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Ground Rules

- Please join by video
- Please mute unless speaking
- Please don't multitask
- Please be patient
- If you want to speak, please click on participant section and raise your hand – someone will call on you



ROI in Health Professions Education

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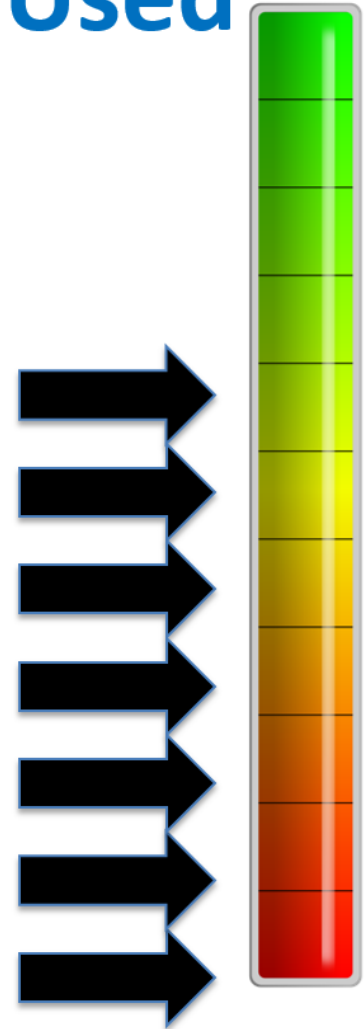
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What are ways to achieve stakeholder buy-in for educational projects?

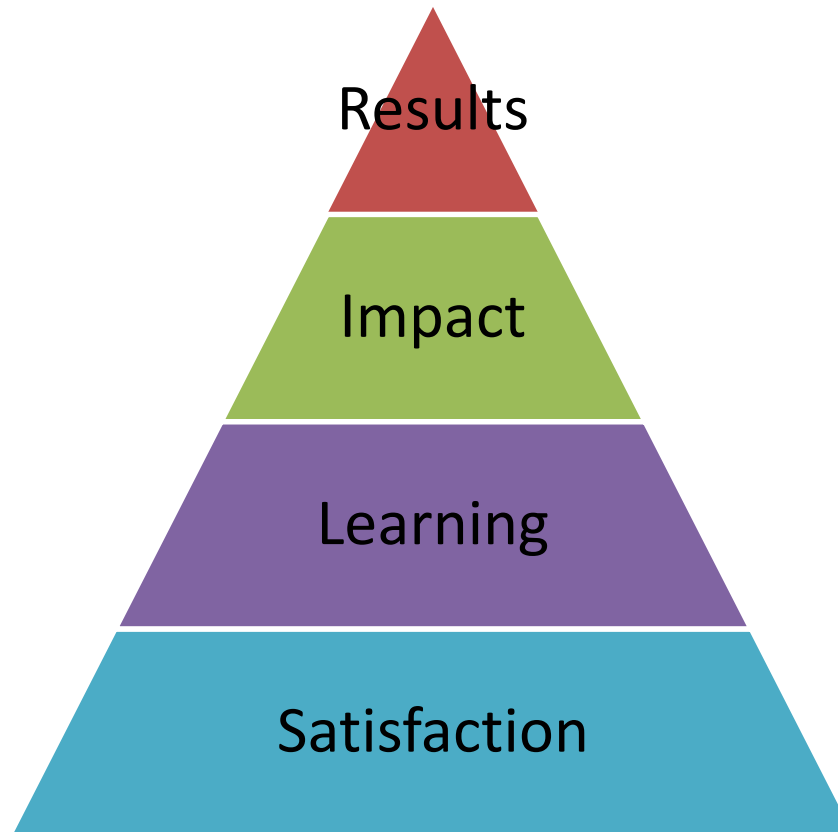


Actual Arguments We Used

1. Intrinsic value
2. Cost of replacing the service
3. Faculty and staff recruitment
4. Redundant costs
5. Public shaming
6. Safe and high value care
7. Money from on-line CE



Kirkpatrick's Model of Evaluation



The Business Model – 5th Level



Why the Disconnect?

