Demystifying AI Tools in Health Care: An Introduction for Federal Policymakers

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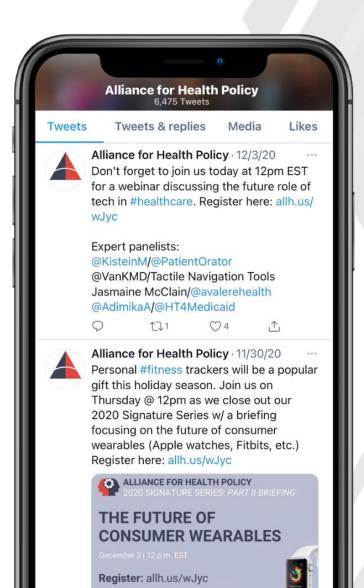
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Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools in Healthcare Let's Get Started!

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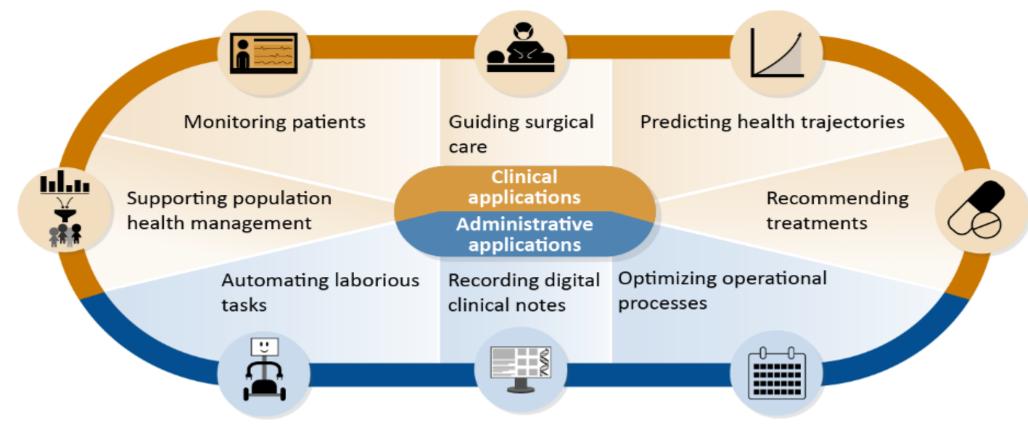
What do we need to know to get started?

Key Concepts

Setting the Stage

- Clinical and Administrative Applications
- Existing Legal & Regulatory Landscape
- What are U.S. Policymakers generally concerned about when it comes to regulation of AI Tools?

Setting the Stage: Clinical and Administrative Applications



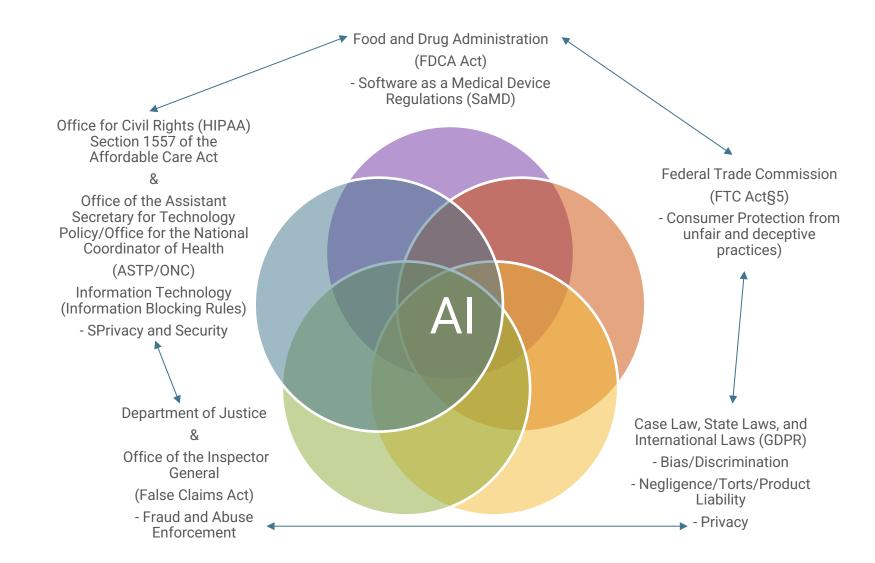
"Physicians who use AI will replace those who don't."

Jesse Ehrenfeld, MD, President, AMA
 Quoted in Politico

Source: Artificial Intelligence in Health Care:Benefits and Challenges of Technologies to Augment Patient Care Published: Nov 30, 2020. Publicly Released: Nov 30, 2020.

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Setting the Stage: Existing Legal & Regulatory Landscape



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Setting the Stage: What are U.S. Policymakers generally concerned about when it comes to regulation of AI Tools?

National Security Bias **Data Privacy** Accuracy Adequacy of U.S. Fairness/ **Algorithmic Disruptive impacts to Expertise and** the Workforce **Barriers to entry Transparency Training in Al Domestic and** The level of U.S. **International efforts** Impact on U.S. **Limited supply of** Federal investment in that would establish International computational research and standards and testing Competitiveness resources development benchmarks



What is AI and How is AI defined?

Key Concepts

Definitions

- Federal Government and Statutory Definitions
- Historical Overview How did we get here?
- Key Terminology
- Where does the data come from?

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Current Federal Government and Statutory Definitions

Artificial intelligence (AI) enables computer systems to perform tasks normally requiring human intelligence - for example, recognizing patterns, learning from experience, drawing conclusions, making predictions, etc.

HRSA, HHS.gov



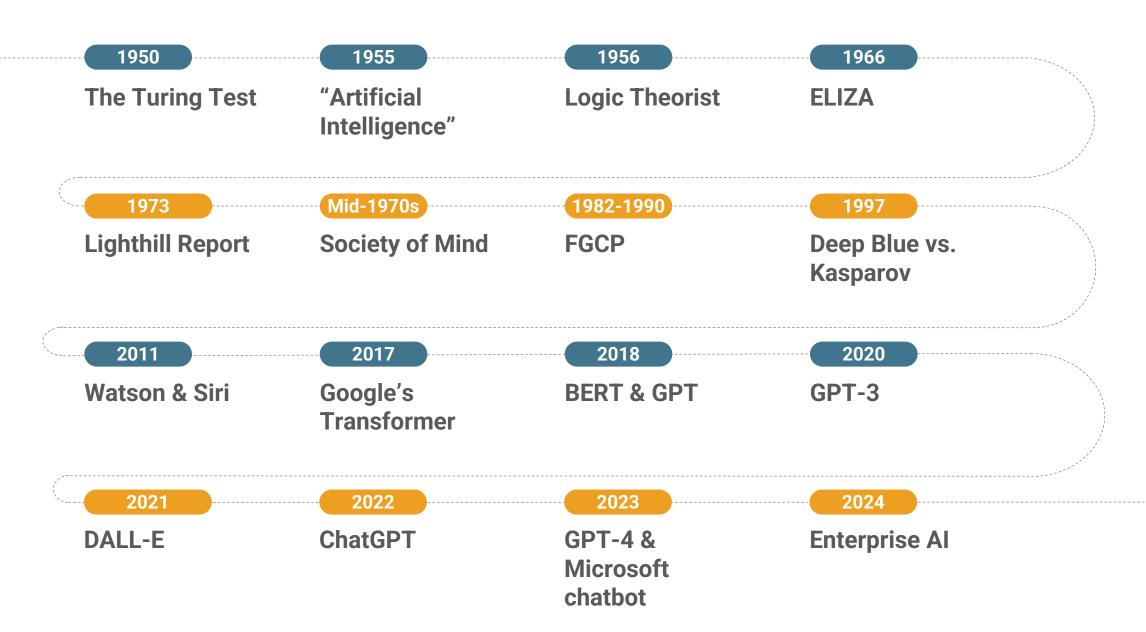
The term "artificial intelligence" means a machine-based system that can, for a given set of human-defined objectives, make predictions, recommendations or decisions influencing real or virtual environments. Artificial intelligence systems use machine and human-based inputs to—

- (A) perceive real and virtual environments;
- (B) abstract such perceptions into models through analysis in an automated manner; and
- (C) use model inference to formulate options for information or action.

