

Appendix B - Summary of Impacts and Factors

Source	Measures	Results	CA Framework Micro-level Dimension	Impact by Measure	Impact by Study	Factors That Influenced EMR Success
Prescribing						
de Jong 2009 [32] Netherlands (controlled)	Proportion of prescriptions in accordance with guidelines Variation in prescribing as measured by Herfindahl-Hirschman Index (HHI)	CDSS users 0.89 vs. non-users 0.75, P = 0.04 HHI CDSS users 40.3 vs. non-users 41.4, P = 0.3	NB Care Quality NB Care Quality	Positive Neutral	Positive []	Factor1: compliance with guidelines improves when CDS is used Factor2: CDS does not reduce variation in prescribing
Filippi 2003 [34] Italy (controlled)	Number of treated patients	Intervention vs. control group OR 1.99	NB Care Quality	Positive	Positive	Factor1: physicians already using computers more likely to accept CDS Factor2: CDS must be integrated into clinical workflow
Hollingworth 2007 [38] USA (controlled)	Time efficiency of e-prescribing vs. hand written prescriptions	Additional time spent for an e-prescription = 12 seconds (not statistically significant)	NB Productivity	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: workflow not disrupted, more computer but less writing tasks Factor2: no increase in combined computer/writing time for prescribers Factor3: 3-5 minutes more justified if improved safety and quality of care
Linder 2007 [41] USA (controlled)	Medical management of common diseases (eight indicators)	Six indicators showed no significant difference between groups. One indicator favoured the EMR group and one indicator favoured non-EMR group	NB Care Quality	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: EHR may lack CPOE, notes, prescribing, CDS features
	Antibiotic use for acute otitis media	EMR group 68% vs. non-EMR group 67%, p = .92	NB Care Quality	Neutral		Factor2: physicians may not be using EMR or quality improvement focus
	Preventive counseling on smoking, diet (high-risk adults) and exercise (high-risk adults)	No significant differences	NB Care Quality	Neutral		
	Screening tests: BP check, no routine ECG, urinalysis, or Hgh/Hct	Significant difference for no routine urinalysis only, favours EMR	NB Care Quality	Neutral		
Martens 2007 [44] Netherlands (controlled)	Summary score for recommendations not to use certain drugs	No significant differences between groups: Antibiotics 28.2 vs. 39.7 Asthma/COPD 1.1 vs. 2.2 Cholesterol 0 vs. 0.1	NB Care Quality	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: difficulty translating guidelines into reminders
	Summary score for recommendations advocating certain drugs	No significant differences between groups: Antibiotics 20.7 vs. 20.5 Asthma/COPD 5.9 vs. 7.7 Cholesterol 1.0 vs. 1.2	NB Care Quality	Neutral	[]	Factor2: technical problems and poor usability affected usage
Newby 2003 [50] Australia (controlled)	Frequency of repeat prescription ordering	Computer 69% vs. hand-written 40%, OR 3.3	NB Care Quality	Negative	Negative	Factor1: default settings led to increased use of antibiotics
	The proportion of people who filled their repeat prescription	Computer 61% vs. hand-written 69%, OR 0.69	NB Care Quality	Neutral	[]	
Schade 2006 [56] UK (descriptive)	e-Prescribing, efficiency, quality of care, medicolegal	Improved documentation	IS Quality Information	Positive	Positive	Factor1: shift to pay for performance, subsidy to buy EMRs
		Quality care consistent, reduced error	NB Care Quality	Positive	[]	Factor2: improved e-prescribing, efficiency
		e-Prescribing saves time not medical errors	NB Productivity	Positive	[]	Factor3: improved documentation, standardized data Factor4: medicolegal with improved documentation
Tamblyn 2003 [58] Canada (controlled)	Potentially inappropriate prescriptions per 1000 visits	CDSS users 43.8 vs. control 52.2, RR 0.82	NB Care Quality	Positive	Positive	Factor1: complete drug profile reduces inappropriate initial prescribing
	Discontinuation rate of potentially inappropriate prescriptions	Overall, no statistically significant difference between groups.	NB Care Quality	Neutral	[]	Factor2: relevant clinical alerts reduce inappropriate initial prescribing Factor3: lack of treatment indications, weight, height, renal function limit effect

						Factor4: unclear responsibility for patient treatment in discontinuing drugs
						Factor5: poor technical performance affects use of CDS
