



# Clinical data clinical care



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# Data and Knowledge

- Data, information and knowledge are often used interchangeably, however, they are not the same
- Data, in itself is not knowledge, nor is information. *Data is without a meaningful relation to anything else”* (Bellinger, 2004).

# Data?

- **Data:** *“data are numbers, words or images that have yet to be organized or analyzed to answer a specific question”* (Audit Commission, 2007).
- What makes numbers, words and images all data? rawness. No exact meaning or context.
- **Information:** Information is the result of *processing, manipulating and/or organizing data* or combinations of data *to answer question*.
- *“Knowledge is the full utilization of information and data, with the potential of people's skills, competencies,.....* (Grey, 2009\*7)

# Knowledge

- Knowledge *Involves interpreting information received, adding relevance and context to clarify the insights the information contains”* (Audit Commission, 2007)
- Knowledge: is the understanding and **interpretation** of information and its **settings** within a **meaningful** context
- There are numerous theories existence regarding not only the creation of knowledge, but also the different types of knowledge that exist.
- Cook and Brown (1999) define four types of knowledge: individual/explicit; individual/tacit; group/explicit; group/tacit.

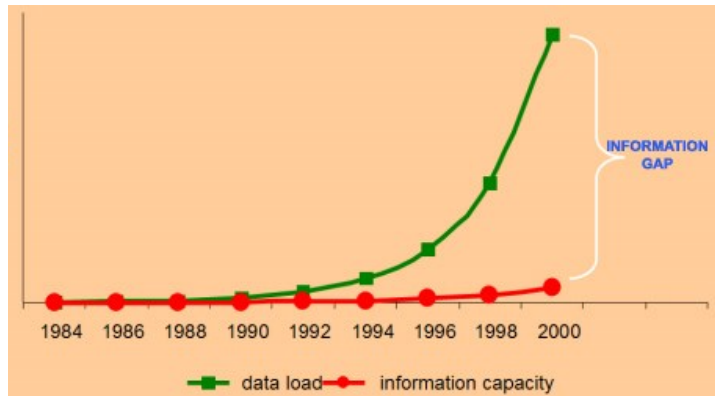
# Environment public health KM

	Data	Information	Knowledge
Asthma	Number of hospital visits due to asthma	Asthma case data organized by geographic location, population, etc.	Understanding of the times and places to alert asthma patients due to risks posed by air quality
Air Quality	Ambient air quality monitoring data	Air quality measurements organized by geographic location and time.	

# **Why Knowledge in Health care**

# Flood of Information

- Huge gap in data acquisition and information → knowledge capacity



Date:

**Personal History:**

Name:  
 Age:  
 Nationality:  Saudi  Other:  
 Sex:  male  female  
 Occupation:  
 Marital Status:  Single  married  Other:  
 Residence:  
 Admission Date:  
 Admission type:  Emergency  Elective  
 Ward / Bed:

