# Remote monitoring and selfmanagement support to prevent and address exacerbations in COPD

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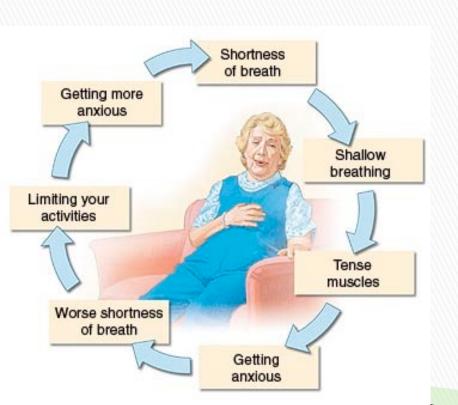
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## **COPD Impacts 3 Million Canadians**

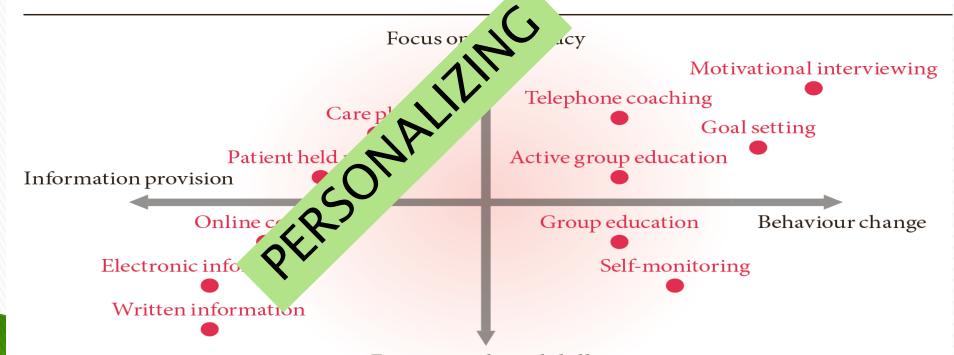


### **Treatment**

- Self-management
  - Smoking cessation
  - Medications rescue/prevention
  - Pulmonary rehabilitation

# Effectiveness of COPD self-management: What seems to work (Jonsdottir H, J Clin Nurs. 2013;22(5-6):621-637.)

Figure 1: continuum strategies to support self management



Focus on technical skills National Health Service model, 2011

# Remote monitoring and selfmanagement support

#### PATIENT HEALTH PORTAL

- 1) Tailored learning,
- 2) Decision support, &
  - 3)Reminders

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CASE- MANAGER PORTAL

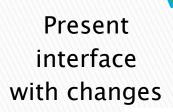
- 1) Optimize self management (skills),
  - 2) Facilitate early identification of exacerbations,
- 3) Earlier initiation of treatment

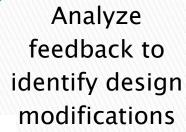
Reduce likelihood of serious exacerbations requiring ED visits & Hospitalization

# Development: User-Centered Iterative Design Process

### **Focus Groups**

- 1. Analyze user requirements
- 2. Present existing interfaces
- 3. Identify initial changes











Create/Modify
Interface
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### **Care Gap**

