking the same drug or getting the same vaccine? How many are having bad side-effects? How many are men and women? How many are young, old, pregnant, or take other drugs?*

For Providers

Sentinel System's Story

Sentinel System's Current Capabilities

The Sentinel System's data infrastructure involves a distributed data network that can ask questions of data held by participating health plans, insurers, and hospital networks.¹ These organizations maintain physical and operational control over their respective electronic data in their existing environments. To facilitate analysis, they each transform a copy of their data into a common data model that contains standardized administrative and clinical information.

HOW DOES FDA USE IT?

For the Public

Sentinel System's Story

What does the FDA do with all the information?

The FDA gets important answers from the Sentinel System about bad side effects in certain drugs or vaccines. The FDA studies this new information along with other information it gets from doctors and drug companies. The FDA decides the best way to make doctors and patients aware of side effects. The FDA can send out a warning to doctors and patients. Or the FDA can issue a safety communication to warn the public about taking a medicine or getting a vaccine.

For Providers

Sentinel System's Story

Sentinel System's Current Capabilities

Currently, the Sentinel System can analyze over 300 million person-years of high quality, unduplicated, curated data, working with a broad group of scientific collaborators who regularly provide technical support in evaluating this information for FDA review. When data from Sentinel System queries are evaluated and a potential problem is identified, FDA may require additional study, or initiate specific actions, such as revised labeling requirements, restricted use, issuance of a MedWatch alert, or even removal of a product from the market.

SENTINEL IN ACTION

For the Public

Sentinel System's Story

Sentinel in action

Example 1

In 2012, the FDA got reports from doctors about patients taking a new medicine to help prevent blood clots. The reports were about patients bleeding too much when they took the new medicine. The Sentinel System looked at a big group of patients on the new medicine. Then, it looked at a big group of patients on an older medicine. This information did not suggest the new medicine was less safe than the older medicine. Patients could continue taking the new medicine while additional studies were performed.

For Providers

Sentinel System's Story

Sentinel System's Outcome Assessments

The Sentinel System has been used to ascertain valuable information about new prescription medications and vaccines. As an example, the bleeding rates of two anticoagulants. The Sentinel System's preliminary analysis did not identify excess risk associated with a certain anticoagulant; a more detailed follow up study is nearing completion. In another instance, the Sentinel System found that the administration of a first dose of a rotavirus vaccine led to an increased risk of intussusception, which was not detected during clinical trials before FDA approved the new vaccine. A final illustration of the Sentinel System's usefulness involved demonstrating that children vaccinated with a particular influenza vaccine were not at an increased risk of seizures.

PRIVACY

For the Public

Sentinel System's Story

Protecting your privacy

No one at the FDA looks at your personal information. They do not look at your Name, Address, Phone Number, etc. The Sentinel System learns about big groups of patients taking the same medicine or getting the same vaccine.

For Providers

Sentinel System's Story

The Sentinel System Protects Patient Privacy

The Sentinel System aggregates data and produces summary information from large patient cohorts treated with the same drug or vaccine, whenever possible. When individual level data are needed, patients' identifiers are removed.

NEXT STEPS

Dissemination/Roll Out

- **Public** → Going Live!
- **Health Advocacy Groups** → Organizations & Presentations
- **Providers** → AMA Collaboration
- **Health Plan Members** → Data Partners

THANK YOU!

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Moving Beyond Surveillance: Sentinel as a Component of the National System for Evidence Generation

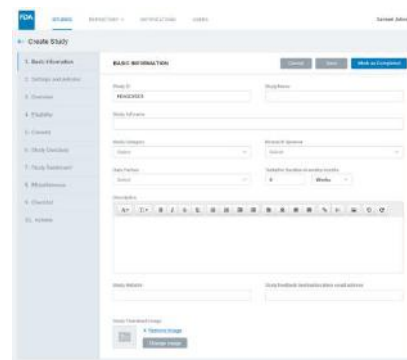
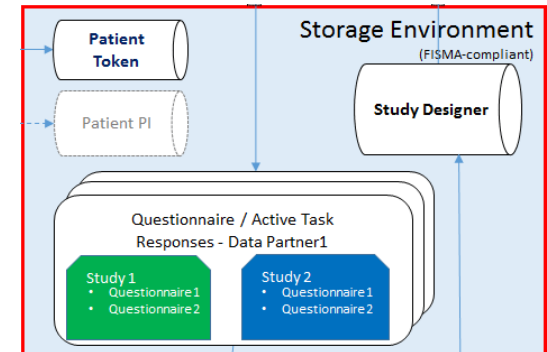
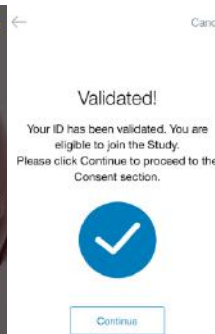
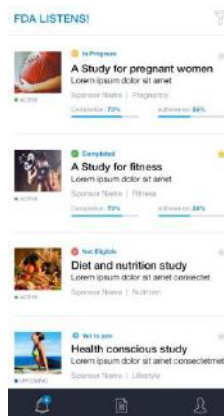
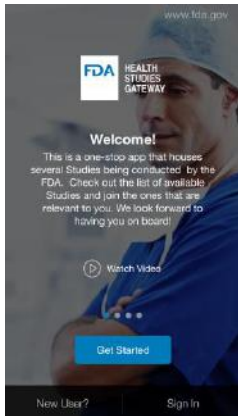