**The Complaint:**

Complaint(s)	1.	2.	3.
Location			

**History of Presenting Illness:**

Onset			
Duration			
Frequency			
Time			
Severity			



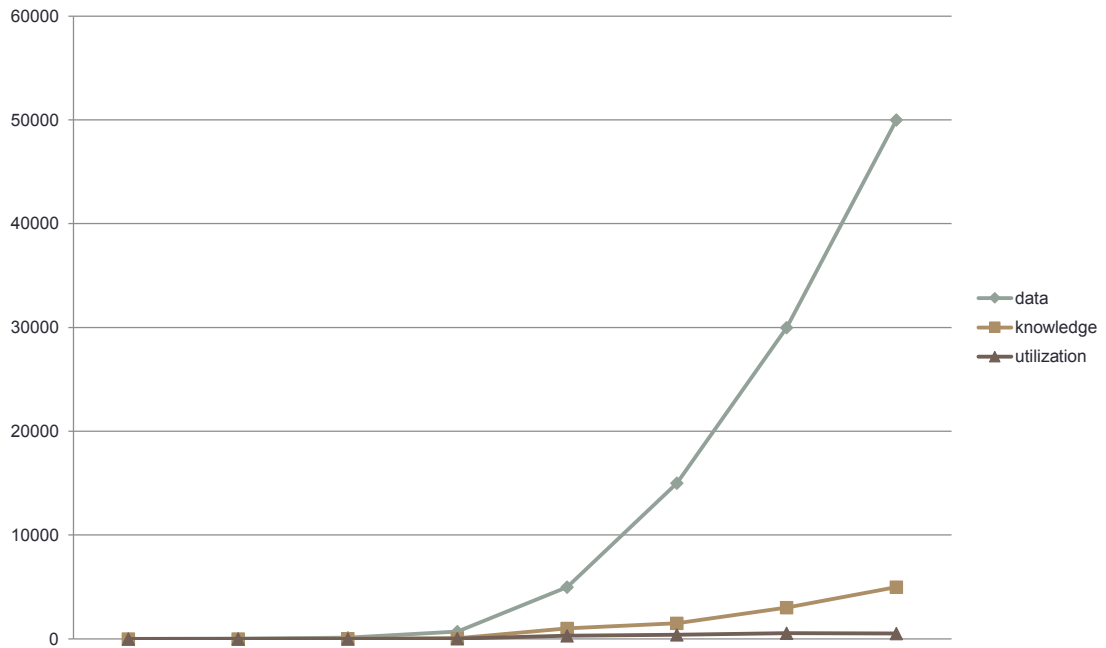


## We need better access to clinical data

- † Missing clinical information during primary care visits (Smith, 2005)
  - † Information reported missing in 13.6% of clinical visits
    - † Available but outside system in 52% of instances
    - † Estimated to adversely effect patients 44% of time
    - † Unsuccessful searching for it took >5 minutes 35% of time
- † Physicians have two unmet information needs for every three patients (Gorman, 1995; Ely, 1999)
- † Secondary use of clinical data (Safran, 2007)



