

Chest Pain in children: Can we standardize our practice?

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Aims

- Appreciate the need for Standardized Clinical Assessment and Management Plans (SCAMPs).
- Analyze the difference between pediatric chest pain presenting to the emergency room versus outpatient cardiology clinic.
- Analyze key concepts of Quality improvement

Case

15-1/2-year-old boy started complaining of chest pain 8 months ago on daily basis

Left-sided in location most of the time, sometimes it is right-sided or retrosternal

It lasts few seconds up to 5 minutes and one day it lasted the whole day.

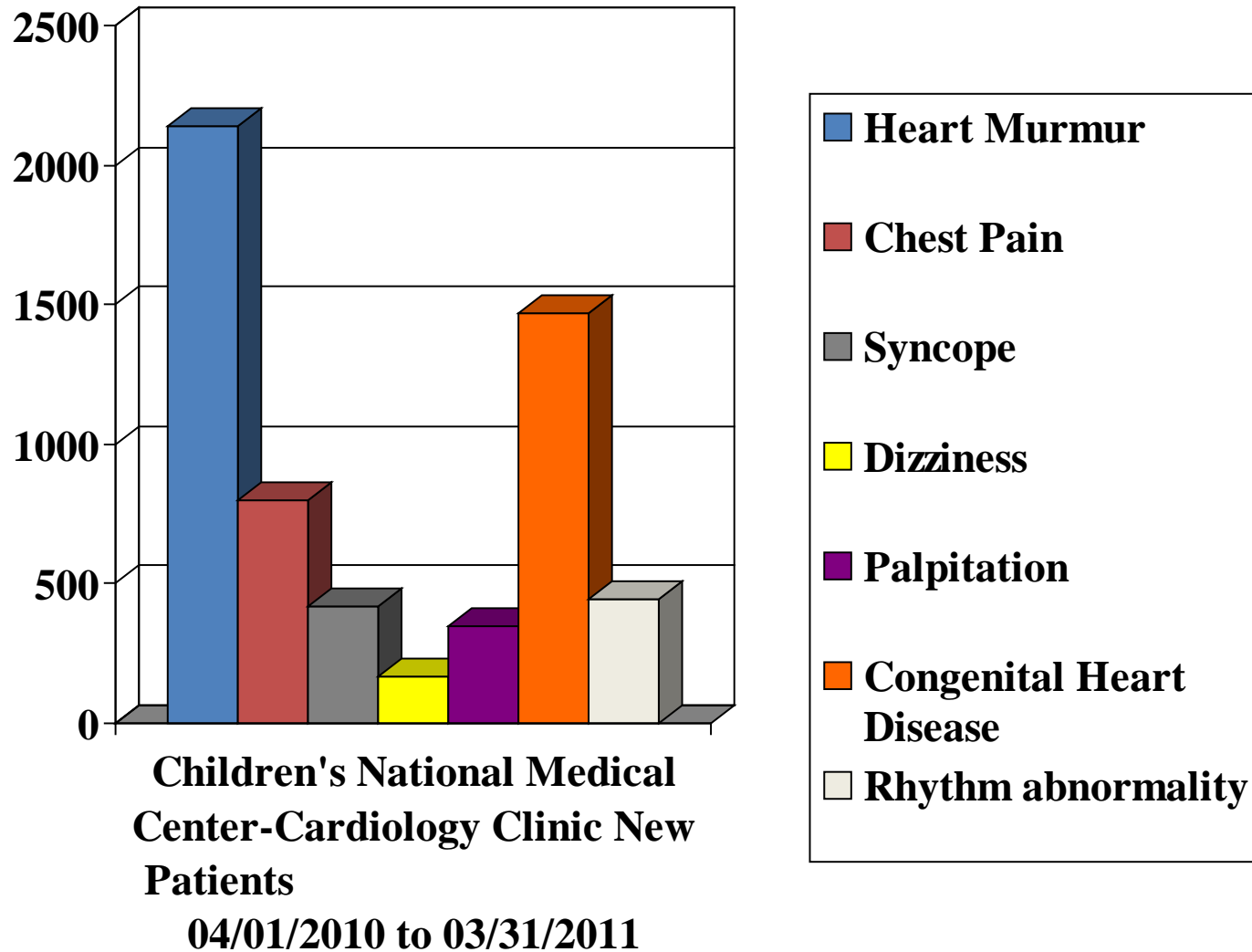
sharp, not related to activities, certain positions or breathing.

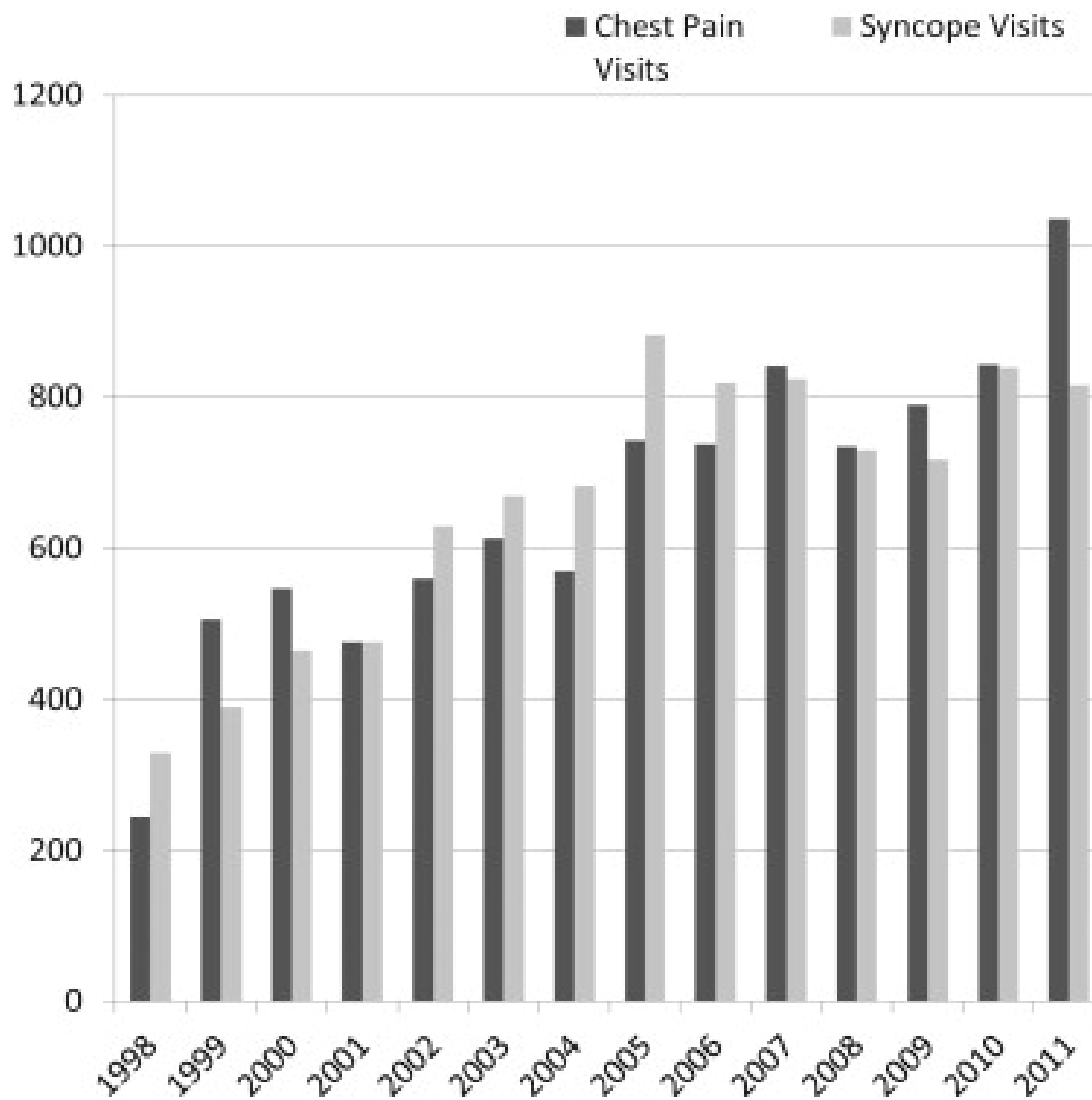
No cyanosis, no diaphoresis, no dyspnea, no fatigue, no fainting, no dizziness.

