

Health-Related Quality of Life in Outcome Studies

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Health-Related Quality of Life is ...

What you can do.

- Functioning

Self-care

Role

Social

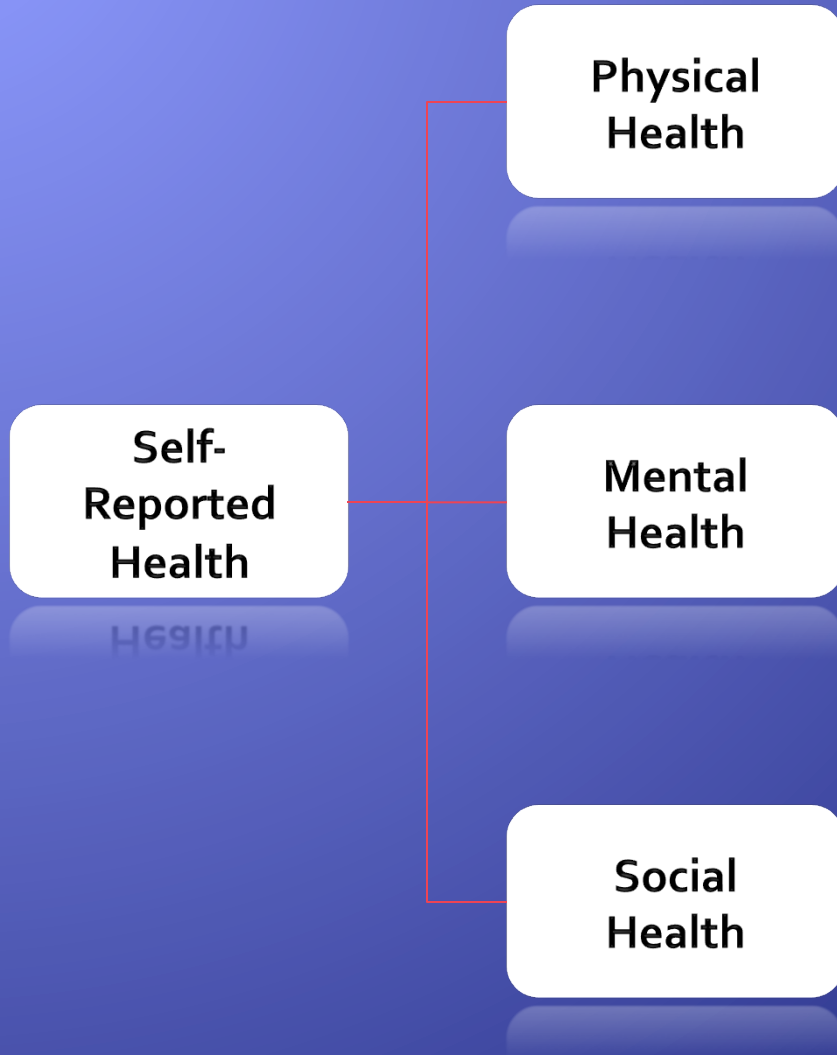
How you feel about your life.

