

Measuring Health-Related Quality of Life

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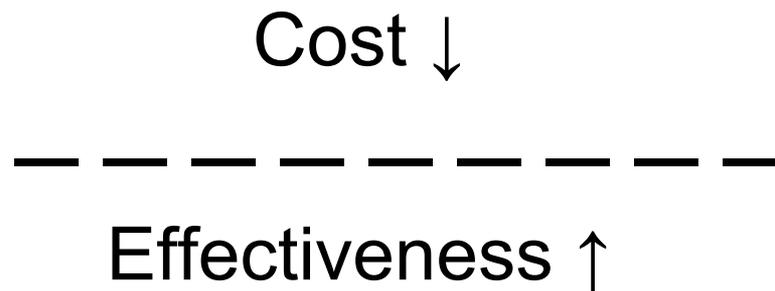
U.S. Health Care Issues



- **Access to care**
 - ~ 50 million people without health insurance
- **Costs of care**
 - Expenditures ~ \$ 2.7 Trillion
- **Effectiveness (quality) of care**

How Do We Know If Care Is Effective?

- Effective care maximizes probability of desired health outcomes
 - Health outcome measures indicate whether care is effective



Indicators of Health

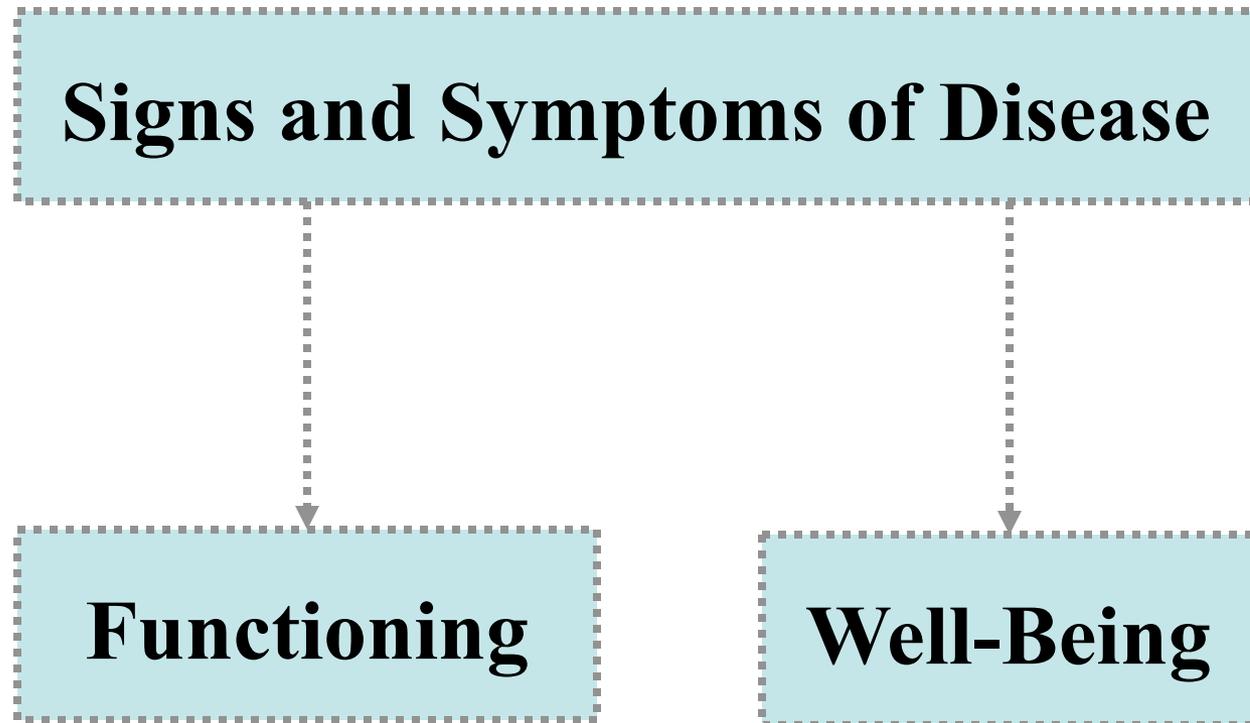
Signs and Symptoms of Disease

Vital signs — e.g. bp

Hematocrit

SOB

Indicators of Health



Health-Related Quality of Life (HRQOL)

How the person FEELS (well-being)

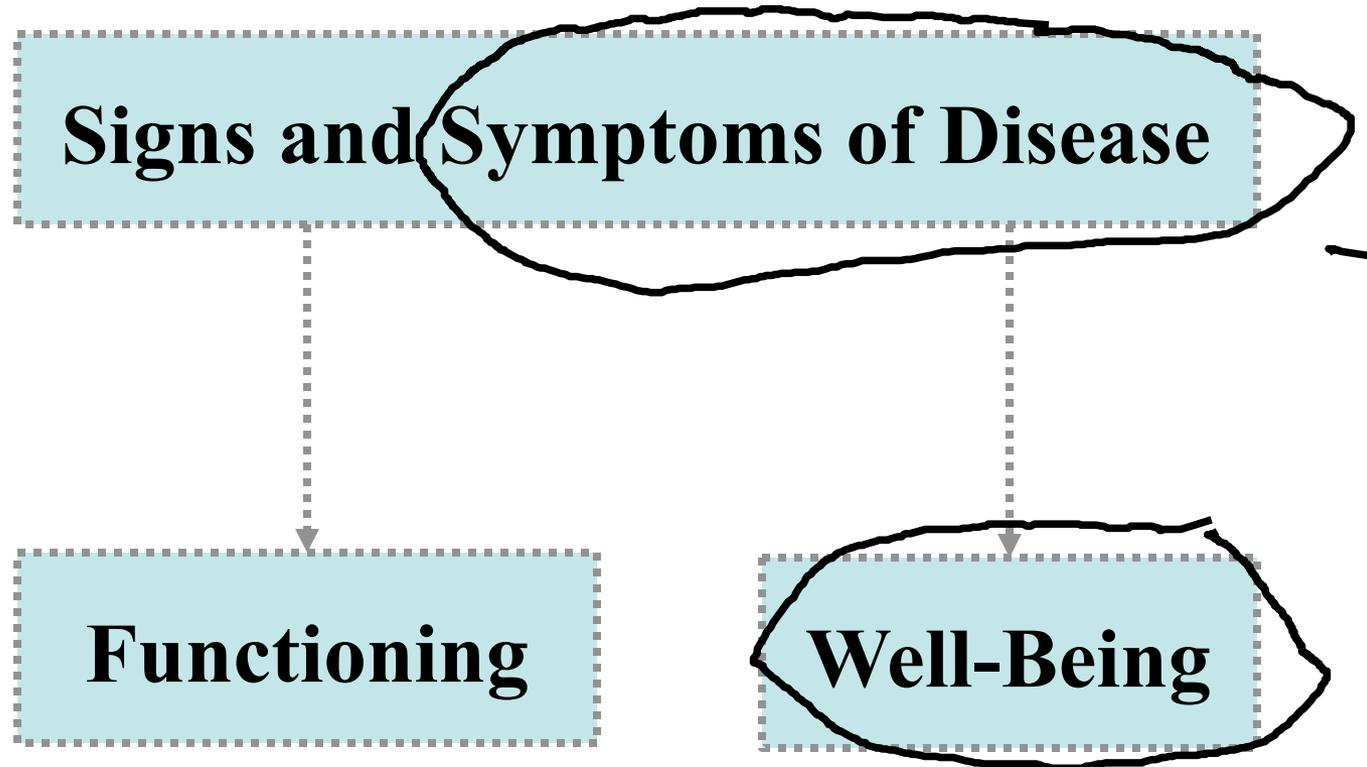
- Emotional well-being
- Pain
- Energy

What the person can DO (functioning)

- Self-care
- Role
- Social



Indicators of Health



KDQOL Symptoms/Problems

During the past 4 weeks, to what extent were you bothered by each of the following?