 15 USC 9401(3).

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How Did We Get Here?



A Few Key Terms

- Deep learning learning from the structure of data, rather than from one specific algorithm
- Generative AI Artificial Intelligence capable of generating text, images, videos or other data using generative large language models often in response to prompts. GenAI learn the patterns through inputted data and generate new data that has similar characteristics.
- Hyperparameter a variable outside the model that affects the way a model learns
- Hallucination an incorrect answer from the Al
- Large Language Model (LLM) model trained on large amounts of text

Machine learning – a subset of AI dealing with development of algorithms that help machines learn in response to new data, without being explicitly programmed

- Supervised Learning algorithm learns from labeled datasets with human intervention
- Unsupervised Learning algorithm learns from unlabeled data sets
- Parameter a variable inside the model that affects the way the model learns
- Static AI the algorithm is trained offline and used as-is
- Test data data used to test that the model is doing what it's supposed to do
- Training data the data used to train the machine learning algorithm

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Where Does the Data Come From?

- It depends... on the tool, on the time period, and on the quality way in which the tool was created
- See, for example, class actions filed in the Northern District of California against OpenAi, Meta, Alphabet (Google's parent), and Microsoft
 - A.T. et al. v. OpenAl LP, et al., 3:23-cv-04557, filed 9/5/2023
 - Chabon et al. v. Meta Platforms, Inc., 3:23-cv-04663, filed 9/12/2023
 - P.M. et al. v. OpenAl LP, et al., 3:23-cv-03199, filed 6/28/2023
 - Silverman et al. v. OpenAl Inc., et al., 3:23-cv-03416, filed 7/27/2023
 - J.L. et al. v. Alphabet Inc. et al., 3:23-cv-03440, filed 7/11/2023

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VS.

OPENAI LP; OPENAI INCORPORATED; OPENAI GP, LLC; OPENAI STARTUP FUND I, LP; OPENAI STARTUP FUND GP I, LLC; OPENAI STARTUP FUND MANAGEMENT LLC; MICROSOFT CORPORATION and DOES I through 20, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 23-cv-04557-VC

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

- VIOLATION OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS PRIVACY ACT, 18 U.S.C. §§ 2510, et seq.
- VIOLATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE COMPUTER DATA ACCESS AND FRAUD ACT ("CDAFA"), CAL. PENAL CODE § 502, et seq.
- VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA INVASION OF PRIVACY ACT ("CIPA"), CAL. PENAL CODE § 631
- VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS CODE §§ 17200, et seq.
- VIOLATION OF ILLINOIS'S BIOMETRIC INFORMATION PRIVACY ACT, 740 ILCS 14/1, et seq.



What are the current potential pitfalls and risks of AI Tool usage in health care?

Key Concepts

Potential Pitfalls and Risks

- Overview of lawsuits
- Privacy and Data Security Risks
- Bias: Garbage In/Garbage Out

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Potential Pitfalls and Risks

Litigation Risk



Insurers hit with lawsuits stemming from their use of AI Tools

Insurance providers contracted with subcontractors that use an Al Tool to approve and deny patient care. The insurers were using Al tools to minimize labor costs for processing insurance claims.

Class actions filed against Insurers allege defendants were aware Al Tools used to justify denials had very high error rates, denials weren't reviewed by clinicians, and policyholder appeal rates were very low.

Potential Pitfalls and Risks

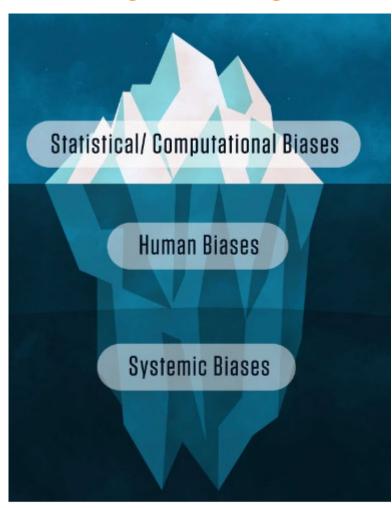
Privacy and Data Security Risks

- Data Rights and Intellectual Property: Ensure adequate authority exists to use data to train AI, and then to own the resulting AI
- Al Lifecycle: Cybersecurity Risk
 - Unauthorized access and tampering with data integrity or AI functionality could negatively impact AI outputs
 - Ensure secure transfer and disposal of data
- Bias: Garbage in-Garbage Out
 - Al training hinges on quality inputs to produce reliable outputs with sufficient data integrity
 - Bias in AI training can lead to unreliable and potentially dangerous outputs



Potential Pitfalls and Risks

Bias: Garbage In, Garbage Out



- Biased data—computational and statistical sources of bias
 - Facial recognition that doesn't work as well with dark skin
 - Misrepresented scientific or medical prognoses
 - Distorted financial predictions for loan applicants

Human and systemic biases

- Companies and institutions operate in ways that disadvantage certain groups
- A systemic bias may use a category of information to fill in missing information—such as substituting zip code for race

Source: NIST Special Publication 1270



What are the key considerations for policymakers, regulators and government end users of AI Tools?

Key Considerations

Policymakers, Regulators and Government

- Key Ethical Principles
- White House Bill of Rights
- Congress
- White House Executive Order
- States
- Supreme Court

Key Considerations

World Health Organization (WHO)

- WHO Six key ethical principles for use of artificial intelligence for health
 - Protect autonomy
 - 2. Promote human well-being, human safety and the public interest
 - 3. Ensure transparency, explainability and intelligibility
 - 4. Foster responsibility and accountability
 - 5. Ensure inclusiveness and equity
 - 6. Promote AI that is responsive and sustainable

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Recent Executive and Legislative Action to Regulate Al



October 2022

White House Blueprint for an Al Bill of Rights



June 2023

Senate **SAFE Innovation Framework For Artificial Intelligence**



October 2023

Biden Executive Order (EO) on Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence

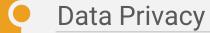
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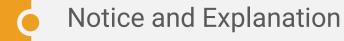
White House Al Bill of Rights

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Safe and Effective Systems

Algorithmic Discrimination Protections





Human Alternatives, Consideration, and Fallback

https://www.whitehouse.gov/ostp/ai-bill-of-rights/

Biden Executive Order on the Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence



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Deadlines Created for Action



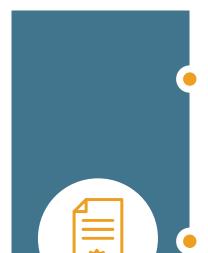
By April 27, 2024, HHS must consider what is required to advance Federal nondiscrimination laws by health and human services providers that receive Federal financial assistance.