Health Professions Education interventions lack sustainable business models

Jeffrey Barsuk at AMEE 2017

- Cost center only
- Under-resourced
- Silo mentality
- Educators lack business mindset and skills



“Show Me the Money!”

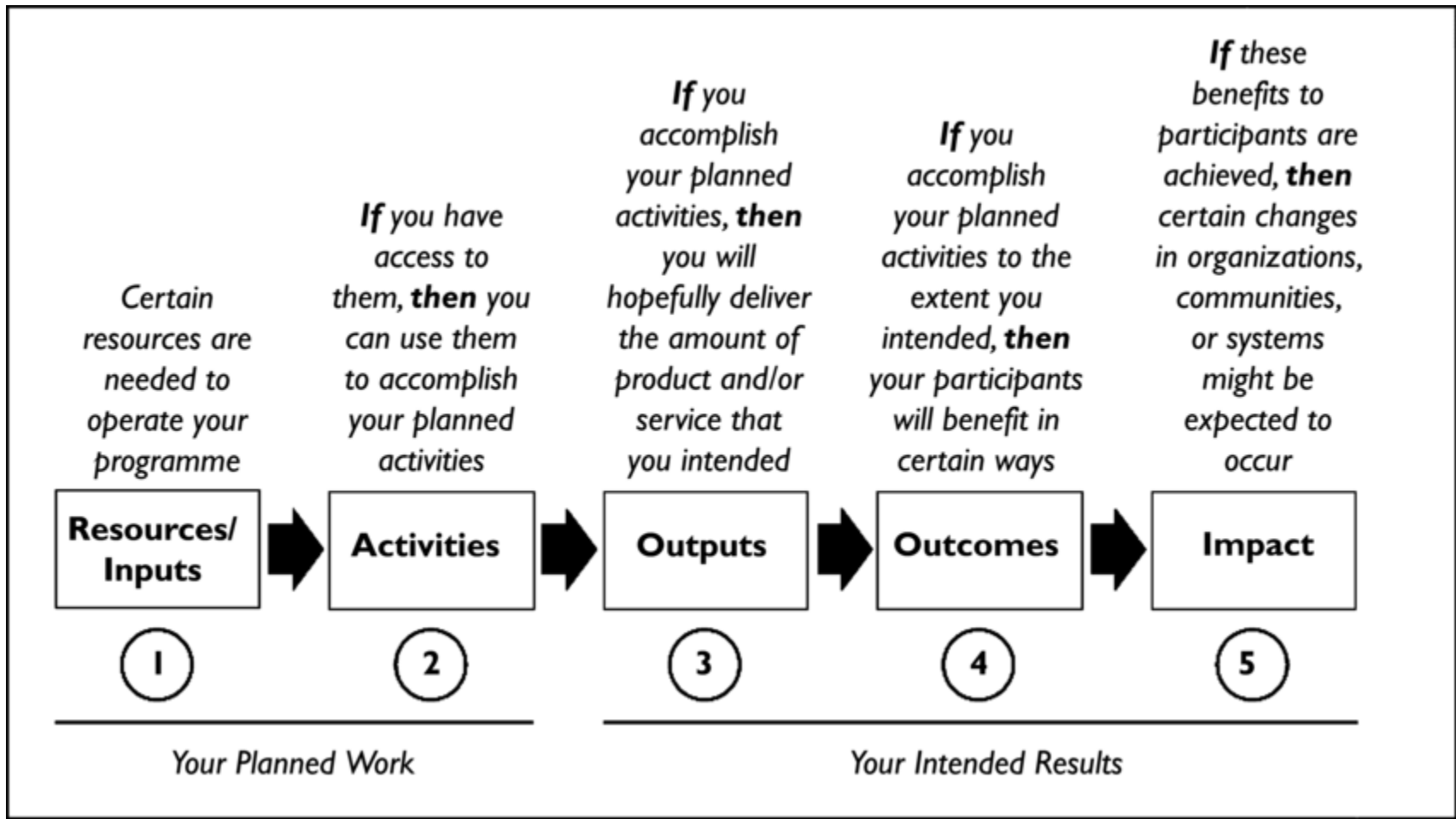
$$\text{ROI (\%)} = \frac{\text{Net Project Benefits (Benefits – Costs)}}{\text{Costs}} \times 100$$