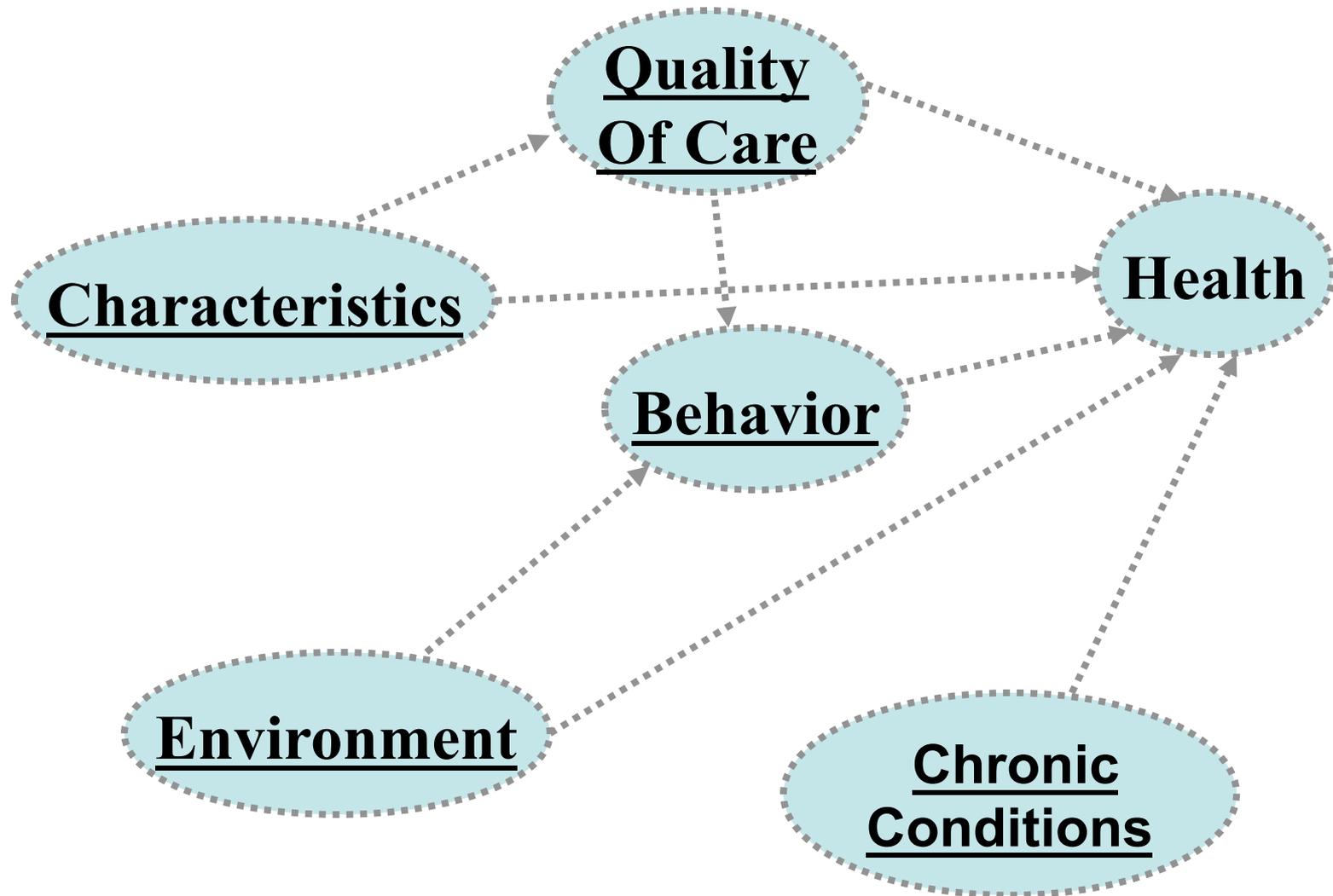
- ❖ Soreness in your muscles?
- ❖ Chest pain?
- ❖ Itchy skin?
- ❖ Shortness of breath?
- ❖ Faintness or dizziness?

Health-Related Quality of Life (HRQOL)



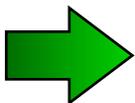
Quality of environment
Type of housing
Level of income
Social Support

Determinants of Health



Patient-Reported Measures (PRMs)

- Mediators
 - Health behaviors (adherence)
- Health Care Process
 - Reports about care (e.g., communication)
- Outcomes (PROs)
 - Patient satisfaction with care
 - Health-Related Quality of Life (HRQOL)



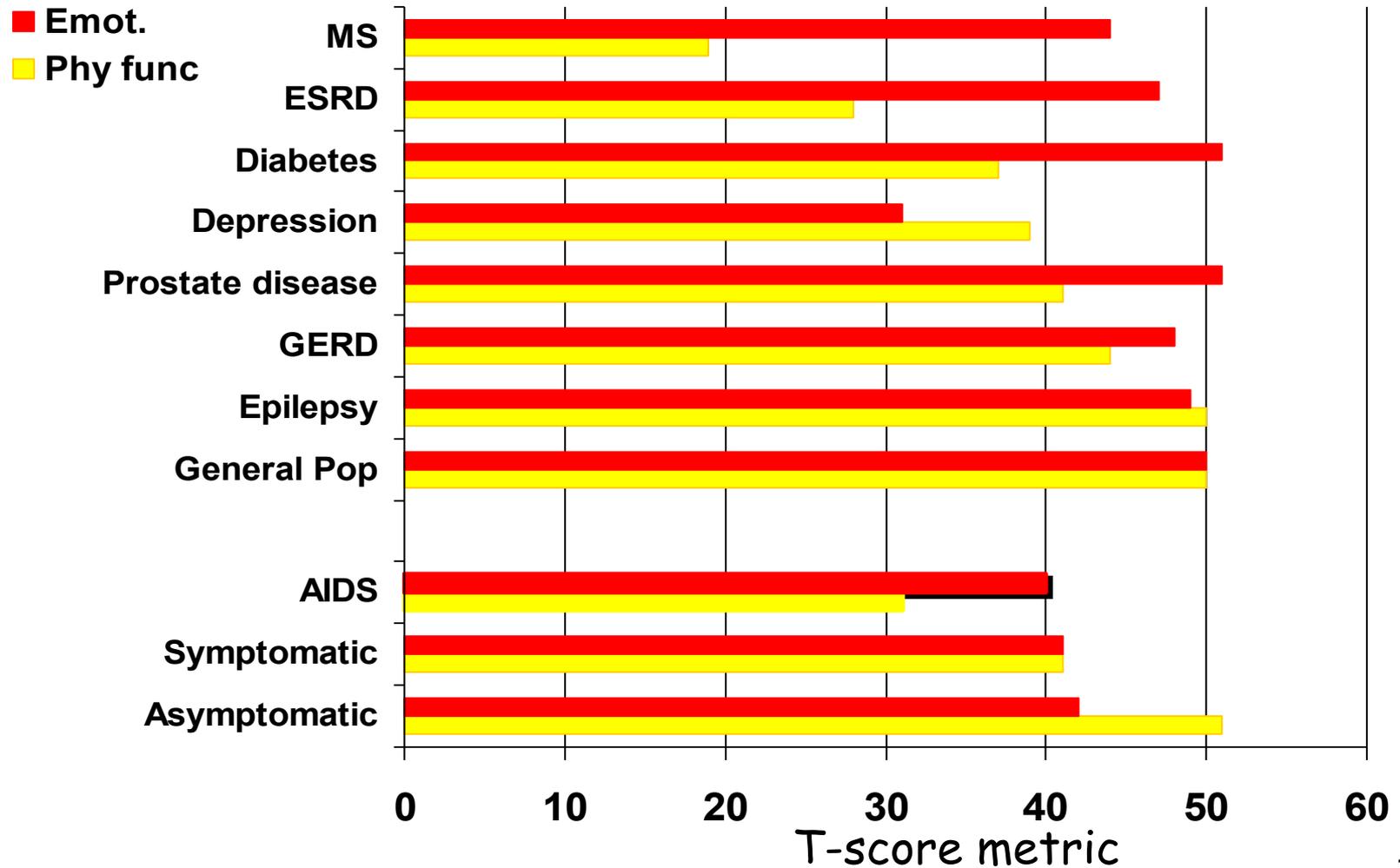
Type of HRQOL Scores

- Multiple Scores (Profile)
 - Generic (SF-36)
 - How much of the time during the past 4 weeks have you been happy? (*None of the time* → *All of the time*)
 - Targeted ("Disease specific")
 - KDQOL-36
 - My kidney disease interferes too much with my life.
- Single Score
 - Preference-based (EQ-5D, HUI, SF-6D)
- Combinations of above