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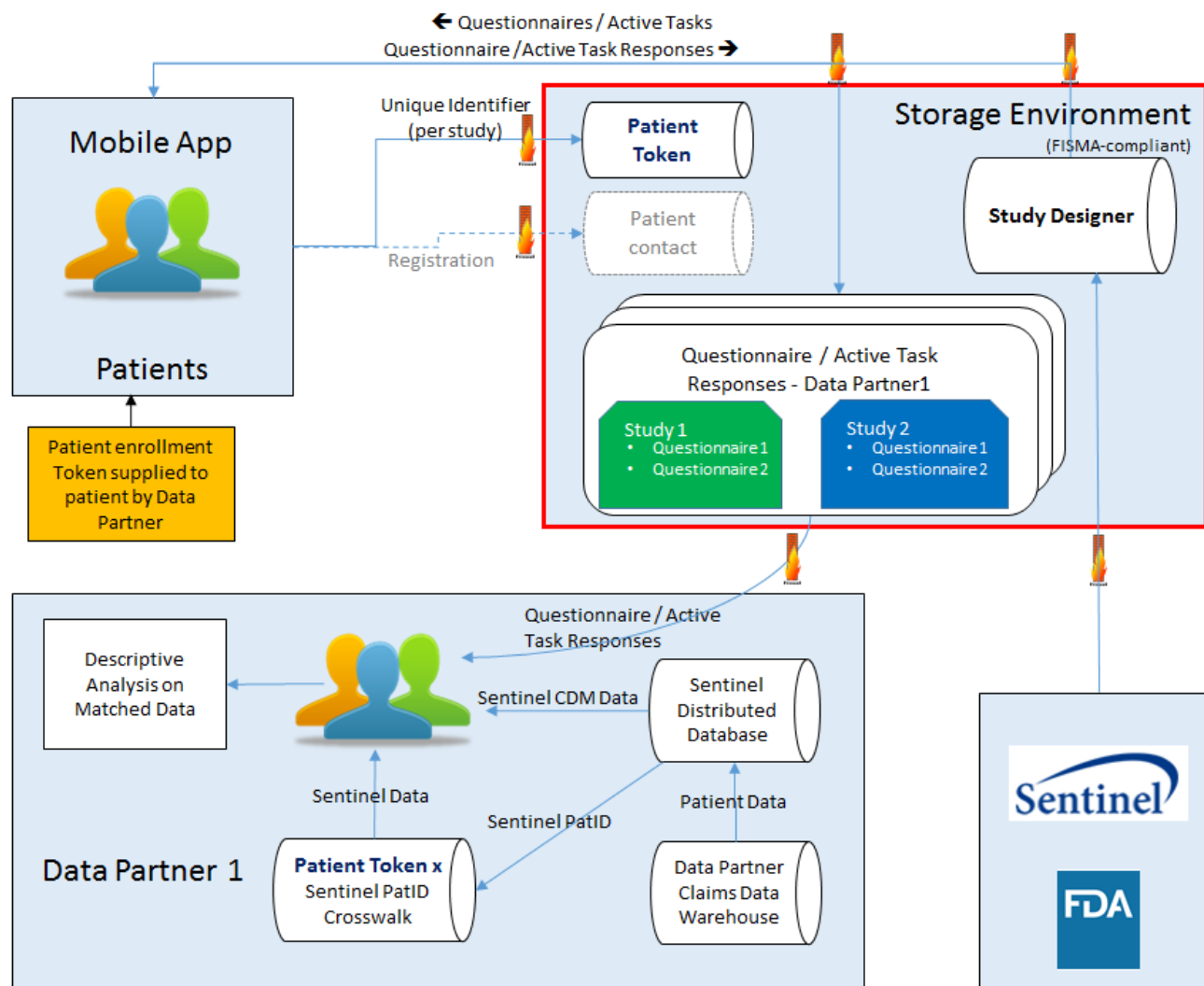
FDA Catalyst Mobile App and IMEDS

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FDA Catalyst Mobile App



Linking Primary and Secondary Data



IMEDS

- Enables sponsors to use modular programs, customized studies, or a blended approach that complements the FDA Active Risk Identification and Analysis system
- Organizations interested in partnering with IMEDS should email IMEDS@reaganudall.org

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From Vision to Reality **PCORnet Opens for Business**

Rachael Fleurence, PhD, Program Director PCORnet

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI)

February, 2017



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The National Patient-Centered
Clinical Research Network

PCORnet: the National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network

PCORnet is **a large, highly representative, national patient-centered clinical research network.**

Our **vision** is to support a learning U.S. healthcare system and to enable **large-scale clinical research** conducted with **enhanced quality and efficiency.**

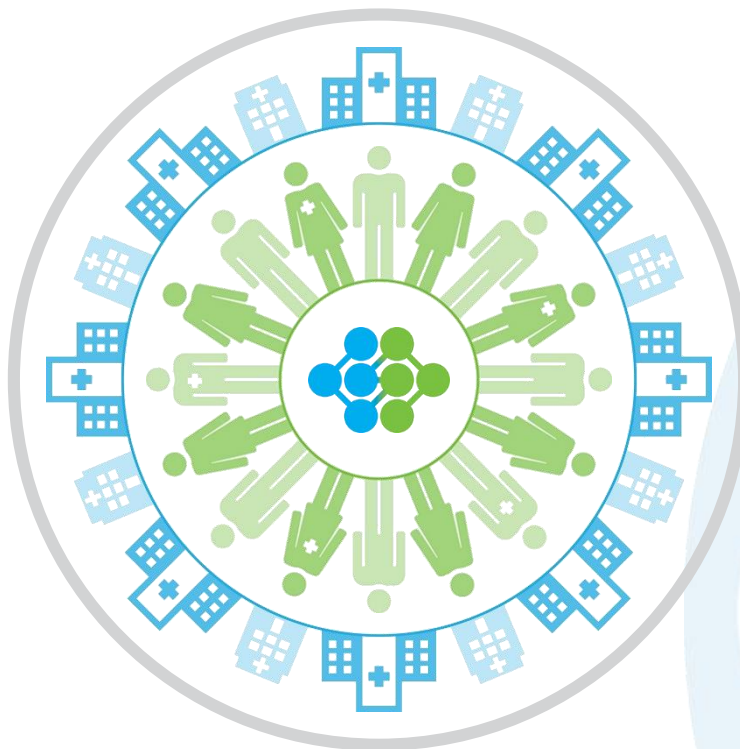
Our **mission** is to enable people to make informed healthcare decisions by efficiently conducting clinical research relevant to their needs.



With PCORnet, we have developed a nationwide functional research network that...

- 🏥 **Engages** people, clinicians, and health system leaders throughout
- 🏥 **Creates** infrastructure, tools, and policies to support rapid, efficient clinical research
- 🏥 **Utilizes** multiple data sources including electronic health records, insurance claims data, data reported directly by people, and other data sources

PCORnet embodies a “community of research” by uniting people, clinicians & systems



20
Patient-Powered Research
Networks (**PPRNs**)

+

13
Clinical Data
Research Networks
(**CDRNs**)

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PCORnet
A national infrastructure
for people-centered
clinical research

PPRNs



American BRCA Outcomes and Utilization of Testing Patient-Powered Research Network (ABOUT Network)

University of South Florida



ARthritis patient Partnership with comparative Effectiveness Researchers (AR-POWER PPRN)

Global Healthy Living Foundation



CCFA Partners Patient Powered Research Network

Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America



Collaborative Patient-Centered Rare Epilepsy Network (REN)

Epilepsy Foundation



Community and Patient-Partnered Centers of Excellence for Behavioral Health

University of California Los Angeles



Community-Engaged Network for All (CENA)

Genetic Alliance, Inc.



