MI-HEART: a Comprehensive Management System to Deliver, Monitor and Measure Efficacy of Individualized Web-based Education Yves A. Lussier[§], P.Eng., M.D., Rita Kukafka[§], Dr.PH., MA, Jianhua Li, M.D., Vimla L. Patel, Ph.D., James J. Cimino, M.D.

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Problem Demonstrating the efficacy of unsupervised self-administered education is challenging, when compounded with distance learning and the absence of any interaction with clinicians, web-based patient education may appear intractable.

Background and Significance. A variety of Web education delivery systems have been proposed by researchers or the commercial community¹, however very few have produce theoretic-grounded individualized web education².

System Solution. To our knowledge, MI-HEART is the first system providing efficacy measurements of internationally accessible self-administered web education grounded in established health education science and dynamically tailored to the patient history. The MI-HEART Clinical Trial is a pre-test post-test randomized study that measures the changes in cognitive variables of patients exposed to tailored or non-tailored self-administered Web-based and paperbased education³. It incorporates education process monitoring and efficacy measurements of based on several behavior models (HBM, SCT), and includes somatic and emotional awareness perceived threat, expectations of symptoms, self-efficacy and outcome expectations to explain the response of an individual their symptoms.

System Description.

- 1) Patient Interaction Modules
- a) **Online Survey Manager** (Self-Administered Questionnaires):

i) Measurement periods: pre-intervention, postintervention (1,3,6 months),

- ii) Well validated instruments / a few original ones,
- iii) Demographics and Medical History,
- iv) Efficacy Measurements:

• Knowledge • Cognitive Model states.

b) Tailored Education Manager⁴:

i) Consistent Web-Portal / user interface following design, usability and accessibility guidelines,

ii) Knowledge-base for delivery of tailored

education (Audio, text, graphics),

- iii) Medico-administrative and Clinical Database,
- iv) Interactive calculators and risk assessments .



Fig. 1 - MI-HEART System -UML Deployment Diagram

- 2) Management and Reporting Modules
- a) Progress / Process Monitor
- b) Clinical Trial Management System:
 - i) Patient Accrual Monitoring (emails, web portal),
 - ii) Data Collection Monitoring: Interactive reports, integrity and comprehensiveness tests).

Progress Report. 62 patients have applied to join the clinical trial, 9 of which have already completed it.

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