HRQOL Scoring Options

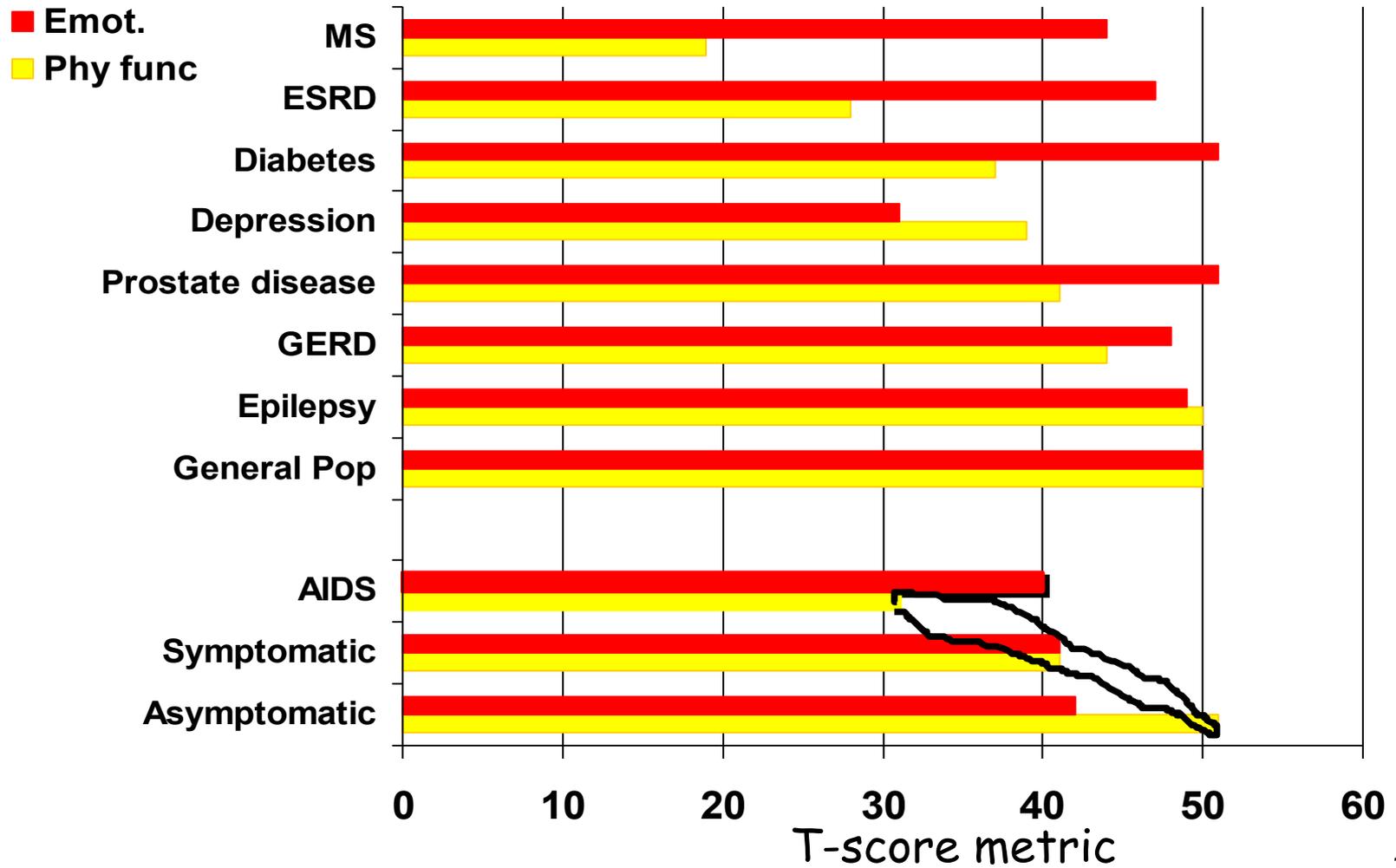
- 0-100 possible range
- T-scores (mean = 50, SD = 10)
 - $(10 * z\text{-score}) + 50$
 - $z\text{-score} = (\text{score} - \text{mean}) / \text{SD}$
- 0 (dead) to 1 (perfect health)