Tamblyn 2008 [57] Canada (controlled)	Prevalence of prescribing problems	No significant difference in the overall prevalence of prescribing problems.	NB Care Quality	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: control over alerts impacted number of alerts viewed and ignored Factor2: ignored due to known problem, benefit vs. risk, clinically irrelevant Factor3: lack medical history, age, renal, comorbidity, evidence drug risk/benefit
Disease Management						
Bassa 2005 [24] Spain (controlled)	Proportion of patients meetings the treatment goals	Increased 11.9%	NB Care Quality	Positive	Positive	Factor1: participation in algorithm development led to high adherence
	Median LDL values	Decreased 10 mg/dL	NB Productivity	Positive		
	Proportion of patients treated with drugs	Decreased 14.6%	NB Productivity	Positive		
	Mean total costs per patient	Decreased €78.4	NB Productivity	Positive		
Crosson 2007 [31] USA (controlled)	Adherence to guidelines for processes of care	OR 2.25, P < 0.001 favours Non-EMR practices	NB Care Quality	Negative	Negative	Factor1: attention to workflow redesign to avoid unintended consequences
	Adherence to guidelines for treatment	OR 1.67, P = 0.02 favours Non-EMR practices	NB Care Quality	Negative		Factor2: vendors include better features to support quality, e.g., CDM registry
	Achievement of intermediate outcomes	OR 2.68, P = 0.001 favours Non-EMR practices	NB Care Quality	Negative		
Kinn 2001 [40] USA (controlled)	Percentage of patients with documentation of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) on the chart	94% vs. 47%, P < 0.0001	IS Quality Information	Positive	Positive	Factor1: prompts when patient-physician communication is optimal
	Percentage of patients with LDL at or below goal (LDL < 100 mg/dl)	65% vs. 22%, P < 0.0001	NB Care Quality	Positive		Factor2: positive reinforcement of behavior by comparison with peers
	Percentage of patients using lipid lowering drugs	73% vs 56% p<0.001	NB Care Quality	Positive		
Mitchell 2004 [47] UK (controlled)	Proportion of hypertensives with BP recorded	Levels of recording increased in each group over the study period, but largest increase in audit-only group	IS Quality Information	Positive	Positive	Factor1: strategic, population patient-specific feedback help identify high-risk patients
	Proportion of controlled hypertensives	Largest proportion of controlled patients were found in the audit plus strategic feedback group vs. audit only and the control group, p = 0.028	NB Care Quality	Positive		
	Mean systolic BP	Lowest mean unadjusted systolic BP was found in the audit plus strategic feedback group	NB Care Quality	Positive		
Montgomery 2000 [49] UK (controlled)	Percentage of patients with 5 year cardiovascular risk ≥10%	CDSS group was more likely to have a cardiovascular risk ≥10% vs. chart only patients, OR 2.3	NB Care Quality	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: risk chart depends on visual cue, not supported by initial CDSS
	Systolic blood pressure	The chart only group had significantly lower systolic BP vs. usual care group, mean difference -4.6 mm Hg	NB Care Quality	Neutral		
	Diastolic blood pressure	Reduction of diastolic BP did not differ between groups	NB Care Quality	Neutral		
	Prescribing of cardiovascular drugs	The chart only group were twice as likely to be prescribed two classes of cardiovascular drugs and over 3 times as likely to be prescribed three or more classes of drugs compared with the other groups	NB Care Quality	Positive		
Rollman 2001 [54] USA	Time for PCP response to the electronic message	Time to response was 1.6 times faster for PCPs in the active care vs. passive care arm	NB Productivity	Neutral	Neutral	No factors identified

Bolger-Harris 2008 [25] Australia (descriptive)	GP users-freq, disease, use/improv GP nonusers - reasons, aware, adopt? providers-freq, format, align, care coord	Providers-diff TCA/coordination	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: templates alone not improve care coordination
		GPs used templates for GPMP, TCA	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor2: GPs can benefit from templates for billing
Cauldwell 2009 [27] UK (controlled)	Patient registration time	Users: 1/15 > 1 minute Non-users: mean 1 min. 53 sec. Control: 3/47 > 1 minute	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: need to address patient acceptance of technology
	Average clinical consultation time	Users: 10.11 minutes Non-users: 12.4 minutes Control: 11.5 minutes	NB Productivity	Neutral		Factor2: patient self-register but staff had to show patients how to use system