Family history: heart attack in a maternal grandmother who died at age of 59.

Outpatient ICD codes

New Patients' Encounter (n= 7935)

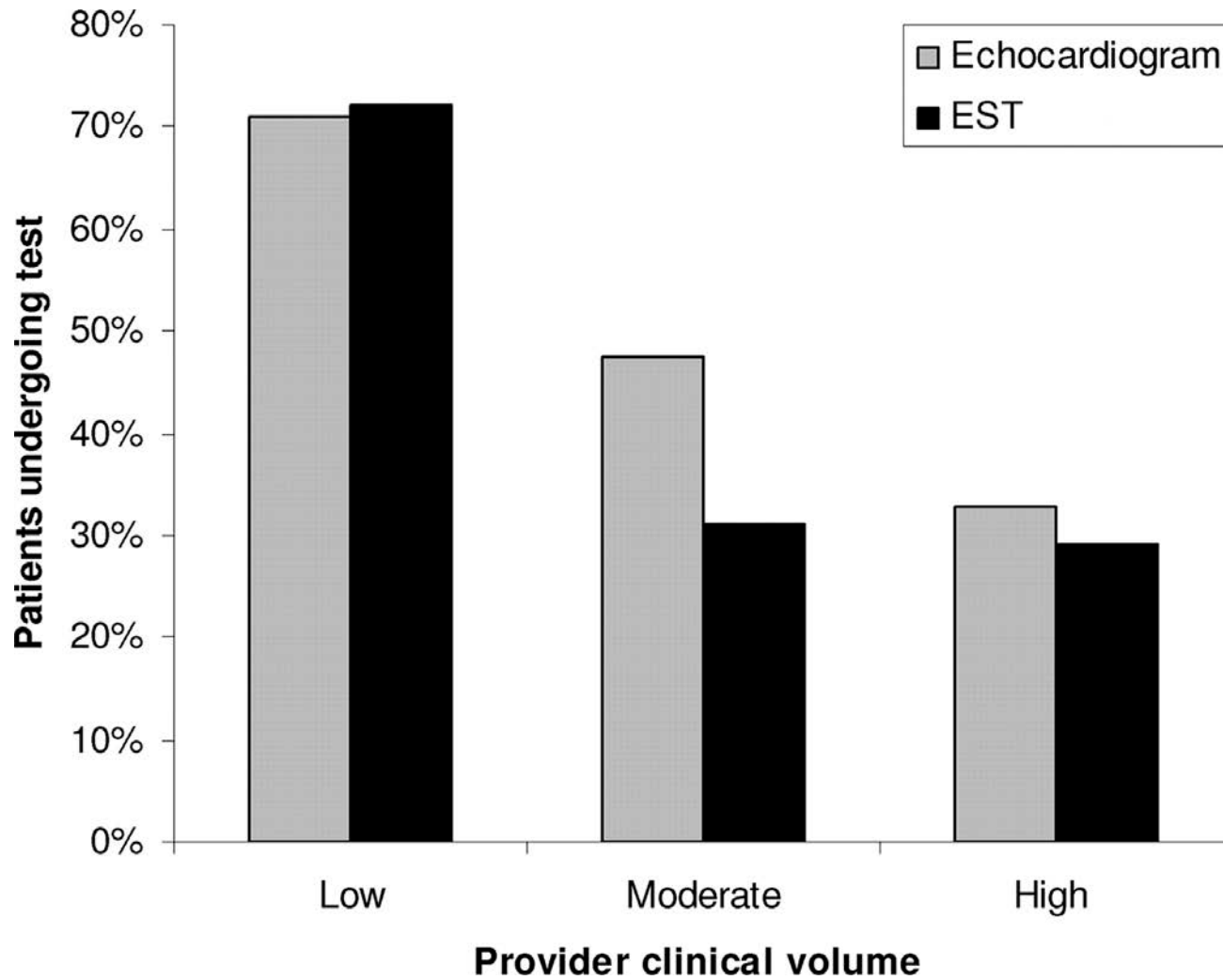




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Variation in Practice

Cardiac testing according to clinical volume.

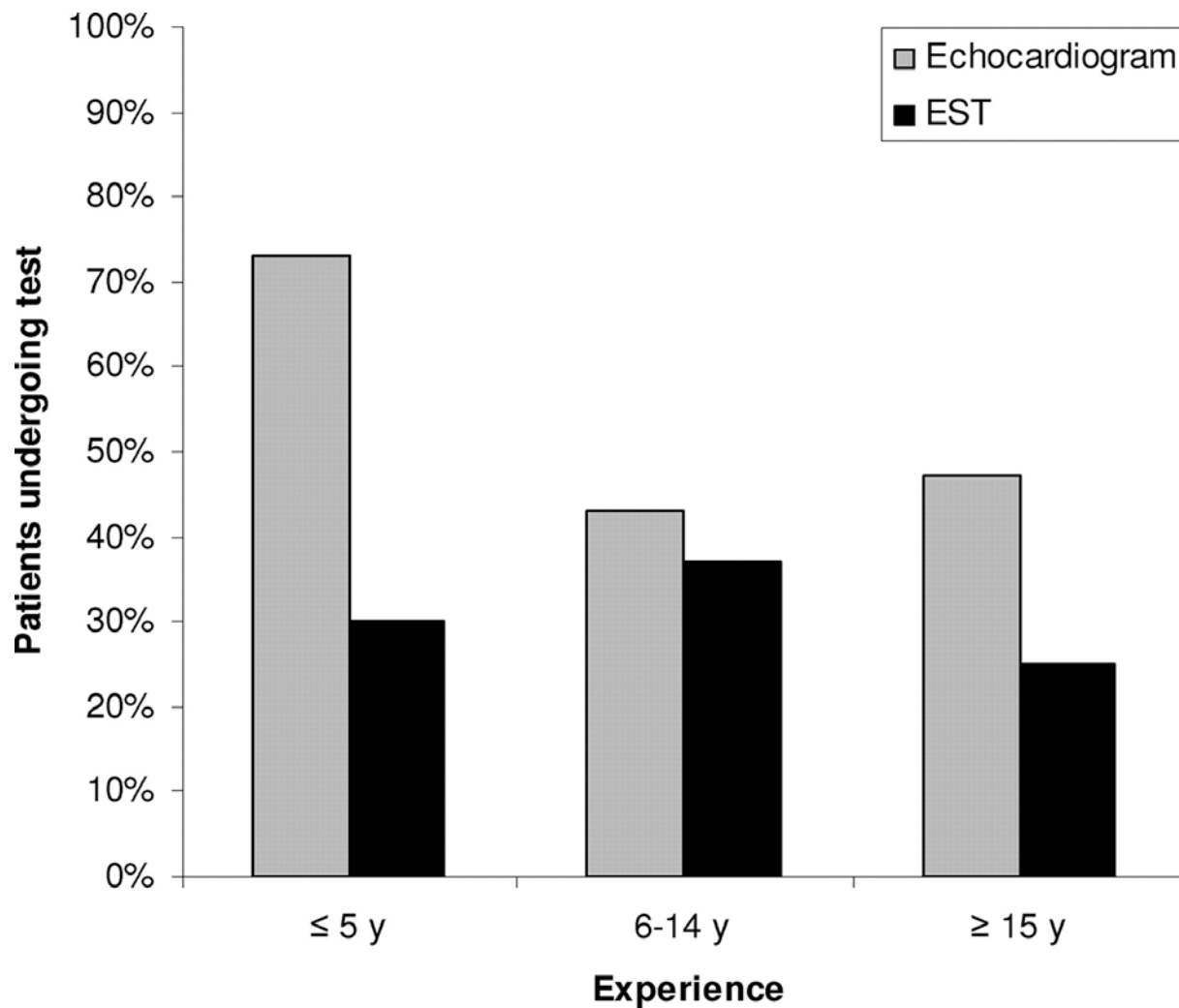


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Cardiac testing according to provider experience.



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Quality Improvement

Standardized Clinical Assessment and Management Plans

What are SCAMPs?

A consensus based standardized pathway with a dynamic information feedback system.

Progressive modification of the pathway occurs based on real-time acquisition of patient data focused on clinical questions.