If benefits were equal to costs – there would be 0% ROI

If benefits were twice the costs –there would be a 100% ROI



Kellogg Foundation Logic Model



Measuring ROI in Healthcare

Tools and Techniques
to Measure the
Impact and ROI in
Healthcare Improvement
Projects and Programs

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ROI Methodology 1

	Items	Explanation
Needs	Payoff	Cost of problem and likelihood of the project succeeding?
	Business	Is this a problem for your institution? What would be improved: productivity, quality, efficiency, time, cost?
	Performance	What needs to be done to fix the problem in your institution?
	Learning	What are the learning needs to get the project done (skills, knowledge, dissemination of policies)?
	Preference	Will participants be engaged?
Inputs	Access	What people? Where? How much time?
	Costs	Preparation and needs assessment, equipment/supplies, administrator, teacher, and learner time, space, other

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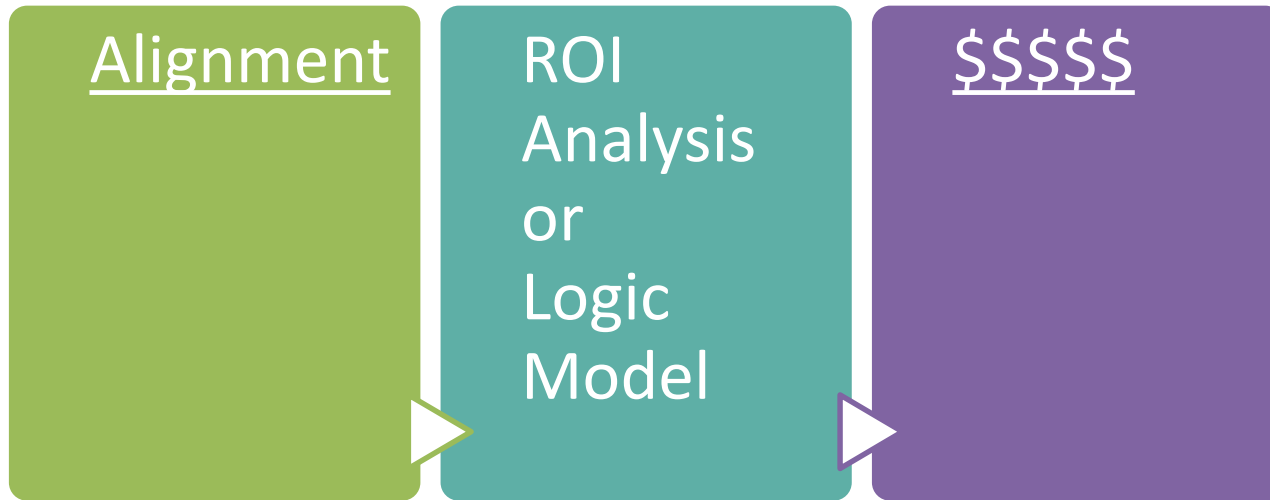
ROI Methodology 2

	Items	Explanation
Outputs	Reaction	Participants' or stakeholders' reaction to project
	Learning	Measurement that learning has occurred
	Application	Evidence that project was implemented
	Impact	Patient outcomes, decrease in adverse events, decrease in costs
	ROI	\$\$\$\$

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How is this different from how we normally think?



