

# Accelerating Health Care Improvement using Systems Engineering

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### Introduction

Global Public Health Issues

http://youtu.be/NO1uXp1s6O8

Local Successful Care Models

http://youtu.be/mYSig0UHJKk



### **Problem Statement**

How can we rapidly scale up successful care models from to larger populations?



### Mission and Vision

### Mission:

 To use implementation science and innovation to produce high-quality, patient-centered and cost-effective health care delivery solutions for the world.

### Vision

 To assure every patient receives the most personalized, valued, safe and preeminent quality care wherever and whenever.



# The Gap

- Our current research infrastructure:
  - Lacks organizational framework for harvesting local knowledge and innovation
  - Supports primarily investigator-initiated research projects
  - Is not set up for a rapid translation, implementation, and dissemination of health care delivery solutions to meet the needs of our health care services partners

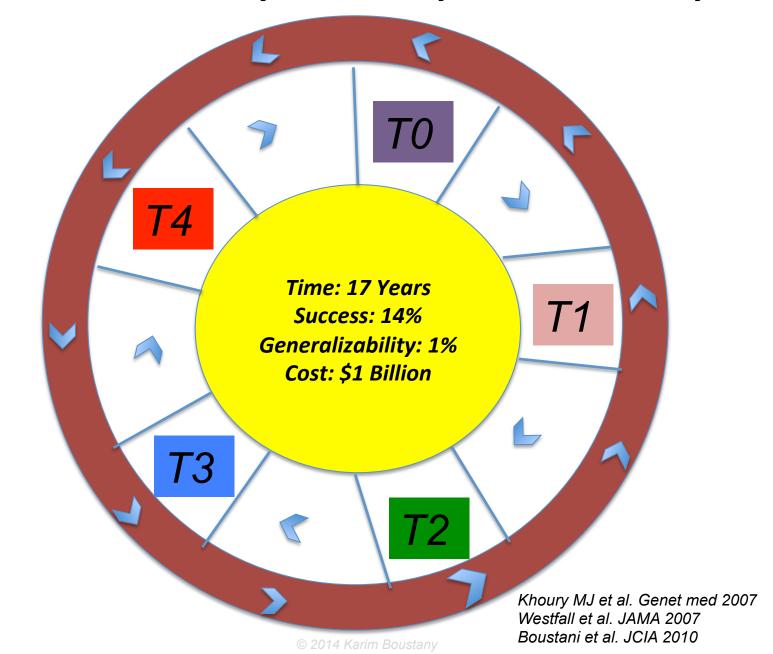


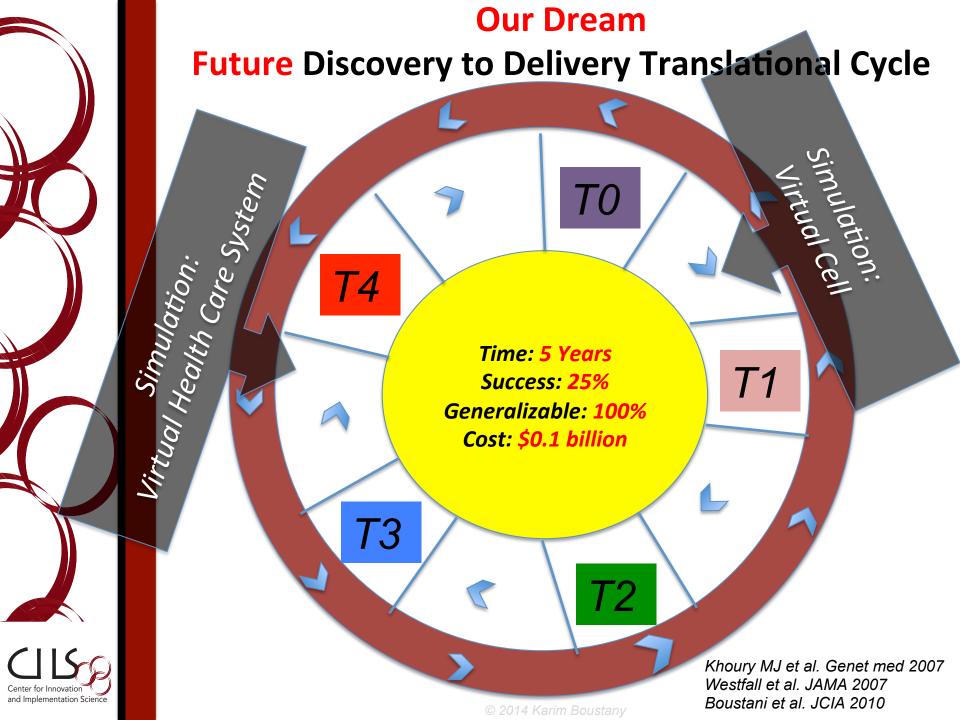
### The five Phases of Translational Cycle

- T0: Identify opportunities and approaches to health problems.
- T1: Move basic discovery into a potential health solution.
- T2: Assesses the value of a health solution leading to the development of evidence based practice.
- T3: Diffuse, disseminate, or implement evidence based practice.
- T4: Evaluate the impact of implementing evidence based practice on the health of population.