HRQOL in HIV Compared to other Chronic Illnesses and General Population



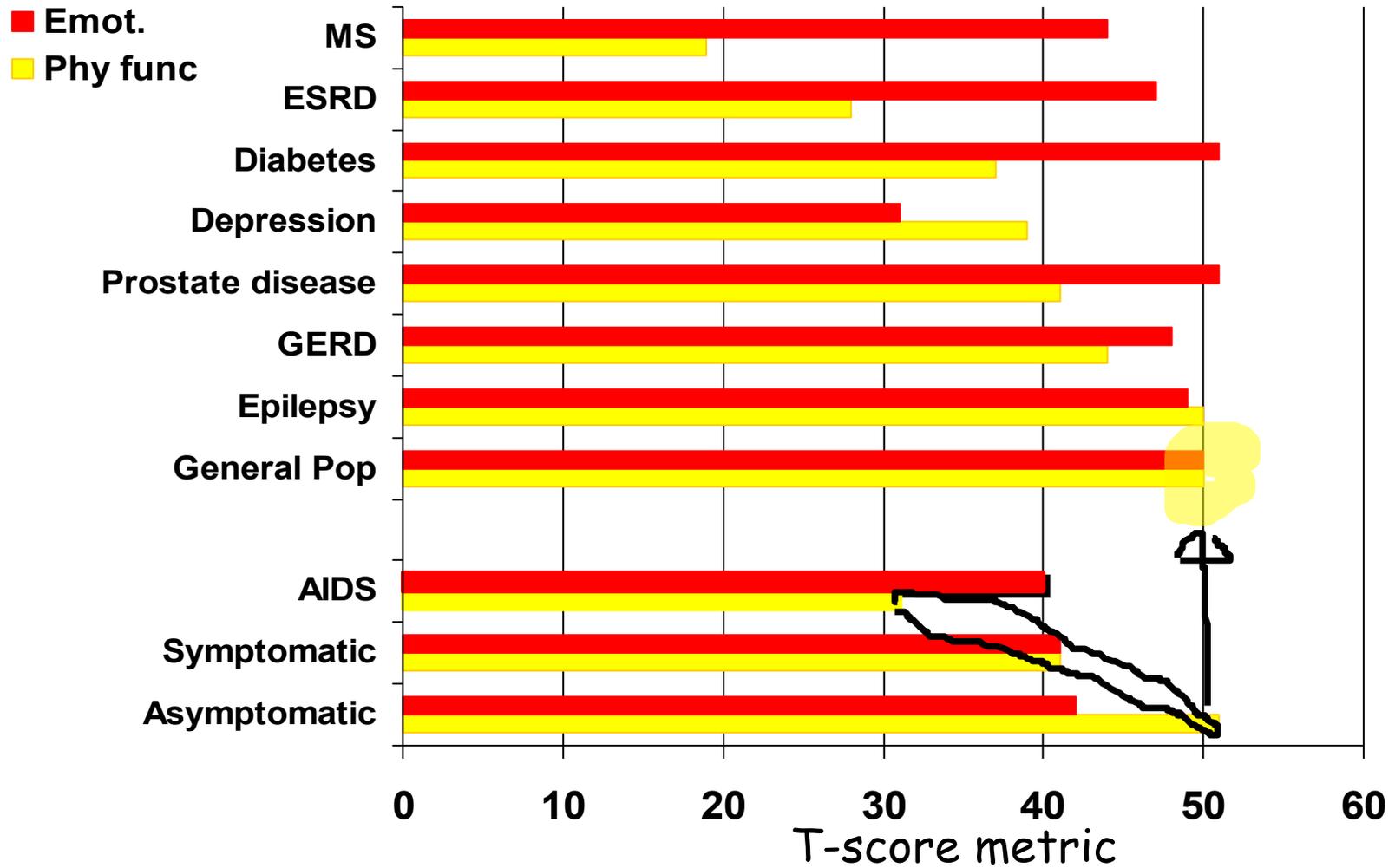
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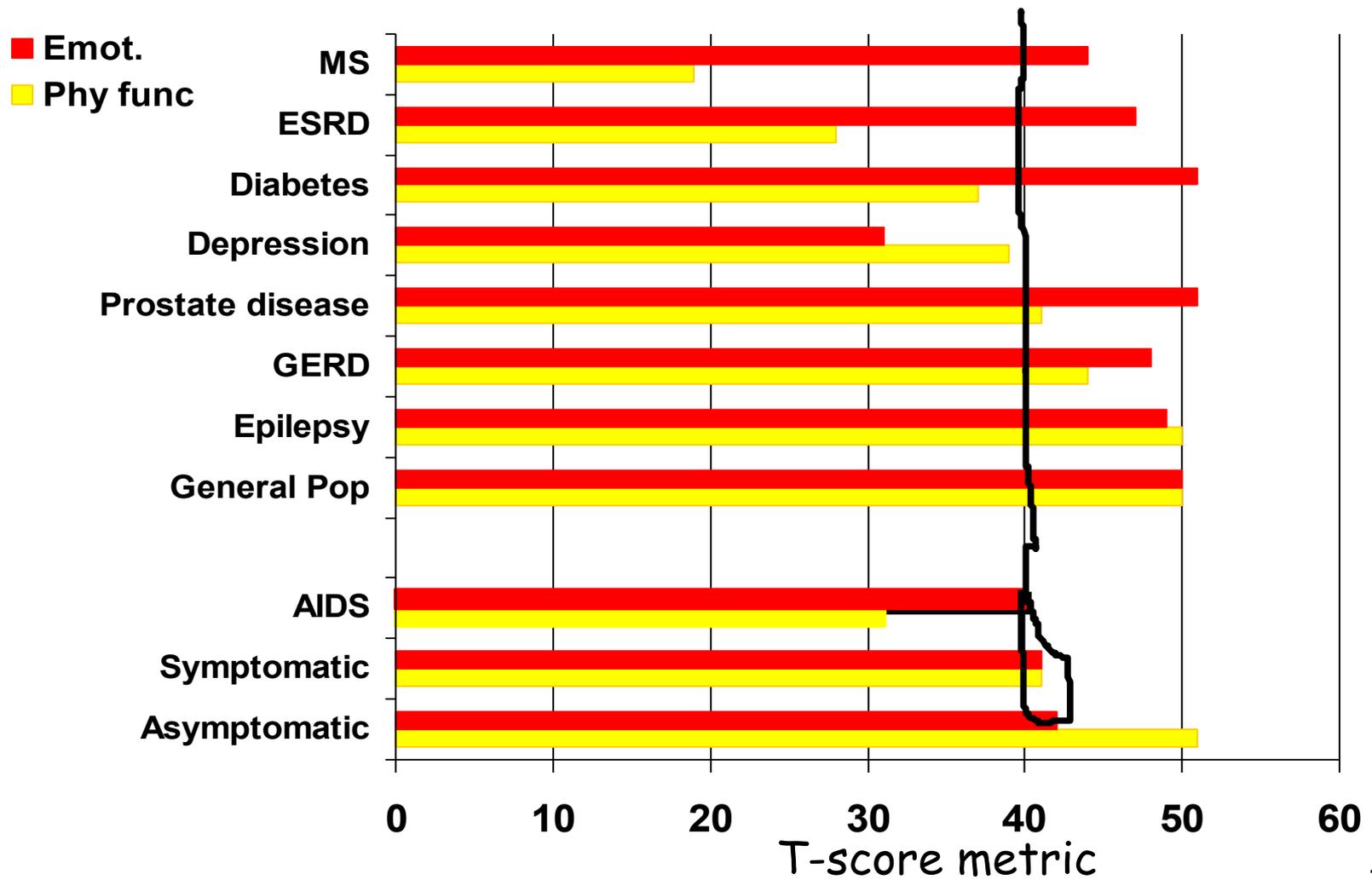
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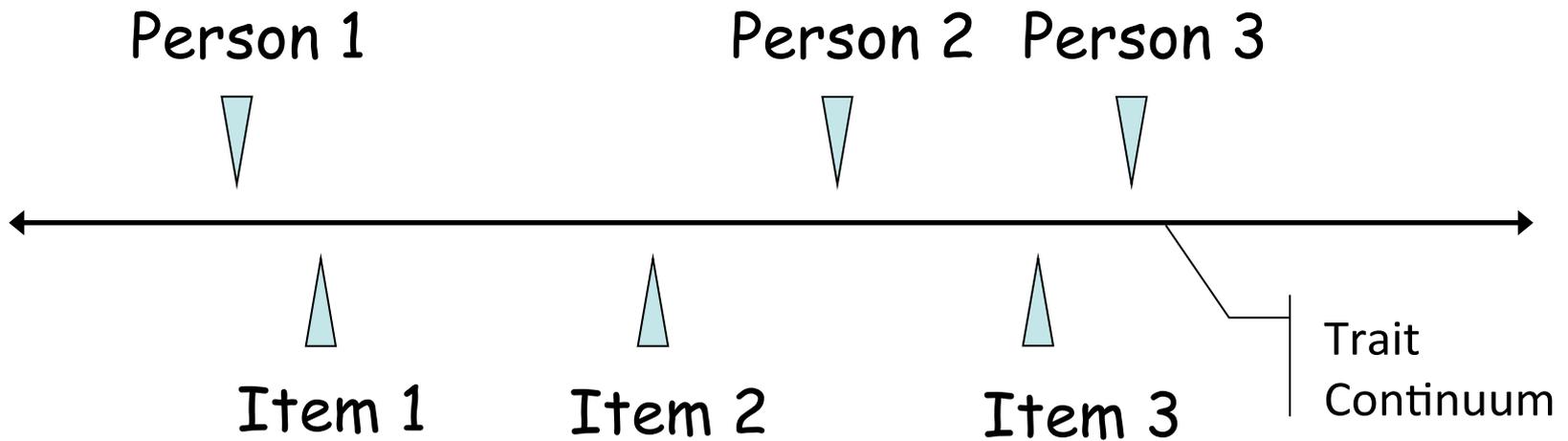
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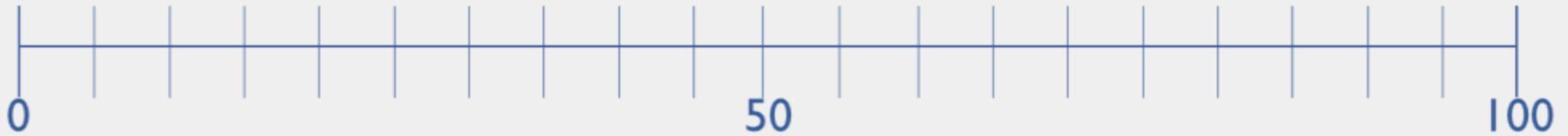
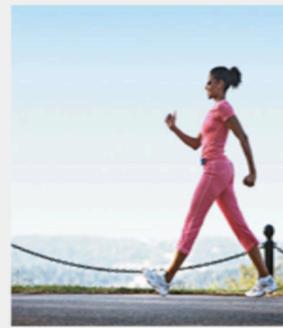
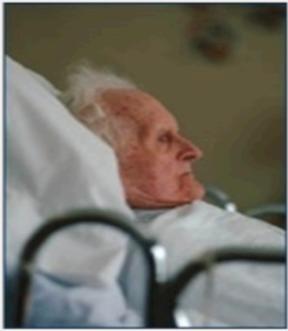
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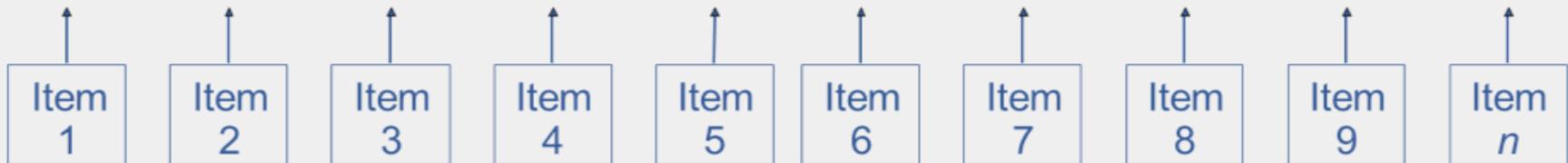
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Item Responses and Trait Levels





Physical Functioning Item Bank



Are you able to get in and out of bed?

Are you able to stand without losing your balance for 1 minute?

Are you able to walk from one room to another?

Are you able to walk a block on flat ground?

Are you able to run or jog for two miles?

Are you able to run five miles?