Independent regulatory agencies are encouraged to consider using their full range of authorities to clarify requirements and expectations related to the transparency of AI models and regulated entities' ability to explain their use of AI models.

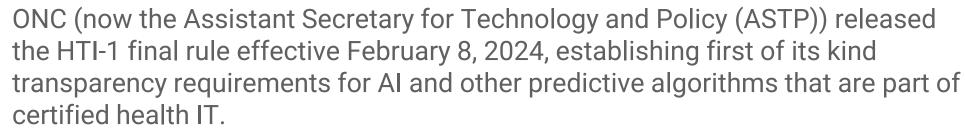
Within 60 days of the issuance each agency must designate a Chief Artificial Intelligence Officer to hold primary responsibility for their agency to coordinate their agency's use of AI, promote AI innovation in their agency, manage risks from their agency's use of AI

Biden Executive Order on the Safe, Secure, and Trustworthy Development and Use of Artificial Intelligence

Progress to date



HHS OCR Released final rule effective July 5, 2024, clarifying nondiscrimination requirements in health programs and activities as they apply to the use of AI, clinical algorithms, predictive analytics, and other tools.



Assigned Chief Artificial Officers at each Federal Agency to hold primary responsibility – in coordination with other responsible officials- for coordinating their agency's use of AI and promoting AI innovation in their agency.

Senate Majority Leader Schumer SAFE Innovation Framework (2023) and Bipartisan Roadmap (2024)





- **S**ecurity: Safeguard our national security with AI and determine how adversaries use it, and ensure economic security for workers by mitigating and responding to job loss;
- Accountability: Support the deployment of responsible systems to address concerns around misinformation and bias, support our creators by addressing copyright concerns, protect intellectual property, and address liability;
- Foundations: Require that AI systems align with our democratic values at their core, protect our elections, promote AI's societal benefits while avoiding the potential harms, and stop the Chinese Government from writing the rules of the road on AI;
 - Explain: Determine what information the federal government needs from Al developers and deployers to be a better steward of the public good, and what information the public needs to know about an Al system, data, or content.
 - **Innovation:** Support US-led innovation in AI technologies including innovation in security, transparency and accountability that focuses on unlocking the immense potential of AI and maintaining U.S. leadership in the technology.

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Congressional Themes Emerging in Legislation & Hearings

Topics being debated in Congress

Regulating Federal Government use of Al	Disclosure, use in decision-making, federal employee training, etc.			
National Security	Foreign use and regulation of AI, export controls for AI technology			
Disclosure Requirements	Disclosure: from developer to deployer; developer/deployer to the public; developer/deployer to government			
Prohibiting use of AI for certain applications	Surveillance, national security applications			
Protecting against Bias in Al Decision-making	Especially for essential services like healthcare, housing, nutrition, etc.			
Protecting Intellectual Property & Copyrights	High priority of artists, but all proprietary data is germane			
Al Liability	Developer vs. deployer liability, who can take legal action			
Election Security	E.g., Al can replicate the voice of elected officials from floor speeches			
Fostering Innovation in America	Maintaining international competitiveness in an AI regulatory regime; promoting AI use for certain applications			
Mitigating Al economic disruption	Mitigating job loss			

Highlighting Two Al Bills Pending in the 118th Congress

Future of AI Innovation Act

- Bipartisan/Passed out of Senate Commerce Committee July 31, 2024
- Authorizes the NIST AI Safety Institute to Develop AI Standards
- Creates New AI Testbeds with National Laboratories to Evaluate AI Models and Make Discoveries that Benefit the U.S. Economy
- Creates Grand Challenge Prize Competitions to Spur Private Sector Al Solutions and Innovation
- Accelerates Al Innovation with Publicly Available Datasets
- Creates International Alliances on Al Innovation and Standards

Protect Elections from Deceptive AI Act

- Bipartisan/Reported out of Senate Committee on Rules and Administration May 15, 2024
- Would ban the use of artificial intelligence (AI) to generate materially deceptive content falsely depicting federal candidates in political ads to influence federal elections.
- Unanimous Consent request blocked by Senate Republicans

What is happening in the States?

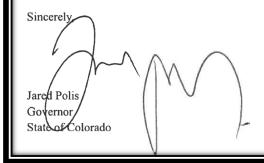
Colorado

- SB-24-205 Passed
- The first state to pass a comprehensive <u>law</u> regulating artificial intelligence (AI) focusing on algorithmic discrimination. (implementation set for 2026)

CT, CO, CA and others are collaborating on fundamentals of Al legislation



I appreciate the goals of the sponsors to begin an important and overdue conversation to protect consumers from misunderstood and even nefarious practices in a burgeoning industry and the bipartisan efforts to bring this bill to me. However, I want to be clear in my goal of ensuring Colorado remains home to innovative technologies and our consumers are able to fully access important AI-based products. Should the federal government not preempt this with a needed cohesive federal approach, I encourage the General Assembly to work closely with stakeholders to craft future legislation for my signature that will amend this bill to conform with evidence based findings and recommendations for the regulation of this industry.



Connecticut

SB-2 Failed to pass

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Almost the first state to pass a comprehensive law regulating Al.

Had been working with Colorado.

Would have created new consumer protections for the use of generative AI and AI decision-making tech.

Supreme Court Decisions and Al

How Does the End of *Chevron* Deference Change the Relationship Between the Health Care Industry, Federal Regulators, and Congress?

Key Takeaways

• Federal courts are no longer required to defer to federal agencies' reasonable regulatory interpretation of ambiguous federal statutes under the 1984 Chevron

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• In this new *Loper* landscape, increased engagement at all points of the federal legislative and federal regulatory process is more important than ever, especially for those in the heavily regulated health care industry.

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For example, Congress is currently working to determine how best to regulate artificial intelligence (AI). In May, after several AI Insight Forums with leaders from industry, government, and civil rights groups, Senate Majority Leader Charles Schumer and a group of bipartisan Senators released a Bipartisan Roadmap for Artificial Intelligence Policy In The United States Senate. As lead *Loper* dissenter Justice Elena Kagan pointed out in oral arguments, AI will likely be the next "big piece of legislation on the horizon."

As Congress determines how to regulate AI, it will need to consider how best to delegate to the federal agencies any decision making where Congress lacks competencies. At EBG, our interdisciplinary AI Working Group is closely monitoring not just how Congress is approaching federal AI regulation, but also how the White House and federal agencies are regulating AI. We are particularly watching the use of existing statutes to regulate AI, as there will be increased scrutiny as to whether Congress could have contemplated regulating a technology like AI before generative AI was mainstream or in existence. With a heightened scrutiny of statutes that might have been used to regulate AI in the era of *Chevron* deference, we expect the decision in *Loper* to affect this dynamic and the way AI will be regulated.

All is currently being used across the health care spectrum from patient care, to clinical decision support, to drug development, to billing, coding and reimbursement. How specific Congress is in delegating its legislative authority to implementing federal agencies will determine how All regulation progresses.