### **Current Discovery to Delivery Translational Cycle**







### 5 How's

- 1. How can I lead a dynamic system?
- 2. How can I manage the challenges of uncertainty, variability, and dynamic interdependency?
- 3. How can I evaluate and select a meaningful change?
- 4. How can I identify early failures and successes?
- 5. How can I scale up success?



### **Our Goal**

Support the **ever-changing** transformational needs of our local health care systems, and become a **top-ranked** "clinical laboratory" for **innovative health care delivery solutions** by developing an infrastructure to discover and implement patient-centric, value-based, sustainable, and safe models of care.



# Background and Rationale

- > 3 million Medicare beneficiaries with dementia and 6 million with depression
- Conditions frequently co-occur
- Medicare costs: >30 billion \$ annually
- PCPs report inadequate time resources to manage these complex patients
- Patients with dementia have 20% higher rate of ED use than older adults w/o dementia
- Current patient population size: 2,000
- Goal: reduce symptoms and utilization
- Location: Indianapolis metropolitan area



# Aging Brain Care Medical Home Computer Simulator

- Simulator is a multi-level model of the ABC program:
  - Patient: transition likelihoods & care timings
  - Process: intervention by ABC care delivery team
  - Operational: operating cost, population, staffing
  - Economic: inflation & discount rates, outcomes
- Uses original research from 2006 onward
- Passed structural and face validation cycles
- Has an embedded lab sampling mechanism

### **ABC**

### THE AGING BRAIN CARE MEDICAL HOME - COMPUTER SIMULATOR

**ABC** 

PATIENT, PROCESS, OPERATIONAL, AND ECONOMIC FACTORS

ECONOMIC LEVEL				PATIENT LEVEL		
Healthcare Inflation Rate	Economic Inflation		Discount Rate	ABC PATIENT	NON-ABC PATIENT	
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Minimum Cost 50.0	Min. Cost per Da	y 100.0	Minimum Cost 50.0	being Admitted 0.35	being Admitted 0.4	
				leaving ABC 0.05	expiring (or other) 0.1	
Most Likely Cost 80.0	Most Likely Cost per Day	800	Most Likely Cost 300.0	Following an Inpatient Admission, the likelihood, from 0 to 1, of is =	Following an Inpatient Admission, the likelihood, from 0 to 1, of is =	
Maximum Cost 500.0	Max. Cost per Da	7000 Tool	Maximum Cost 1000.0	going Home 0.5	going Home 0.4	
OPERATIONAL LEVEL		leaving ABC 0.5	expiring (or other) 0.6			
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Total Number of Care Coordinators  1 3 100  Maximum Number of Visits per Day		Total Number of Care Coordinator Assistants  1 11 100  Maximum Number of Visits per Day		Average Inpatient Length of Stay  1 5.7 14  Average Time between Emergency Visits	Average Inpatient Length of Stay  1 7 14  Average Time between Emergency Visits	
1 5 12  Hourly Rate (in \$) 35.0		1 5 12  Hourly Rate (in \$) 17.0		1 365 365	1 300 365	
PROCESS LEVEL		Average Time between	Average Time between			
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**ABC** 

### THE AGING BRAIN CARE MEDICAL HOME - COMPUTER SIMULATOR

**ABC** 

PATIENT, PROCESS, OPERATIONAL, AND ECONOMIC INSIGHTS





# Lab Sampling Experiment

Independent Variables:

– Patient Population Size = 2,000

- Care Coordinators =  $1 \rightarrow 5$ 

- Care Coordinator Assistants =  $5 \rightarrow 15$ 

Dependent Variable:

Return On Investment (% savings / expenses)

Random Number Generation:

random seed per run

Number of Runs : 330 (10 per Scenario)

Simulator Runtime : 72 minutes



# Statistical Findings

. table pair, contents(min numcc min numcca mean roitopayerforcostofabc)