**In general, how would you
rate your health?**

Excellent

Very Good

Good

Fair

Poor



125%



Tools

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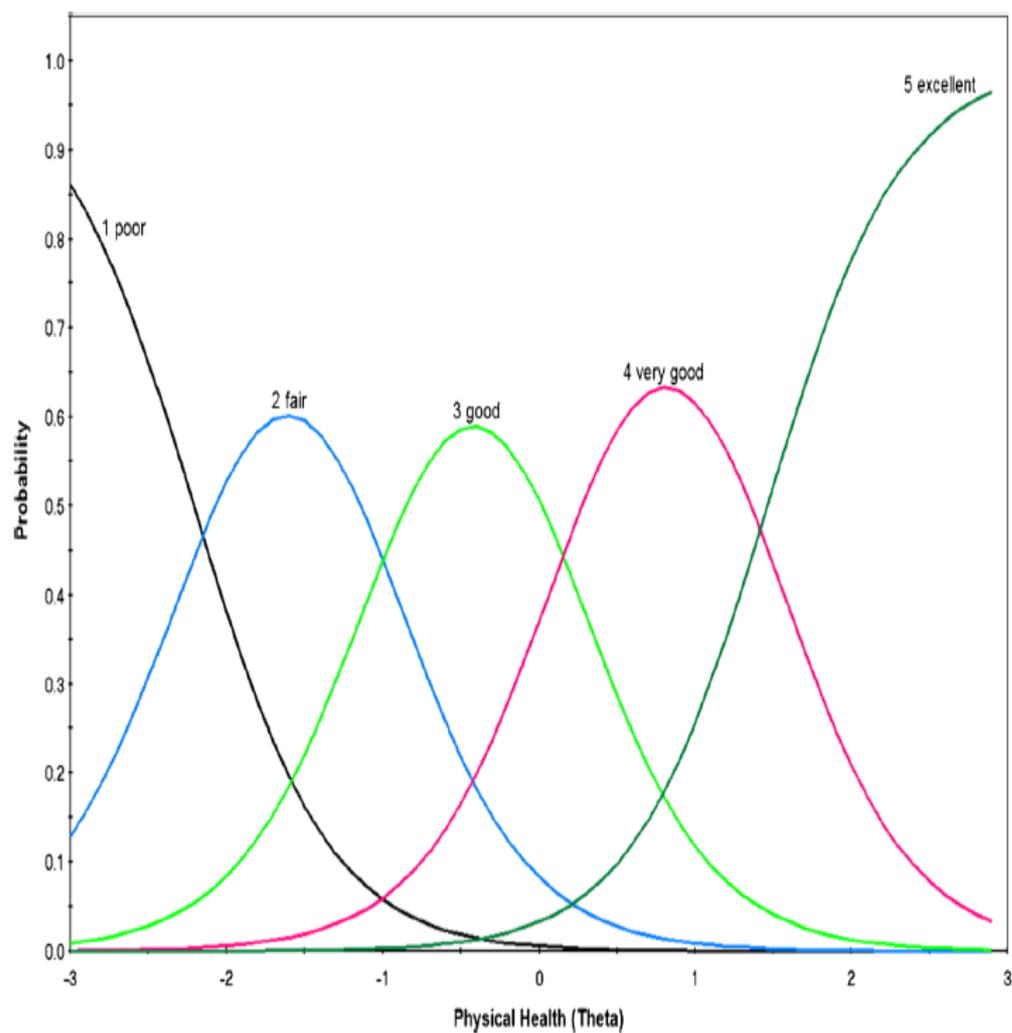


Fig. 1 Category Response Curves for PROMIS Global Health Item (global01) (Image file: Figure 1.tif).

In general, how would you rate your health?

62 = Excellent

54 = Very Good

47 = Good

38 = Fair

29 = Poor

Reliability = 0.52 (compared to 0.81 for 4-item scale).

Reliability Target for Use of Measures with Individuals

- Reliability ranges from 0-1
 - 0.90 or above is goal
- $SE = SD (1 - \text{reliability})^{1/2}$
- $\text{Reliability} = 1 - (SE/10)^2$
 - Reliability = 0.90 when SE = 3.2
 - 95% CI = true score +/- 1.96 x SE

In the past 7 days ...

I was grouchy [1st question]

- Never [39]
- Rarely [48]
- Sometimes [56]
- Often [64]
- Always [72]

Estimated Anger = 56.1

SE = 5.7 (rel. = 0.68)

In the past 7 days ...

I felt like I was ready to explode

[2nd question]

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

Estimated Anger = 51.9

SE = 4.8 (rel. = 0.77)

In the past 7 days ...

I felt angry [3rd question]

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

Estimated Anger = 50.5

SE = 3.9 (rel. = 0.85)

In the past 7 days ...

I felt angrier than I thought I should

[4th question]

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

Estimated Anger = 48.8

SE = 3.6 (rel. = 0.87)

In the past 7 days ...

I felt annoyed [5th question]

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

Estimated Anger = 50.1

SE = 3.2 (rel. = 0.90)

In the past 7 days ...

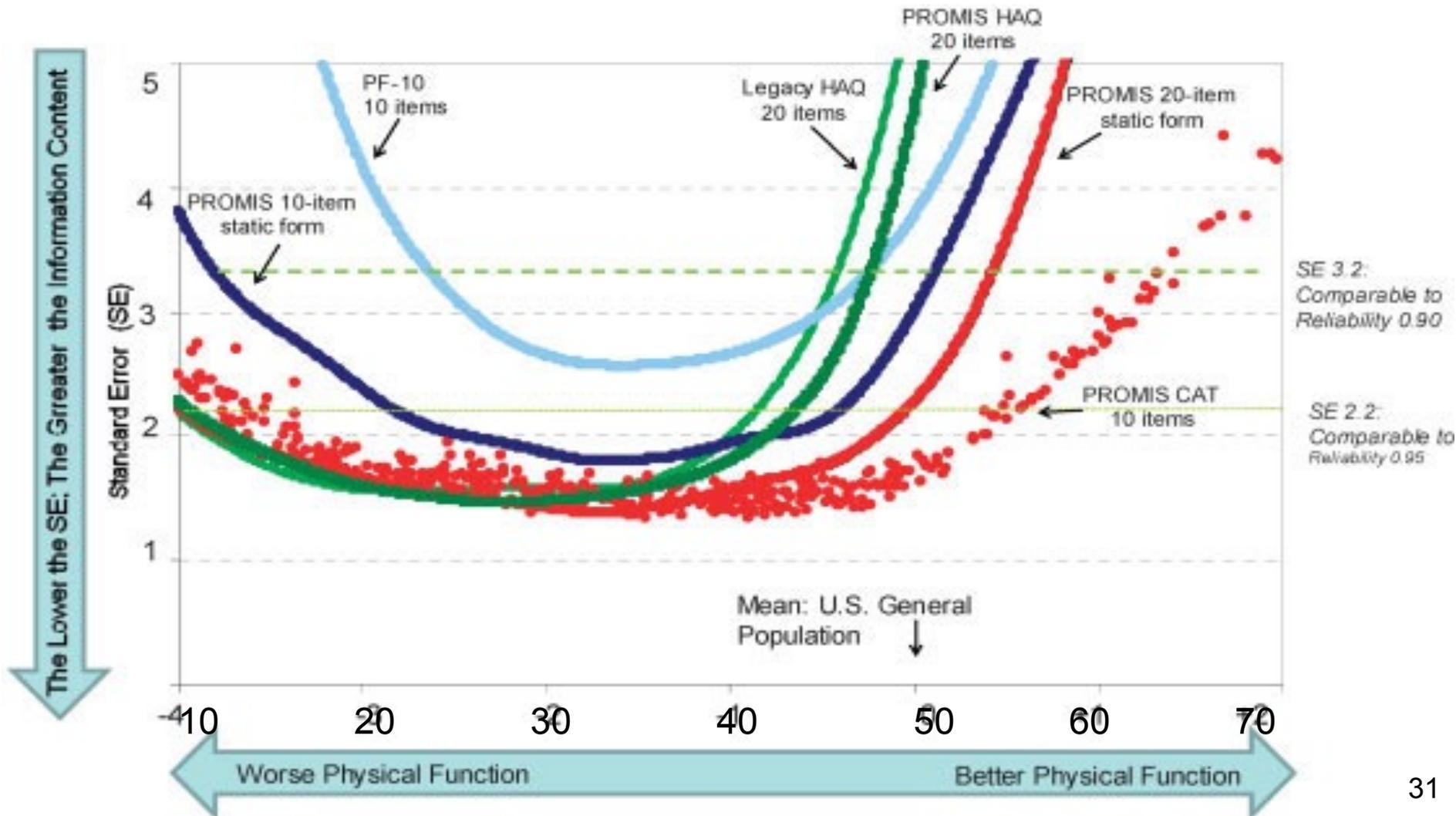
I made myself angry about something just by thinking about it. [6th question]