Access to medical information



**Self-monitoring** 

Guidance

**Communication &** support

### **PHP Feature**



Tailored education based on responses, learning center

Symptoms, medication, action plan, physical activity

Short-term behaviour change goals, decision support, visual feedback

Feedback from case manager







## **COPD Self-management Portal**









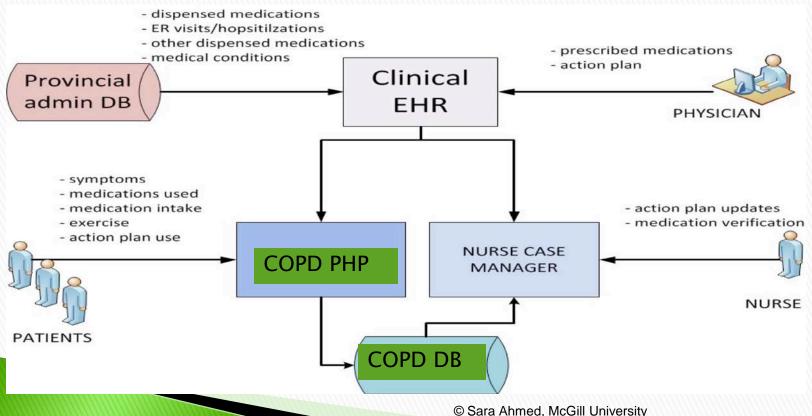








# Integration of MAP with Clinical EHR & Case Manager System



# Results: Feedback on Prototype Patient Health Portal

### Barriers and useful aspects identified by users:

- Technical
  - Inconsistent loading speed,
- Monitoring and feedback
  - Repetitive feedback messages,
  - · Length of the self-monitoring questionnaires, and
  - Perceived complexity of the messaging centre when communicating with the health team.
- ✓ Ease of navigation,
- ✓ Clarity of instructions on how to use system, and
- ✓ Aesthetic appearance (e.g., use of larger font, pictures, celor coding)

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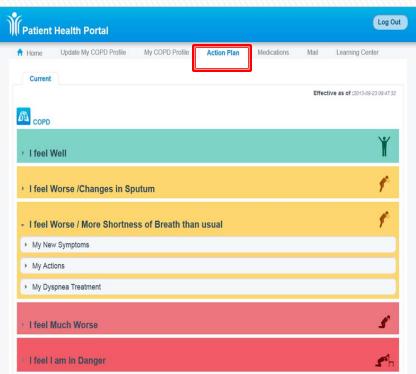
- Notes page throughout the system
- Patient history of questionnaire completion
- Dismissing alerts
- ✓ Changes to the action plan
- ✓ Medication reconciliation (RAMQ, patient, MOXXI)
- ✓ Intervention planning module

#### PHP Patient interface features

#### 1.SELF MONITORING

	Update My COPD Profile	My COPD Profile	Action Plan	Medications	Mail	Learning Center
View		_				
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Monitoring	Symptoms and Action Plan Use					
SY_Q2						
RESPIRAT	ORY SYMPTOMS: In comparis	on to your COPD haseline	which of these re	spiratory symptoms	has worser	ned today?
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a) Shortne	ess of breath					
b) Secreti	ons (also called phlegm or sput	tum)				
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c) Cough						

Patients answer questions that serve as triggers to actions taken by the system



Each section has patient-specific details about: Symptoms, Actions & Medication.

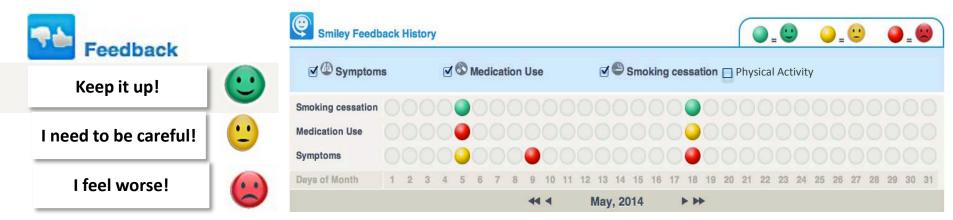
#### 2.GUIDANCE

## Feedback to patient through monitoring

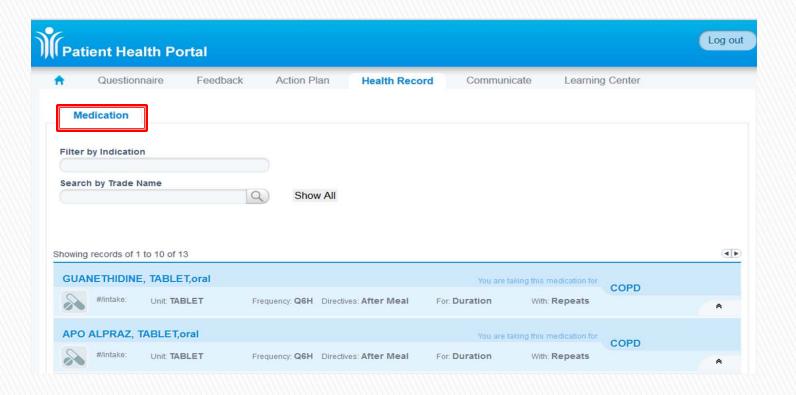


Using feedback from the fitbit website, write down the average of steps/day you walked in the past week. How did you do more than before?