# Data – knowledge - utilization

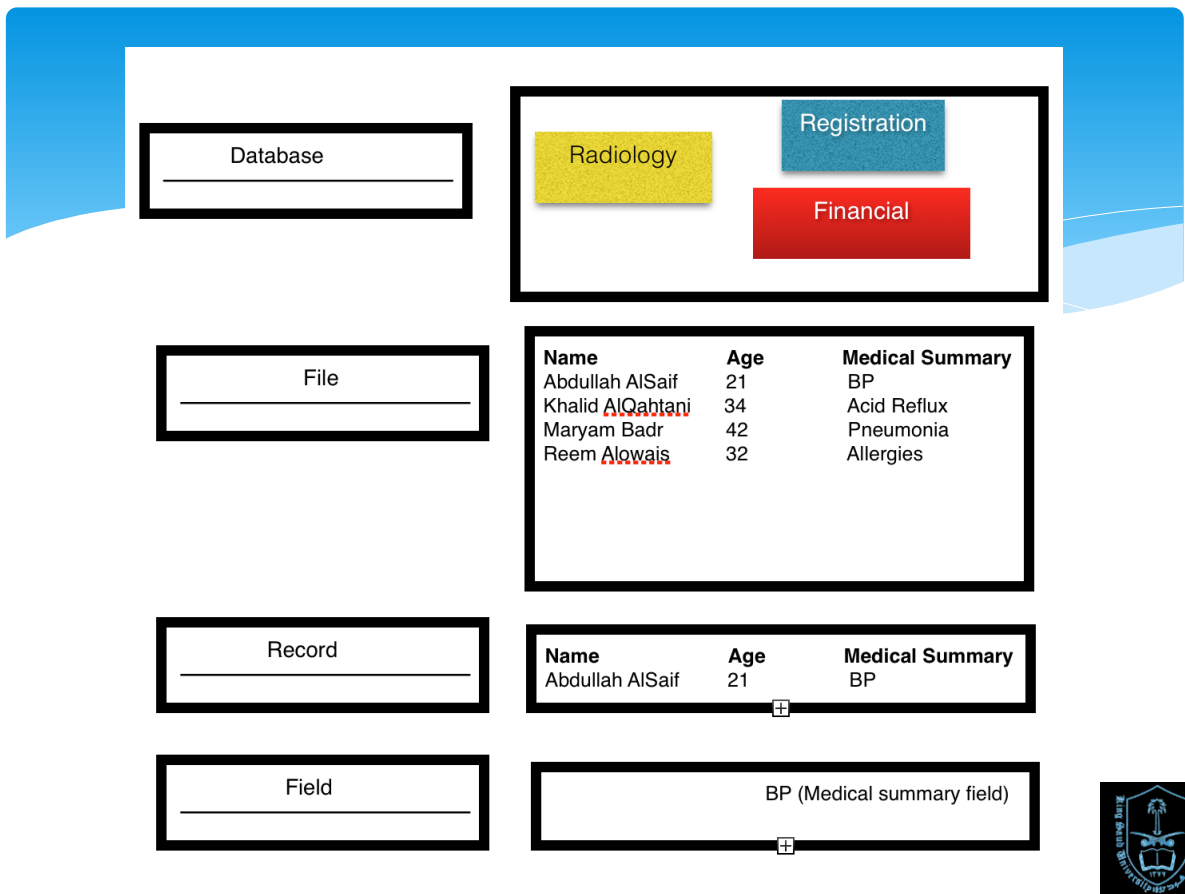


- Institute of Medicine (IOM) estimated that around **98,000** patients die each year as a consequence of preventable errors. Likewise, a study of two UK hospitals found that 11% of admitted patients experienced adverse events of which 48% of these events were most likely preventable if the **right knowledge was applied**.
- The **under-utilization** of healthcare data- information knowledge contributes to improper clinical decisions, medical errors, under-utilization of resources and raise in healthcare delivery costs

# Data management

## File Organization concepts

- Database: A set of related files
- File: Collection of records of same type
- Record: A set of related field
- Field: Words and numbers



# Relational DBMS

- ✦ Relational model links records to tables
- ✦ Allows efficiencies
  - One-time information (e.g., demographics) stored only once
  - Complex queries easier to construct and carry out
- ✦ Most query capabilities are based on **Structured Query Language (SQL)**-special language in relational database



## Use of clinical data

- Form basis of historical record
- Support communication among providers
- Anticipate future health problems
- Record standard preventive measures
- Identify deviations from expected trends example being a growth chart
- Coding and billing
- Provide a legal record
- Support clinical research



# Types of clinical data

- Narrative: recording by clinician, e.g. maternity history
- Numerical measurements: blood pressure, temperature
- Coded data:  
selection from a controlled terminology system example being the term MI that may mean myocardial infarction or mitral insufficiency
- Textual data: other results reported as text
- Recorded signals: EKG, EEG
- Pictures: radiographs, photographs, and other images



# Clinical data

- A datum is a single observation of a patient
- Clinical data are a collection of observations about a patient
- Each datum has five elements:
  - the patient (Name)
  - the attribute (heart rate)
  - the value of the attribute (52 beats per minute)
  - the time of the observation (1:00 pm on 1/1/2015)
  - the method by which the attribute was obtained (heart monitor)

# Types of clinical data documents

- History and physical examination:
  - by a clinician
- Progress notes
  - update of progress by primary, consulting, and ancillary providers
- Reports
  - by specialists, ancillary providers
- Typical paper chart maintains all patient notes in chronological order, sometimes separated into different components

## Assessment of a stable patient

- Chief complaint
- History of the present illness
- Past medical history
- Social history
- Family history
- Review of systems
- Physical examination
- Investigations –lab, x-ray, other
- Assessment plan



## Some complications of data

- Circumstances of observation  
e.g., how was heart rate taken? pulse?  
EKG?
- Uncertainty  
how accurate is patient reporting, measurement, device?
- Time  
what level of specificity do we need?

## Some complications of data

- Duplication
- e.g., multiple records in different departments
- Outdated
  - e.g. missing values
- Incorrectly formatted
  - does not follow standards

# Structure of clinical data

- Medicine lacks uniform structured vocabulary and nomenclature as does Physics and Chemistry
- Standardization and computerization of data is benefited by standard representations (Cimino, 2007)
- Counter-arguments are “freedom of expression” and “art of medicine”
- Narrative information when expressed in many ways can be ambiguous



## Structured or menu-driven data entry

- † Many attempts from old (Greenes, 1970; Cimino, 1987; Bell, 1994) to new (Oceania; OpenSDE – Los, 2005)
- † Can be done via mouse or pen, with typing
- † Benefits
  - † Data codified for easier retrieval and analysis
  - † Reduces ambiguity if language used consistently
- † Drawbacks
  - † In general, more time-consuming
  - † Requires exhaustive vocabulary
  - † Requires dedication to use by clinicians
- † Alternative: Processing free text with natural language processing and tagging text (in XML) (Johnson, 2008)



# Data entry

General categories of data entry:

- Free-form entry by historical methods:
  - writing
  - dictation
  - typing
- Structured (menu-driven) data entry by mouse or pen
- Speech recognition for either of above



# CPOE order screen

The screenshot shows a CPOE order screen with several key components labeled:

