Upcoming in Health Research

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SPOR & CHIA

- SPOR – Strategy for Patient Oriented Research
- A CIHR initiative
- Jurisdictions apply
- SUPPORT Units and Networks
- Funded over 5 year cycles
- Based on a number of principles
CHIA

- Centre for Health Informatics and Analytics
- New hardware, software and personnel
- Housed at MUN (Faculty of Medicine)
- Closely linked to NLCHI
- Aim is to enhance the use of health information for informing system learning and policy
- Will also deal with genomic data and the TPMI
Complex Funding

• SPOR federally funded via CIHR
• Matching funds 1:1 required
• These from Province, RDC, ACOA &
• A private partnership with IBM
SPOR Key Areas

• Data infrastructure and platforms (CHIA here)
• Capacity Development (for health research)
• Patient Engagement
• Methods support and development
• Research Consultation services
• Real World Trials
• Knowledge Translation
The Ultimate Goal

- A learning health system in which there is a culture of inquiry and evaluation supported by the data, personnel and skills to identify the important issues, and through research aim for workable and scalable solutions that improve patient outcomes and experiences

- Cross jurisdictional collaboration and sharing of key learnings and best practices
The SPOR Networks

• Gradually phasing these in
• Targeted calls for jurisdictional interest
• So far Teen Mental Health and Primary and Integrated Care are being established with Chronic Disease on the radar
• Required to work across jurisdictions & with the SUPPORT Units
• Interdisciplinary & multisectoral with integration of upstream prevention strategies and focus on models of care
Getting To The Questions

• SUPPORT Business Case had to include a demonstration project
• Top down jurisdictional priorities informed first choice of topics
• Bottom up system and patient engagement to identify and prioritize in the future
An Approach?

• Issues with big impact
• For which research may help identify a solution
• Where interjurisdictional opportunities may exist
• Where there is capacity and resources to tackle it