- A. I maintained the same number of steps/day of the previous week
- B. I increased my number of daily steps, but not as much as 400 steps/day
- C. I increased my number of daily steps by over 400 steps/day
- D. I was doing well by increasing my number of daily steps, but now I returned to the point I started.

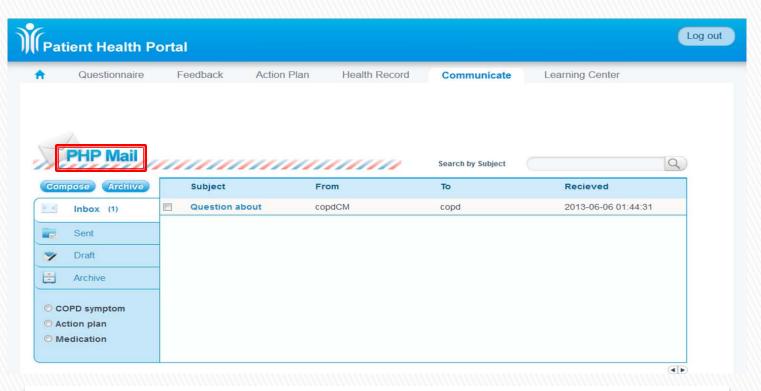


#### 3.ACCESS TO MEDICAL INFO



The patient can view their COPD medication list

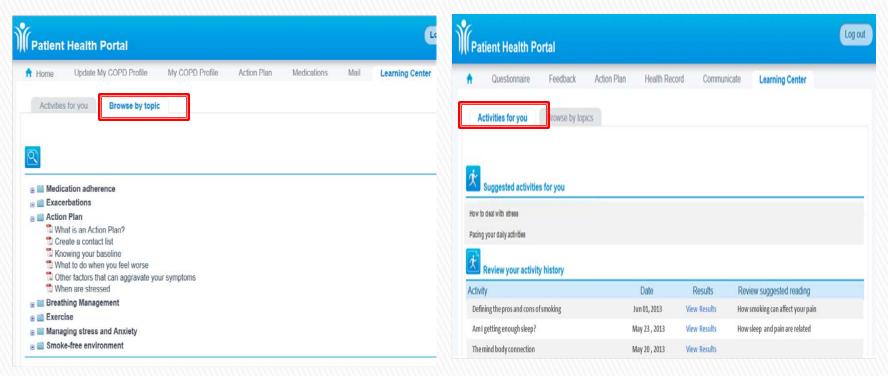
#### 4. COMMUNICATION AND SUPPORT



The patient communicates with the case manager via an email-type platform integrated into the portal

PHP Patient interface features

#### **5.KNOWLEDGE**

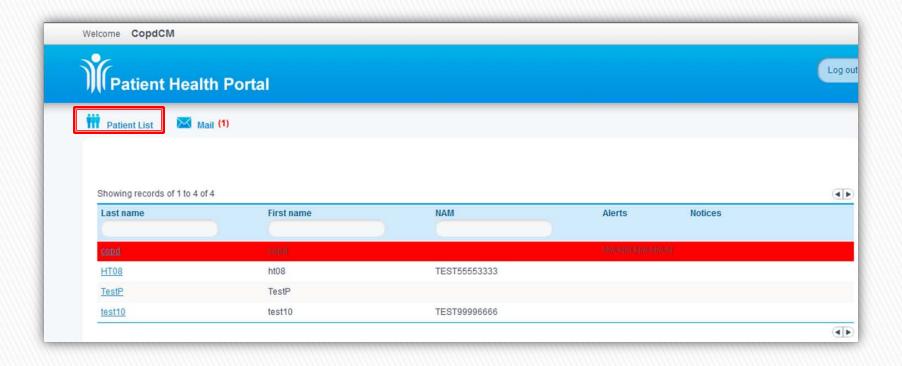


**Browse by topic:** Patients can consult COPD related information at anytime categorized by topics which expand to display a list of PDFs