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253.3818	336.217	5	1	1
193.6971	377.0779	6	1	2
252.8822	453.6066	7	1	3
210.9832	444.5587	8	1	4
239.9711	515.3602	9	1	5
89.63446	535.0736	10	1	6
118.684	523.5916	11	1	7
209.7758	588.259	12	1	8
136.3413	551.083	13	1	9
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145.7209	605.3631	15	1	11
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165.4835	318.4013	6	2	13
244.5514	405.8997	7	2	14
196.196	499.0824	8	2	15
235.0602	490.3589	9	2	16
167.9797	474.3696	10	2	17
130.6546	511.1903	11	2	18
93.66481	532.5858	12	2	19
123.2592	454.7399	13	2	20
146.0487	529.0909	14	2	21
135.736	566.3605	15	2	22
221.2107	384.1864	5	3	23
184.2418	427.6495	6	3	24
184.7767	463.8857	7	3	25
161.4533	477.0465	8	3	26
132.2369	440.9914	9	3	27
150.4626	507.0577	10	3	28
115.6929	506.8737	11	3	29
152.6059	568.704	12	3	30
162.6197	492.3044	13	3	31
122.7383	486.921	14	3	32
122.5665	535.4307	15	3	33



# Selecting a change in a complex adaptive health care delivery system

- A. Selecting an overall content that is based on a systematic evidence review of past research or guidelines.
- B. Develop ongoing implementation process to
  - Develop a simulation model of the local health system
  - Localize the content
  - Localize and or invent the delivery process
  - Monitor adherence to the delivery process
  - Monitor the impact of the selected change on the triple aims.
  - Detect unintended consequences



### Methodology

- The theory of complex adaptive system as the frame work to represent the health care system.
- Collaborative iterative process among experts in clinical content, process mapping, and computer simulation modeling.
- Hybrid Simulation Model:
  - Agent-Based Modeling
  - Discrete-Event Simulation
  - System Dynamics



# Perioperative Simulator





# Objectives

- Leverage 36 operating rooms
- Enhance perioperative efficiency
- Perform more elective surgeries
- Respond to emergency cases
- Guide staffing and procurement
- Connect organizational silos
- Connect organizational layers
- Experiment in silico



# **Real-Time Outcomes**





# Demand and Supply Planning

METHODIST PERIOP MODEL
PARAMETERS

AVG SURGERY VOLUME (PER MONTH)

○ Default • Increase By ○ Decrease By

1,400

40 %

%

AM Shift

Closed

### CONFIG | PARAMETERS

PM Shift

Closed

GENERAL | DEMAND | ROOMS | RESOURCES

AM Shift PM Shift **OR19 OR29** Ob/Gyn Ob/Gyn **OR20 OR30** Ob/Gyn Ob/Gyn OR21 **OR31** Ob/Gyn Ob/Gyn OR22 **OR32** Ob/Gyn Ob/Gyn OR23 **OR33 OR25 OR34** 

OR35 OR36 CV \$ CV

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Emergency \$ Emergency

Emergency \$ Emergency

Closed \$ Closed

Closed \$ Closed

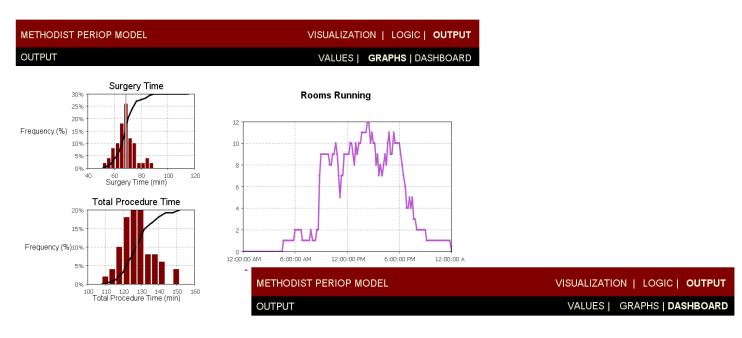


### Resource Levels

METHODIST PERIOP MODEL **CONFIG** | PARAMETERS CONFIG ● Core 1 ○ Core 2 ○ Core 3 ○ Core 4 ○ Core 5 ○ Shared Run Procedure Assessment Wrap-Up Resources Duration Duration Duration Human Other Avg Avg Avg Scrub Nurse Rooms 30 30 30 100 Min Min Min Circulating Nurse C-Arms 30 30 30 100 100 Max Max Max O-Arms Technicians 30 30 30 100 100



### **Outcome Dashboard**



### Service

Metric	Target	Over/Under Goal
Same Day Surgery - % of Patients Ready 30 min before scheduled start	95%	Under
OR % First Cases started on time	95%	Above
OR % Subsequent Cases started on time	95%	Under
Avg. Turnover Time (Previous Patient Out to Next Patient In)	30 min	Under
% of Cases turned over in <30 min	75%	Above
Avg. Turnaround Time (Prev Procedure End to Next Procedure Start)	45 min	Above



