Perspectives from the Swedish National Diabetes Register

Trends in Mortality and Cardiovascular Disease in Diabetes

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Quality assurance

31 § The quality of health care should be developed and assured systematically and continually. Law (*1996:787*).



National Quality Registries in Sweden





- NDR started 1996
- Negotiations with GP:s, endocrinologists, internists and patients



Original aim of NDR

Benchmarking tool for the health centers

 ... since improvement requires measurement



NDR today

- Improve care!
- 100 % of hospital-based diabetes centers
- > 90% of primary care/general practice
- Direct transfer of patient or cohort files
- **ndr**.nu
 - -by nurses, mostly
- Results are public!
- Funding
 - -Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions
 - -Region Western Sweden



Easy and uncontroversial to monitor the results in Sweden

- Unique personal identifier
- Allows linkage of official databases
- Health care providers pay the bills
- Political climate
- No fear of integrity issues



NDR platform

- Registercentrum.se created 2009
 One technical platform and IT staff
- 23 quality registries today
 - -Orthopaedic
 - -Ear-nose-throat
 - -Psychiatry
 - -Airways
 - –... and other



NDR Organization

- Manager, Soffia Gudbjörnsdottir
- Secretary, project leaders
- Database managers, biostatisticians
- Steering committee
- Scientific advisory board
- Working group (results, reports)
- Multiple collaborations



Number of patients

9.5 million inhabitants, < 5% diabetes prevalence

Number of patients entered in NDR, 1996-2015



Date of registration

<u>Microalbuminuria</u>

Caregiv Patient ID Social s Year of Clinical characteristics Type of **Risk factor control** Diabet HbA1c Treatments Height Complications Blood p Antihy ocesses Blood Lipid-lc PROM

Aspirin treatment

Severe hypoglycaemia

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- Direct transfer of patient data or cohort files
- www.ndr.nu by nurses, mostly
- Real-time results online, down to clinical level, public







DATA

706,331 patients!

A myriad of variables!

- Demographics
- Socioeconomic status
- Ethnicity, profession
- Biomarkers, Risk factors
- Treatments, Management
- Complications, Other disease
- PROM

ASCERTAINMENT

- >95% typ 1 DM
- >90% typ 2 DM

OPPORTUNITIES

- Improve care
- Observational studies
- RRCS



NDR - a natural part of diabetes care

online feedback has been of great importance!

- >1400 care units online
- >90% of all known
 - patients with diabetes





Patient reported data (PROM) is now a part of NDR



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Diabetes care - improvement through measurement

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ABSTRACT

The National Diabetes Register (NDR) of Sweden was initiated in response to *The Saint Vincent Declaration* (published 1990), to provide a tool for continuous quality assurance in diabetes care. The original purpose, to monitor the results of health centres from year to year and to compare these with national and regional means, is still the most important one, while continuous follow-up of guidelines, treatments and complications are as important on a national level.



PROM

- To develop and evaluate a diabetes-specific questionnaire
- For future systematic collection of patient reported outcomes within the Swedish National Diabetes Register
- Identify individuals or groups of individuals with a potential to increase their quality of life



Who wants to see the results?

- National Board of Health and Welfare and other national bodies
- Regional health care providers
- The clinics
- The patients
- Big pharma



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METHODS

We included patients with type 2 diabetes who were registered in the Swedish National Diabetes Register on or after January 1, 1998. For each patient, five controls were randomly selected from the general population and matched according to age, sex, and county. All the participants were followed until December 31, 2011, in the Swedish Registry for Cause-Specific Mortality.

RESULTS



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