SCAMPs Goals:

- 1. Reduce practice variation**
- 2. Improve patient care**
- 3. Decrease ineffective or unnecessary resource utilization**

How are SCAMPs different?

from Clinical Practice
Guidelines...

CPG

SCAMP

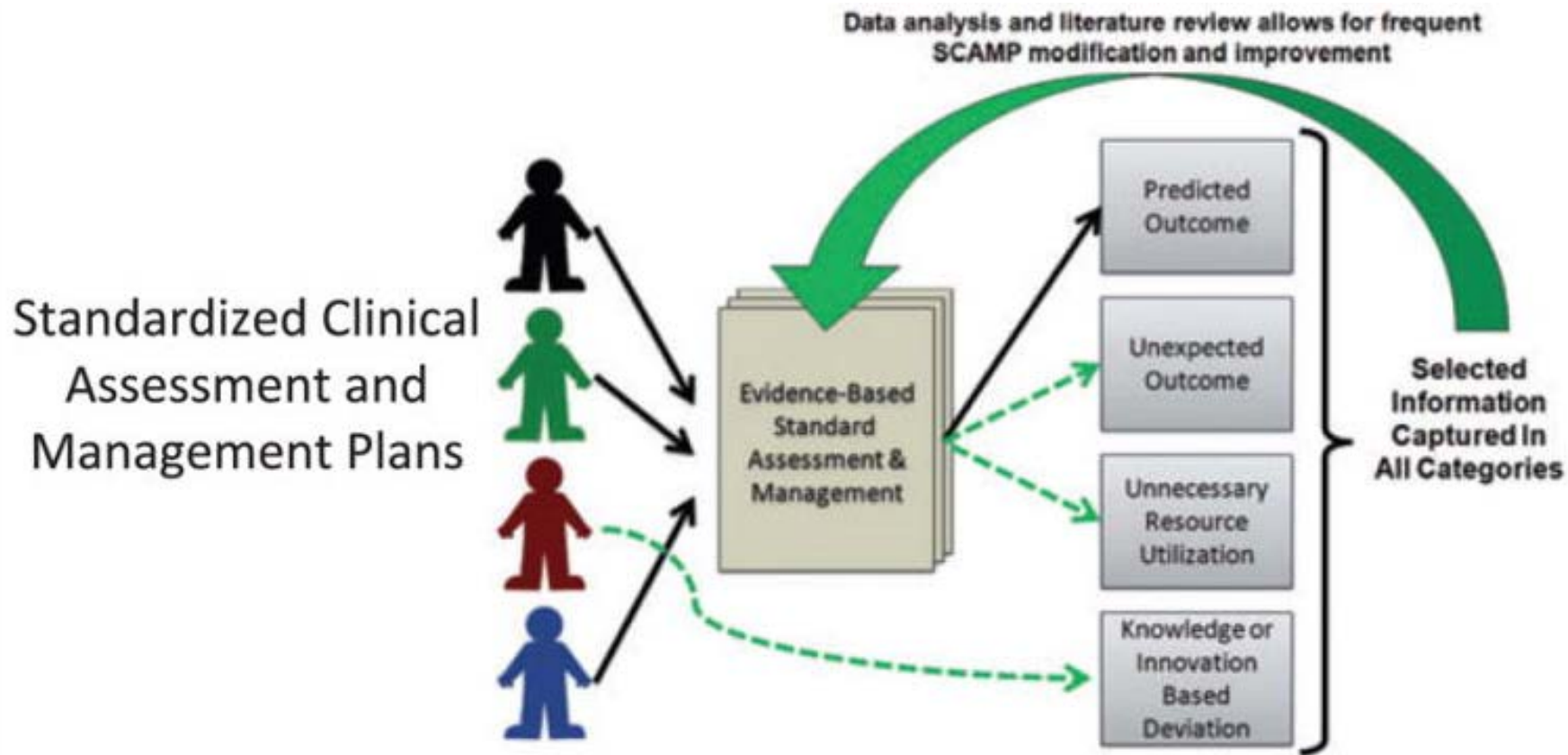
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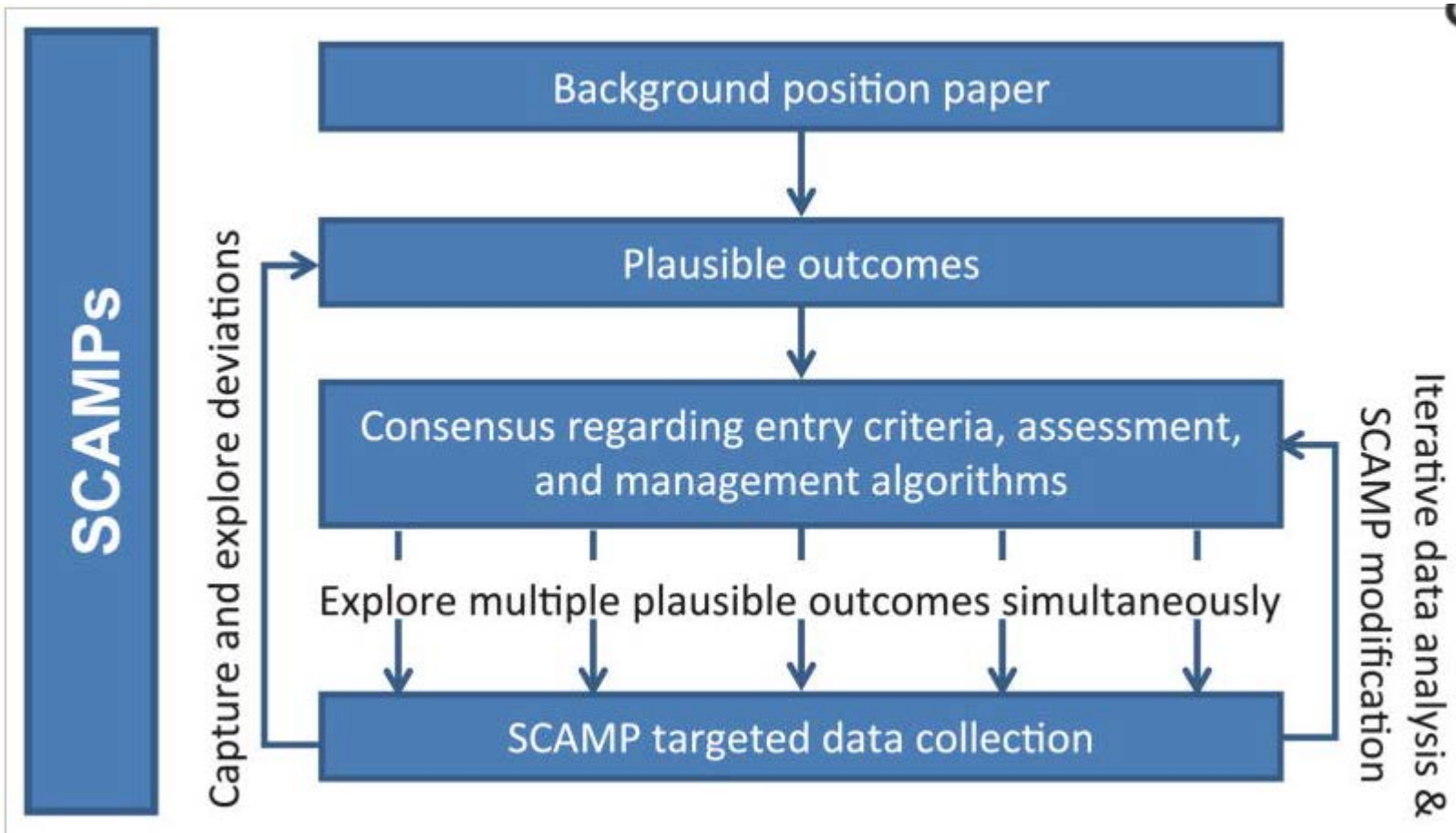
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Clinical Practice Guidelines







How do SCAMPs Try to Achieve These Goals?

1. Identify known or suspected gaps in our knowledge about an episode of care, but create a care standard in the face of uncertainty.
2. Use those gaps to target prospective collection of relevant data.
3. Collect data on when and why professionals deviate from the care plan.
4. Use the data collected to improve the care plan prospectively and frequently. The data need not be “conclusive” just persuasive, since all changes will be revisited and revised by subsequent data.