As you consider

Examples

- Simulation
- Professional Development of Educators

Themes

- Alignment
- Business Model
- Money



The Obvious Example: Simulation

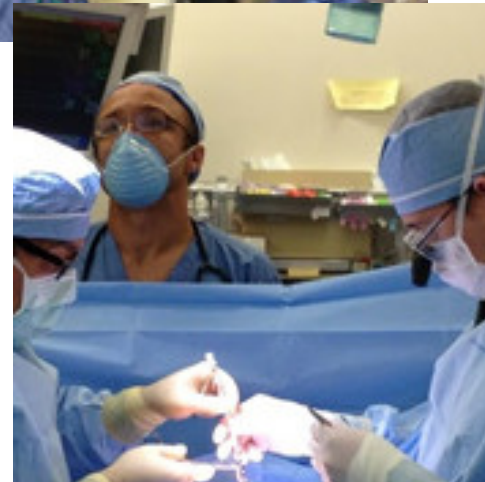


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Range of Uses of Simulation



<http://simpeds.org/program-overview/>



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CLABSI

Central Line Associated Blood Stream Infection

Proposed Project

1. OR placement

- Surgical standardization and competency evaluation
- OR Team Training In Simulation Center

2. Maintenance in hospital

- Protocols for dressing changes

3. Home

- Training of caretakers and home nurses in Simulation Center



Courtesy of V. Brazil



CLABSI

Needs	Payoff	High rate of CLABSI associated with lower value care; high likelihood of succeeding
	Business	CLABSI rate; Cost per admission; Readmission rates; External ratings – U.S. News
	Performance	Variability in techniques used pre-program; Lack of defined procedures; Accessing lines not limited to trained clinicians
	Learning	Ability to use simulation center with task trainers and team training to facilitate learning
	Preference	Clinicians understand problem and are committed to training



CLABSI

Inputs	Access	Must include surgeons, OR teams, inpatient nursing teams, home care – In Simulation Center
	Costs	Needs assessment – already clear
		Will need task trainers and central lines and dressings
		Time of simulation staff, designated trainers (clinical champions), and learners
		Overhead of Simulation Center – cost per hour



CLABSI

Outputs	Reaction	Surveys, focus groups and interview of participants
	Learning	Evidence that staff and home care providers have participated and completed training
	Application	Evidence that protocols are now standard of care
	Impact	Reduction in rate of CLABSI; Decreased length of stay; Fewer readmissions
	ROI	Cost saving on shorter admissions and prevention of readmissions – Approximate savings \$50,000 per occurrence



A Community of IPE Practice



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BCH Academy for Teaching and Educational Innovation and Scholarship

MISSION

Improve Clinical Teaching

Foster Scholarship in Education

Support career development and recognition of educators



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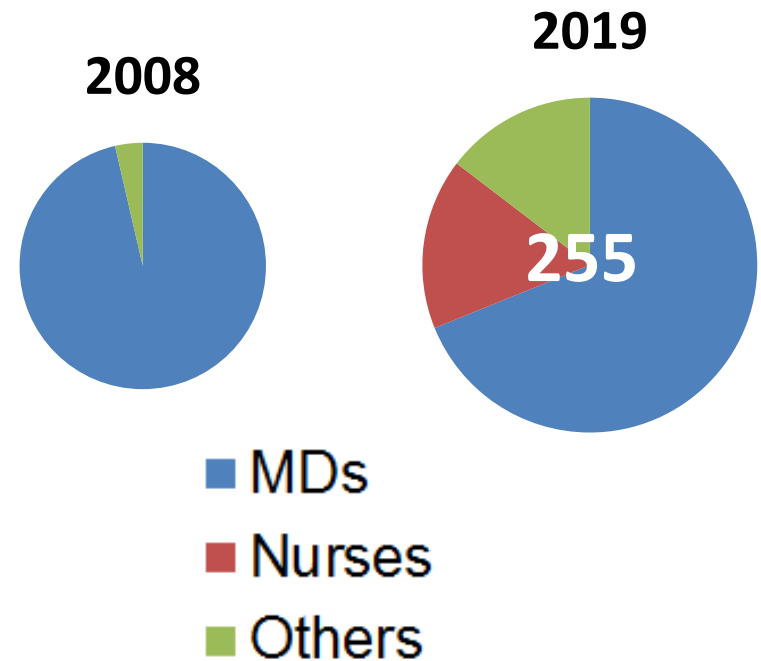


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BCH Academy for Teaching and Educational Innovation and Scholarship

BCH Academy Activities

- Seminars monthly
- Retreats twice monthly
- Peer Observation and Coaching of Teaching
- Career Development Advising
- Research and Scholarship Resources
- Award Program



