Economic Evaluation Service
Kern Center for Science of Healthcare Delivery
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Objective

- To provide an overview of Economic Evaluation Service Unit
- To discuss the collaboration potential between Alliance Researchers and Economic Evaluation Service Unit at the Kern Center, Mayo Clinic
Economic Evaluation Service (EES)

- A unit of the Kern Center for the Science of Health Care Delivery
  - Office of Health Care Policy and Practice (OHCPP)
- EES offers wide variety of economic evaluation services under the broader theme of CER, including
  - Economic costs of interventions
  - Health care resource utilization
  - Health economic modeling methodologies
Kern Center for the Science of Health Care Delivery (CSHCD)

- Research pursues the IHI’s Triple Aim
  - Enhance patient experience
  - Improve health across populations
  - Manage or lower the costs of care
- Applies innovative science and data to evaluate a variety of disease areas spanning a multitude of study disciplines
- Combines innovation, continuous improvement, implementation science and research-quality methodologies to improve health care delivery
Scope of EES Projects

- **Mayo Projects**
  - CSHCD-funded projects that need EES assistance
  - Researcher-initiated projects that need assistance in economics evaluation
  - Participates in funding applications from NIH, and other funding organizations

- **Non-Mayo Projects**
  - EES collaborates with non-Mayo partners in a similar manner as with Mayo projects
Scope and Budgets

● EES team works closely with study proponents
  ● To scope out the project

● Study budget depends on
  ● Scope & complexity of the study
  ● Auxiliary costs such as the cost of data acquisition

● Timeline
  ● Scope-dependent
  ● PI is informed of the proposed timeline
  ● The timeline starts once the PI and the EES agrees on the scope and budget for the study
Meet the Team

**Program Manager:**
Kristy Vierling

**Research Associates:**
Sarah Meier, PhD
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**Principal Health Service Analysts:**
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**Strategic Director:** Véronique Roger, MD
**Medical Director:** Jay Talwalkar, MD
**Scientific Director:** Nilay Shah, PhD
**Operations Manager:** Dana Swenson-Dravis

**Post Doc Research Associates:**
Xiaoxi Yao, PhD

**Principal Health Service Analyst:**
Lindsey Sangaralingham

**Senior Health Service Analysts:**
Herb Heien
Holly Van Houten

**Statistical Programmer Analysts:**
Dennis Asante
Raphael Mwangi
Stephanie Schilz
The EES Core Team

- Bijan Borah, PhD (Director & Lead Consultant)
- Jon Ebbert, MD (Medical Director)
- Kristy Vierling (Project Manager)
- Principal and Masters Health Services Analysts
  - Sue Visscher, PhD; James Moriarty, MS
- Statistical Programmer Analysts
  - Jordan Rosedahl, Kandace Lackore, Joel Hickman, Rachel Gullerud, Jeanine Ransom
- Besides the core team, EES also has access to expertise in all other relevant areas
Why Collaborate with EES

- **Expertise**
  - Methodological expertise in healthcare cost & utilization data
  - Ability to address nuances in costs and utilizations

- **Experience**
  - The EES team has multiple years of experience in analyzing economic evaluation
  - Experience in the use of different data assets (e.g., Medicare/commercial claims, publicly available data such as HCUP NIS etc.)

- Access to clinical other expertise from the clinic
Access to Data Assets

- Mayo’s internal patient data
  - Mayo Cost Data Warehouse
- Optum Labs
- Medicare
- All publicly available state and national databases
  - MEPS
  - HCUP (e.g., National Inpatient Sample, National Readmission Database etc.)
Example of an Ongoing EES Study

- Cost-effectiveness of medications for patients with breast cancer and bone metastasis
- Two potential drugs
  - Zoledronic acid
  - Denosumab
Example of an Ongoing EES Study…continued

- Prior studies show mixed results:
  - Denosumab consistently more expensive with fewer Skeletal related events
  - The trade-off of better outcomes at higher cost has varied
Example of an Ongoing EES Study… continued

- What does our study add?
  - Updated costs from zoledronic acid recently moving to generic
  - Results of a recent non-inferiority trial comparing monthly zoledronic acid with quarterly zoledronic acid
  - Three treatment options under consideration
    - Monthly zoledronic acid
    - Quarterly zoledronic acid
    - Monthly denosumab
  - Two year analysis vs. 1 year for most prior studies
How to Find EES Online

- Link to EES within Mayo Intranet
- EES Online
Questions & Discussion

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