Integrating quality improvement methodology

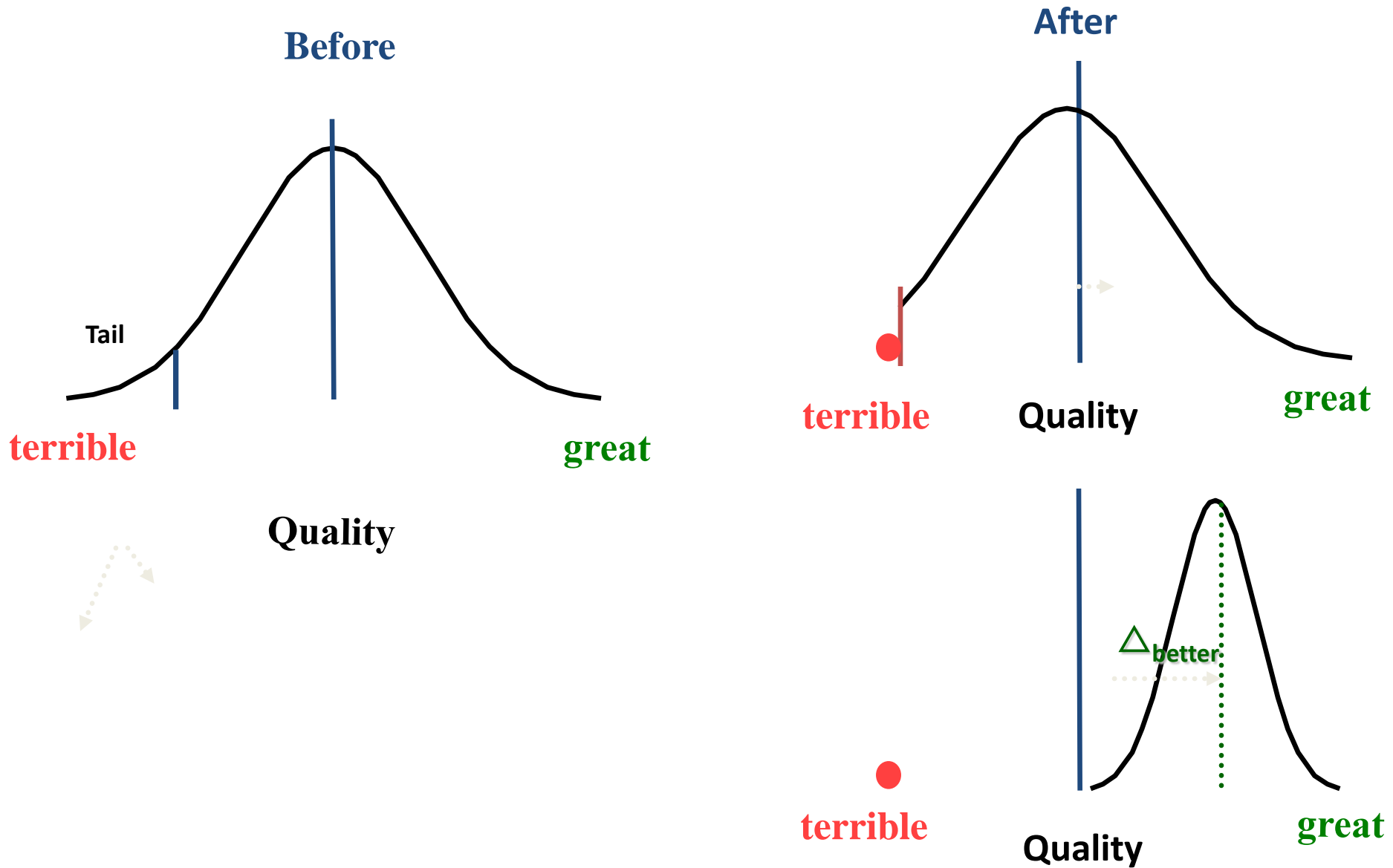
“Science tells us what we can do;

Guidelines what we should do; &

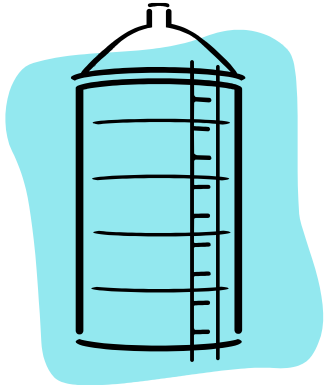
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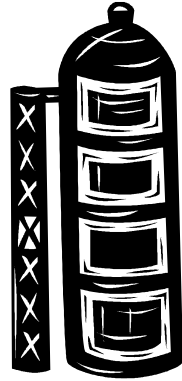
Improving Overall Quality, does not mean cutting off your tail...



Eliminating Silos



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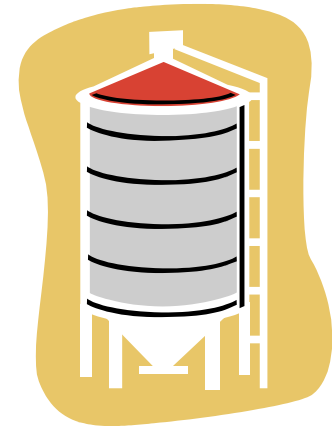
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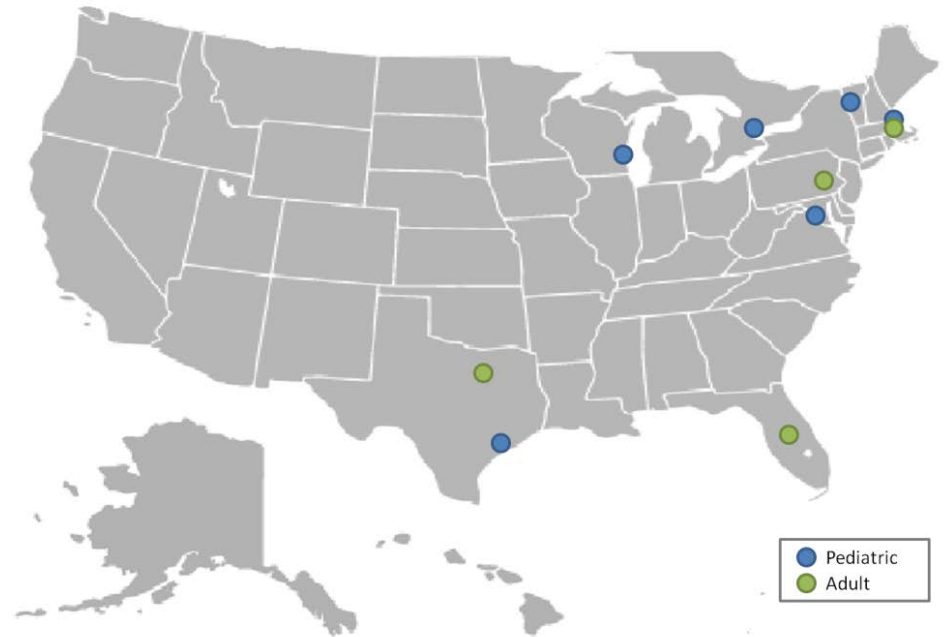
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- New England Congenital Cardiology Association (NECCA)
- Pediatric Endocrine Society (PES)



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SCAMPs in Production

Pediatric SCAMPs: 39

- Airway Disorders
- Aortic Regurgitation
- Aortic Stenosis
- AS for Cath Lab
- ASO
- Aspiration Pneumonia
- Blood Ordering/Cell Salvage
- Chest Pain
- Coarctation
- Cognitive and Headache Management
- Critical Asthma
- Cytomegalovirus Prevention
- Dilated Aorta
- Distal Radius Fracture
- ECMO Anticoagulation
- Food Challenge
- HCM
- Hyperparathyroidism
- Immune Thrombocytopenia
- Interstage SV
- Lipid
- Lipid PCP
- Lymphatic Malformations
- Myocarditis
- Neonatal PDA
- Nutrition
- Operative Management of TOF/PS
- Orthodontic Retention
- Papilledema
- PICC
- Polycystic Ovarian Syndrome
- PPHN
- Sedation and Analgesia for Mechanical Ventilation
- Skin Abscess
- Small PDA
- Somatoform disorders
- Syncope
- Ureterocele
- WPW

Adult SCAMPs: 9

- Distal Radius Fracture
- Inpatient Chest Pain
- Immediate, Implant-based Breast Reconstruction
- Acute Kidney Injury
- ED Chest Pain
- Lumbar Spine Fusion
- Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy
- Congestive Heart Failure
- In Vitro Fertilization

Chest Pain SCAMP

SCAMP PURPOSE:

With 95% of pediatric chest pain being non-cardiac in nature and clinicians over testing to come to the non-cardiac chest pain conclusion, this SCAMPs aims to standardize what testing is needed (if any) based on patient presentation.