# Approach

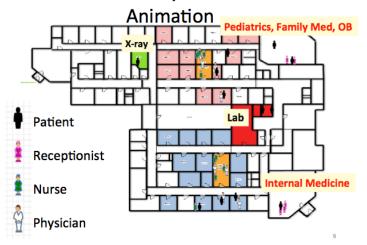
- Business Requirements
- Process Mapping
- Data Analysis
- Prototyping
- Feedback
- Validations
- Implementation
- Support

# and Implementation Science

### Improve Floor Plans

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### **Current Facility Patient Flow**

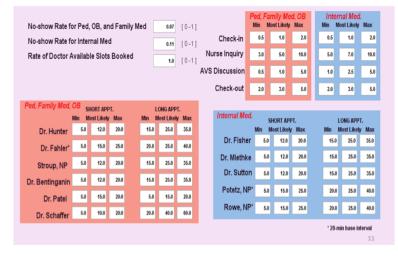


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### **New Facility Patient Flow Animation**



### Simulation Input Dashboard



### **Simulation Output Dashboard**

Clinics

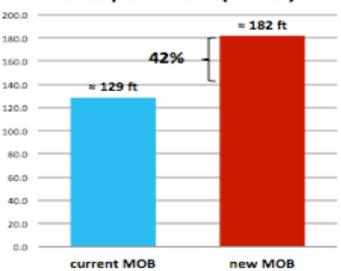
- Patients
- Staff / Room Utilization
- Total Waiting Time / Total Time in Clinic
- Nurse Walking Distance
   Time before Doctor Consultation





# Decrease Staff Fatigue



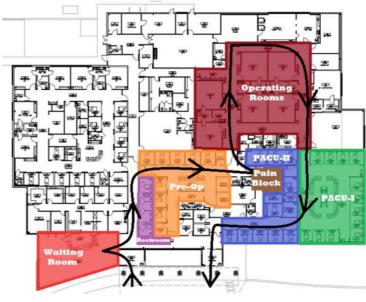


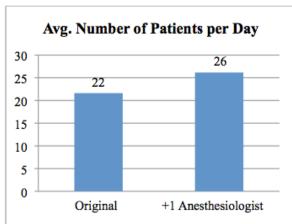
### Avg. Walking Distance for a Nurse per Day (in feet)

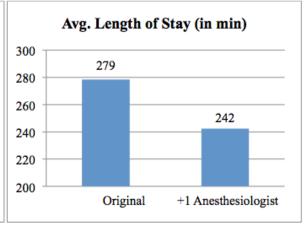




# Improve Surgery Throughput

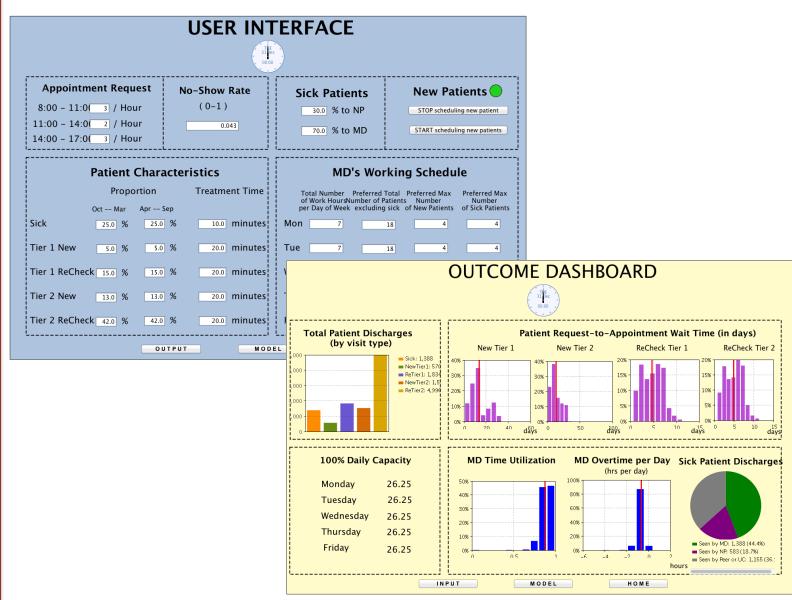








# Improve Clinic Access





### To Conclude ...

- Computer simulators can assist most healthcare leaders make much more informed decisions about the future.
- The creation of simulators requires that various different disciplines collide.
- This is feasible in most markets...
- Do you have any question or comment?
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