COPD Patient Powered Research Network

COPD Foundation



DuchenneConnect Registry Network

Parent Project Muscular Dystrophy



Health eHeart Alliance

University of California, San Francisco (UCSF)



ImproveCareNow: A Learning Health System for Children with Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center



Interactive Autism Network

Kennedy Krieger Institute



Mood Patient-Powered Research Network

Massachusetts General Hospital



Multiple Sclerosis Patient-Powered Research Network

Accelerated Cure Project for Multiple Sclerosis



National Alzheimer's and Dementia Patient and Caregiver-Powered Research Network

Mayo Clinic



NephCure Kidney International

Arbor Research Collaborative for Health



Patients, Advocates and Rheumatology Teams Network for Research and Service (PARTNERS) Consortium

Duke University



Phelan-McDermid Syndrome Data Network

Phelan-McDermid Syndrome Foundation



PI Patient Research Connection: PI-CONNECT

Immune Deficiency Foundation



Population Research in Identity and Disparities for Equality Patient-Powered Research Network (PRIDENet)

University of California San Francisco



Vasculitis Patient Powered Research Network

University of Pennsylvania

CDRNs

ADVANCE

[Accelerating Data Value Across a National Community Health Center Network \(ADVANCE\)](#)

Oregon Community Health Information Network (OCHIN)



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University of California, San Diego (UCSD)



[PaTH: Towards a Learning Health System](#)

University of Pittsburgh



[Scalable Collaborative Infrastructure for a Learning Healthcare System \(SCILHS\)](#)

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PCORnet as Part of a National Evidence Generation Infrastructure

Medical Product Safety Surveillance

FDA

Sentinel Coordinating Center

Coordinating Center(s)

FDA, Industry

Medical Product Safety

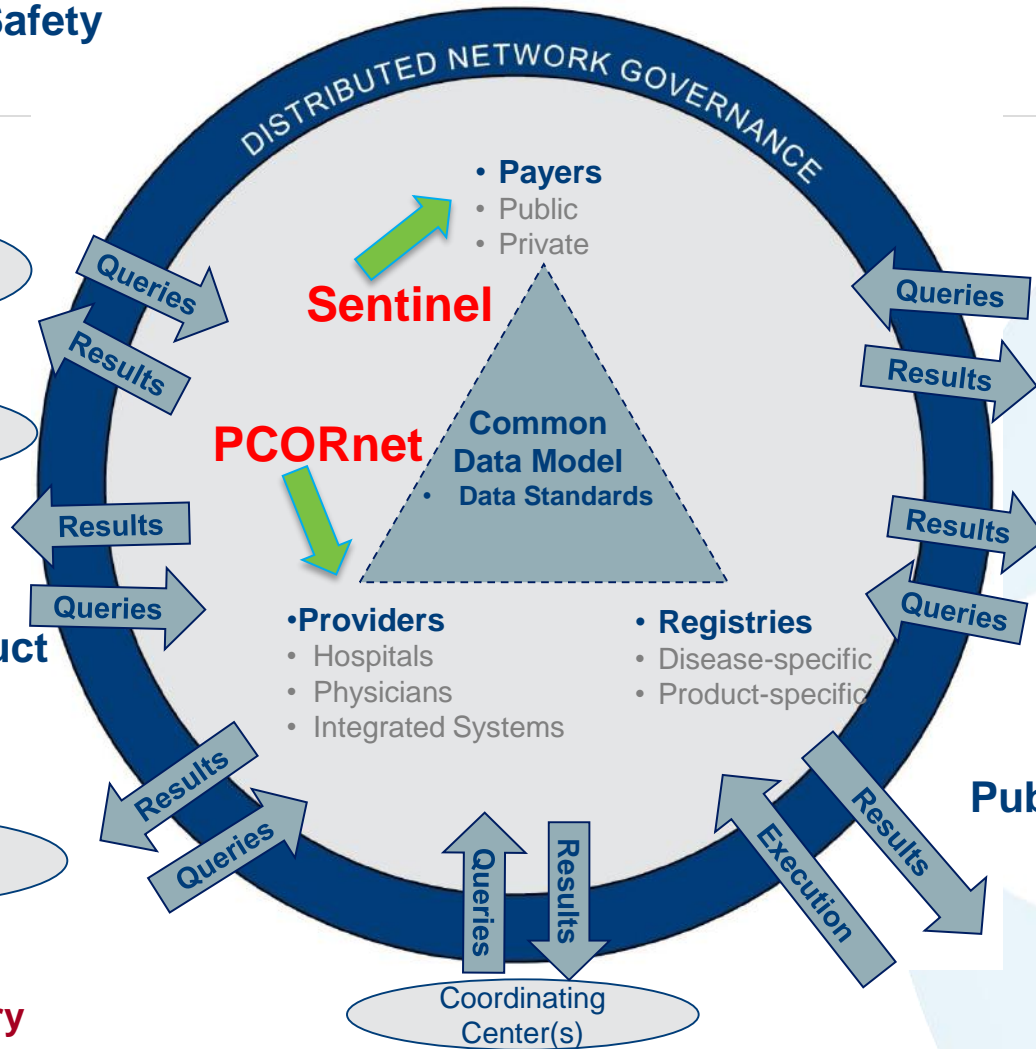
Coordinating Center(s)

NIH, Industry

Clinical Research



PCORI, NIH, Industry Comparative Effectiveness Research



PCORnet – Based on Common Data Model

Encounter

SITE 1

Social Work Visit
Allied Health
Office Visit
Nurse Visit
Procedure Visit
Employee Health
Vascular Lab
Sleep Study Visit
Social Work Visit

SITE 2

Office Visit
Specimen
Postpartum Visit
Clinical Support
Initial Prenatal

SITE 3



Home Care Visit
Office Visit
Therapy Visit
Orders Only
Cardiology Testing
Hospital Encounter