INCLUSION CRITERIA:

All new patients between 7 and 21 years of age with chest pain, where chest pain is the primary or significant part of presenting features

EXCLUSION CRITERIA:

Patients with known heart disease

Background paper

Management of Pediatric Chest Pain Using a Standardized Assessment and Management Plan

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KEY WORDS

chest pain, congenital heart disease, resource utilization, SCAMP

ABBREVIATIONS

SCAMP—Standardized Clinical Assessment and Management Plans

ECG—electrocardiogram

EST—exercise stress test

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WHAT'S KNOWN ON THIS SUBJECT: Chest pain is common in children and is a frequent reason for referral to pediatric cardiologists. Despite the benign nature of the vast majority of pediatric chest pain, extensive and costly cardiac evaluation is common in these patients.



WHAT THIS STUDY ADDS: Described here is an approach to pediatric chest pain that will reduce unnecessary resource use while maintaining high-quality care.

abstract

OBJECTIVES: Chest pain is a common reason for referral to pediatric cardiologists and often leads to an extensive cardiac evaluation. The

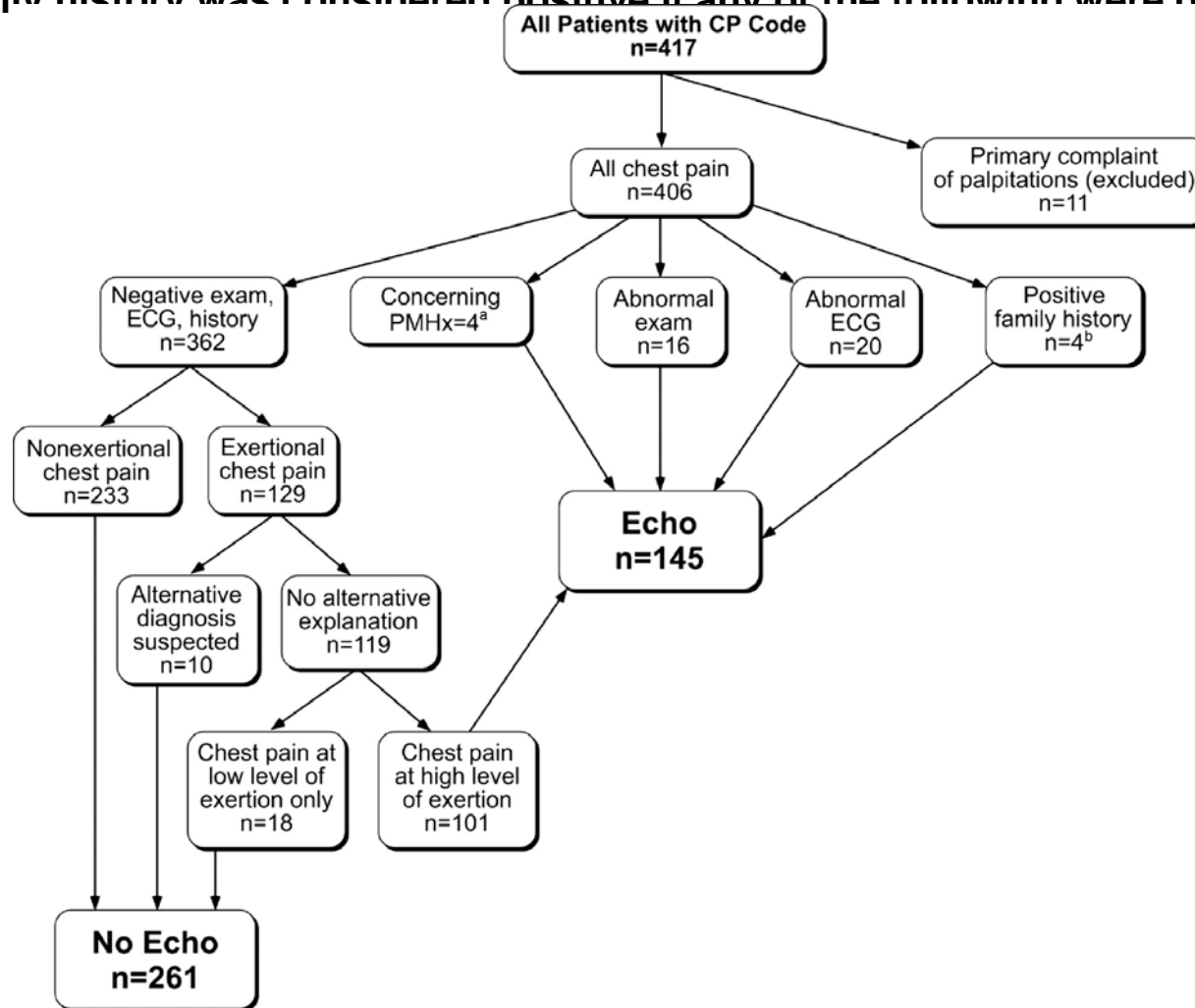
Causes of pediatric chest pain: family's concerns versus medical diagnosis

Cause	Family's estimate of prevalence (%) (ref 4,5)	Medical diagnosis-prevalence (%) (ref 1,2,4-12)
Cardiac	52-56	1-6
Musculoskeletal	13	15-31
Respiratory tract	10	2-11
Skin infection	3	0
Breast related	3	1-5
Cancer	0-12	0
Unsure/idiopathic	10-19	21-45
Psychiatric	0	0-30
Gastrointestinal	0	2-8
Miscellaneous	--	9*

Diagnosis	Included Patients	Patients with Chest Pain
Aortic dissection	1	0 (0%)
Coronary anomalies	131	34 (26%)
Dilated cardiomyopathy	61	5 (8%)
Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy	100	5 (5%)
Myocarditis	62	46 (74%)
Pericarditis	65	62 (95%)
Pulmonary embolus	19	13 (68%)
Pulmonary hypertension	37	6 (16%)
Takayasu arteritis	8	0 (0%)
Total number of patients	484	171 (35%)

Diagnosis	Outpatient Department, n (%)	Emergency Department/ Inpatient Ward, n (%)
Aortic Dissection	0	0
Coronary Anomalies	32 (78)	2 (1)
LCA from right sinus	4	1
RCA from left sinus	12	0
Coronary artery disease	1	1
ALCAPA	1	0
High take-off of RCA	7*	0
Coronary artery fistula	3*	0
Dilated coronary artery	3	0
Narrowed LCA	1	0
Dilated Cardiomyopathy	0	5 (4)
Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy	3 (7)	2 (1)
Myocarditis	1 (2)	45 (35)
Pericarditis	4 (10)	58 (45)
Pulmonary Embolus	0	13
Pulmonary Hypertension	1 (2)	5
Takayasu Arteritis	0	0
Total Patients	41	130

**SCAMP algorithm to guide testing in patients with chest pain. a Diagnoses that lead to increased risk of cardiac chest pain (ie, inflammatory disorders, malignancy, thrombophilia).
 b Family history was considered positive if any of the following were present...**



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PLAUSIBLE OUTCOMES

Included Patients: All new patients between 7 and 21 years of age with chest pain

Excluded Patients: Patients with known heart disease

1. Chest pain in children that occurs only at rest, with a normal ECG and cardiac examination, and without known risk factors (recent fever [PO temperature >38.5 C], family history of cardiomyopathy or hypercoagulable state) do not have a cardiac basis for the symptom of chest pain.
2. Chest pain that increases when the patient is supine or that radiates to the left shoulder has a high sensitivity and specificity for pericarditis.
3. The presence of resting sinus tachycardia in the absence of fever in a patient referred for chest pain will be associated with a higher incidence of cardiac disease compared with patients with a normal heart rate.
4. The assessment of chest pain in children presenting in the outpatient Cardiology clinic can be managed by a single visit. With proper patient and family education, the frequency of a repeat visit for patients diagnosed with non-cardiac chest pain will be less than 5%.
5. Exertional chest pain in patients with body mass index >25 or in patients involved in <3 hours/week of aerobic exercise is less likely to have a cardiac basis than chest pain that occurs in patients with body mass index 20-25 or those involved with more frequent aerobic exercise.