- Menu**: Located at the top left, containing a dropdown menu with options like 'Menu - Inpatient'.
- Add button to add an order**: A red box highlights the '+ Add' button in the top navigation bar.
- Med Recon**: A red box highlights the 'Med Reconciliation' section in the top navigation bar.
- Status Bar**: A red box highlights the status bar at the top right, showing 'Status' and '5 minutes ago'.
- Refresh Button**: A red box highlights the 'Refresh' button in the top right corner.
- Clinical Categories**: A red box highlights the 'Orders' section in the left sidebar, which lists various clinical categories like 'Communication', 'Code Status / Precautions', etc.
- Orders Pane**: A red box highlights the main area displaying a list of orders, including 'Code Status / Precautions', 'Diet / Nutrition', 'Medications', 'Lab / Path', 'Diagnostics Other', and 'Scheduling'.
- View Pane**: A red box highlights the 'View' pane at the bottom left, which shows details for the selected order.
- Initiate and Sign buttons**: A red box highlights the 'Initiate' and 'Sign' buttons in the bottom right corner.

Log Off File Setup Lists Reports Tools Help

Select Patient New Rx Perio Chart Tooth Chart

Appts Family Account Treat Plan Chart

PSR 233222  
8-watch  
15 unerupted  
Patient wants his work all done before the middle of July!!!!  
Talked about whitening

**Patient Info**

ABCD	A
Billing Type	Standard Account
Referred From	yellow pages
Date First Visit	03/17/2005
Pri Ins	Delta Dental of CA. (pending)
Sec Ins	
Med Urgent	
Medical Summary	Acid Reflux High BP
Service Notes	No Flo
Medications	none

All BWs FMXs Panor Photos

**Enter Treatment**

Diagnosis: None, Caries, Recurrent (Car), Incipient (Car), Defect (or miss fill), Missing (tooth struc), Invers. Pulp, Revers. Pulp, Necrotic, Apical Perio, Abscess, Carious Pulp Exp, Cracked Tooth

Entry Status: TP, C, Ex Cur, Ex Other, Referred

Priority: no priority

**Progress Notes**

Date	Th	Surf	Rx	Description	Stat	Prov	Amount	ADA Code
04/05/2005	26	R	PFM Crown	bs.3 Carps 2%Lido/1:100k epi. Blue bite for temp. Prep, Integrity, 1/4 carp 2%Lido/1:50k epi around tooth, #2 cord, triple tray with PVS putty, PVS light body, Tempbond, PO instr, Shade "A4"	C	DOC1	740.00	D2750
04/21/2005				Clinical Note	EC	DOC1	0.00	Zclin
04/26/2005	26	R	PFM Seat	In-Dup pano and bws for? Adjusted, polished, showed to pt, FujiCem. PO instr.	C	DOC1	0.00	N4118
05/03/2005	8	MF	Composite- 2 Surf, Anterior	br.. 2 carps 2%Lido/1:100k epi. L-Pop. Z-250, Shade "A3.5"	TP	DOC1	140.00	D2331
05/17/2005	5	MOD	Composite- 3 Surf, Posterior	In-3 carps 2%Lido/1:100k epi. L-Pop. Z-250, Shade "A3"	C	DOC1	160.00	D2393
05/17/2005	6	MFL	Composite- 3 Surf, Anterior	In- L-Pop. Z-250, Shade "A35"	C	DOC1	175.00	D2332
05/24/2005	19		Bridge retainer-Porcelain Fused to Noble Metal	In-3 Carps 2%Lido/1:100k epi. Blue bite for temp. Prep, Integrity, 1/4 carp 2%Lido/1:50k epi around tooth, #2 cord, triple tray with PVS putty, PVS light body, Tempbond, PO instr, Shade "A35"	C	DOC1	710.00	D6752
05/24/2005	20		Ponic-Porcelain Fused to Noble Metal		C	DOC1	710.00	D6242
05/24/2005	21		Bridge retainer-Porcelain Fused to Noble Metal		C	DOC1	710.00	D6752
06/07/2005				Clinical Note	EO	DOC1	0.00	Zclin
06/07/2005				In- Dup BW of #19-#21 for ins co. Comm - Insurance mb//sent xray along with claim requested by insurance for issue of pymt to be processed				
06/14/2005				Bridge Seat br...Fuji Cem II, FR Checker.	C	DOC1	0.00	N4127

# Data entry

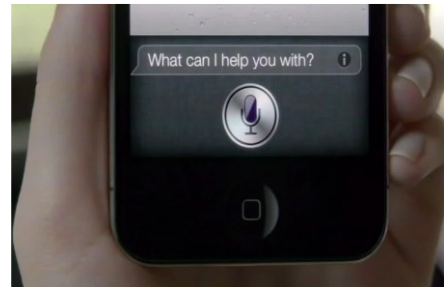
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- Coded data:
  - Documentation of discrete data from controlled vocabulary
- Free text:
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# Narratives