It is important for the health care industry to understand this new dynamic not just for new legislative priorities, like Al, but also for existing federal statutes and proposed federal statutes.



How are key health care industry stakeholders responding to the impact of AI Tools?

Key Considerations

Healthcare Industry Stakeholders

- Clinicians American Medical Association (AMA)
- Academic Medical Centers and Tech Leaders Coalition for Health AI (CHAI)
- State Regulators Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)
- The Insurance Industry National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC)

Response from Clinicians

American Medical Association (AMA)

AMA to develop recommendations for augmented intelligence JUN 13, 2023

"As augmented intelligence (AI) promises a new frontier in healthcare and medicine, the American Medical Association (AMA) is taking steps to advise on the immediate implications for the practice of medicine. Specifically, the AMA is encouraging better understanding of how AI may appropriately harness its vast potential to benefit patients – and decrease the administrative burden on physicians. At the Annual Meeting of the AMA House of Delegates, the nation's physicians agreed to develop principles and recommendations on the benefits and unforeseen consequences of relying on AI-generated medical advice and content that may or may not be validated, accurate, or appropriate – and then advise policymakers to take action that will protect patients from misinformation."

- <u>According to the AMA CPT Editorial Panel</u> the classification of AI medical services and procedures as assistive, augmentative or autonomous is based on the clinical procedure or service provided to the patient and the work performed by the machine on behalf of the physician or other qualified healthcare professional (QHP).
- **Assistive classification:** The work performed by the machine for the physician or other QHP is assistive when the machine **detects** clinically relevant data without analysis or generated conclusions. Requires physician or other QHP interpretation and report.

Response from Clinicians (continued)

American Medical Association (AMA)

- Augmentative classification: The work performed by the machine for the physician or other QHP is augmentative when the
 machine analyzes and/or quantifies data in a clinically meaningful way. Requires physician or other QHP interpretation and report.
 - o Artificial intelligence vs. augmented intelligence
 - The AMA House of Delegates uses the term augmented intelligence (AI) as a conceptualization of artificial intelligence that focuses on AI's assistive role, emphasizing that its design enhances human intelligence rather than replaces it.
- Autonomous: The work performed by the machine for the physician or other QHP is autonomous when the machine automatically interprets data and independently generates clinically meaningful conclusions without concurrent physician or other QHP involvement. Autonomous medical services and procedures include interrogating and analyzing data. The work of the algorithm may or may not include acquisition, preparation, and/or transmission of data. The clinically meaningful conclusion may be a characterization of data (e.g., likelihood of pathophysiology) to be used to establish a diagnosis or to implement a therapeutic intervention. There are three levels of autonomous AI medical services and procedures with varying physician or other QHP professional involvement:
 - **Level I**—The autonomous AI draws conclusions and offers diagnosis and/or management options, which are contestable and require physician or other QHP action to implement.
 - **Level II** The autonomous AI draws conclusions and initiates diagnosis and/or management options with alert/opportunity for override, which may require physician or other QHP action to implement.
 - Level III— The autonomous AI draws conclusions and initiates management, which require physician or other QHP action to contest.

Autonomous Example: The CMS Final Rule establishes a national payment for CPT code 92229 that describes a fully autonomous diabetic retinopathy (DR) screening, including retinal imaging, DR detection based on international clinical standards and immediate reporting, in a single office visit during a diabetic patient's regular exam. The FDA-cleared this AI system. CMS confirms that AI can be used to close care gaps under the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS). CY 2022

https://www.ama-assn.org/system/files/physician-ai-sentiment-report.pdf

Response from Clinicians (Continued)

American Medical Association (AMA)

CPT: Artificial Intelligence Taxonomy for Medical Services and Procedures

Service Components	Al Category: Assistive	Al Category: Augmentative	Al Category: Autonomous Interprets data and independently generates clinically relevant conclusions	
Primary objective	Detects clinically relevant data	Analyzes and/or quantifies data in a clinically meaningful way		
Provides independent diagnosis and/or management decision	No	No	Yes	
Analyzes data	No	Yes	Yes	
Requires physician or other QHP interpretation and report	Yes	Yes	No	
Examples in CPT code set	Computer-aided detection (CAD) imaging (77048, 77049, 77065-77067, 0042T, 0174T, 0175T)	Continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) (95251), external processing of imaging data sets	Retinal imaging (92229)	

Response from Academic Medical Centers and Tech Leaders

Coalition for Health AI (CHAI)

- The Coalition for Health AI (CHAI) formed in April 2023 as a collective featuring non-profit medical institutions like Stanford, the Mayo Clinic, Vanderbilt, and Johns Hopkins alongside tech industry leaders like Google and Microsoft. CHAI now comprises more than 1,300 members and recently introduced its first CEO and board of directors.
- GOAL: develop "guidelines and guardrails" to drive high-quality healthcare by promoting the adoption of credible, fair and transparent health AI systems.
- IDENTIFY areas of interest and representative use cases.
- **DEVELOP** clear delineation of: Use cases and specific audiences / users of health AI systems AND Core principles that will guide evaluation criteria and standards of development.
- PERFORM an environmental scan and provide a common definition and catalog of evaluation criteria.
- **GUIDE** Produce a stakeholder-driven implementation guide to drive the credible and transparent use of health AI technologies, reducing variation in current evaluation, monitoring and reporting methods.

Response from State Regulators

Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB)

- Navigating the Responsible and Ethical Incorporation of Artificial Intelligence into Clinical Practice
 Adopted by FSMB House of Delegates, April 2024
 - Section VI. Al Governance Through Ethical Principles
 - 1. Transparency and Disclosure
 - 2. Education and Understanding
 - 3. Responsible Use and Accountability
 - 4. Equity and Access
 - 5. Privacy and Data Security
 - 6. Oversight and Regulation
 - 7. Continual Review and Adaptation of Law and Regulations
- Section VII. Conclusion: The incorporation of AI in medical practice presents tremendous benefits to patients and physicians alike. It also presents significant risk of harm to patients and physicians if it is developed and used irresponsibly. A sensible approach to the regulation of AI by state medical boards and its incorporation into practice by licensees holds greater promise of realizing AI's benefits while minimizing potential harms. Adherence to traditional professional expectations for the provision of medical care will help achieve the patient safety goals of physicians and state medical boards.

