

# PCAT HIGH RISK NEWS & RESOURCES

## RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THE EVALUATION OF PRIMARY CARE FOR HIGH-RISK VETERANS

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### High Risk Investigator Network Meetings

Date	Presenter	Topic
April 7, 2023	TBD	<i>More information coming soon</i>
June 2, 2023	TBD	<i>Email the <a href="#">PCAT High Risk Core</a> if you would like feedback for projects</i>

The PCAT VA Primary Care High Risk Investigator Network is a national network of VA experts with a broad range of expertise that supports high-risk Veterans' primary care through collaborative investigation and evaluation. To join our meetings or present to the High Risk Investigator Network, please email the PCAT High Risk Core by clicking [here](#). We meet on the first Friday of even-numbered months at 1000AM PT / 100PM ET.

### Submit a Late-Breaking Abstract to Academy Health

The [Academy Health Annual Research Meeting \(ARM\)](#) is accepting submissions for Late-Breaking Abstracts to present at 2023 ARM, June 24-27 in Seattle, WA. High Cost, High Need Populations is one of the 21 Conference Themes. The submission deadline is **March 27, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. ET**. Submit at <https://academyhealth.org/page/2023-arm-late-breaking-abstracts>.

### 2023 HSR&D | QUERI National Meeting High Risk Recorded Sessions

In case you missed it, view the Recorded Sessions from the HSR&D/QUERI National Meeting [here](#). See below for the links to specific recorded live sessions with High Risk Network Investigator projects.

#### Plenary Paper Sessions

David Bekelman	<a href="#">Effect of a Collaborative Palliative Care Intervention on Quality of Life in Veterans with Symptomatic Lung and Heart Diseases: The ADAPT RCT</a>
Amol Navathe	<a href="#">(In)equity in Risk Prediction: Examining and Mitigating Racial Bias in the Veterans Affairs Care Assessment Needs (CAN)</a>

#### Oral Presentations

Stuti Dang	<a href="#"><u>Challenges Faced by Older Veterans and Their Caregivers During the COVID Pandemic: Results from a Prospective Multi-site Survey</u></a>
Cindie Slightam	<a href="#"><u>Increasing a Diverse VA Workforce through a Health Services Research Career Pipeline Program for Students from Historically Excluded Groups</u></a>
Chelle Wheat	<a href="#"><u>Addressing Delayed Care due to COVID-19: Use of the Preventive Health Inventory in Veterans Health Administrations Primary Care</u></a>
Michelle Wong	<a href="#"><u>Incorporating a Health Equity Focus into Implementation and Evaluation of Evidence-Based Practices for High-Risk Patients</u></a>
Donna Zulman	<a href="#"><u>Necessary but Not Sufficient: Implementation and Effectiveness of VA's Tablet Initiative and Digital Divide Consult During the COVID-19 Pandemic</u></a>

## Recent High Risk Investigator Network Publications

- [Readmissions and Postdischarge Mortality by Race and Ethnicity Among Medicare Beneficiaries with Multimorbidity.](#) **Wei MY**, Cho J. *J Am Geriatr Soc.* 2023 Jan 27. doi: 10.1111/jgs.18251. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36705464. [Link](#)
- [Primary Care Provider Experience with Proactive E-Consults to Improve COPD Outcomes and Access to Specialty Care.](#) Spece LJ, Weppner WG, Weiner BJ, Collins M, Adamson R, Berger DB, **Nelson KM**, McDowell J, Epler E, Carvalho PG, Woo DM, Donovan LM, Feemster LC, Au DH, Au DH, Sayre G. *Chronic Obstr Pulm Dis.* 2023 Jan 25;10(1):46-54. doi: 10.15326/jcopdf.2022.0357. PMID: 36472622. [Link](#)
- [Recognizing the Needs of High-Need High-Risk Veterans.](#) **Dang S**, Desir M, Lamba S, Muralidhar K, Tang F, Valencia WM. *Clin Interv Aging.* 2022 Dec 29;17:1907-1918. doi: 10.2147/CIA.S280437. PMID: 36601358; PMCID: PMC9807015. [Link](#)
- [The Association between Bundled Payment Participation and Changes in Medical Episode Outcomes among High-Risk Patients.](#) Liao JM, Wang E, Isidro U, Zhu J, Cousins DS, **Navathe AS**. *Healthcare (Basel).* 2022 Dec 12;10(12):2510. doi: 10.3390/healthcare10122510. PMID: 36554035; PMCID: PMC9778756. [Link](#)
- [Multimorbidity, 30-Day Readmissions, and Post-Discharge Mortality Among Medicare Beneficiaries Using a New ICD-Coded Multimorbidity-Weighted Index.](#) **Wei MY**. *J Gerontol A Biol Sci Med Sci.* 2022 Dec 8;glac242. doi: 10.1093/gerona/glac242. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36480692. [Link](#)