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

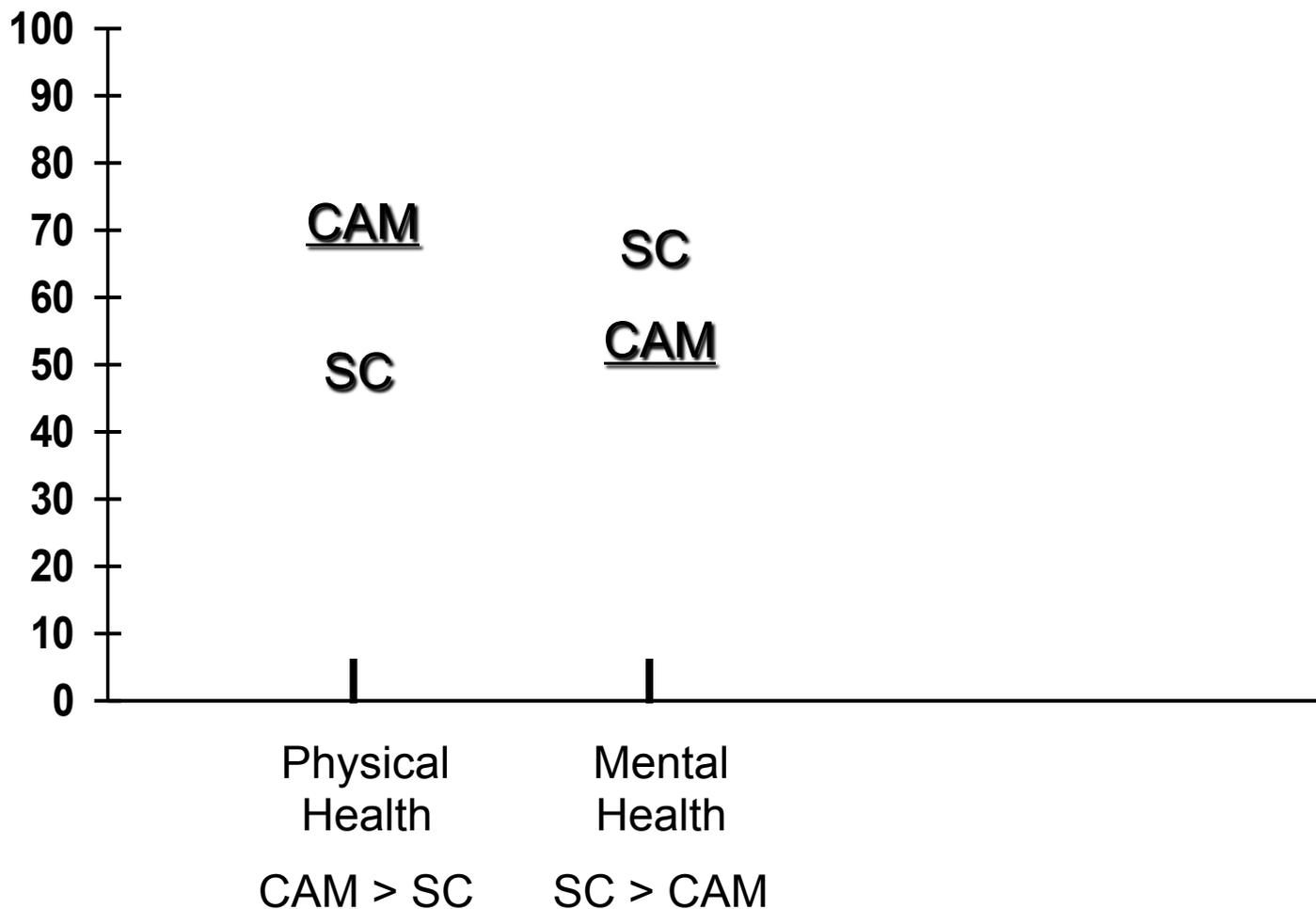
Estimated Anger = 50.2

SE = 2.8 (rel = 0.92)

PROMIS Physical Functioning vs. "Legacy" Measures



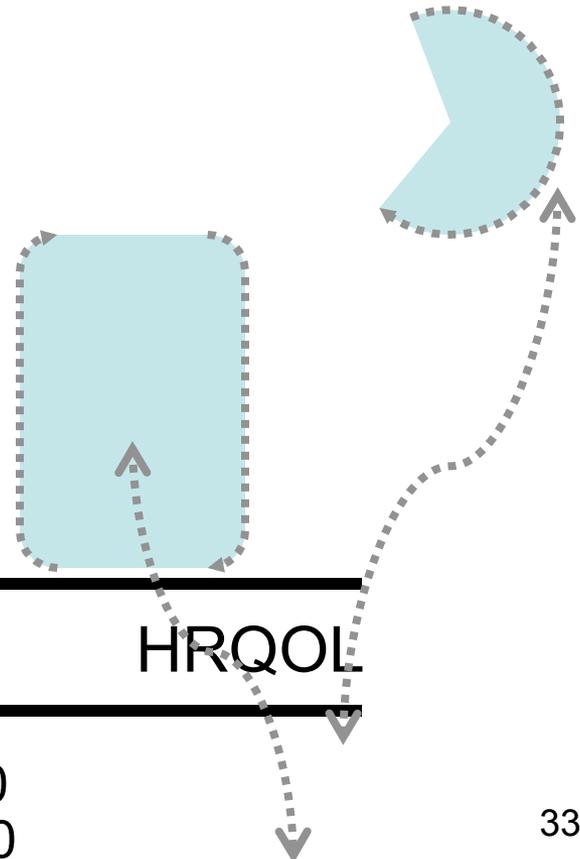
Is CAM Better than Standard Care (SC)?



Is Acupuncture Related to Worse HRQOL?

Subject	Acupuncture	General Health
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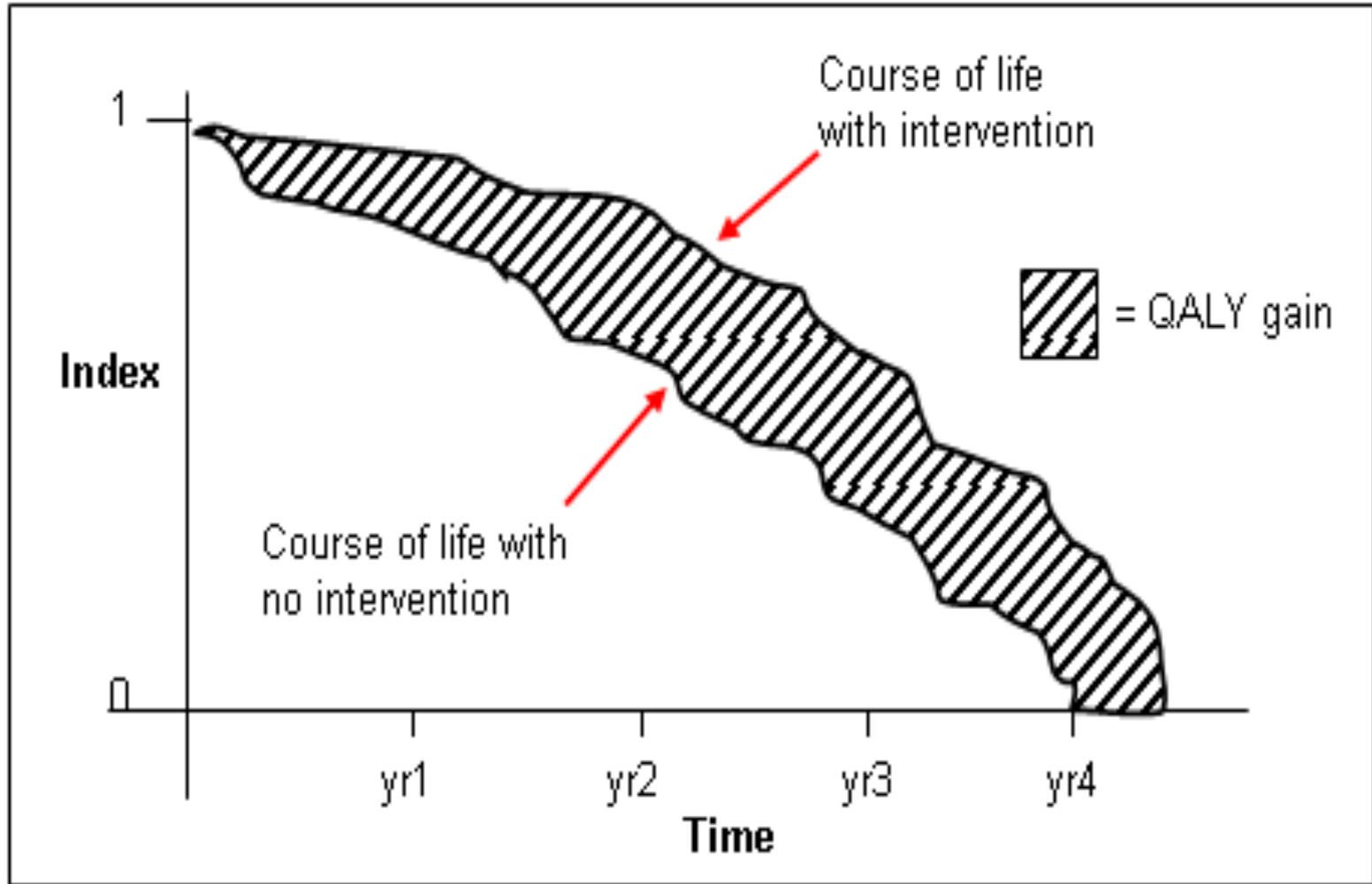
		1	No	dead
		2	No	dead
		3	No	50
		4	No	60
		5	No	70
		6	Yes	40
		7	Yes	50
		8	Yes	50
9	Yes	55	10	Yes



Group	n	HRQOL
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No Acupuncture 360
 Yes Acupuncture 550

http://www.ukmi.nhs.uk/Research/pharma_res.asp



The EQ-5D-3L descriptive system should be scored as follows:

0.435

By placing a tick in one box in each group, please indicate which statements best describe your health today.