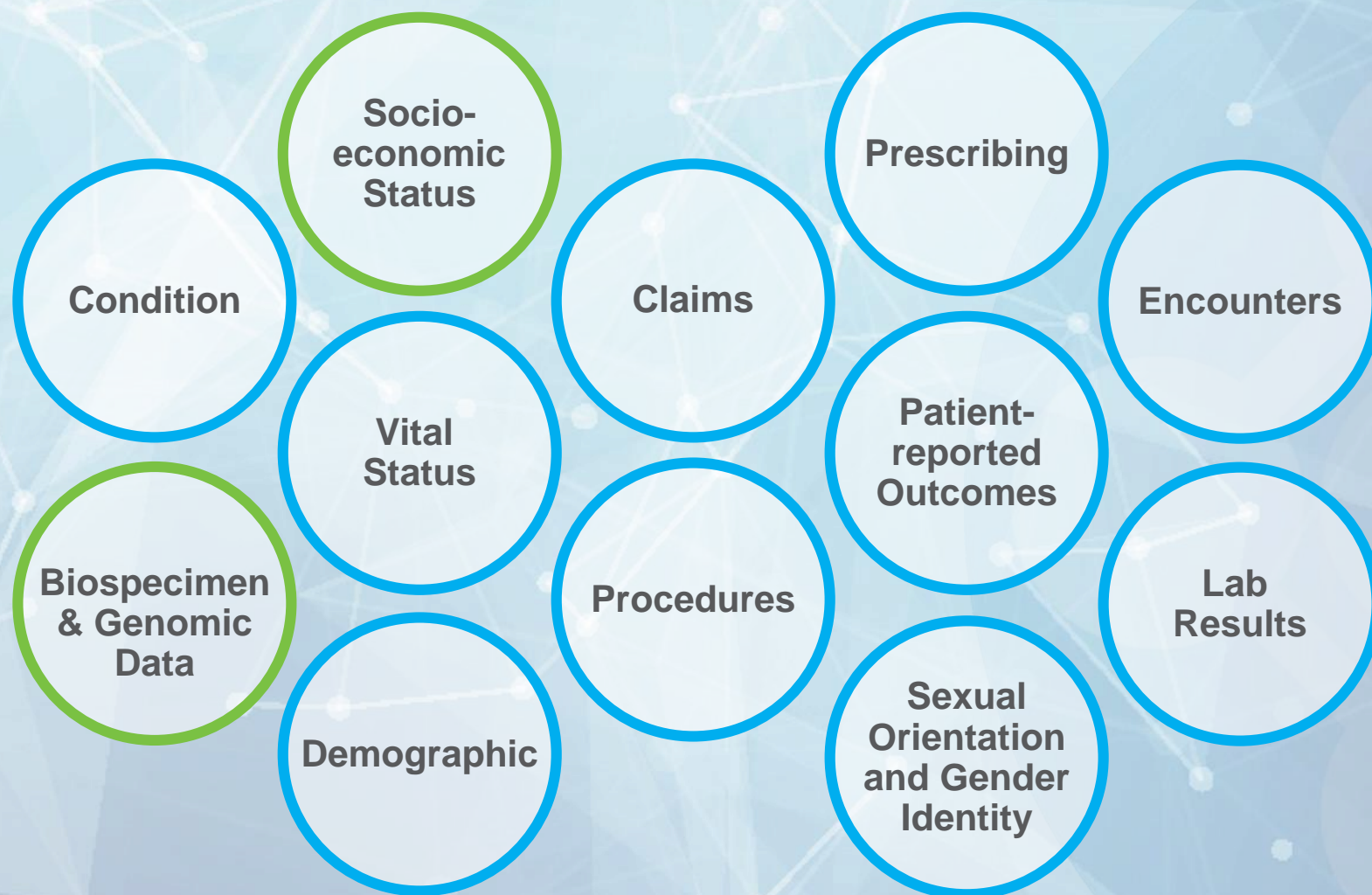
Common Data Model

Ambulatory Visit (AV)
Emergency Department (ED)
ED Admit to Inpatient (EI)
Inpatient Hospital (IP)
Non-Acute Inst. Stay (IS)
Other Ambulatory (OA)
Other (OT)
Unknown (UN)
No Information (NI)

In order to be able to trust results of an analysis, we need to have consistent representations

Common Data Model

-  Data domains in the CDM
-  Domains that can be added



Data Characterization: Cycle 1

82 DataMarts across 13 CDRNs

Cycle 1 of Data Characterization

Characterized 7 tables

- Demographic
- Enrollment
- Encounter
- Diagnosis
- Procedures
- Vital
- Harvest

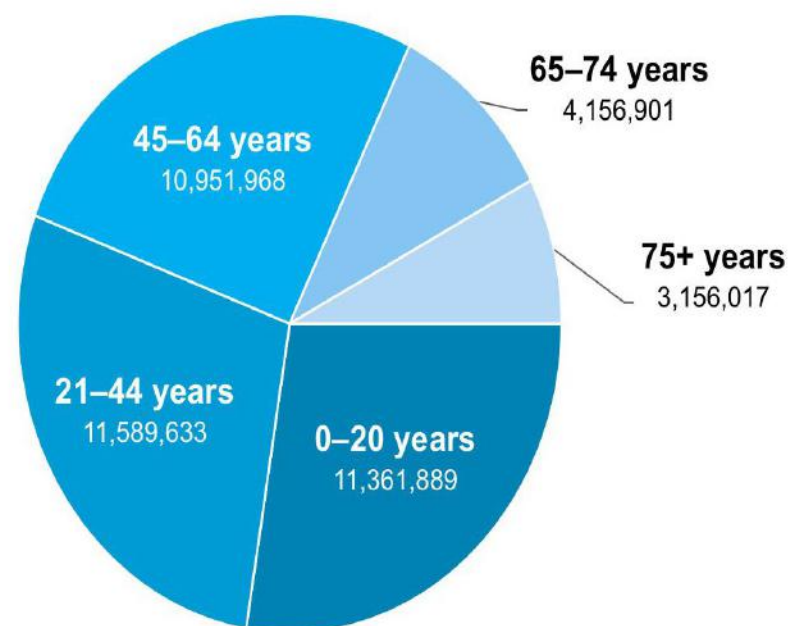
Run on CDM v3.0

Approximately...

- 90 million patients with a medical encounter in past 5 years
- 42 million records to support clinical trials
- 83 million records to support observational studies

Demographics*: Age

(N=41,216,568)



*Number of patients with given characteristic with an encounter in any care setting divided by the total number of patients with an encounter in any care setting (2014). Individuals who received care at more than one Network Partner during the period would be counted once per Network Partner visit, leading to the potential for double-counting

Conditions

Condition	PCORnet
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Respiratory conditions	2,837,803
Selected malignancies	1,294,158
Myocardial infarction	354,929
Stroke	420,802
Rheumatoid arthritis	254,803
Ulcerative colitis	88,029
Hypertension	5,902,641
Renal disease	1,018,729
Influenza/pneumonia	869,306

Data Characterization: Cycle 2

- Added 4 tables
 - Prescribing
 - Dispensing
 - Laboratory Results
 - Death
- Ended January 6th 2017

Early Results



Number of patients

- ~94 million patients available for observational studies (with AV, IP or ED visit in the past 5 years)
- ~46 million patients available for clinical trials (with AV, IP or ED visit in the past year)



Query run times

- 57% took < 3 hours
- 18% took > 10 hours
- Strongly correlated with size of the DataMart but not correlated with use of SAS views (25% of DataMarts)

Lab Results

Lab	Records
Total	2.3 billion
A1C	72 million
CK	17 million
CK_MB	8 million
CK_MBI	3 million
Creatinine	288 million
HGB	298 million
INR	78 million
LDL	89 million
TROP_I	21 million
TROP_T_QL	273K
TROP_T_QN	4 million
Other	1.4 billion (~12 DataMarts)