Recent Scholar Projects Funded by Pilot Grants

Funding Period	Title of Grant
2017-2019	Development and pilot implementation of a virtual home visit curriculum for pediatric residents in the care of children with medical complexity
2018-2019	A Spaced Education Curriculum addressing Insulin Pumps and Continuous Glucose Monitors for Pediatric Endocrinology Fellows
2018-2019	Developing and Evaluating a Family-Provider Safety Education Intervention to Improve Hospital Safety
2018-2019	Innovation in Port Access Education for Pediatric Emergency Nurses
2020-2021	Development and Implementation of a Colonoscopy Training Feedback System using myTIPreport
2020-2021	Interprofessional Collaboration to Care for Patients with Autism Spectrum Disorder



BCH Academy

Needs	Payoff	Not clear
	Business	Learning environment is a problem for institution; Poor recruitment and retention of future staff
	Performance	Foster professional development of teachers
	Learning	Programs focused on clinical teachers
	Preference	A small group will certainly be engaged; Most will not



BCH Academy

Inputs	Access	Target those with a defined clinical education role; Time limited by clinical responsibilities; On-site at hospital
	Costs	Supplies, catering, software licenses, website costs, honoraria for outside speakers
		Salary for administrator, director of professional development, director of educational technology; volunteer leaders; clinician educators
		Conference room space, office space for staff



BCH Academy

Outputs	Reaction	Periodic surveys and solicitation of comments in annual reports
	Learning	Attendance at events and interest in membership
	Application	Improvement in teaching as noted through peer observation; learner ratings of teachers
	Impact	Improvement in student/trainee assessment of learning environment; recruitment metrics; improved staff engagement and well-being; increase in scholarship and promotion or advancement of educators
	ROI	Less turnover and less need to recruit externally



Exercise

Apply the ROI analysis to an education project – **prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic, you want to help trainees and providers improve their telehealth skills by establishing a scenario with actors in the simulation center** – participants will have an opportunity to actually practice perfecting telehealth skills. You need to ask Kevin Churchwell for the funds to create and offer the activity. You use the ROI algorithm to plan your argument and demonstrate ROI.



Steps

- You will be assigned to a virtual break-out group for 10 minutes to create a plan
- After introducing yourself, please *quickly* assign one person to be the time keeper, and one person to take notes in order to present to the larger group. The note taker can either download the handout during the breakout or use the one attached to this email.
- You will then be returned to the large group to share your work



Some Takeaways

- Think about institutional priorities and stakeholders – aim for alignment
- Try to create a business model – this won't work for many projects
- Don't “look down your nose” at individuals focused on money



Not all worthwhile education projects will net a monetary ROI, but it certainly helps

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Your homework:
**Try the ROI exercise with one of
your own projects**