Response from the Insurance Industry

National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC)

- Pay particular attention to suggested contract terms and definitions
- When contracting with third party vendors regarding External AI Tools:
 - Require third-party vendors, such as data and model vendors and AI system developers, to have and maintain a Compliance Program related to the creation and operation of the AI Tools.
 - Entitle Company/Organization to audit the third-party vendor for compliance.
 - Entitle Company/Organization to receive audit reports by qualified auditing entities confirming the third-party's compliance with relevant standards.
 - Require the third-party vendor to cooperate with regulatory inquiries and investigations related to the AI Tools.

https://content.naic.org/sites/default/files/07172023-exposure-draft-ai-model-bulletin.docx



Who is responsible?
Managing Enterprise
Risk Through Robust
Governance
Frameworks

Key Considerations

Managing Enterprise Risk Through Robust Governance Frameworks

- Per <u>KPMG Generative Al Survey</u> of 225 senior business leaders at companies with \$1 billion or more in revenue, GenAl is dramatically shifting how leaders are charting the course for their organizations:
 - 71% are leveraging data in decision making, 52% say it is shaping competitive positioning, and 47% say it is opening new revenue opportunities.
 - Executives say AI investment and ROI will increase in the short term. 83% of respondents say their GenAI investments will increase over the next 3 years, and 78% are confident in the ROI of planned investments. The Importance of Having a Compliance Program for the Creation and Use of AI Tools.
- What Makes a Corporate Compliance Program "Effective"?
- Current Voluntary Compliance Frameworks to Consider
- Heat Map Exercise Estimating Enterprise Risk on Creation and Use of Al Tools
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Potential noncompliant use of AI Tools

Potential violation of existing laws

The goal to Mitigate Risk of Noncompliance

Federal Sentencing Guidelines DHHS OIG Voluntary Compliance Programs

Compliance Committee decision-making often uses heat maps to estimate enterprise risk on creation and use of AI Tools

What Makes a Corporate Compliance Program "Effective"?



U.S. Federal Sentencing Guidelines



Key Questions:

- Is the program well designed?
 - Risk assessment process
 - Policies and procedures to reduce misconduct
 - Program responsibility
- Is the program effectively implemented?
 - Commitment by Management and Board
 - Program resources
 - Exercise of due care / authority
 - Disciplinary mechanisms
- Does the program actually work?
 - Auditing and monitoring
 - Reporting and investigation systems
 - Response to and remediation of issues
 - Reporting to Management and Board

Current Voluntary Compliance Frameworks to Consider

- In the healthcare industry context, the Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Inspector General (HHS-OIG) has adopted the broad principles of the USSG 7 key criteria when creating its own more specific 7 elements of an effective voluntary compliance program for those companies that do business with HHS and handle sensitive health care information, such as health care providers and health care insurance companies. See HHS OIG Compliance Guidance
- Creating and implementing policies and procedures
- 2. Designating a compliance officer and committee
- Conducting effective compliance training and education
- 4. Operating effective lines of communication such as hotlines for reporting questionable conduct
- Conducting internal and external monitoring and auditing
- 6. Enforcing standards through well publicized disciplinary guidelines
- 7. Responding promptly to detected issues and undertaking appropriate corrective action

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Estimating Enterprise Risk on Creation and Use of AI Tools

(-) Impact →	1	2	3	4	5
Probability ↓	Negligible	Minor	Moderate	Significant	Severe
(81-100)%					Al clinical decision support tool for reading MRIs
(61-80)%				Cognitive assessment	
(41-60)%			Resume screener		
(21-40)%		Predictive orthopedic implant			
(1-20)%	Chatbot interview scheduling				Al analysis of EHR to propose billing codes

How Stakeholders can get started creating an Internal Voluntary AI Tool Compliance Program?



- Choose stakeholders within the company and ask someone to chair the AI Compliance Committee.
- Draft a charter for the mission of the AI Compliance Committee, including detailing:
 - The members
 - The reporting structure within the company's overall governance structure
- Take an inventory of existing and/or desired uses of AI Tools within the company.
- Schedule committee meetings over a 4 6 month period, which includes:
 - Educating the members
 - Completing the heat map to achieve consensus around enterprise risk.
- Create an implementation plan, including written policies, procedures, and standards of conduct.
- Identify the auditing and monitoring team and develop the auditing/monitoring plan.
- Incorporate the concept of AI Tools in the company's overall compliance training materials.



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Office of Civil Rights, HHS

New Final Rule Published May 6, 2024, based on section 1557 of the ACA



§ 92.210 Nondiscrimination in the use of patient care decision support tools.

- a) **General prohibition**. A covered entity must not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in its health programs or activities through the use of patient care decision support tools.
- b) Identification of risk. A covered entity has an ongoing duty to make reasonable efforts to identify uses of patient care decision support tools in its health programs or activities that employ input variables or factors that measure race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability.
- c) Mitigation of risk. For each patient care decision support tool identified in paragraph (b) of this section, a covered entity must make reasonable efforts to mitigate the risk of discrimination resulting from the tool's use in its health programs or activities.

Per Sec. 92.4, "patient care decision support tools" defined to mean "any automated or nonautomated tool, mechanism, method, technology, or combination thereof used by a covered entity to support clinical decision-making in its health programs or activities."

Duty To Identify Risk

OCR Is Concerned About Proxies For Protected Categories



The Trigger

"[I]f a covered entity does not know whether a developer's patient care decision support tool uses variables or factors that measure race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability but has reason to believe such variables or factors are being used, /or/ the covered entity otherwise knows or should know that the tool could result in discrimination, the covered entity should consult publicly available sources or request this information from the developer."

How might the provider become aware?

- ONC required transparency (more below)
- Reading federal rulemakings such as the proposed rule at issue here.
- Bulletins and advisories that HHS, including the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and FDA, publishes
- Published medical journal articles

- Popular media
- Health care professional and hospital associations
- Health insurance-related associations
- Various nonprofit organizations in the field of AI

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How Does OCR Assess Your Vigilance?

Big Beware

OCR says the agency will consider:

- 01 the covered entity's size and resources;
- whether the covered entity used the tool in the manner or under the conditions intended by the developer and approved by regulators, if applicable, or whether the covered entity has adapted or customized the tool; Off Label
- whether the covered entity received product information from the developer of the tool regarding the potential for discrimination or identified that the tool's input variables include race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability; [Knowledge] and
- whether the covered entity has a methodology or process in place for evaluating the patient care decision support tools it adopts or uses, which may include seeking information from the developer, reviewing relevant medical journals and literature, obtaining information from membership in relevant medical associations, or analyzing comments or complaints received about patient care decision support tools. Compliance Program Specific to Al



Mitigation Expected

You Need A Plan

- OCR expressed strong support in the final rule for "the National Institutes of Standards and Technology's (NIST) Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Framework.
- OCR also endorses the use of voluntary compliance programs:

 "covered entities may choose to mitigate discrimination by establishing written policies and procedures governing how clinical algorithms will be used in decision-making, including adopting governance measures; monitoring any potential impacts and developing ways to address complaints; and training staff on the proper use of such systems in decision-making. We encourage covered entities to take these and other additional mitigating efforts to comply with § 92.210."



Clinical Decision Support

Exempt CDS is software that is:

- 1. [Image and Signal Analysis are Regulated] Not intended to acquire, process, or analyze a medical image or a signal from an in vitro diagnostic device or a pattern or signal from a signal acquisition system;
- 2. [Inputs] Intended for the purpose of analyzing patient medical information or other information (such as peer-reviewed clinical studies and clinical practice guidelines); and
- 3. [Outputs] Intended for the purpose of supporting or providing recommendations to a health care professional about prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of a disease.
- **4. [Transparency]** Enables the HCP to "independently review" the basis for the recommendation, so that the HCP does not need to "rely primarily" on the recommendation in making a decision.