Medications

	Dispensings (39 DataMarts)	Orders (72 DataMarts)	Dispensings/Orders in DataMarts with both tables (30 DataMarts)
Total	1.9 billion	4.0 billion	
10 concepts of interest*	744 million	1 billion	439 million/586 million
ACE inhibitors	63 million	47 million	38 million/24 million
Antidepressants	99 million	78 million	53 million/41 million
Antidiabetics	60 million	64 million	29 million/32 million
Antiepileptics	52 million	55 million	56 million/120 million
Antirheumatics	94 million	205 million	41 million/36 million
Antiulcerants	70 million	75 million	25 million/30 million
Beta-blockers	41 million	61 million	55 million/111 million
Narcotic analgesics	88 million	183 million	60 million /145 million
Respiratory agents	93 million	283 million	51 million /31 million
Statins	84 million	57 million	

PCORnet supports many kinds of research



Pre-research

- Feasibility queries
- Engagement
- Match-making



Observational studies

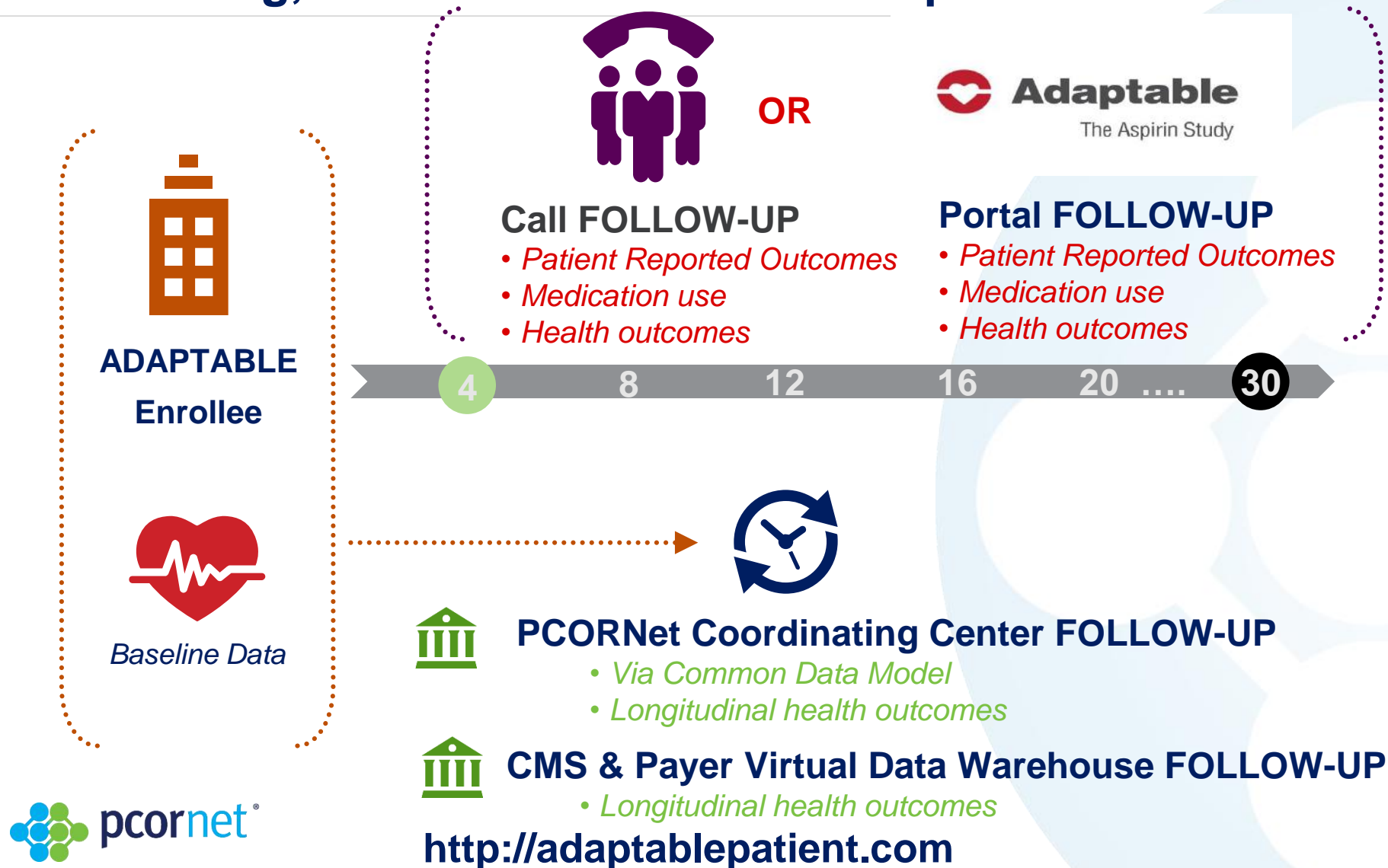
- Cross-sectional
- Epidemiology
- Health services
- Comparative effectiveness or safety



Interventional studies

- Clinical trials
- Pragmatic randomized clinical trials
 - e-Identification
 - e-Consent
 - e-Randomization
 - e-Data Collection
 - e-Follow-up
- Cluster randomization

Pragmatic Clinical Trials: Enabling Pragmatic Research: eScreening, eEnrollment and eFollowup



ADAPTABLE: Site Enrollment Rates (as of 1/8)

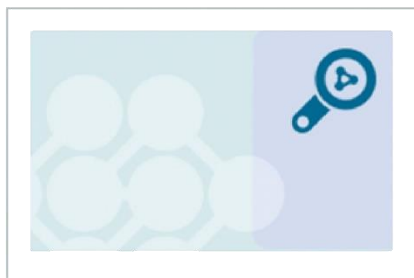
CDRN	Site	Site Activated	Started Enrollment	Total Enrolled	Enrollment Rate/Month
MidSouth	Vanderbilt	4/18/2016	April	307	30.7
OneFlorida	U of Florida	11/1/2016	November	62	20.66
REACHnet	Ochsner	4/18/2016	April	132	13.2
PaTH	UPMC	7/18/2016	August	68	11.33
PaTH	Penn State	9/23/2016	October	45	11.25
pScanner	UCLA	11/7/2016	November	33	11
PaTH	Utah	9/23/2016	October	38	9.5
GPC	KUMC	11/1/2016	November	27	9
NYC_CDRN	Montefiore	11/9/2016	November	17	5.66
GPC	Iowa	7/18/2016	August	32	5.33
Capricorn	Northwestern	8/30/2016	September	26	5.2
Mid-South	Duke	11/9/2016	November	12	4
REACHnet	BSW	9/19/2016	October	10	2.5
NYC_CDRN	NYU	11/1/2016	November	5	1.66
PaTH	Temple	9/23/2016	October	5	1.25
REACHnet	Tulane	8/30/2016	October	2	0.5

Front Door now open to the PCORnet community, and will be open in April to the outside

Through PCORnet Front Door, we invite PCORnet researchers and other investigators, patient groups, healthcare organizations, clinicians or clinician groups, government and industry scientists, and sponsors to collaborate on important patient-centered clinical research studies.