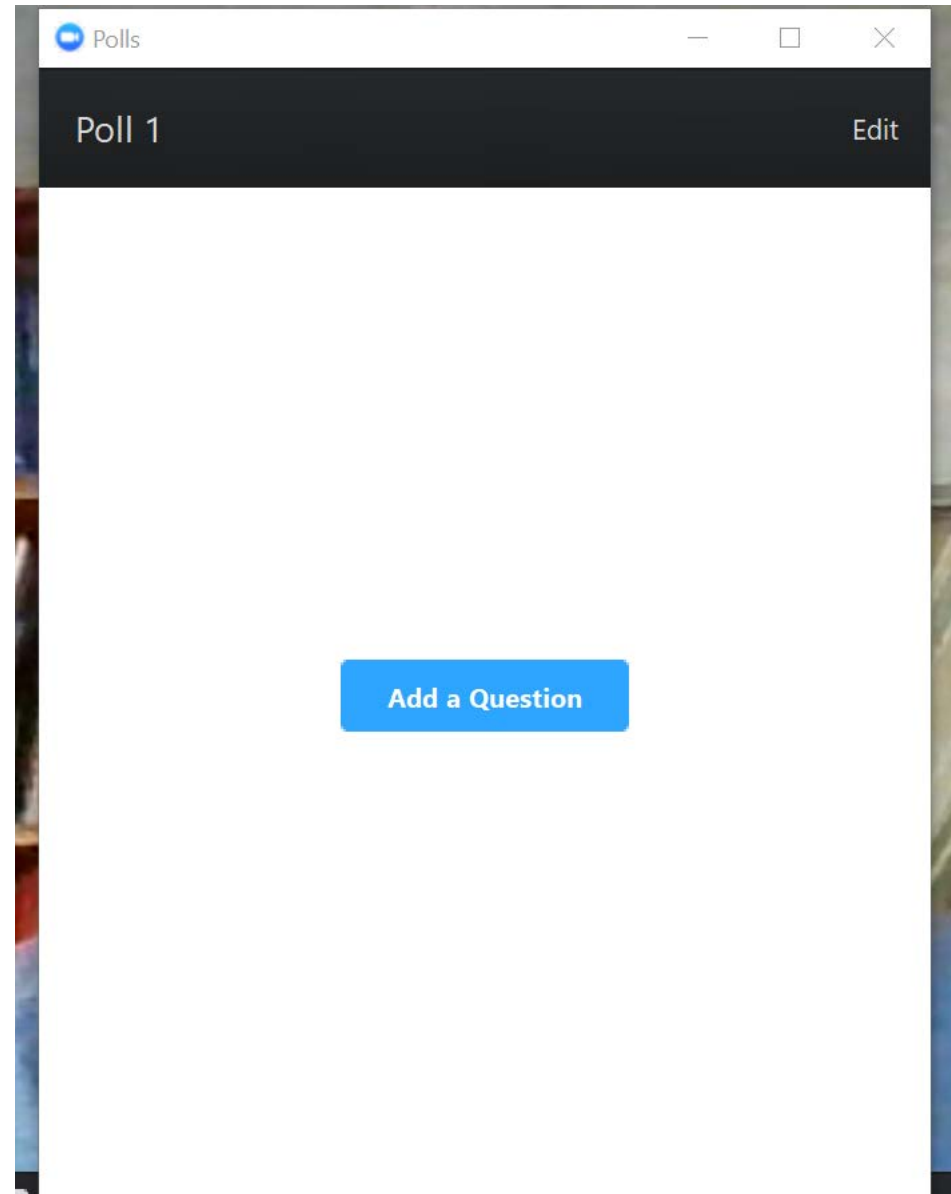
Pulling Back the Curtain



- Advanced Settings
- Polling
- Drawing and Whiteboard
- Breakout rooms



Setting up a Poll



Add a Poll

ROI in Education

☐ Anonymous? ?

1.

What is your favorite Zoom snack

☒ Single Choice ☐ Multiple Choice

Chips

Cheetos

Cookies

M&Ms

Fruit

Just lots of coffee

Tequila248

Answer 8 (Optional)

Answer 9 (Optional)

Answer 10 (Optional)

