DEVELOPMENT OF A SURVEY TO ASSESS PRACTICES OF SHARED DECISION MAKING IN SERIOUS ILLNESS (SMDSI) COURSE PARTICIPANTS
Introduction

Community Medical Centers, Fresno California

3 hospital system in Central California

4 SDMSI certified instructors
Measuring Impact

- Wanted to measure the post-course impact of the SDMSI curriculum
- Limited resources for research
- Desire to expand the knowledge base on physician and mid-level communication practices using SDMSI
Domains

- Attitudes & Beliefs
- Uptake & Fidelity
- Practice Changes
- Barriers

Survey Development

- Question Development
- Beta Testing
- Site logistics
Workflow for Site Participants

Designate Site Lead
• Should be SDMSI Instructor

Present Study Info to SDMSI Attendees
• Slide and Handout Available

Send Attendee Email List to Research Team
• Attendees can opt out during training

Research Team will distribute survey
• Aggregated site results available

Research Opportunity

Our site is participating in a multi-site study that will measure the impact of SMDSI on your clinical practice.

• You will be invited to participate in a 5-10 minute online survey that can be completed on your mobile or desktop device
• All responses remain completely anonymous
• Please notify your instructors if you wish to “opt-out” of this project and your email address will not be shared.
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Since completing the SDG3 course, how strongly do you agree with each of the following statements about the shared decision making concepts taught in the course?

- **Not at all interested**
- **Slightly interested**
- **Moderately interested**
- **Very interested**
- **Extremely interested**

- [ ]  I am interested in implementing shared decision making concepts with patients, families, and/or caregivers.
- [ ]  I am interested in sharing decision making concepts with other health care professionals.
- [ ]  I feel confident that I am able to implement shared decision making concepts with patients, families, and/or caregivers.

Since completing the SDG3 course, have you felt the need to incorporate shared decision making concepts into your practice?

- [ ]  Yes
- [ ]  No

[Image of a questionnaire and a phone with the UCSF logo]
The following five questions ask about how you are using the SDMSI Conversation Guide in practice.

Please click to indicate which questions you have found useful in practice to discern what matters most to your patients (select all that apply):

Discerning
What Matters Most to Patients

1. "Do your own beliefs reflect your understanding about your (name of illness)?"
   (Freind questions, if needed)
   *What current problems are you facing?"
   *What challenges you (name of illness)"
   *What complications are you likely to have in the future? (name of illness)"
   *What do you now understand about future complications and what you can expect? (name of illness)"
   *What has been your experience with your current plan of care?"
   *What do you now understand about future complications and what you can expect?"
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When helping patients with serious illness arrive at decisions, approximately how often do you use the Conversation Guide?
My shared decision making conversations would benefit from additional skill development in the following areas (Select all that apply):

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QUESTIONS?

References

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