Mobility

- I have no problems in walking about
- I have some problems in walking about
- I am confined to bed

Self-Care

- I have no problems with self-care
- I have some problems washing or dressing myself
- I am unable to wash or dress myself

Usual Activities (*e.g. work, study, housework, family or leisure activities*)

- I have no problems with performing my usual activities
- I have some problems with performing my usual activities
- I am unable to perform my usual activities

Pain/Discomfort

- I have no pain or discomfort
- I have moderate pain or discomfort
- I have extreme pain or discomfort

Anxiety/Depression

- I am not anxious or depressed
- I am moderately anxious or depressed
- I am extremely anxious or depressed

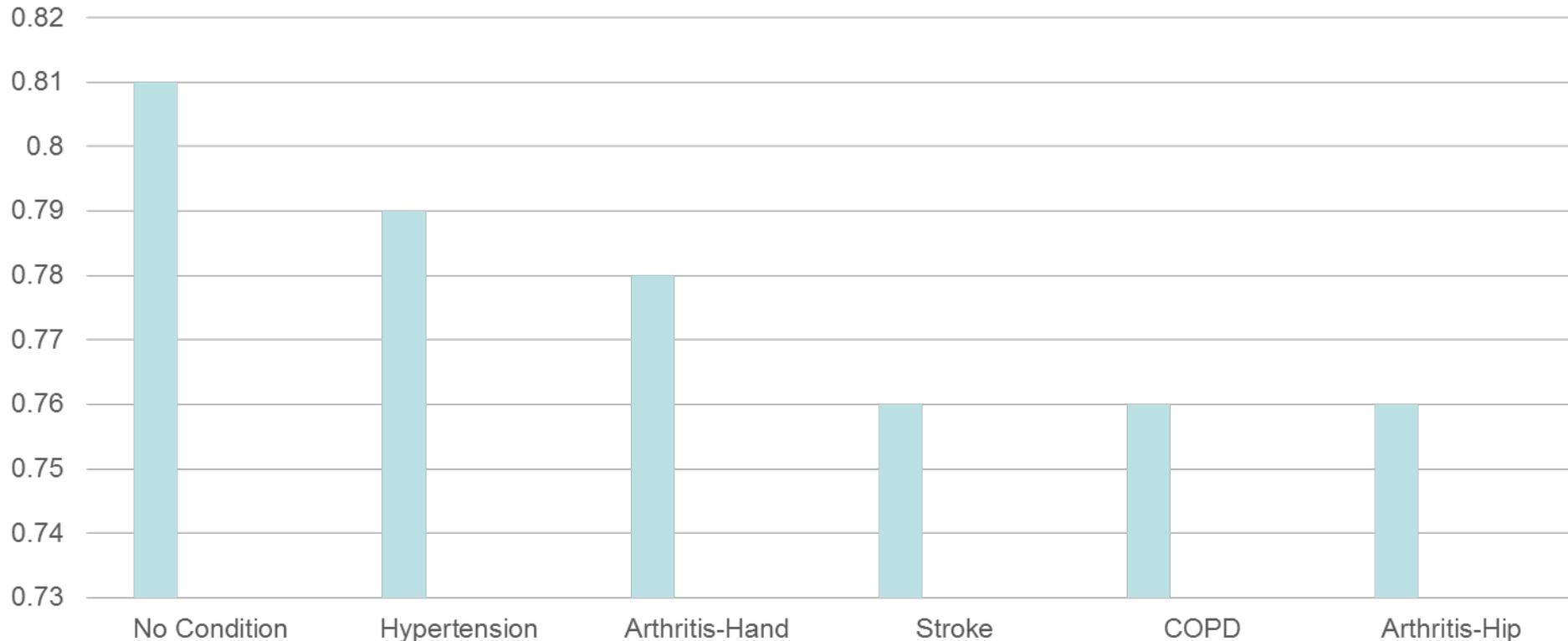
Levels of perceived problems are coded as follows:

- Level 1 is coded as a '1'
-
-
- Level 2 is coded as a '2'
-
-
- Level 3 is coded as a '3'
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NB: There should be only one response for each dimension.

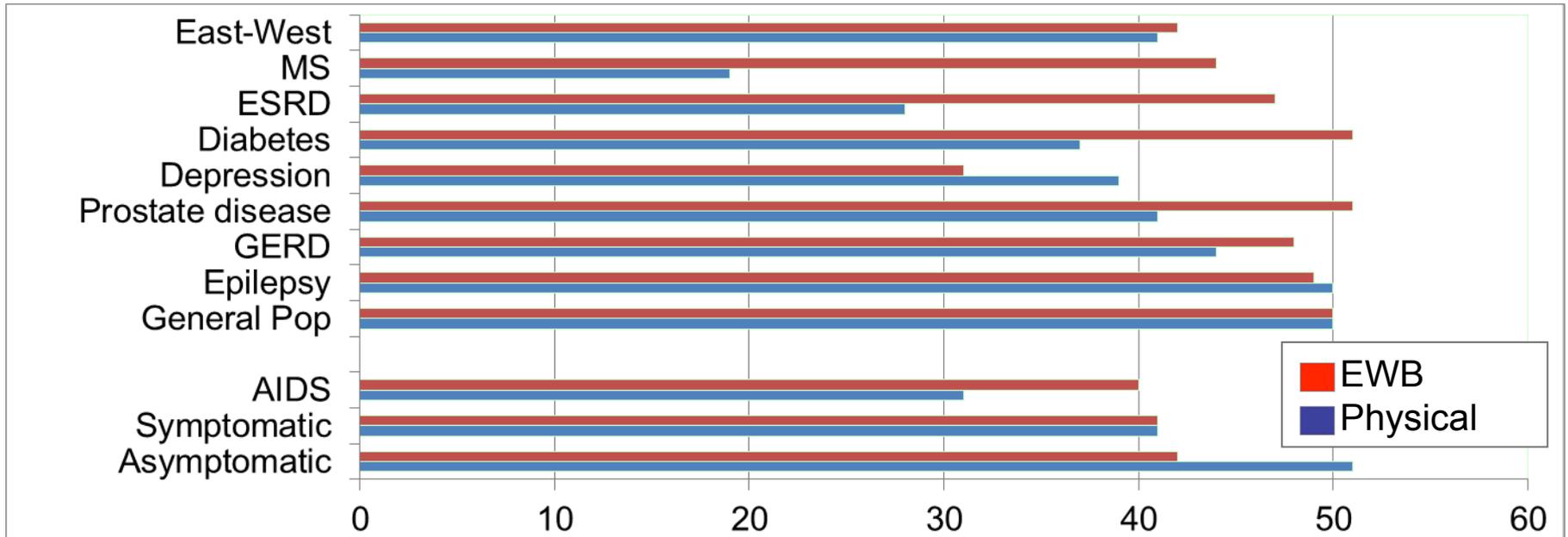
HRQOL in SEER-Medicare Health Outcomes Study (n = 126,366)

SF-6D (0-1 possible range) by Condition



Controlling for age, gender, race/ethnicity, education, income, and marital status.

Physical Functioning and Emotional Well-Being at Baseline for 54 Patients at UCLA-Center for East West Medicine



MS = multiple sclerosis; ESRD = end-stage renal disease; GERD = gastroesophageal reflux disease.

Significant Improvement in all but 1 of SF-36 Scales (Change is in T-score metric)

	Change	t-test	prob.
PF-10	1.7	2.38	.0208
RP-4	4.1	3.81	.0004
BP-2	3.6	2.59	.0125
GH-5	2.4	2.86	.0061
EN-4	5.1	4.33	.0001
SF-2	4.7	3.51	.0009
RE-3	1.5	0.96	.3400 ←
EWB-5	4.3	3.20	.0023
PCS	2.8	3.23	.0021
MCS	3.9	2.82	.0067