Christensen 2008 [28] Norway (descriptive)	EPR function, time, GP-patient relation	EMR available improved not content	IS Quality Information	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: redundant content, lack overview
		EMR use efficient/comprehensive	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor2: improved access to record
		Admin work from staff to GP	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		Factor3: reuse info but shift in admin tasks to GPs
		No GP-patient relation disturbance	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		Factor4: EMR used before, after and during encounter no disturbance
Crosson 2005 [30] USA (descriptive)	Communication, EMR use DS authority, resolving conflicts	Dysfunctional communication	NB Productivity	Negative	Negative	Factor1: culture affect EMR use to improve care
		Authority distribution, conflicts	NB Productivity	Negative		Factor2: communication, decision making, conflict
		Preventive health, CDM unwieldy	NB Productivity	Negative		
Dennison 2006 [33] UK (controlled)	Waiting time from GP referral until appointment booked	Median days electronic 0 vs. paper 7	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: patient has choice of dates, greater responsibility to attend
	Waiting time from GP referral to actual clinic appointment	Median days electronic 8 vs. paper 10	NB Productivity	Neutral		
	Patient attendance rate in clinic	Non-attendance rate electronic 8.5% vs. paper 22.5%	NB Productivity	Positive		
Keshavjee 2001 [13] Canada (controlled)	Time to perform six administrative tasks	Time required to perform 5/6 administrative tasks decreased at 6 months and 4/6 at 18 months post-implementation	NB Productivity	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: increased charting time nurses given more responsibility
	Time to perform six PCP tasks	Time required to perform 4/6 PCP tasks had not decreased at 6 months, but 3/6 had decreased by 18 months post-implementation.	NB Productivity	Neutral		Factor2: physician chart time decreased but may be due to drop-outs
						Factor3: implement success from managing stress, perceiving value Factor4: cognitive dissonance - more charting, more patients, leaving earlier
Miller 2004 [46] USA (descriptive)	Functions installed, used, organizational change, time, costs, financial/quality benefits	Less time, staffing, transcription	IS Quality System	Positive	Positive	Factor1: cost savings
		Guideline care thru templates	IS Quality Information	Positive		Factor2: improved quality of care with guidelines
		More documentation/code Use template	NB Care Quality NB Productivity	Positive Positive		
Miller 2005 [45] USA (descriptive)	EMR use, financial costs/benefits, QI payback, risk, time cost/benefits, QoL	Improved billing/access, less staff/transcription	IS Quality Information	Positive	Positive	Factor1: led to cost savings/profits
		Improved documentation	NB Care Quality NB Productivity	Positive Positive		Factor2: improved documentation Factor5: improved QI, reminders Factor3: need more pay-for-performance

						Factor4: depends on champion, process change, culture
Poley 2007 [51] Netherlands (controlled)	Number of order forms	No statistically significant reduction in the number of order forms	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: use affected by financial incentives, labs get less reimbursement
	Number of tests per order form	Tests ordered per form decreased in the intervention group by 6%, P = 0.001	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor2: address practical logistics with order forms with different solutions
	Costs of laboratory requests	Mean cost decrease of 3% in the intervention group vs. 2% increase in the control group, P = 0.009	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor3: check for substitution effect, e.g., more medications, PCP/specialist consults
Randeree 2007 [52] USA (descriptive)	Actual vs. expected costs and benefits items that increase budget themes before/after adoption	Vendor, contract train, time, productive	IS Quality System	Negative	Negative	Factor1: implementation - planning, downtime, workflow, maintenance cost
		Vendor, contract, staff, oversight, buy-in Vendor, rework, staff, training, time Budget, workflow, expectation	IS Quality Service NB Productivity	Negative Negative		
Robinson 2003 [53] Australia (descriptive)	IT use -EMR, web, email, store-forward, videoconferencing, e-discussion groups, value of EMR	Most EMR/web, increase e-mail/SF	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: need for training, tech support
