Appendix G – Patient (or Palliative) Outcome Scale

" Wow Me with Data"



Paul McIntyre and Glenna Thornhill

" Know which abnormality you are going to follow during treatment.

Pick something you can measure. "

A Little Book of Doctors' Rules.

"Standards are not neutral ... They are as much about power and control as they are about 'best practice'. For every standard adopted, something else shifts in the system - and it's usually something we have neither predicted nor sought to measure. These issues are complex and subtle. It is small wonder that trials with deterministic designs and predefined outcome measures fail to capture them.

Trish Greenlagh, British Medical Journal 2009

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Outcome

" ... any end result attributable to health services intervention ... "

Measure should be clinically relevant, practical, valid, reliable, able to show change over time.

Implementing patient reported outcome measures (PROMs) in palliative care - users' cry for help.

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Health Qual Life Outcomes 2011

Outcome Measurement in Palliative Care The Essentials







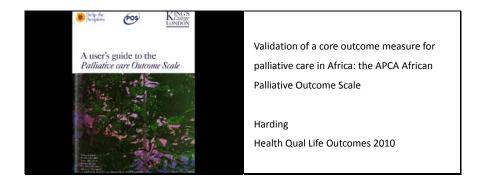
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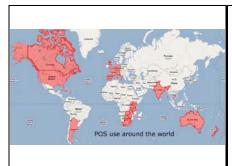
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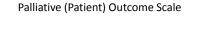


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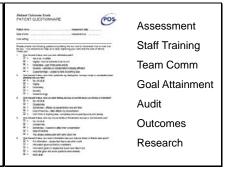
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- ☐ 10 items + open question
- □ pt/family/staff versions
- ☐ 12 language translations
- modular optional versions
- ☐ add-on symptom card

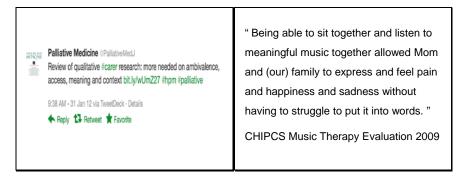


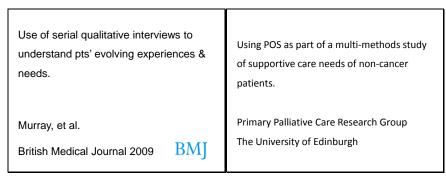
"engagement by both patient and clinician in endlessly adaptive work of dealing with illness ... attention to here and now contextual detail is crucial. An excessive focus on standards reinforces the erroneous notion that the quality benchmark can be wholly established and expressed in the language of decision science."

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"Being able to sit together and listen to meaningful music together allowed Mom and (our) family to express and feel pain and happiness and sadness without having to struggle to put it into words."

"create an environment of watchful concern that motivates everyone to reflect on how best to serve the community"