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Health education and promotion: How to move away from behavioural prescriptions?

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Presentation overview

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Development and evaluation of professional training programs in health promotion and behaviour change.

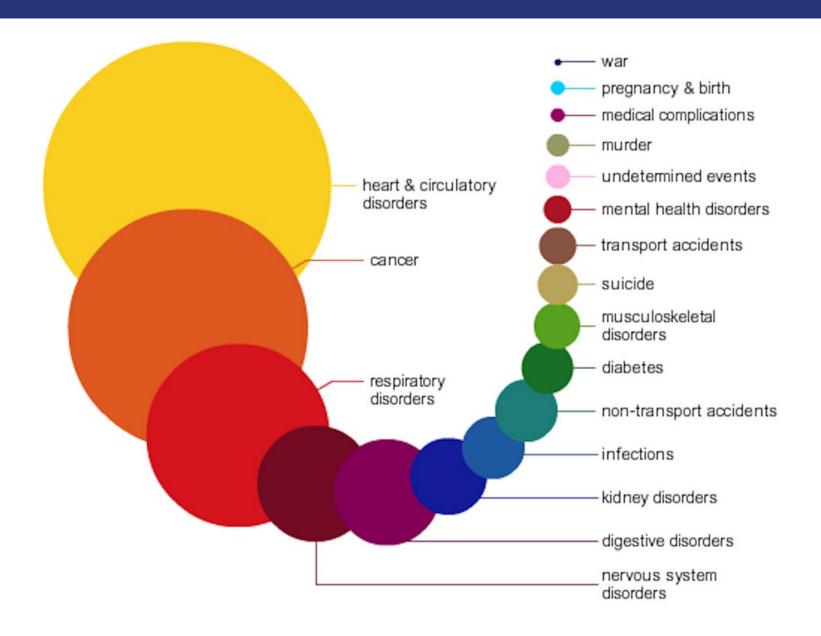
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Intervention, assessment and monitoring of the health of healthcare professionals.





Leading causes of death worldwide: chronic diseases



(NHS, 2016; OMS, 2025; tatistics Canada, 2021)

Strongly influenced by a group of behavioural risk factors



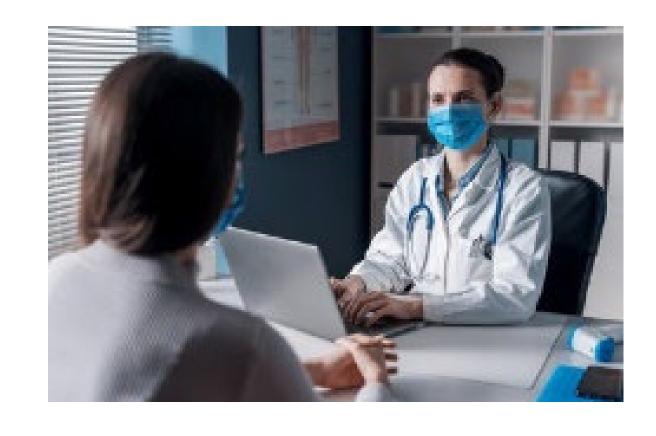








Changing your communication style for the patients (not what but how you communicate your health education)



(Beckman & Frankel, 1984; Maguire et al., 2002; Marvel et al., 1999)

Physicians and healthcare professionals, according to several studies,

[...] tend to overestimate their communication competencies

[...] tend to avoid discussing the emotional and social impacts of medical problems due to a perceived lack of skills and time



How to change your communication style for your patients?

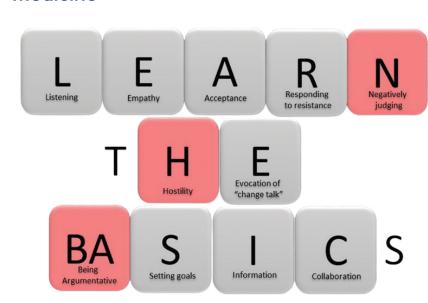
PHASE I a & b DESIGN

Communications
training for physicians:
a systematic review
Dragomir et al., 2019,
Patient Education and
Counseling



International Delphi
The definition of
Motivational
Communication (MC)
and the 11 competencies
Dragomir et al., 2021,
Translational Behavioral
Medicine

Description of existing communication assessment tools for physicians: a systematic review Boucher et al., 2020 Psychosomatic Medicine

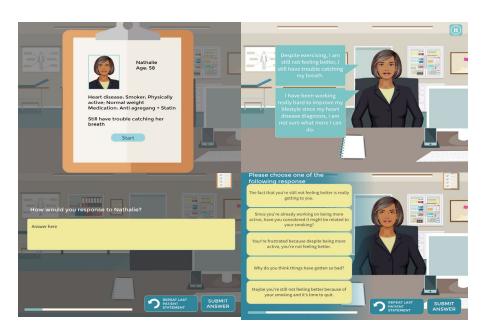


Describe physicians' perspective of health risk behaviors in their patients



Develop and validate a new CM competency assessment tool Boucher et al., 2022, JMIR Medical Education





PHASE II a

TESTING

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The Motivational Communication Competency
Assessment Test (MCCAT)