Sept. 2022 FDA Final Guidance

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ONC (Now Assistant Secretary for Technology and Policy (ASTP))

New Final Rule January 9, 2024

- "Predictive decision support interventions" (predictive DSIs) are algorithms or models that derive relationships from training data and then produce an output that results in prediction, classification, recommendation, evaluation, or analysis.
- "Source attributes" are categories of technical performance and underlying quality information used to create DSIs

- Predictive DSIs must support 31 source attributes (compared to 13 for evidence based).
- Developers of Predictive DSIs must produce information, for example, about the intervention's training data set, external validation process, and quantitative measures of performance, as well as the process used to ensure fairness and eliminate bias in the development of the intervention.

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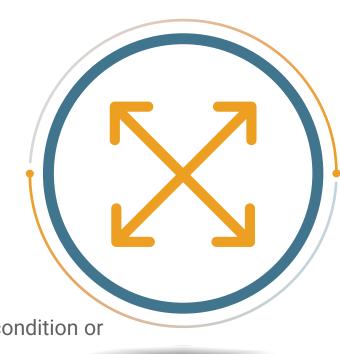
- Health IT developers apply intervention risk management (IRM) for each Predictive DSI included in their health IT module. Health IT developers will need to analyze potential risks and adverse impacts by considering the DSI's validity, reliability, robustness, fairness, intelligibility, safety, security, and privacy, and implement practices to mitigate those risks.
 - Developers must also submit summary information of IRM practices through a publicly accessible hyperlink that allows any person to access the summary information directly.

Bottom line, in the rule, providers will have access to information about predictive DSIs in 2 places.

FDA's 2022 Guidance Extends FDA's Reach Dramatically

- Inputs cannot be innovative
 - The data must be well-accepted
- Outputs must be
 - multiple,
 - not ranked and
 - without time pressure
 - The software may not:
 - o Provide information that a specific patient 'may exhibit signs' of a disease or condition or
 - o identify a risk probability or risk score for a specific disease or condition
- FDA requires a high degree of transparency and explainability





Examples of FDA Regulated Software Per CDS Guidance

- Software function that identifies patients with possible diagnosis of opioid addiction based on analysis of patient-specific medical information, family history, prescription patterns, and geographical data
- Software function that analyzes patientspecific medical information to detect a lifethreatening condition, such as stroke or sepsis, and generate an alarm or an alert to notify an HCP





Biased software is not safe and effective for those it is biased against.

FDA

Food and Drug Administration – Safety and Efficacy

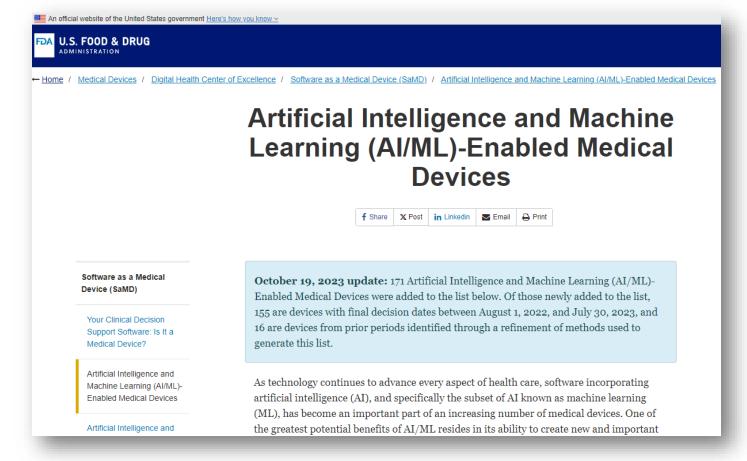
- April 2019 proposed regulatory framework
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- March 2023 Draft guidance
 - "Marketing Submission Recommendations for a Predetermined Change Control Plan for Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning (AI/ML)-Enabled Device Software Functions"
- May 2023 Discussion papers
 - "Using Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning in the Development of Drug & Biological Products"
 - "Artificial Intelligence in Drug Manufacturing"
- August 2024 Oversight and coordination of drug-related AI activities at the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDRE)

Devices

FDA has cleared hundreds of healthcare AI algorithms for:

- Anesthesiology
- Cardiovascular
- Gastroenterology /Urology
- General and Plastic Surgery
- General Hospital

- Hematology
- Immunology
- Microbiology
- Neurology
- Opthalmic
- Radiology





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Responsible AI and AI Bias

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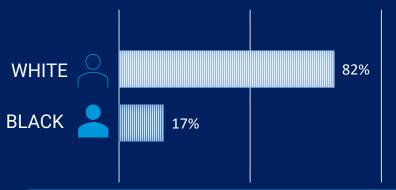


ALGORITHMIC BIAS... THE DARK SIDE OF AI

THE PROBLEM

"Al can be sexist and racist — it's time to make it fair" 1

Dissecting racial bias in an algorithm used to manage the health of populations

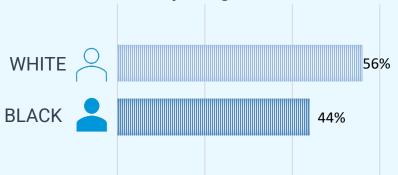


Pre: Black Patients were 50% less likely to be referred despite being equally sick"

THE SOLUTION

Fairness Metric: Statistical Parity
Bias Mitigation Method: Better Proxy Label

Fair AI ML Tools Eliminates the AI Racial Bias By Repairing the Model



Post: Black Patients were just as likely to be referred when equally sick

by Ziad Obermeyer, et. al, Dissecting racial bias in an algorithm used to manage the health of populations. Science 366. 447 (2019)

TIMELINE OF ALGORITHMIC BIAS IN HEALTHCARE

1976

J. Weizenbaum's book
"Computer Power and
Human Reason"
suggests that bias could
arise from the data and
and coding assumptions
embedded in computer
programs

2016

ProPublica finds in COMPAS algorithm for criminal recidivism prediction **2020**

NEJM questions use of race as a variable in clinical algorithms

1982

From 1982 to 1986, A medical school used an algorithm to automate a portion of their admissions process that resulted in discrimination against women and members of ethnic minorities

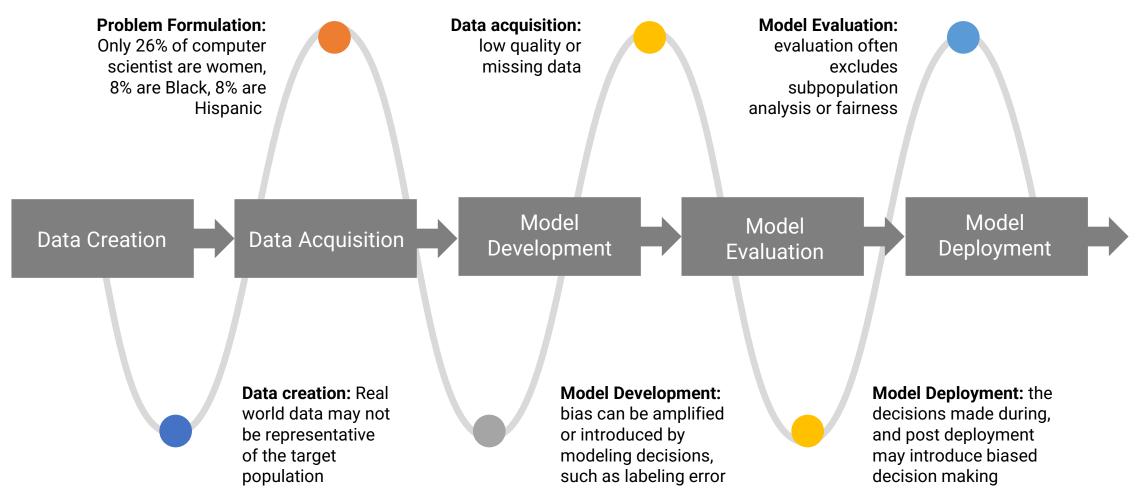
2019

Obermeyer et al. find racial bias in algorithm for healthcare cost predictions



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Bias Occurs Throughout The AI Lifecycle