Faster answers to
pre-research queries



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Valuable expertise via
network collaboration



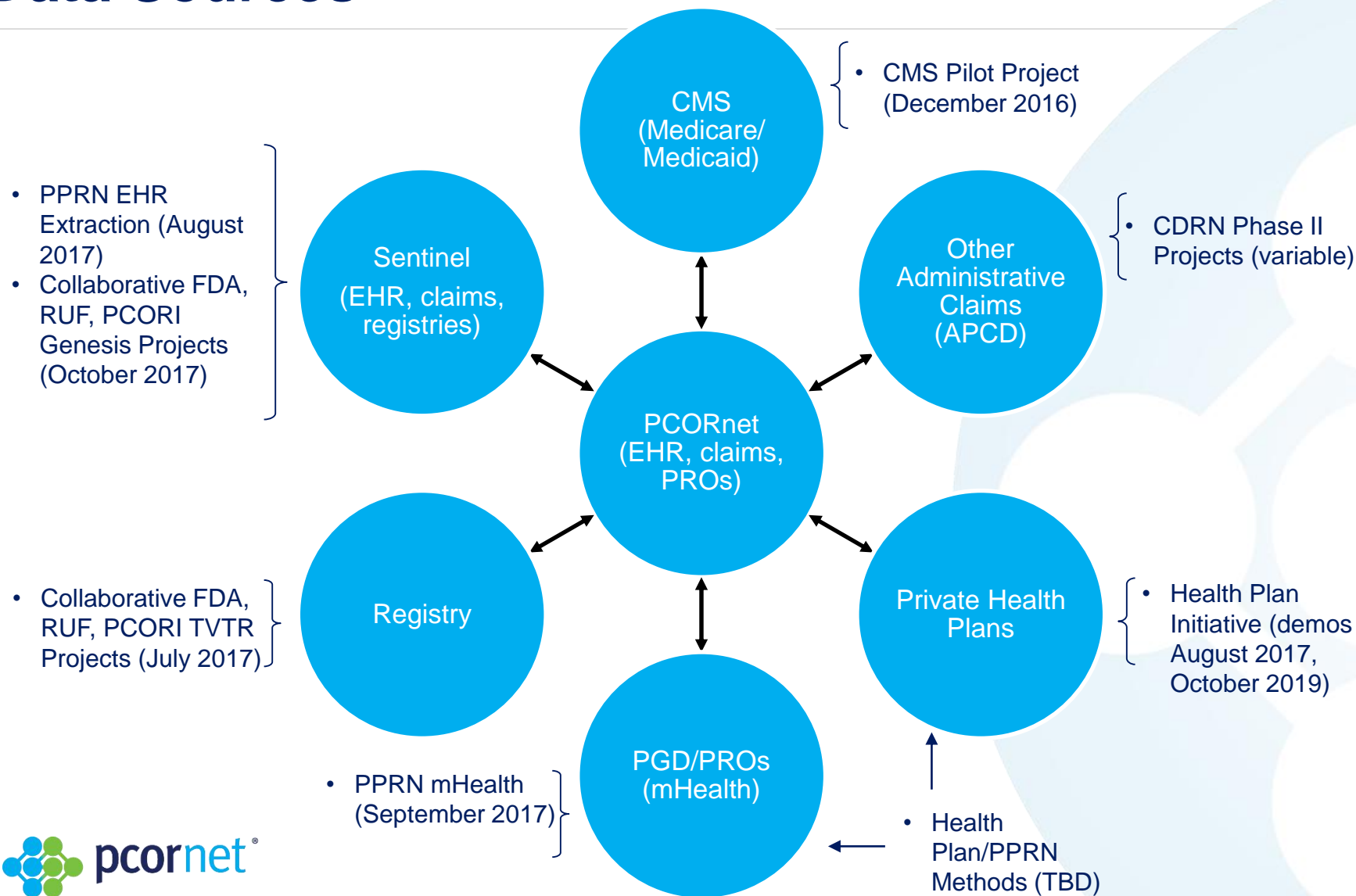
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Enhanced credibility via
PCORnet study
designation



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Data Linkage/Collaboration Projects: Data Sources



Genesis Pilot Projects

Public Health Focus Area	Genesis Project Title	Institute/Affiliation	Principal Investigator
Congenital Zika syndrome surveillance	Planning for Congenital Zika Syndrome Surveillance in PCORnet and Sentinel	University of Florida	Dr. William Hogan
Monitoring and reporting antimicrobial utilization	Data Model for Initiatives to Monitor Exposure to Antimicrobials in PCORNet and Sentinel (DataMIME)	Medical Research Analytics and Informatics Alliance (MRAIA)	Dr. William Trick

Planning for Congenital Zika Syndrome Surveillance in PCORnet and Sentinel

- ❖ Purpose: Begin understanding and utilizing the surveillance potential using the EHR and administrative data infrastructure of PCORnet and the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) Sentinel Initiative
- ❖ Study Goals:
 - Identify and characterize subpopulations of infants of interest and test within the OneFlorida CDRN data infrastructure
 - Leverage PCORnet and Sentinel capabilities to enhance Zika syndrome detection and reporting
 - Contribute to knowledge of the natural history and outcomes of infants with congenital Zika syndrome

Initiatives to Monitor Exposure to Antimicrobials in PCORnet and Sentinel (DataMIME)