- A narrative tells a story
- See the patient through a description
- Complicated events are even easier to describe in text
- Undifferentiated problems
- Interpretation.
- “only a human can prioritize and determine what the chief complaint really is”

# Speech recognition for data entry

- † Most common use is for narration
  - † e.g., computer dictation of clinical notes
- † An advantage is instant availability of dictated content
- † Continuous speech recognition now is commercial reality
  - † Speaker-dependent systems require user training
  - † Speaker-independent are systems less accurate
- † Many established systems on the market that operate on:
  - † front-end (used by clinician) or
  - † back-end (process dictations) (Brown, 2008)





## Coded vs. free-text data [1]

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# Coded Data

- † Alerts
- † Clinical Decision Support
- † Best documentation practices
- † Multi-media reporting
- † Multiple output formats
- † Data mining



## Issues with coded data

- “pick from a list” allows wrong selection
- compliance concerns
- over documentation for care
- Cloning and limitation

D.F.  
 Prescription

16 APR 2013

Date : .....

Name : Mam. Shuaib al-Nawati M.R. No. 134415

Age : .....  M  F

Diagnosis : .....

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R  
x

Ela / 100g

me / 100g

Docto  
Signa



Clinical Data Entry

Ian TEST DOB 28/2/2008 GA 26+2 BW 1070

MRN 123432

Liverpool 2170

Day 33 - Corrected GA 31+0 1250g on 01/04

Log Files (0) Images (2) Calculator

ATTENTION: Brain scan overdue!

**Admissions** Respiratory Nutrition Other Treatments Test Results

**Current Status**

**Respiratory Support**  
CPAP /5 , FIO2 29

**Fluids / Feeds**  
160 ml/kg/day  
TPN 10% Fat 3g  
14x2 EBM 24cal (134)

**Jaundice**  
09/03 SBr 135 Biliblancket  
ceased 08/03

**Other**  
01/03 Mod PDA  
POSSIBLE NEC

**Treatments**  
Pentavite, Folic Acid  
Longline,

**Test Results**  
09/03 Na 136  
09/03 Hb 135  
09/03 Plat 265  
02/03 HUS IVH II  
01/04 Eyes ROP I

Opened 01 Apr 12:27

**Admission**

**Liverpool Hospital**

**Admission** Age 0 Corr.GA 26 **Weight** 1070 76% **HC** 25.5 71% **Length** 35 56%

**Date & Time** 28/02/2008 16:30 **Hospital** Liverpool Hospital **MRN** 123432

**Bed** 01 **To** NICU **Reason(s) for Admission** Prematurity

**Consultant** Ian Callander **Insurance** Hospital **Respiratory Distress**

**Admitted: 28/02/08 at 4 hours**

**MATERNAL HISTORY**  
Ann is a 28 year old G2 P1 (now) woman whose blood group is O positive. She was booked to deliver at Campbelltown Hospital under the care of Kaisher however delivered at Liverpool Hospital under the care of Dr Peter Hammill. She had a history of essential hypertension. This pregnancy was complicated by hypertension of pregnancy, fetal growth restriction, Bilateral Renal Pelvis dilatation 5 - 10mm, GBS +ve swab, fever, abnormal Dopplers, prolonged rupture of membranes for 2 days, clinically suspected chorioamnionitis. Ann was treated with antenatal steroids, tocolytics, and antihypertensive drugs. Following the spontaneous onset of labour, she proceeded to a vaginal delivery. Antibiotics were given before delivery.

**PERINATAL HISTORY**  
Ian was born at 13:00 hours with a birth weight of 1070 grams (76th centile). Apgars were 3 at 1 minute and 7 at 5 minutes respectively treated with intubation and ventilation. The arterial cord pH was 7.24 and the base excess -6. Ian was then retrieved to

**Added to Worksheet** 01/03

This is freetext

**Orders on Worksheet** 01/03

Freetext orders

(double click on text to delete)

Hospital Episodes	MRN	Admitted	Discharged
Liverpool Hospital	123432	28 Feb 2008 16:30	
NETS	PD12345	28 Feb 2008 15:00	28 Feb 2008 16:30
Campbelltown Hospital	222222	28 Feb 2008 13:00	28 Feb 2008 15:00

**Add Another Admission**

**Delete MRN .. then click again to Delete Episode**

Add Twin

local form

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# **Best wishes** Questions?

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