**Learning activities** aimed at improving self-management are triggered based on answers to the monitoring questionnaire

PHP nurse case manager interface features

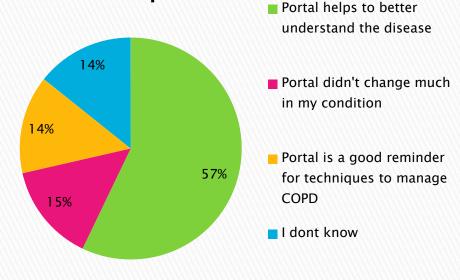
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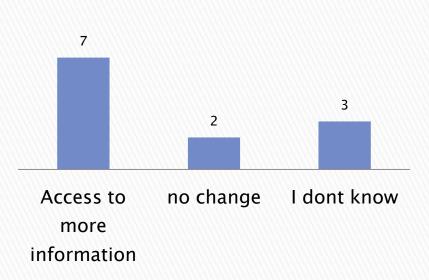


The case manager's patient list is triaged according to severity of symptoms using a color coding system (red, yellow, green), patients in red (most severe) are listed at the top

## Changes in COPD management with PHP

### Effects of the portal

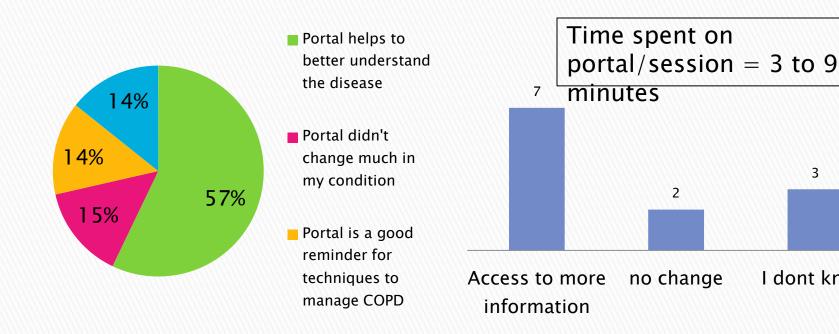




At 4 months
No of subjects, N=6

At 12 months
No of subjects, N=12

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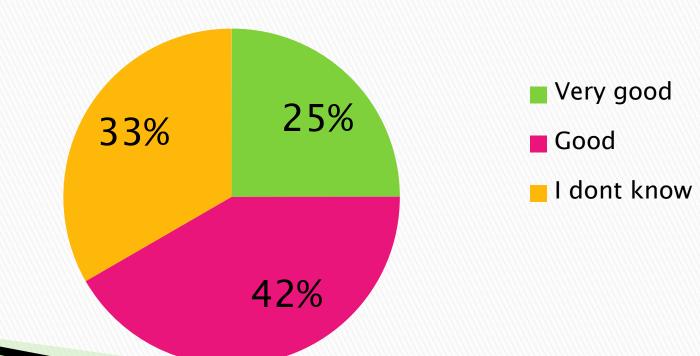


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I dont know

## Quality of portal in general

N= 12 subjects at 12 months



# Conclusions

- A PHP may be an enabler of self-management for some individuals
- Complex care process is difficult to translate to en digital solution
- Tailoring requires a priori understanding of possible variations in symptoms, preferences, etc.
- Simplicity is key
- Never a final solution

### **Next Steps-Trial**

- A multicenter, randomized, non-blinded, parallel group, pilot trial
  - Randomization stratified by site of recruitment