		No videoconferencing, e-discussion groups	NB Productivity	Neutral		Factor2: lack time to learn EMR Factor3: videoconf/discussion gps little value, too complicated
Samoutis 2007 [55] Greece (descriptive)	User satisfaction, barriers, actions, use, expectation, support, impact	Lab, prescribe, reminders, coding	IS Quality System	Positive	Negative	Factor1: lacked pay-for-performance incentives
		Poor usability	IS Quality System	Negative		Factor2: need workflow integration with hospital
		Increased workload Patient not negative toward EMR	NB Productivity US Use/Satisfaction	Negative Neutral		Factor3: need paper for legal concerns Factor4: transition difficulties, lack familiarity with Factor5: system breakdown software design problems
van Wijk 2001 [60] Netherlands (controlled)	Average number of tests per order form per practice	PCPs who used Bloodlink-Guideline ordered 20% fewer tests per form than PCPs who used Bloodlink-Restricted, P = 0.003	NB Productivity	Positive	Positive	Factor1: guideline does not reduce all test ordering to same degree
Wager 2000 [62] USA (descriptive)	Perceived benefits/limits of EMR Organization impact of EMR on practice Implementation process -CSF	Better doc, organized, legible, complete	IS Quality Information	Positive	Positive	Factor1: leader, training, resource, commitment
		Access, efficiency, communication	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor2: Downtime, backup, technical support
		Improved manament patient records, care, jobs	NB Productivity	Positive		Factor3: extent of hybrid paper-EMR system
		Improved communication, work environment	NB Productivity	Positive		
Preventive Care						
Baron 2007 [23] USA (descriptive)	Mammography screening rates	10% absolute improvement in rate	NB Care Quality	Positive	Positive	Factor1: need for structured data, standards,
						Factor2: restructuring primary teams more resources
Frank 2004 [35] Australia (controlled)	Uptake of preventive care opportunities	Relative changes in four of the 12 preventive activities favoured the use of electronic reminders	NB Care Quality	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: fee-for-service payment with no rebates for preventive care
						Factor2: possible information overload from multiple reminders Factor3: reminders made PCPs aware of preventive care for all their patients

						Factor4: reminders displayed by date when due rather than priority
Kenealy 2005 [39] New Zealand (controlled)	Eligible patients screened for diabetes	Computer vs. usual care OR 2.55 Patient reminders vs. usual care OR 1.72 Both vs. usual care OR 1.69 Computer vs. patient OR 1.49	NB Care Quality	Positive	Positive	No factors identified
Patient-Physician Interaction						
Booth 2004 [26] UK (descriptive)	EMR use before, after and during consultations	Avoid multitasking, summary assess	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: skill/attention to manage screen/consultation
		Behavior-control, ignore, responsive	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		Factor2: rapport thru joint use computer by patient/GP feasible
		Transition-signpost, chatter, respond	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		Factor3: strategies - signposting, chatter, responding
Chan 2008 [12] UK (descriptive)	Time: consultation length, patient-doctor interaction, computer, patient-doctor-computer interact	End, continuous, minimal users	US Use/Satisfaction	Positive	Positive	Factor1: can adjust psych consult sessions
		Tailored psych consults	US Use/Satisfaction	Positive		Factor2: 3 styles of EMR use - end, continuous, minimal
Ludwick 2008 [42] Canada (descriptive)	Exp select, implement, operate EMR sociotechnical factors for implementation success	Issue-time, training, support, learn	IS Quality System	Positive	Positive	Factor1: struggled, benefit with more time investment
		Disrupt information flow, room/EMR layout	IS Quality Service	Negative		Factor2: visual cue, room layout important for interaction
		Template use data entry	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		Factor3: templates for common data entry, efficiency
			NB Productivity	Positive		
Margalit 2006 [43] Israel (descriptive)	Screen gaze time, keystrokes length of visit, visit dialog	Gaze reduces dialog psych/emotional	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral	Neutral	Factor1: can reduce dialog in psych/emotion consultations
		Keyboarding increases biomedical data	US Use/Satisfaction	Neutral		