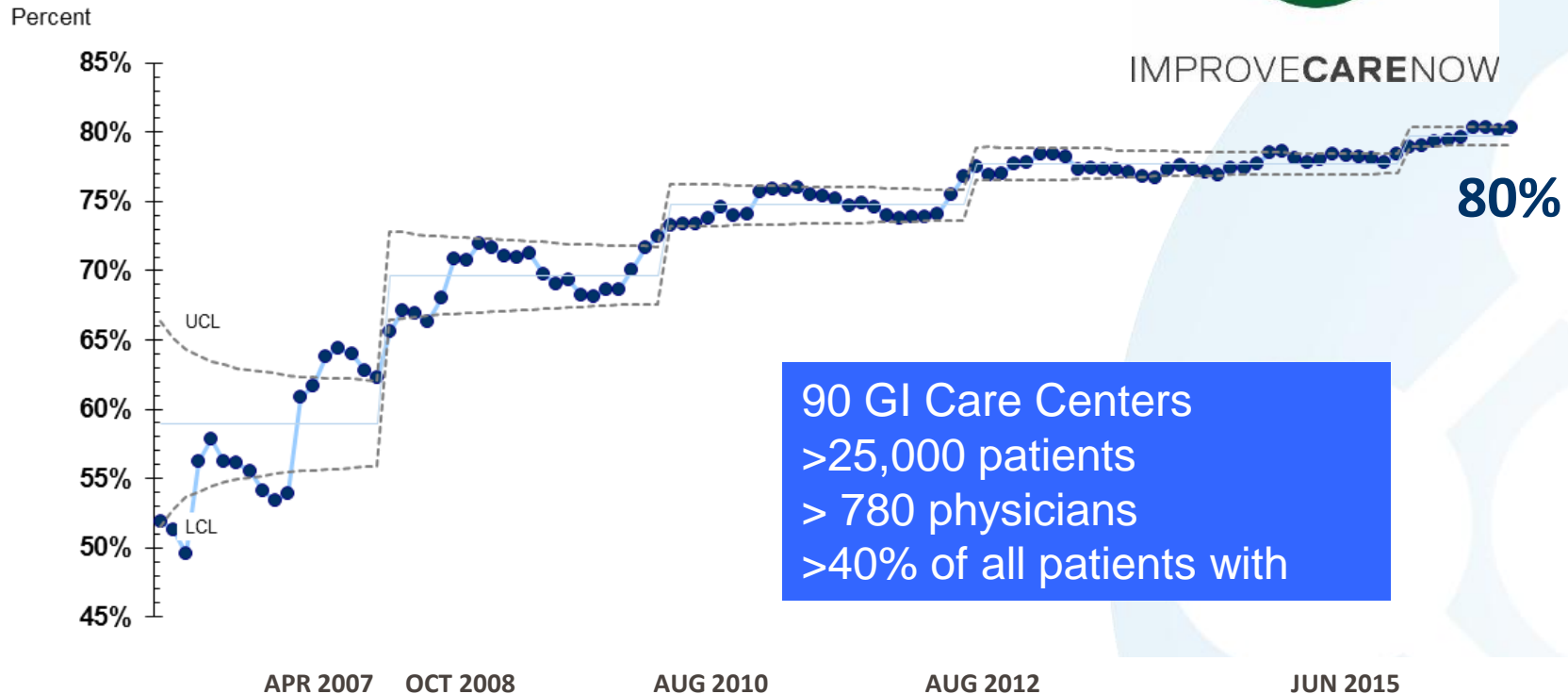
- ❖ Purpose: Develop and pilot a PCORnet technical infrastructure for the generation of unit-level Antimicrobials (AU) measures critical to antimicrobial utilization and monitoring national public health priorities
- ❖ Study Goals:
 - Plan, develop and pilot an open source methodology using the PCORnet CDM as a model
 - Generate AU reports that can be submitted to CDC's Natural Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) and enable surveillance requirements for FDA's Sentinel CDM
 - Develop ancillary tables to augment the existing PCORnet and Sentinel data models that will allow hospitals to generate comparable AU reports for hospital inpatients

Patient-Powered Research Networks

- 20 Patient-Powered Research Networks, 220,000 patients across diseases and conditions consented to participate in research
- Future areas to watch:
 - First large pragmatic clinical trial in mindfulness
 - Use of mHealth data for research
 - Patient owned EHR share-able with researchers
 - Learning Network Pilots starting in Spring 2017



ICN PPRN is changing patients' health outcomes



Centers >75% registered

Percent of patients in clinical remission
Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis

Moving Beyond Surveillance: Sentinel as a Component of the National System for Evidence Generation



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Perspectives from the NIH Healthcare Systems Research Collaboratory

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Moving Beyond Surveillance

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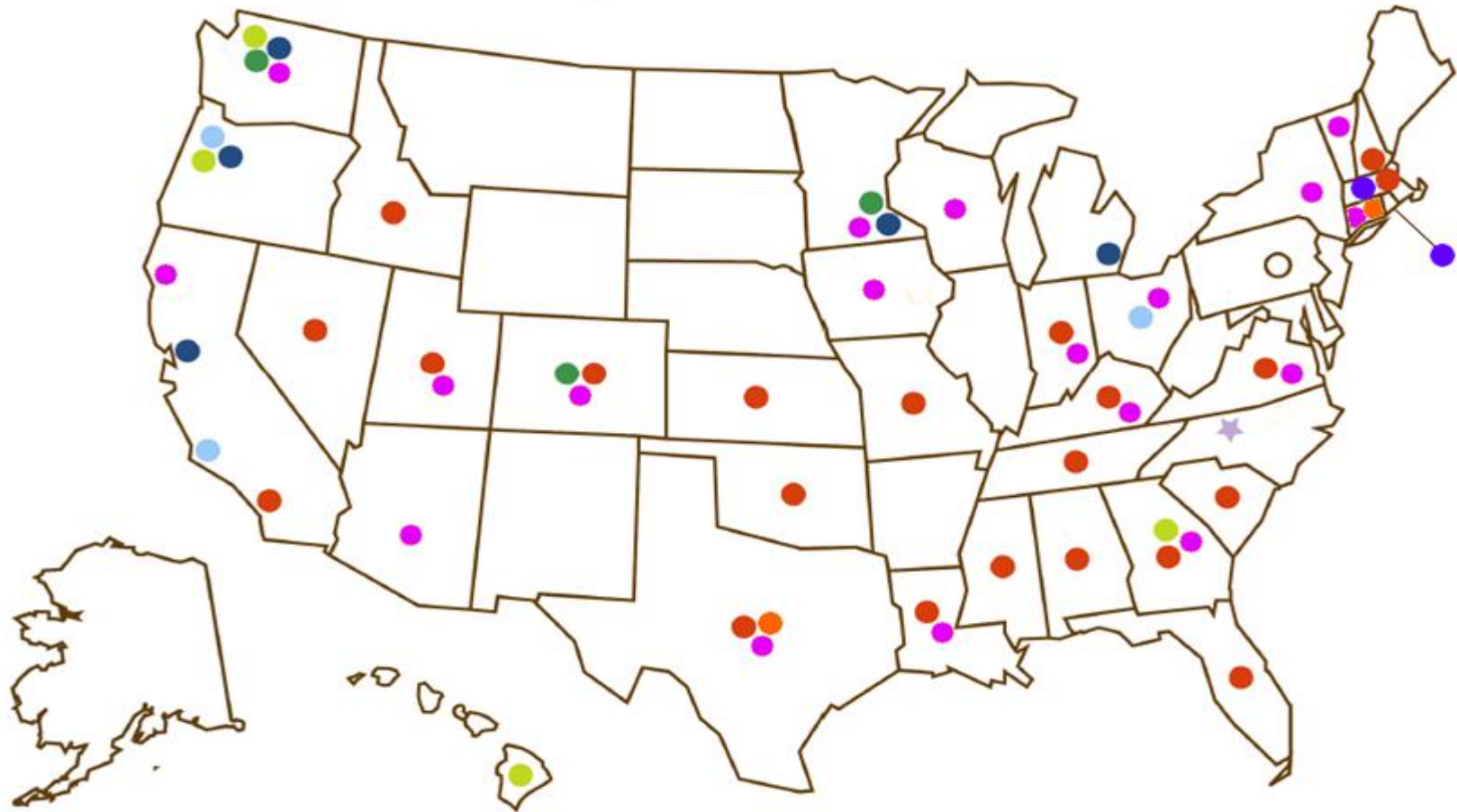


NIH Health Care Systems Research Collaboratory

- **Goal:** To strengthen the national capacity to implement cost-effective large-scale research studies that engage health care delivery organizations as research partners.
- **Aim:** To provide a framework of implementation methods and best practices that will enable the participation of many health care systems in clinical research. Research conducted in partnership with health care systems is essential to strengthen the relevance of research results to health practice.