Delete

+ Add a Question

Save

Cancel

Polls

— □ ×

Polling 1: ROI in Education

Edit

1. What is your favorite Zoom snack?

☐ Chips

☐ Cheetos

☐ Cookies

☐ M&Ms

☐ Fruit

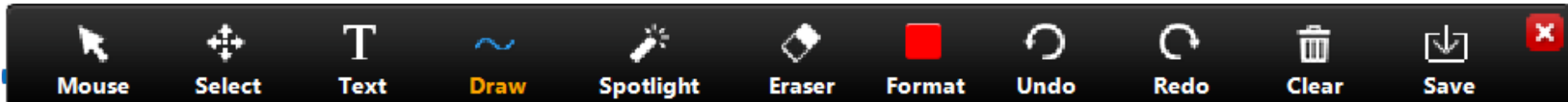
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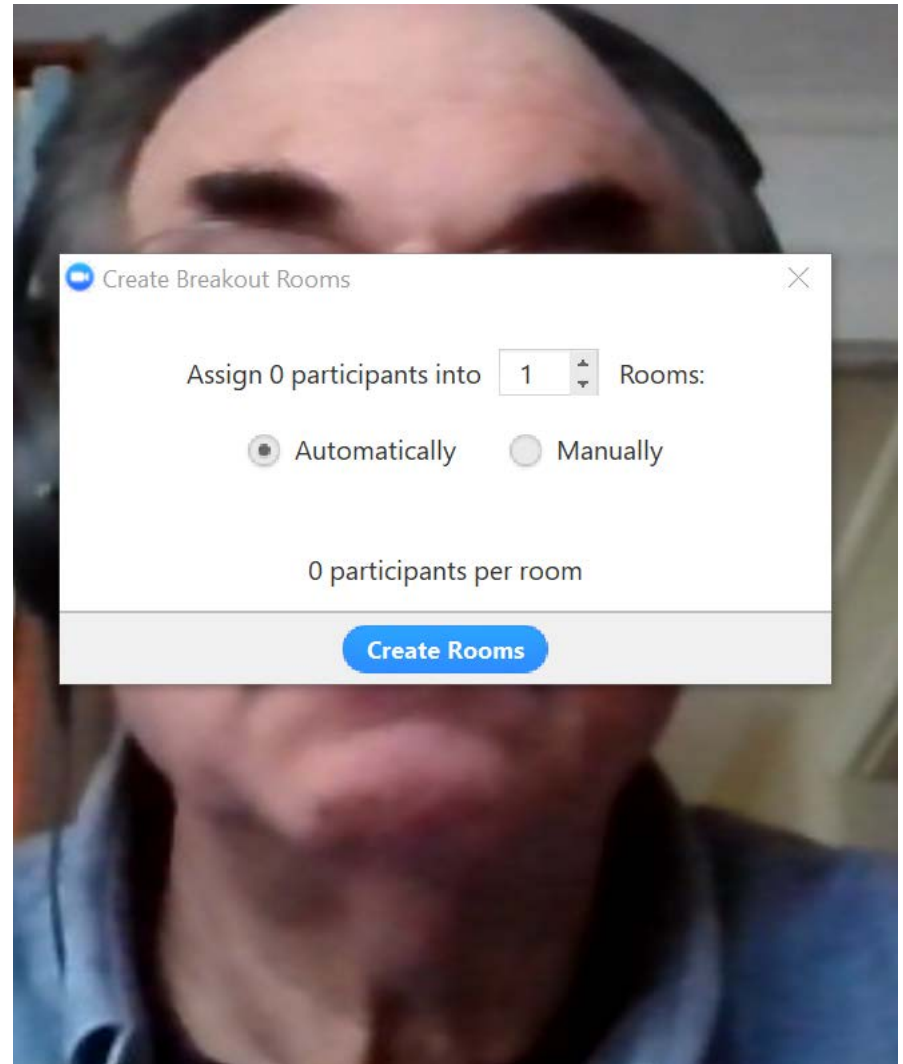
Launch Polling



Drawing and White Board



Breakout Rooms





zoom



Appendix

Additional ROI Example



Ambulatory Care: Less is More



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The Problem

Inappropriate referrals to pediatric specialists are **Bad**:

Bad for patients

Bad for referring physicians

Even **Bad** for specialists



Constipation in Children



- Very common
- One of top referring diagnoses to pediatric gastroenterologists
- Leading cause of abdominal pain
- Almost always functional – no serious underlying cause



Problems in Management

Medication
Dose

- Suboptimal doses

Impaction

- Failure to recognize and disimpact



Referring Pediatricians and NPs Engaged in - “Shared Care”

Meet with
Expert



Treatment
Algorithm



Reinforcement



Change
in
Practice

Decrease in
Inappropriate
Referrals
(Chart Review)



The Constipation Challenge

Select an answer → Immediate feedback → Reinforced

Question from "Constipation Challenge"

200



A 7 month-old, 8-kg, previously healthy boy visits you due to concerns that he is crying and straining to pass stools which are very firm over the past 3 weeks. He continues to stool daily. He drinks cow's milk based formula, eats rice cereal and an array of pureed solid foods. His growth is on track and his abdominal exam is normal. A rectal exam reveals firm stool and a small anal fissure.