Practical Solutions: Bias Mitigation Methods

Social Mitigation Methods

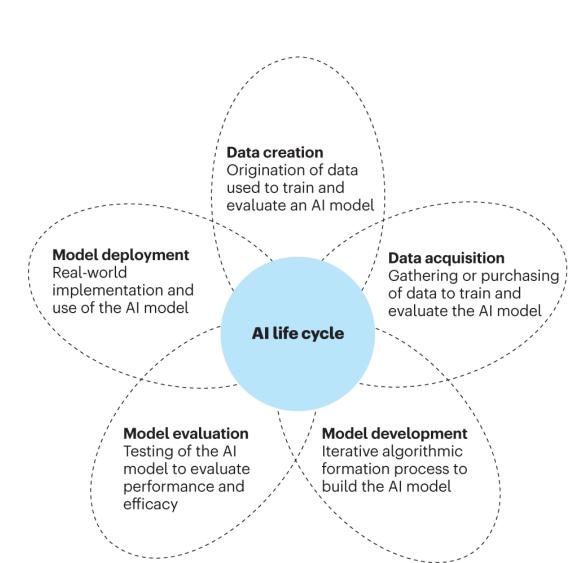
Diverse Teams

Al Governance

- Local Policy and **Procedures**
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Including Patients, Clinicians, Leadership, **Ethicists**

Al Regulations

- FDA QS & CBMP
- ONC HTI-1
- ACA 1557 & OCR
- CMS



Technical Mitigation Methods

Al Standards

- · Promoting the Use of Trustworthy AI in the Federal Government
- NIST AI Risk Management Framework

Al Evaluation & **Bias Mitigation** Methods

- EqualityML Toolkit
- Al Fairness 360
- Fairlearn

Monitoring for Outcome



Role of Policy Makers in Promoting Responsible AI in Healthcare



Advance Al Regulations

Define and incentivize adoption of Al risk management standards that prioritizes health equity



Fund AI Evaluation Research, Education & Workforce Development

Fund research and training advances the use of AI for health equity

Value
$$=\frac{\mathbf{Q}}{\mathbf{C}}\times\mathbf{E}$$

Incentivize Responsible AI Healthcare Delivery Models

For example, launch CMS Innovation Center (CMMI) model to test new payment and service delivery models that align AI with quality, health equity, and reducing total cost of care

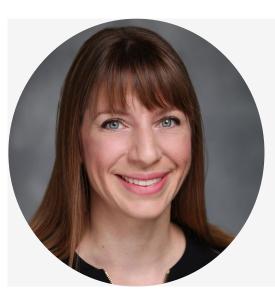


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Advancing Trustworthy AI in Healthcare with Governance

Duke's Commitment to high-quality and ethical patient care

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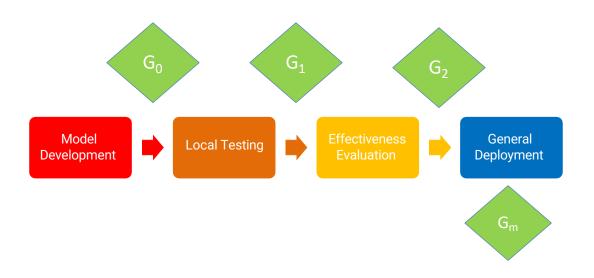


Complexity of a Local Healthcare Environment

Sources of Models **Deployment Mechanisms** Target Audience Excel Clinicians **Duke Incubated** Internal Tableau Salesforce MedBlue Development Chatbots Kelahealth DIHI Pattern Health Al Health/Crucible Clinical **Admin** Clinical Depts 'Suite' Duke Campus **Operations** Al Vendors 'EHR' Suite Leaders Epic Clarify Medical • Epic Jvion GE CareHub Literature Visage Custom Apps Pop Health

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Al-Enabled Solution Lifecycle & Governance



What are the clinical outcome and performance metrics?

How has the model been evaluated?

Who is the Clinical Owner?

Who will cover maintenance costs in production?

Will this ABCDS tool be used outside of Duke Health?

How will the model be used in the clinic and how is it integrated with the workflow?

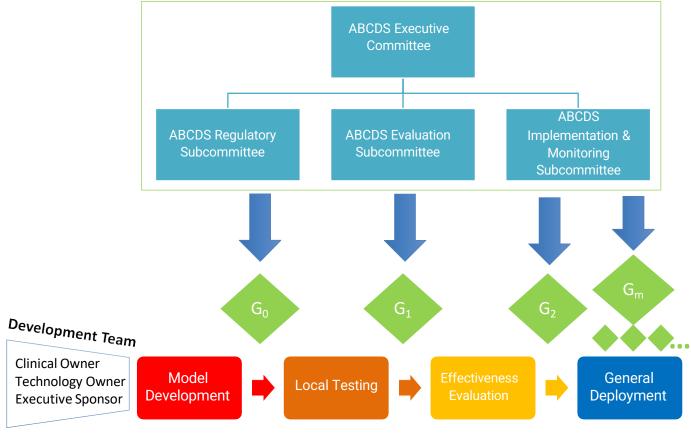
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'Just-in-time' Check-Points (Gates) Help Development Teams Get Ready for What's Ahead



ABCDS Oversight Governance Structure

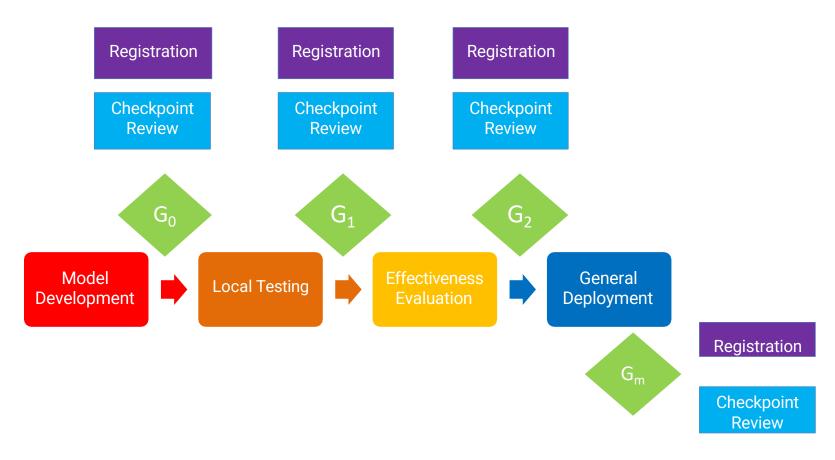
ABCDS Oversight Committee





Al-Enabled Solution's Lifecycle

Registration: Creating an Inventory of Algorithms





Creating a Risked-Based Approach for Independent Al Review

All electronic algorithms that could impact patient care at Duke Health fall within the scope of the ABCDS Oversight Committee and must undergo registration