INITIAL EVALUATION OF PATIENT WITH CHEST PAIN

(See SDF 1)

COMPONENT	PARAMETER	COURSE OF ACTION		
1. History →	Chest pain (CP) with exertion at peak exercise? Syncope with exercise? CP radiates to back, jaw, left arm, or left shoulder or increases with supine position? CP temporally associated with fever (>38.4° C)? CP primarily or exclusively at rest? CP worse with inspiration or pleuritic in nature? CP intensity, location, frequency, duration	Anginal quality CP? Syncope? Palpitations? Dyspnea on exertion? Average > 3 hrs exercise/week? Dizziness or Lightheadedness?	→ If any RED items positive: → order ECHO If CP associated with fever: → order CXR Otherwise Best Clinical Judgment	
2. Past Medical History →	Hypercoagulable state? Asthma? Scoliosis?	Arthritis/Vasculitis? Lens dislocation? Joint mobility/dislocation?	Immobilization? GERD?	→ If any RED items positive: → order ECHO Otherwise Best Clinical Judgment
3. Family History → (in first degree relatives)	Sudden Unexplained Death? Aortic Aneurysm? Connective Tissue Disease?	Cardiomyopathy? Hypercoagulable state? Arrhythmia/Pacemaker/ICD?	Congenital Heart Disease? Recent coronary event/MI	→ If any RED items positive: → order ECHO Otherwise Best Clinical Judgment
4. Social History →	Illicit Drug Use (cocaine, marijuana, amphetamines)		→ If positive: → order Urine/Serum Tox Screen	
5. Physical Exam →	Ht, Wt, HR, BP, RR, Temp Non-innocent murmur ↑ Pulmonic Component Hepatomegaly Pulsus paradoxus	Ill-appearing? Distant Heart Sounds Pericardial Friction Rub Marfanoid Appearance Peripheral pulses	Painful/swollen extremities Gallop Peripheral edema Reproducible on palp	→ If any RED (non-VS) items positive: → order ECHO If RR > 40 or Temp > 38.4 → order CXR Otherwise Best Clinical Judgment
6. EKG →	RVH Low QRS voltage QTc > 470 ms	LVH PR segment depression RAE, LAE	ST-T segment change > 2 mm S1,Q3,inverted T3 Borderline LVH, RVH	→ If any RED items positive: → order ECHO Otherwise Best Clinical Judgment
7. Anxiety Score →	Patient/Family Score at beginning of visit Provider Score at end of visit		→ Best Clinical Judgment	



SCAMPs[®] Program

CNMC SDF 1: Initial Evaluation of Patient with Chest Pain

Eligibility:

Inclusion: All new patients between 7 and 21 years of age with chest pain, where chest pain is the primary or significant part of presenting features

Exclusion: Patients < 7 years of age or patients with known heart disease

Recommended SCAMP Testing:

- Height, Weight, Blood Pressure, Respiratory Rate, EKG

Visit date: _____ Location _____

Attending physician name (Please print): _____

Fellow physician / NP name (Please print): _____

Stamp with addressograph, place sticker, or fill out the following:

CNMC MRN: _____

Pt name: _____

SCAMPs® Program

Chest Pain CHB SDF 1: Initial Evaluation of Patient with CP

Patient History

	Yes	No	Unk
5. CP with exertion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. If YES, how often? <input type="checkbox"/> Always <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes <input type="checkbox"/> Rarely			
b. If YES, does CP prevent the patient from continuing with activity?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. If YES, can the patient resume activity after a break?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Exertional syncope?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. CP radiates to back, jaw, left arm, or left shoulder or increases with supine position?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. CP temporally associated with fever (>38.4°C)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No	Unk
9. Palpitations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Dizziness or lightheadedness?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Syncope?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. CP Primarily or exclusively at rest?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Is the quality of the CP the same at rest as with exertion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Does the patient also experience fatigue with CP?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. Dyspnea on exertion?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. CP worse with inspiration or pleuritic in nature?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. Average > 3 hrs exercise/week?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- If answered Yes to questions 5-8, Echocardiogram Recommended
- If answered Yes to question 8, CXR Recommended

Comments: _____

Past Medical History

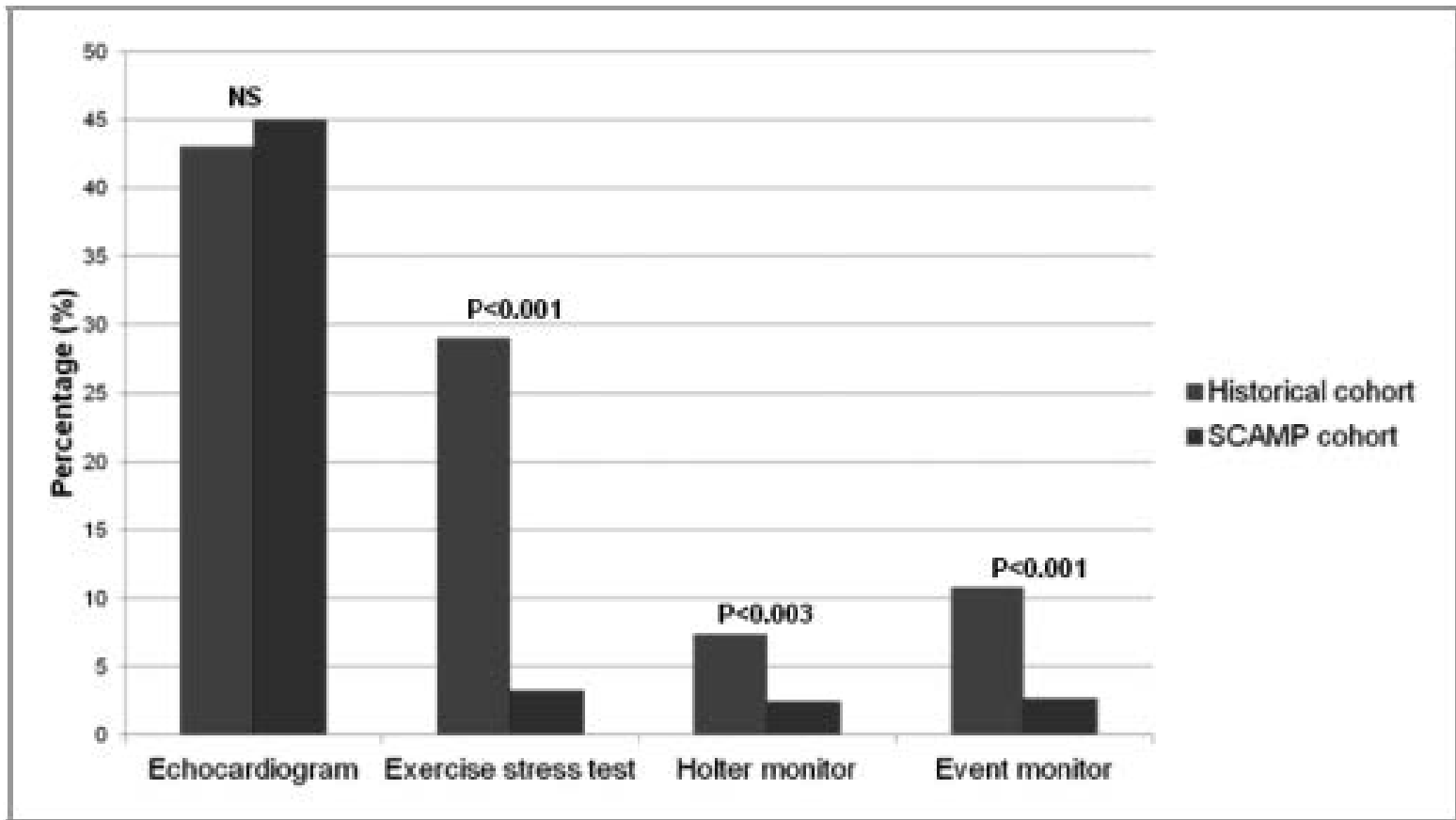
	Yes	No	Unk
18. Hypercoagulable state?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. Arthritis/Vasculitis?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. Immobilization?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Yes	No	Unk
21. Asthma?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Lens dislocation or other features of CTD?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