Blocks of 4 to 6



**USUAL CARE** 



USUAL CARE +
WFB-BASFD INTERVENTION

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## Prepared Proactive Practice Team



Shared decision making

**Building Partnerships** 

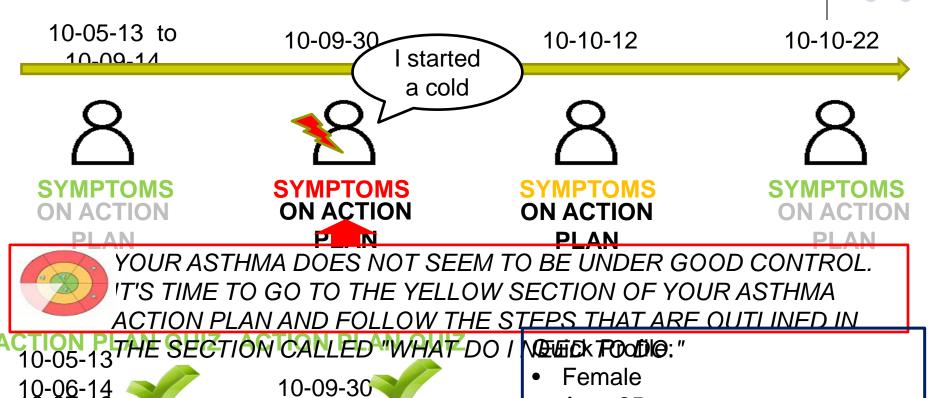
Informed Activated Patient

Monitoring/Managing Signs & Symptoms

Self-Tailoring

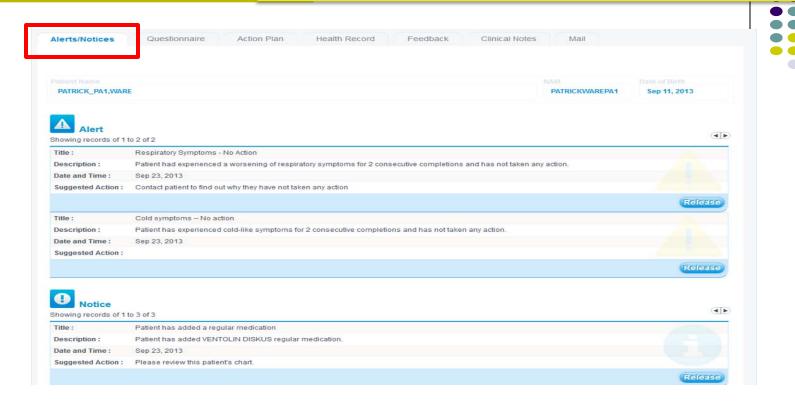
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# Participant starts action plan as soon as symptoms deteriorate



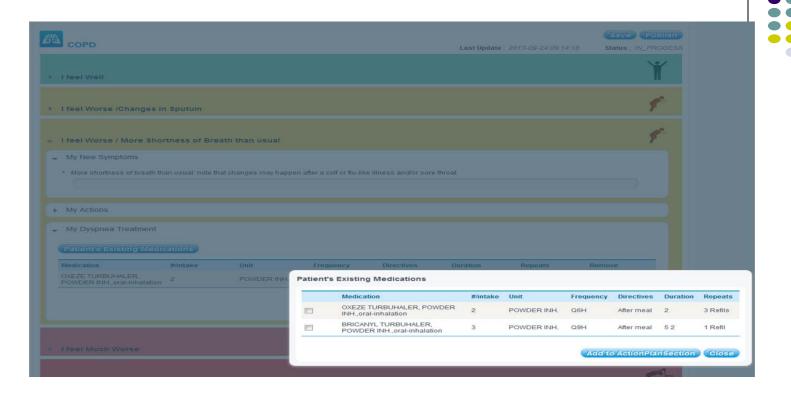
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#### **2.ALERTS/NOTICES**