NIH Health Care Systems Research Collaboratory



- ★ Collaboratory Coordinating Center
- Suicide Prevention Outreach Trial (SPOT)
- Time to Reduce Mortality in End-Stage Renal Disease (TIME) (sites in dialysis units across the US)
- Trauma Survivors Outcomes & Support (TSOS)
- Lumbar Image Reporting and Epidemiology
- Strategies and Opportunities to Stop Colorectal Cancer (STOP CRC)
- Collaborative Care for Chronic Pain in Primary Care (PPACT)
- Active Bathing to Eliminate Infections (ABATE)
- Improving Chronic Disease Management with Pieces (ICD-Pieces)
- Pragmatic Trial of Video Education in Nursing Homes (PROVEN) (sites in nursing homes across the US)



NIH Collaboratory

Pragmatic Trial HCS Partners

- Group Health Cooperative
- Kaiser Permanente
- Mayo Clinic
- Henry Ford Health System
- HealthPartners Institute
- Parkland Health System
- Texas Health Resources
- ProHealth CT
- Fresenius and DaVita
- Dialysis Corporations
- Hospital Corporation of America
- US Level 1 Trauma Care Centers
- Genesis Healthcare
- UHS Pruitt Corporation
- Oregon Community Health Information Network (FQHCs)
- North Texas VA



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Millions of people. Strong collaborations. Privacy first.

The NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network (DRN) enables investigators to collaborate with each other in the use of electronic health data, while also safeguarding protected health information and proprietary data. It supports both single- and multisite research programs.

The Network's querying capabilities reduce the need to share confidential or proprietary data by enabling authorized researchers to send queries to collaborators holding data (i.e., data partners). In some cases, queries can take the form of computer programs that a data partner can execute on a pre-existing dataset. The data partner can return the query result, typically aggregated (count) data, rather than the data itself. This form of remote querying reduces legal, regulatory, privacy, proprietary, and technical barriers associated with data sharing for research.

The network seeks to build strong and trusted collaborations to support the research that will lead to improved health for millions of people around the world.

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Drs. Jeff Brown and Lesley Curtis explain the NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network.

Documents

[NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network User's Guide](#)

[NIH Collaboratory DRN Request Form](#)

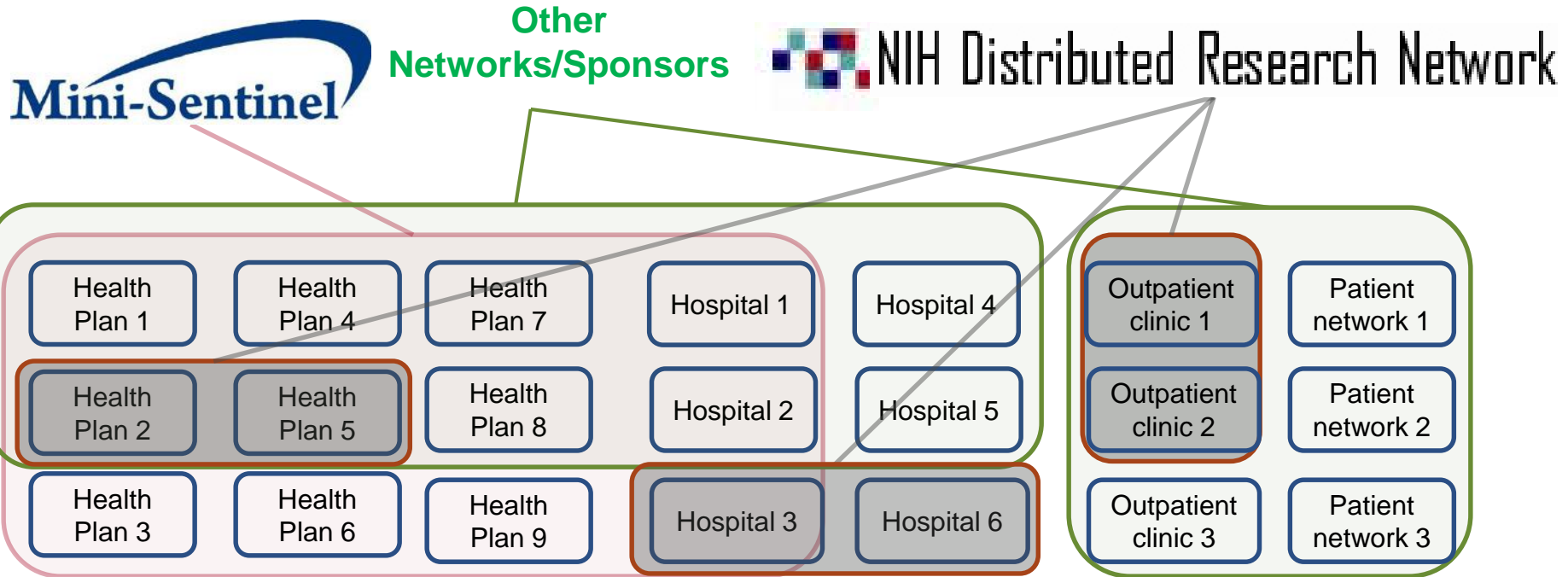
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Recent Presentations

6/5/2015: Grand Rounds Presentation: NIH Collaboratory Distributed Research Network ([Video](#); [Slides](#))

11/14/2014: Grand Rounds Presentation: Using the NIH

Sharing of Infrastructure



- Each organization can participate in multiple networks
- Each network controls its governance and coordination
- Networks share infrastructure, data curation, analytics, lessons, security, software development

NIH Collaboratory DRN Data Partners

- **Aetna**
- **Group Health Research Institutes**
- **Harvard Pilgrim Health Care Institute**
- **HealthCore, Inc.**
- **HealthPartners Institute for Education and Research**
- **Humana: Comprehensive Health Insights, Inc.**
- **Meyers Primary Care Institute**
- **The MURDOCK Study**
- **OptumInsight, Inc.**
- **Ochsner Health Systems**



NIH Collaboratory DRN

2014-2016 **Pilot project of 3 Queries from NIH**
2017 **Broader outreach to the research community**

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