- If answered Yes to any questions 18-20, Echocardiogram Recommended

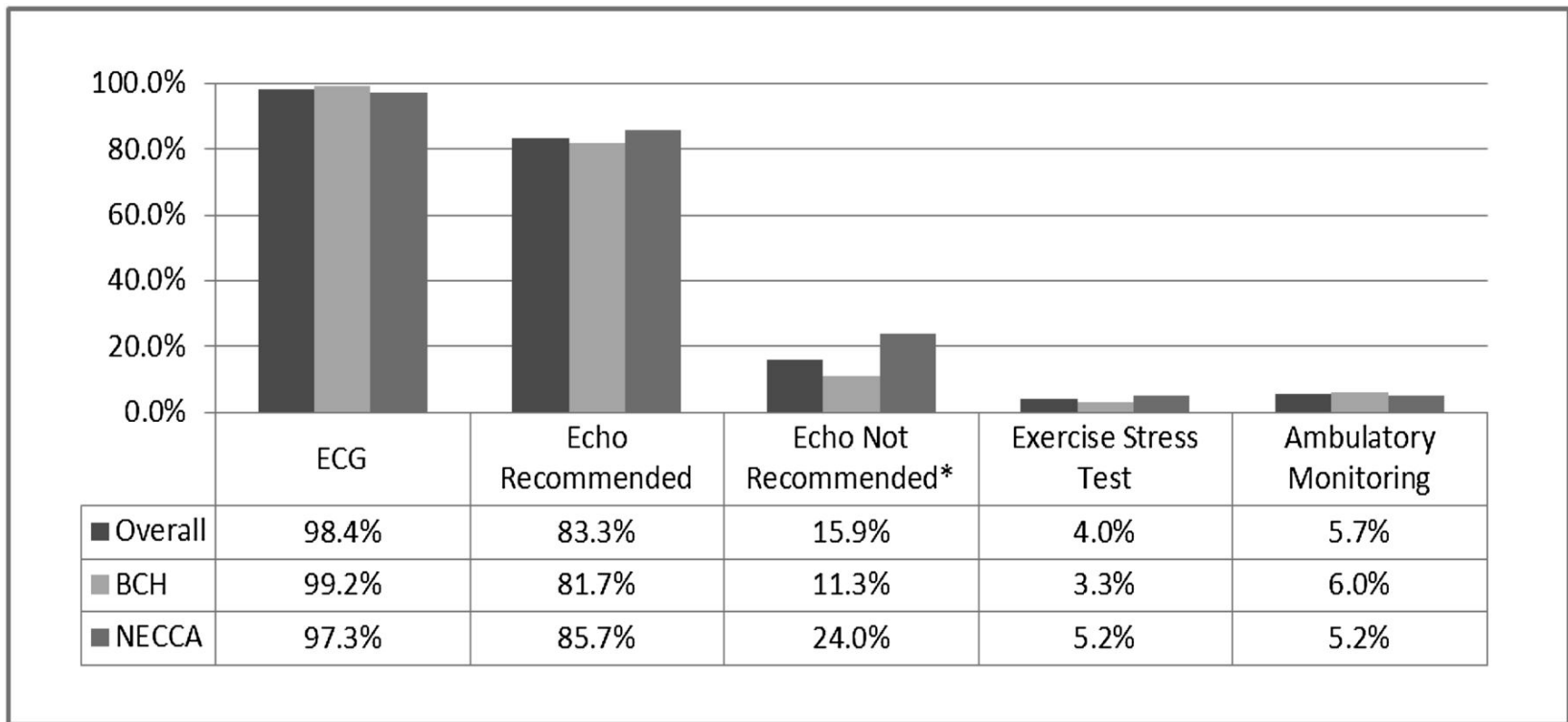
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Lessons Learned



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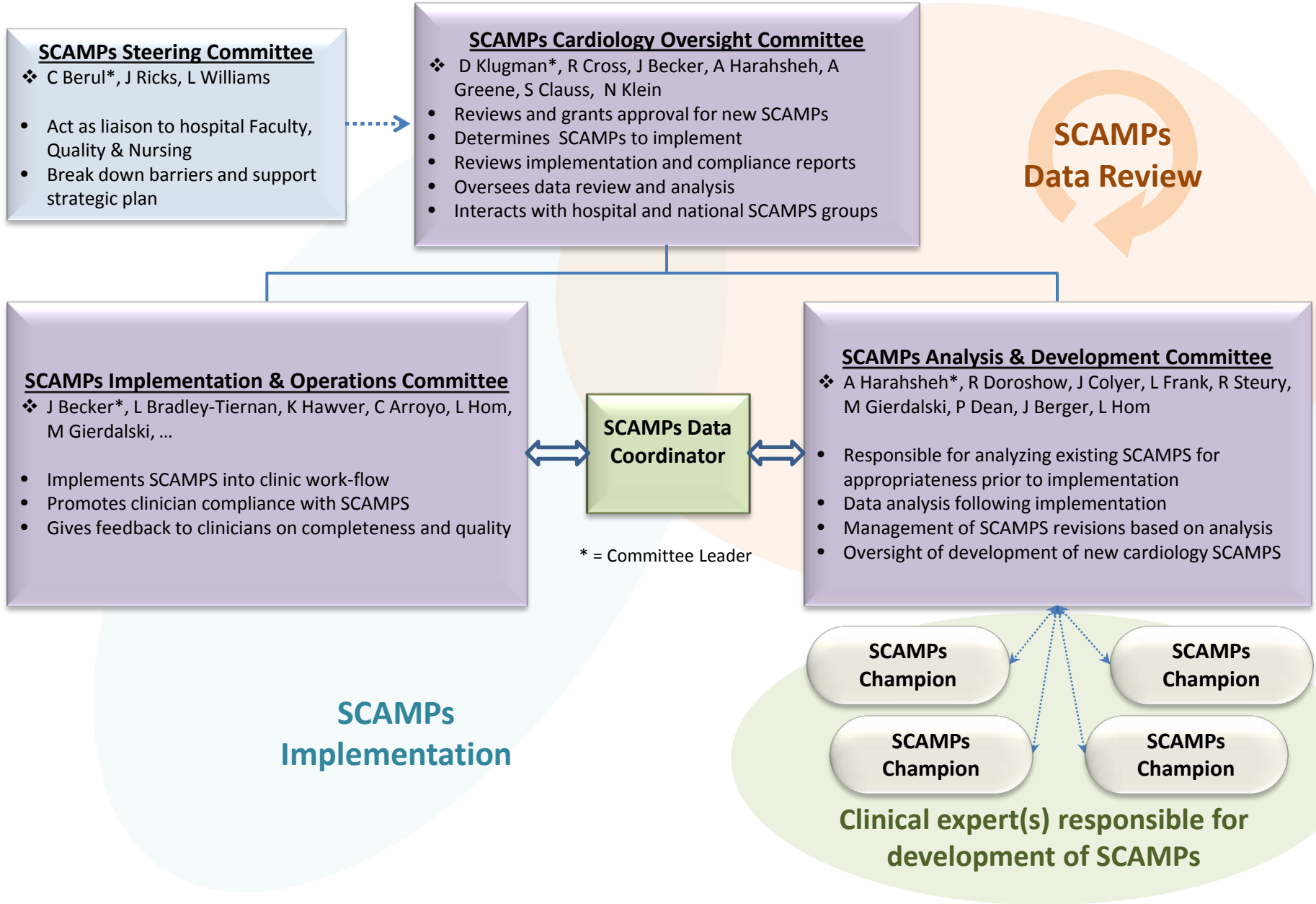