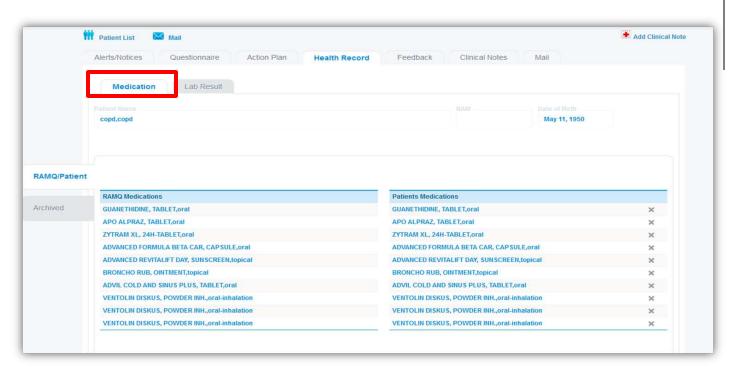
Alerts and notices are automatically triggered based on the patient's activity in the portal

#### **3.ACTION PLAN**



The case manager can modify and tailor the content of the action plan to a specific patient

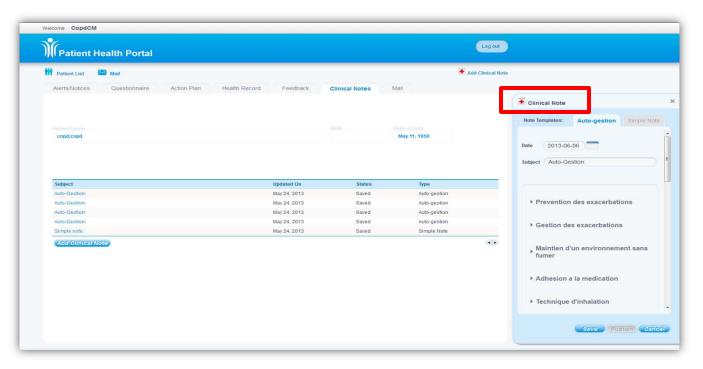
#### 4.HEALTH RECORD



The case manager receives a live feed of all dispensed medications from RAMQ. He/she selects which medications are to be displayed in the patient's medication list



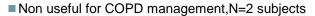
#### 5. CLINICAL NOTES



The case manager can write and store clinical notes documenting all actions and interventions associated to that patient



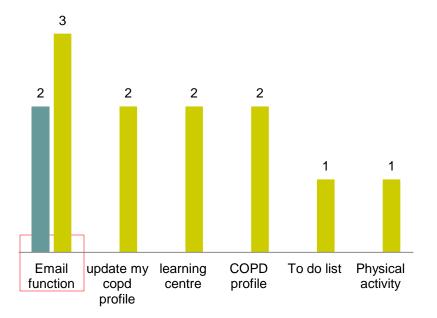
# Use of PHP features for COPD management

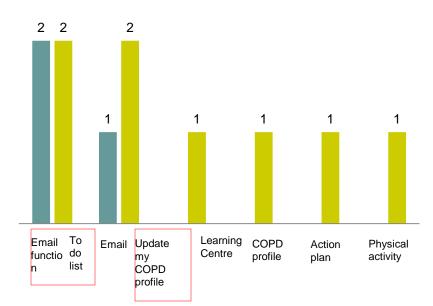


Useful for COPD management, N=5 subjects

■ Non useful for copd management, N=3

■ Useful for copd management, N=4





At 4 months

At 12 months

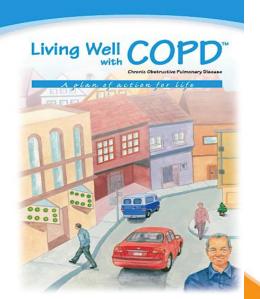
## Usual Care= "Living Well with COPD"

Physical Activity Guidance (case COPD) rochures

manager)

- Initial Face-to-face Meeting

Link toLWCOPB



get moving... breathe easy



# Web-based Intervention: Feedback to patient through monitoring

• Visual feedback of physical activity progression and symptoms through fitbit pedometer, graphs, figures and tailored motivational