Which of the following the most appropriate medical treatment of constipation for this infant?

Choices

- ☐ Magnesium hydroxide 1 tablespoon daily
- ☐ Prune juice 8 oz. per day, mixed in formula
- ☐ Glycerin suppository every other day until symptoms resolve
- ☒ Polyethylene glycol (PEG) 3350 1 teaspoon daily



The Constipation Challenge

Select an answer → Immediate feedback → Reinforced

Choices				Results
You	Key	Choices	Responses	<div>Congratulations, Your answer is correct!</div> <div>This question will be resent on 11/30/13</div> <div>Your total score: 280</div> <div>You just scored 80 points for answering correctly</div> <div>On track for bonus points. Answer correctly on your next attempt for a bonus of 100 points</div>
	✗	Magnesium hydroxide 1 tablespoon daily	1%	
	✗	Prune juice 8 oz. per day, mixed in formula	46%	
	✗	Glycerin suppository every other day until symptoms resolve	4%	
▶	✓	Polyethylene glycol (PEG) 3350 1 teaspoon daily	47%	
			128 responses	

Explanation

Take Home: PEG 3350 (e.g. Purelax™, Miralax™) is safe in infants as young as 6 months.

Explanation of correct answer:

1 teaspoon contains roughly 4g of PEG 3350, which is 0.5g/kg in this child, which is in the lower part of the suggested dose range for miralax, 0.4–1g/kg/day.

Explanation of incorrect answers:

Prune juice is a traditional and safe treatment option for infants, however, 8 oz. of juice is more than the recommended 2–4 oz. and exceeds the maximum juice intake recommended for any child (6 oz./day). Glycerin suppositories are safe and can also be used intermittently, but regular and especially prolonged use of rectal stimulation is not recommended. If a patient stools only with rectal stimulation, further careful evaluation is warranted. Magnesium salts are not recommended in infants due to risk of hypermagnesemia.

Video Links: [How many teaspoons of PEG 3350 in a capful?](#)

References: Loening-Baucke V, Krishna R, Pashankar DS. [Polyethylene glycol 3350 without electrolytes for the treatment of functional constipation in infants and toddlers](#). J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr. 2004 Nov;39(5):536–9. PMID: 15572895

Michail S, Gendy E, Preud'Homme D, Mezoff A. [Polyethylene glycol for constipation in children younger than eighteen months old](#). J Pediatr Gastroenterol Nutr. 2004 Aug;39(2):197–9.



Outcomes

	Before Shared Care	After Shared Care
Duration of management before referral (months)	6.9	10.5
% of patients with fecal impaction noted at time of referral	49	31
% of patients referred for constipation	0.36	0.22

Mallon D, Vernacchio L, Trudell E, Antonelli R, Nurko S, Leichtner A, Lightdale J. Shared care: A quality improvement initiative to optimize primary care management of constipation. *Pediatrics* 2015; 135:e1300-7.



Shared Care

Needs	Payoff	High rate of inappropriate referrals limiting access of children with more complex issues to specialists with long-waiting lists
	Business	Improved access for more complex patients; More complex referrals generating more diagnostic testing and high technology treatments
	Performance	Educate referring providers and provide specialist advice <u>before</u> referral
	Learning	Face-to-face and on-line learning to enhance first-line care of children with constipation
	Preference	Both referring providers and specialists engaged



Shared Care

Inputs	Access	Specialists to provide education for primary providers; at referring practices or on-line; 6 hours of learner time; educator time
	Costs	Need baseline measurements through chart review to assess primary management On-line platform, printing supplies
		Time of specialists, referring providers, education staff, research assistant Space in practices or nearby venue



Shared Care

Outputs	Reaction	Survey of participants
	Learning	Evidence that practices have participated and completed training
	Application	Evidence that protocols are now standard of care in practices; Chart review to demonstrate change in referral pattern
	Impact	Improved access to gastroenterology program for new referrals; more lab, imaging and consultations per gastroenterology patient; higher quality care for patients with constipation
	ROI	More revenue from gastroenterology patients

