

2 - Developing and Implementing Decision Aids for Cancer Screening in Primary Care

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Background:

Cancer screening offers important opportunities for shared decision-making in primary care practice. Decision aids can improve decision-making processes and outcomes; however, they have not been widely implemented. Further, even once decision aids are offered, limited attention is paid to how informed patient preferences are implemented in practice.

Our multi-center research team has extensive experience developing, testing, and implementing decision aids for cancer screening in primary care. We have organized a workshop that is both didactic and interactive. We will present findings and experiences from our decision aid testing and implementation research in primary care. We will focus on colorectal and lung cancer screening as exemplars in our presentation; however, other cancer screening decisions will be addressed during the session. Participants will engage in individual and small group activities to identify and “workshop” their own ideas and challenges related to design and implementation of decision aids for cancer screening.

Aim:

To enhance collective knowledge and skills regarding both the design and implementation of decision support for cancer screening in primary care

Target audience:

Decision aid developers, SDM advocates and researchers, primary care providers, and policymakers

Organization (120 minutes):

1. Introductions
2. Brief background and problem description, including
3. Group discussion (participants)
4. Presentation (leaders)

Developing and implementing decision aids for the primary care context: examples of colorectal and lung cancer screening