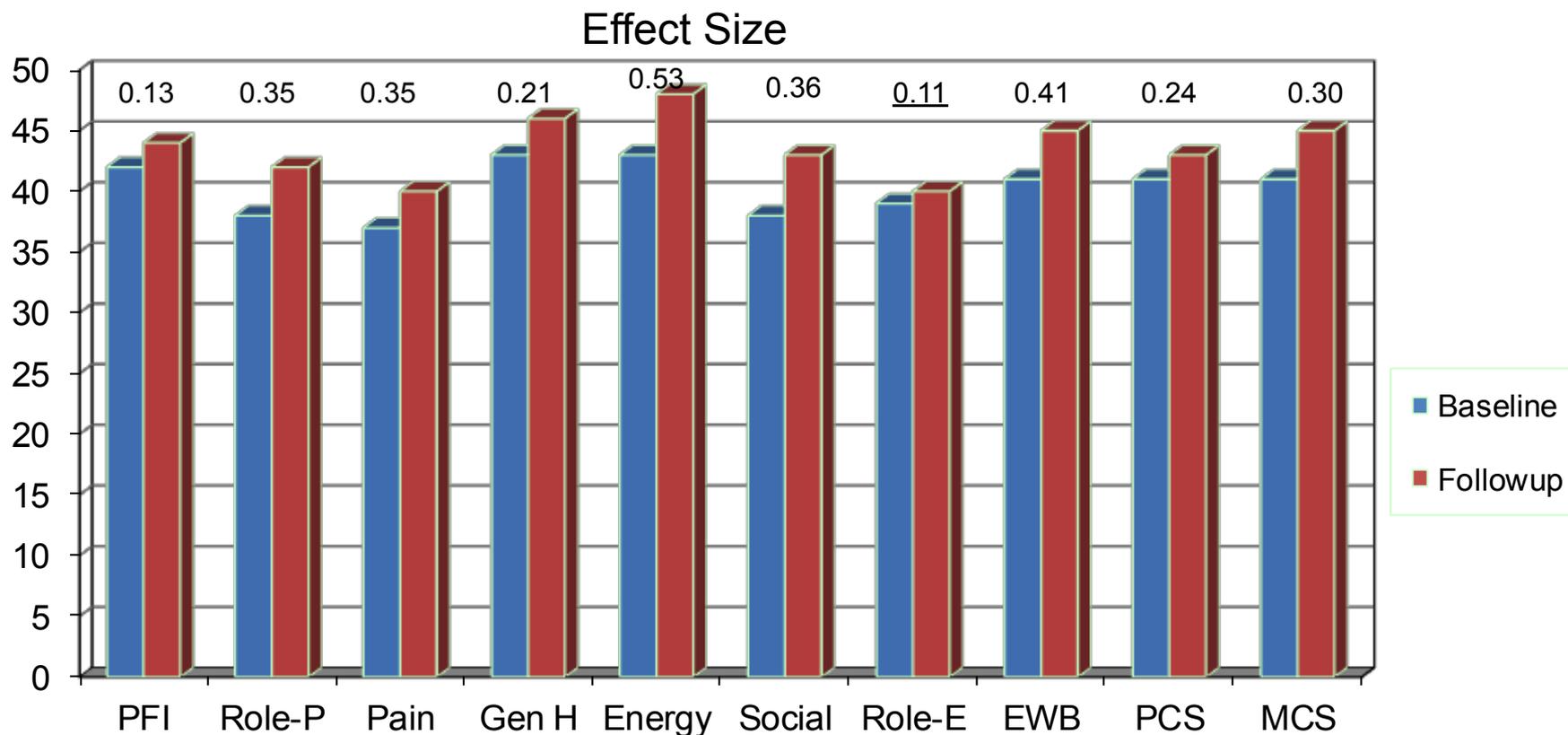
Effect Size

(Follow-up – Baseline) / SD_{baseline}

Cohen's Rule of Thumb:

- ✓ ES = 0.20 Small
- ✓ ES = 0.50 Medium
- ✓ ES = 0.80 Large

Effect Sizes for Changes in SF-36 Scores



PFI = Physical Functioning; Role-P = Role-Physical; Pain = Bodily Pain; Gen H=General Health; Energy = Energy/Fatigue; Social = Social Functioning; Role-E = Role-Emotional; EWB = Emotional Well-being; PCS = Physical Component Summary; MCS =Mental Component Summary.

Defining a Responder: Reliable Change Index (RCI)

$$\frac{X_2 - X_1}{(\sqrt{2}) (SEM)}$$

$$SEM = SD_{bl} \times \sqrt{1 - r_{xx}}$$

Note: SD_{bl} = standard deviation at baseline
 r_{xx} = reliability

Amount of Change in Observed Score Needed To be Statistically Significant

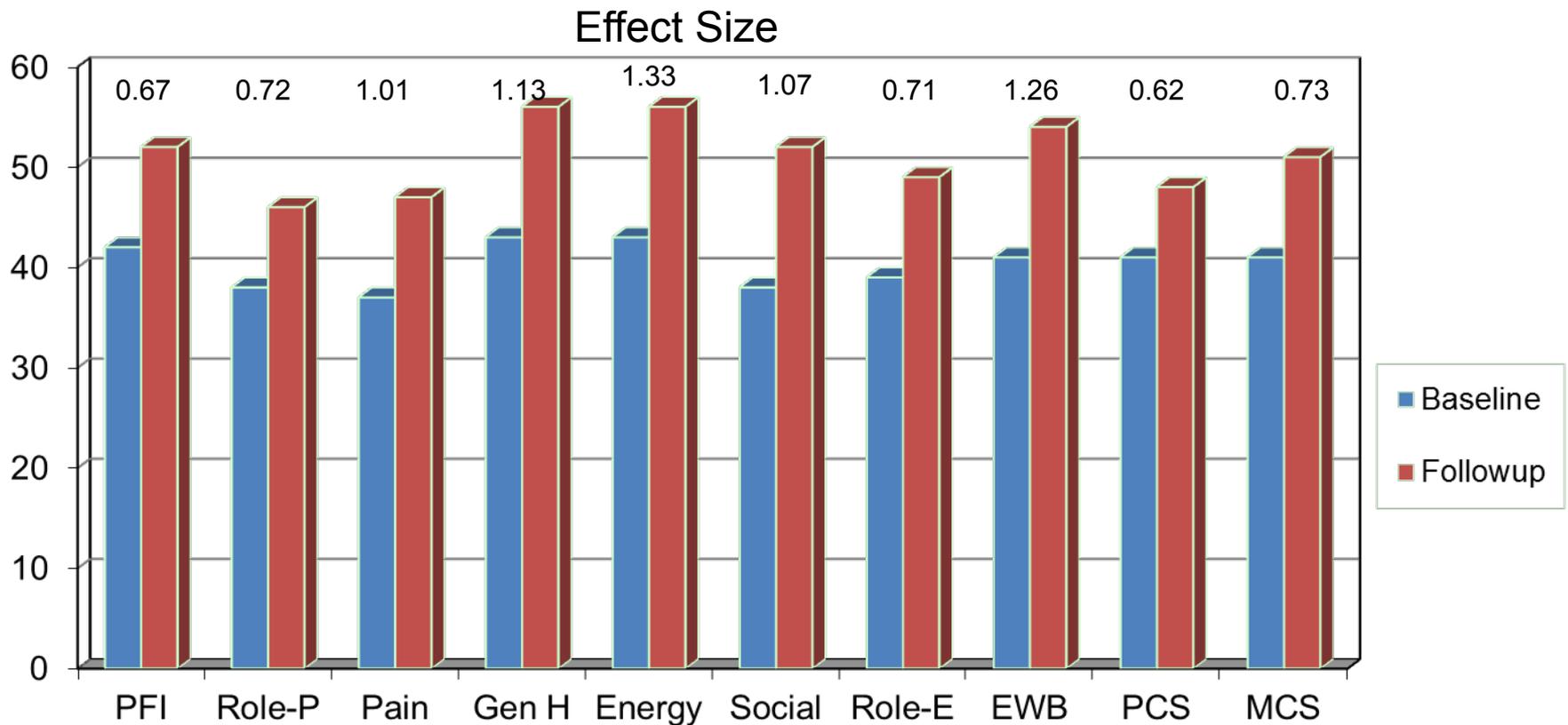
$$(\sqrt{2}) (SD_{bl}) \sqrt{(1 - r_{xx})} (1.96)$$


Note: SD_{bl} = standard deviation at baseline and r_{xx} = reliability

Amount of Change in Observed Score Needed for Significant Individual Change

Scale	RCI	Effect size	Cronbach's alpha
PF-10	8.4	0.67	0.94
RP-4	8.4	0.72	0.93
BP-2	10.4	1.01	0.87
GH-5	13.0	1.13	0.83
EN-4	12.8	1.33	0.77
SF-2	13.8	1.07	0.85
RE-3	9.7	0.71	0.94
EWB-5	13.4	1.26	0.79
PCS	7.1	0.62	0.94
MCS	9.7	0.73	0.93

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7-31% of People in Sample Improve Significantly

	% Improving	% Declining	Difference
PF-10	13%	2%	+ 11%
RP-4	31%	2%	+ 29%
BP-2	22%	7%	+ 15%
GH-5	7%	0%	+ 7%
EN-4	9%	2%	+ 7%
SF-2	17%	4%	+ 13%
RE-3	15%	15%	0%
EWB-5	19%	4%	+ 15%
PCS	24%	7%	+ 17%
MCS	22%	11%	+ 11%

Thank you.



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PROMIS v1.0 bank
CaPS or U Pitt bank in development
PROMIS area tested but no bank developed for v1.0
Area addressed (in part) by bank within lineage
Area not addressed yet