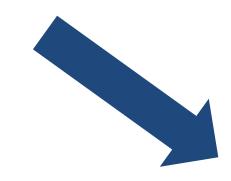
Adaptation to different types of healthcare professionals and target behaviours



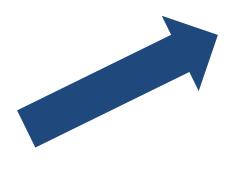


A new type of behaviour

Different healthcare professionals



Adaptation
Knowledge users
Partners





Vaccination among patients living with rheumatoid arthritis PHASE II a

PHASE I b **DESIGN**

Interventions to improve vaccine acceptance among rheumatoid arthritis patients Boucher et al., 2019, Clinical rheumatology Understanding factors associated with vaccine uptake and vaccine hesitancy in patients with rheumatoid arthritis Boucher et al., 2021, Clinical rheumatology

Barriers and facilitators to influenza and pneumococcal vaccine hesitancy in rheumatoid arthritis: a qualitative study Colmegna et al., 2021, Rheumatology





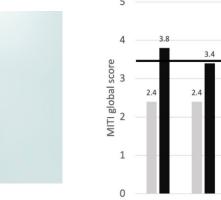
Adaptation of a short training for rheumatologists

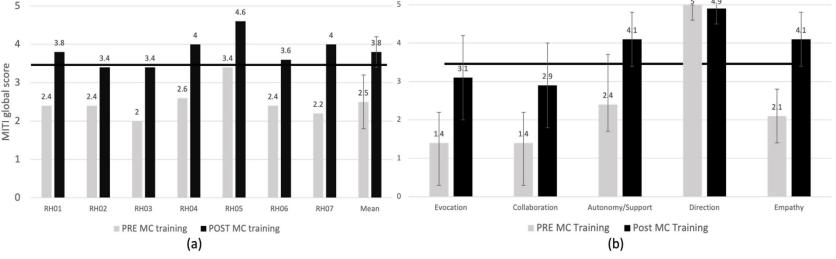
Training physicians in motivational communication to address influenza vaccine hesitation: a proof-of-concept study Labbé et al., 2022, **Vaccines**

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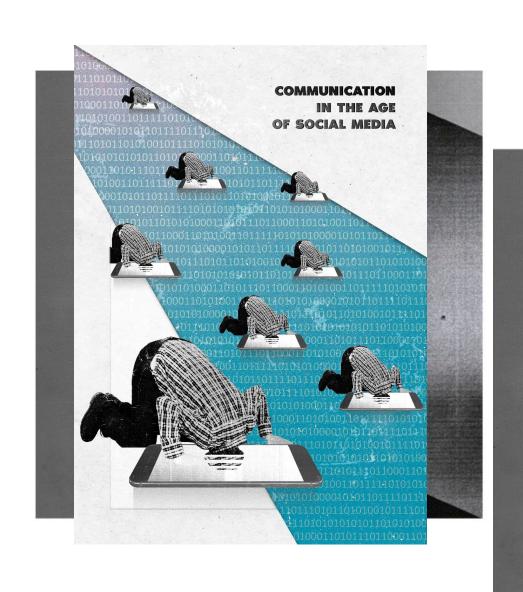


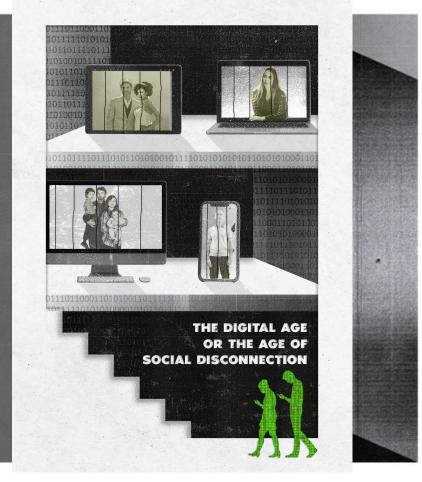


What about the healthcare workers?

"Let's be aware of our long -term development as professionals and see each stage of our lives as preparation for the next. Being present. Being open. Being curious."

- Burt Giges





(Boucher, François-Sévigny & Voisard, 2022)



The well-being of healthcare workers

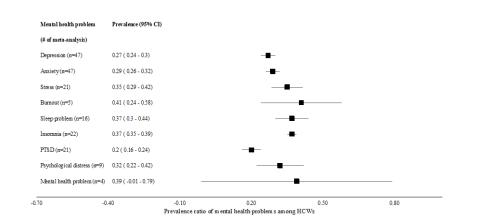
Canadian healthcare workers' mental health and health behaviours during the COVID-19 pandemic: results from nine representative samples between April 2020 and February 2022

An umbrella review and meta - analysis of 87 meta-analyses examining healthcare workers' mental health during the COVID19 pandemic

Effects of 12 Weeks of At Home, Application -Based Exercise on Health Care Workers' Depressive Symptoms, Burnout, and Absenteeism: A Randomized Clinical Trial



Boucher et al., 2023. Canadian Journal of Public Health



Boucher et al., In preparation (updated)



Boucher et al., 2023. JAMA Psychiatry



Implications & Learning

- Matching assessment tool and intervention
- More than advice giving
- Sprint vs Marathon
- Collaborations and Partners Involvement
- We need to be humble!



Thank you for listening!



















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