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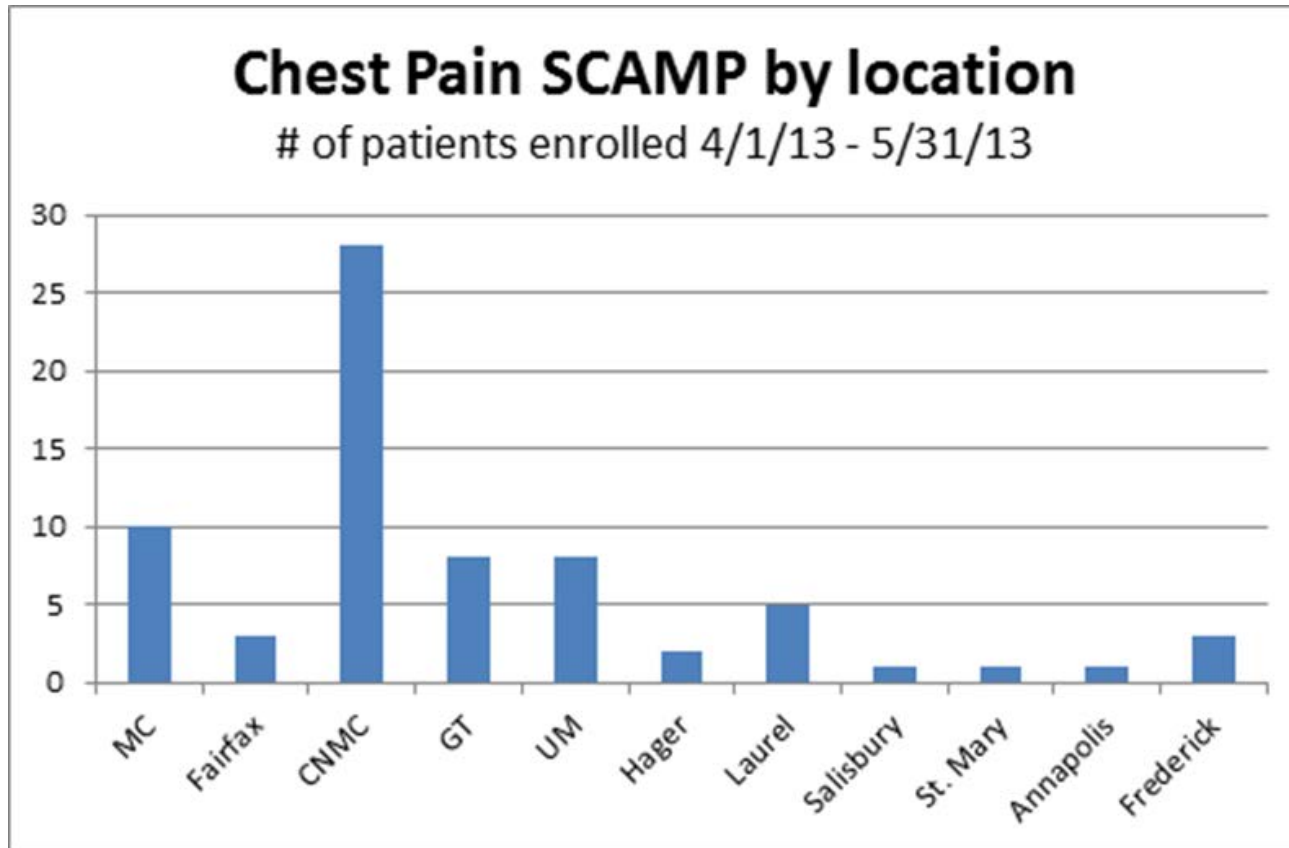


Improving quality using SCAMPs at Children's National

CNHI SCAMPs Organizational Chart



Implementation – make it easy to do the right thing.



Why deviate?

TABLE 4 Testing Deviation

Stated Reasons for Deviation from Echo Recommendations (a)			
Echo Done When Not Recommended	<i>n</i> = 81 (%)	Echo Not Done When Recommended	<i>n</i> = 85 (%)
Parental anxiety or preference	2 (2.5%)	Provider felt chest pain was noncardiac	43 (50.6%)
Abnormal ECG	5 (6.2%)	Only 1 episode during exertion	6 (7.1%)
Other symptoms with chest pain	9 (11.1%)	Chest pain at rest	15 (17.6%)
Family history prompted echo	8 (9.9%)	Chest pain brief	3 (3.5%)
Exam or history finding for cardiac disease unrelated to chest pain	21 (25.9%)	Patient deconditioned	8 (9.4%)
Done before visit	7 (8.6%)	Chest pain after trauma	3 (3.5%)
No clear explanation given	12 (14.8%)	Reproducible on examination	3 (3.5%)
Missing	17 (21.0%)	Done previously and found to be normal	2 (2.4%)
		Testing not available	2 (2.4%)

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Iterative analysis - Chest Pain report preliminary findings

- **EKG testing recommendation followed**
 - **CNHS 247/256 (96.5%)**
- **ECHO testing recommendation followed**
 - **CNHS 154/168 (91.7%)**
- **CXR testing recommendation followed**
 - **CNHS 17/253 (6.7%)**

Algorithm development and analysis committee will meet next week to answer the question of why are we seeing variation and how can we use this data to improve evaluation and outcomes...

Understanding EGC and Echo variation

ECG Testing by CNHS Location

	N=256	Adherence to ECG Testing N (%)
Main	115	113 (98.3%)
ROC	121	119 (98.3%)
Pebbles	18	15 (83.3%)
Not Recorded	2	0 (0.0%)

ECHO Testing by CNHS Location

	N=168	Recommended N (%)	N=88	Test Not Recommend N (%)
Main	71	64 (90.0%)	44	20 (45.5%)
ROC	84	79 (94.0%)	37	11 (29.7%)
Pebbles	13	11 (84.6%)	5	1 (20.0%)
Not Recorded	0	-	2	1 (50.0%)

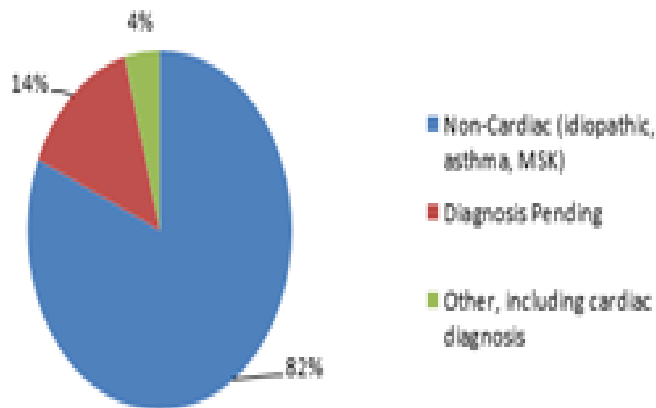
Added Cardiac Tests (Not Recommended by SCAMP)

	CNHS N=256 (%)
O2 sat (oxygen Saturation)	1 (0.4%)
Blood Test (CBC, Liver fn, etc)	
CRP (C-Reactive Protein)	
Cardiac MRI	1 (0.4%)
Electrolytes	
Event Monitor	4 (1.6%)
Exercise Stress Test	10 (3.9%)
Fasting Lipid Profile	
Holter Monitor	21 (8.2%)
Loop Monitor	
Non-fasting Total Cholesterol & HDL	
Other	6 (2.3%)
Stress Echocardiogram	1 (0.4%)
TSH (Thyroid Stimulating Hormone)	1 (0.4%)
Urinalysis	

Chest Pain Final Diagnosis

Chest Pain SCAMP Final Diagnosis

CNMC patients enrolled 4/1/13 - 5/31/13



	N=3,096 (%)
Non-cardiac Chest Pain	2,918 (94.3%)
<i>Musculoskeletal</i>	1,303 (44.7%)
<i>Psychological</i>	75 (2.6%)
<i>Gastrointestinal</i>	106 (3.6%)
<i>Neurological</i>	6 (0.2%)
<i>Pulmonary</i>	160 (5.5%)
<i>Pre-Cordial Catch Syndrome</i>	52 (1.8%)
<i>Syncope</i>	3 (0.1%)
<i>Palpitations / Arrhythmia</i>	6 (0.2%)
<i>Deconditioning</i>	24 (0.8%)
<i>Other</i>	159 (5.4%)
<i>Not Recorded</i>	1,024 (35.1%)
Myocarditis	2 (0.1%)
Pericarditis	5 (0.2%)
Anomalous Coronary Artery	3 (0.1%)
Other Cardiac Diagnosis	13 (0.4%)
Diagnosis Pending	112 (3.6%)
Not Recorded	43 (1.4%)

What makes a good SCAMP?

- **Provides insight into key areas of uncertainty, or an area of disagreement among physicians**
- **Identifies unnecessary utilization of resources**
- **Address variation in outcomes**
- **Identifiable patient population with clear entry and exit criteria**



Thank You

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