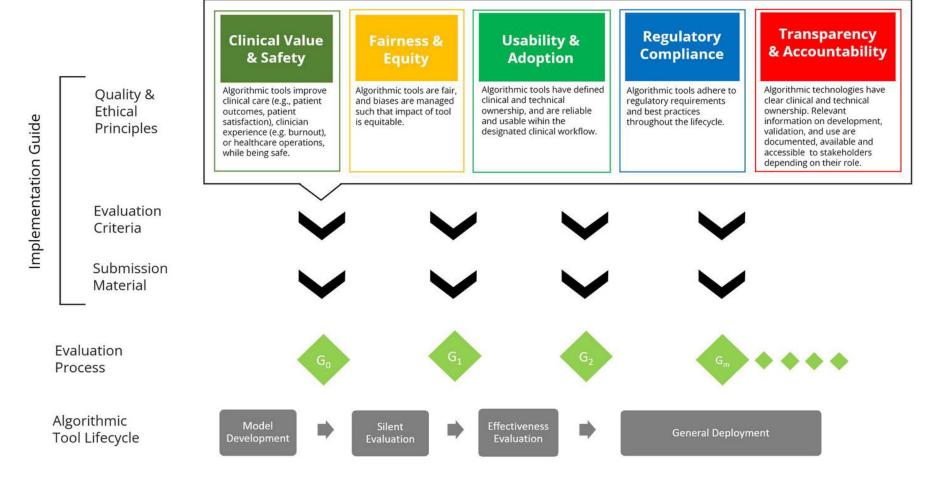




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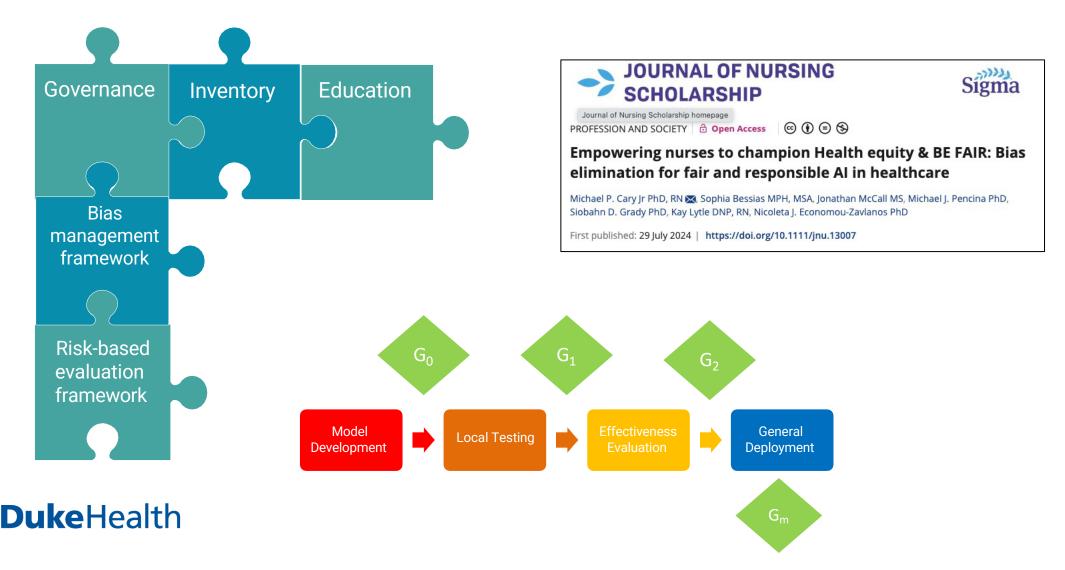
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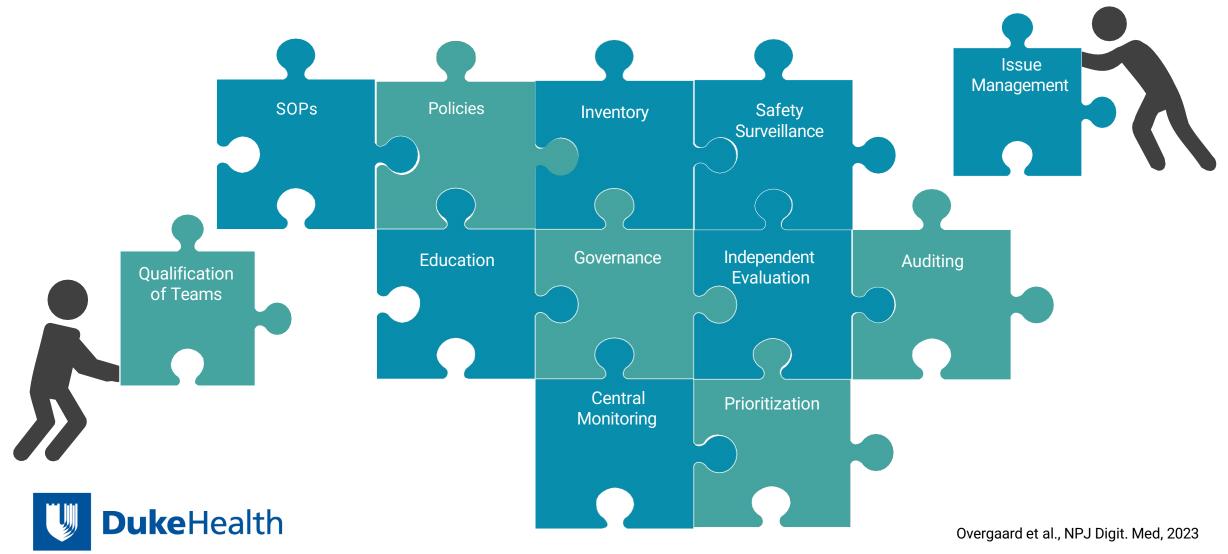




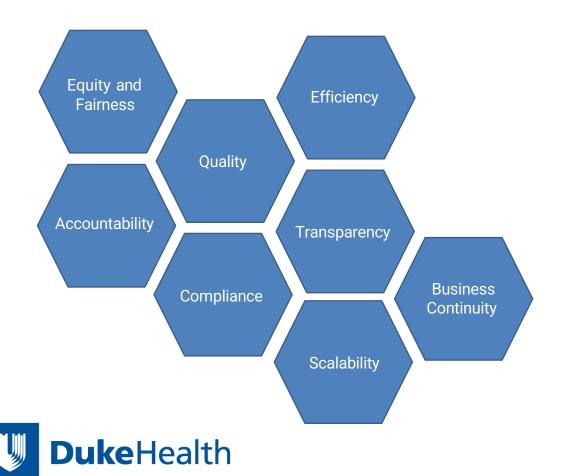
Operationalizing Trustworthy Health Al



A Framework for High-Quality, Ethical AI Oversight



Impacting How We Deliver Patient Care





Scaling Trustworthy Health AI Frameworks







A Scalable Governance Framework

Assessing Health System Readiness

Including the patient voice





Thank you



Moderated Discussion



Moderated Q & A



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October 2, 2024

Hart Senate Office Building (Room 902) in Washington DC

Post-Election Symposium

November 13, 2024

Barbara Jordan Conference Center in Washington DC

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