## Other High Risk Publications

- [Patient Experiences of a Care Transition Intervention for Veterans to Reduce Emergency Department Visits.](#) Seidenfeld J, Ramos K, Bruening RA, Sperber NR, Stechuchak KM, Hastings SN. *Acad Emerg Med.* 2023 Jan 11. doi: 10.1111/acem.14661. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36630213. [Link](#)
- [A Multi-Level Analysis of Individual and Neighborhood Factors Associated with Patient Portal Use among Adult Emergency Department Patients with Multimorbidity.](#) Wang H, Shen C, Barbaro M, Ho AF, Pathak M, Dunn C, Sambamoorthi U. *Int J Environ Res Public Health.* 2023 Jan 10;20(2):1231. doi: 10.3390/ijerph20021231. PMID: 36673986; PMCID: PMC9859180. [Link](#)
- [Depressive Multimorbidity and Trajectories of Functional Status among Older Americans: Differences by Racial/Ethnic Group.](#) Botosaneanu A, Elman MR, Allore HG, Dorr DA, Newsom JT, Nagel CL, Quiñones AR. *J Am Med Dir Assoc.* 2023 Feb;24(2):250-257.e3. doi: 10.1016/j.jamda.2022.11.015. Epub 2022 Dec 16. PMID: 36535384. [Link](#)

- [Visualizing Multimorbidity in Chronically Ill Populations Using UpSet Plots](#). Blum M, Gelfman LP. *J Pain Symptom Manage*. 2022 Dec 13:S0885-3924(22)01010-7. doi: 10.1016/j.jpainsymman.2022.12.003. Epub ahead of print. PMID: 36526250. [Link](#)
- [Evaluation of "Care Plus," A Multidisciplinary Program to Improve Population Health for Patients With High Utilization](#). Valente J, Bundy R, Martin M, Palakshappa D, Dharod A, Rominger R, Feiereisel K. *J Public Health Manag Pract*. 2023 Mar-Apr 01;29(2):226-229. doi: 10.1097/PHH.0000000000001692. Epub 2022 Dec 1. PMID: 36715596; PMCID: PMC9896568. [Link](#)

## High Risk Resource Highlight

The High Risk Core generates informational and methodological resources to support the conduct of complex, high risk patient care research and evaluation. In each newsletter we'll bring your attention to one of our existing resources.

The **EHR-Based Social & Functional Indicators** resource is a compilation of EHR-data based indicators of social determinants of health (Housing Instability, Food Insecurity, Income, Unemployment, Transgender Status, Rurality, Social Support) and functional status (Visual Impairment, Hearing Impairment, Falls) including data type, data source, measure details, references. Some metrics are VA-specific.

View this resource on our VA SharePoint: [Social Determinants of Health and Functional Status Resource](#)

View other resources on our VA SharePoint: [High Risk Core Investigator Resources](#)

## Cyberseminars & Other Resources

### Upcoming HSR&D Cyberseminars of Interest:

Title	Presenter(s)	Date
<a href="#">VHA Death Ascertainment File (DAF) and Other Data Sources for Mortality Ascertainment</a>	Noreen Arnold	3/6/2023
<a href="#">Outpatient Palliative Care Implementation to Improve Outcomes for Aging Veterans</a>	Brystana Kaufman	3/14/2023
<a href="#">Using the Primary Care Equity Dashboard to Support a Novel Patient Outreach Program to Improve Hypertension &amp; Racial Disparities in Primary Care</a>	Rhonda Hamilton	5/10/2023

### Online Resources:

- **The Better Care Playbook** | Submit your high risk publications to *The Better Care Playbook for People with Complex Needs* with this [quick form](#) to be considered as a [Resource](#) for their Playbook, or a topic for their blog. The [Better Care Playbook \(the Playbook\)](#) makes it easier to find evidence-based and promising practices for improving complex care. This online resource center helps health care stakeholders — including providers, health systems, health plans, community-based organizations, and policymakers — move evidence to action and accelerate adoption of best practices in complex care.
- **NIDA Challenge** | The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), one of the components of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), is launching the [“Substance Use Prevention Services in Primary Care” Challenge](#). This Challenge seeks creative, visionary, and actionable plans to implement substance use prevention interventions in primary

care. Winners will receive prizes of up to \$25,000, and NIDA encourages the winners to utilize the awards to support the implementation of substance use prevention services in those primary care practices. The submission deadline is May 19, 2023.

## Contact Information

The mission of the VA High Risk Investigator Network is to collaborate and coordinate on projects evaluating VA Primary Care for Veterans with complex care needs who are at high risk for poor health outcomes. The Network spans VA research and evaluation centers across the U.S. The Network is funded by the Office of Primary Care through the Primary Care Analytic Team (PCAT).

For more information about the Network visit our external [webpage](#), internal [SharePoint](#) or contact the PCAT High Risk Core by clicking [here](#).

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