- Well-being

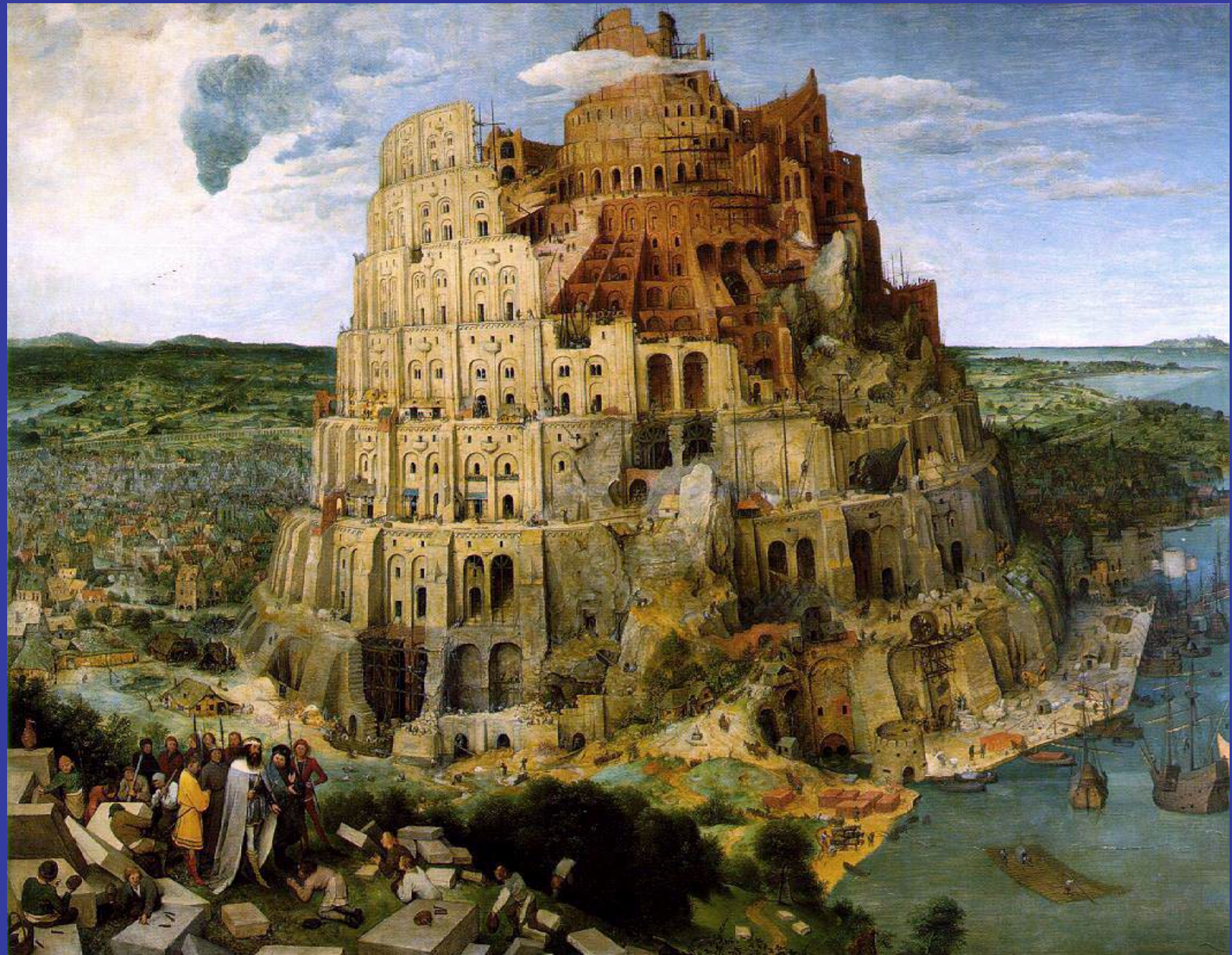
Emotional well-being

Pain

Energy



The Tower of Babel (Brueghel, 1563)



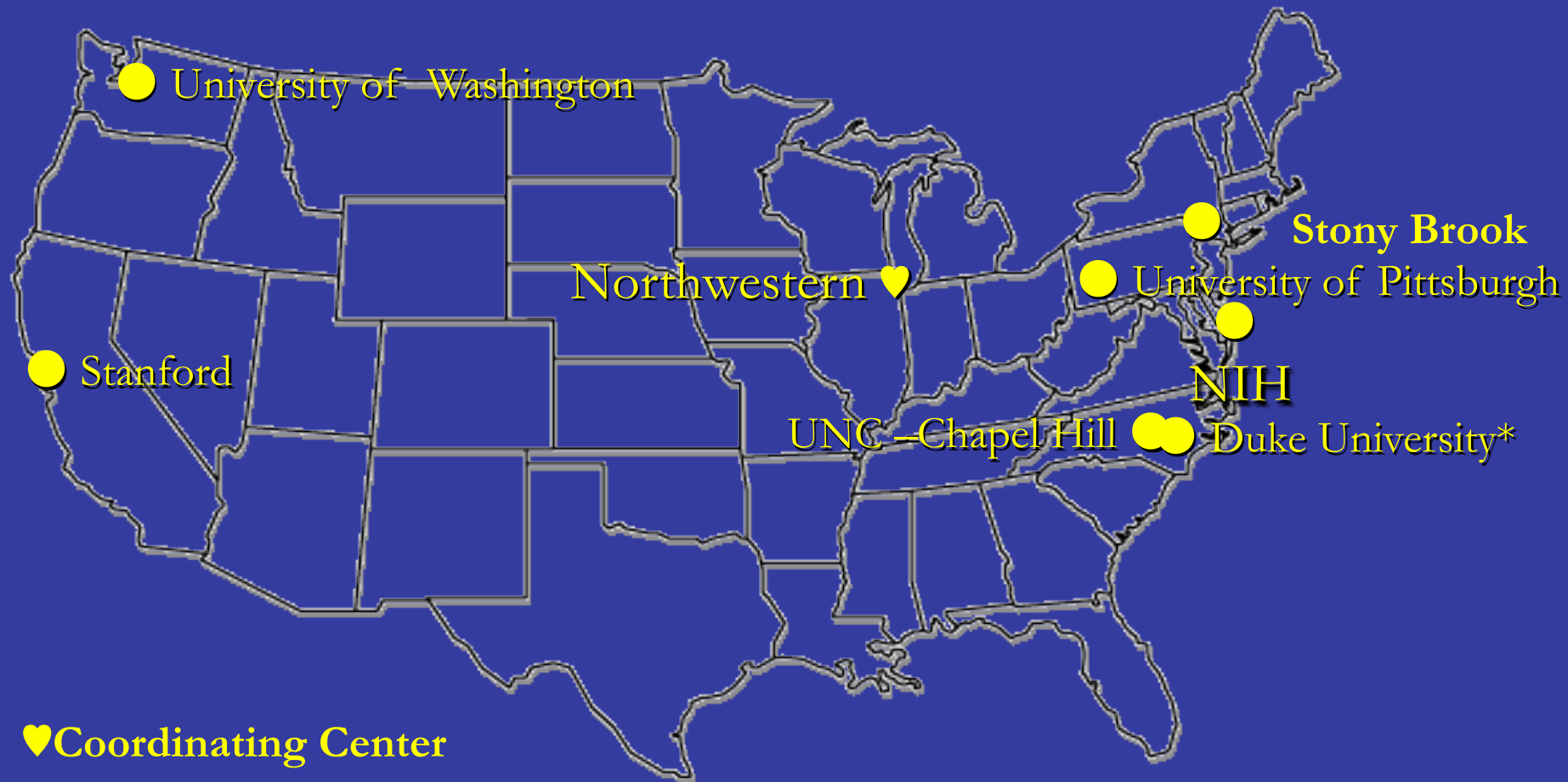
SF-36®

- ◆ Physical functioning (10 items)
- ◆ Role limitations/physical (4 items)
- ◆ Role limitations/emotional (3 items)
- ◆ Social functioning (2 items)
- ◆ Emotional well-being (5 items)
- ◆ Energy/fatigue (4 items)
- ◆ Pain (2 items)
- ◆ General health perceptions (5 items)

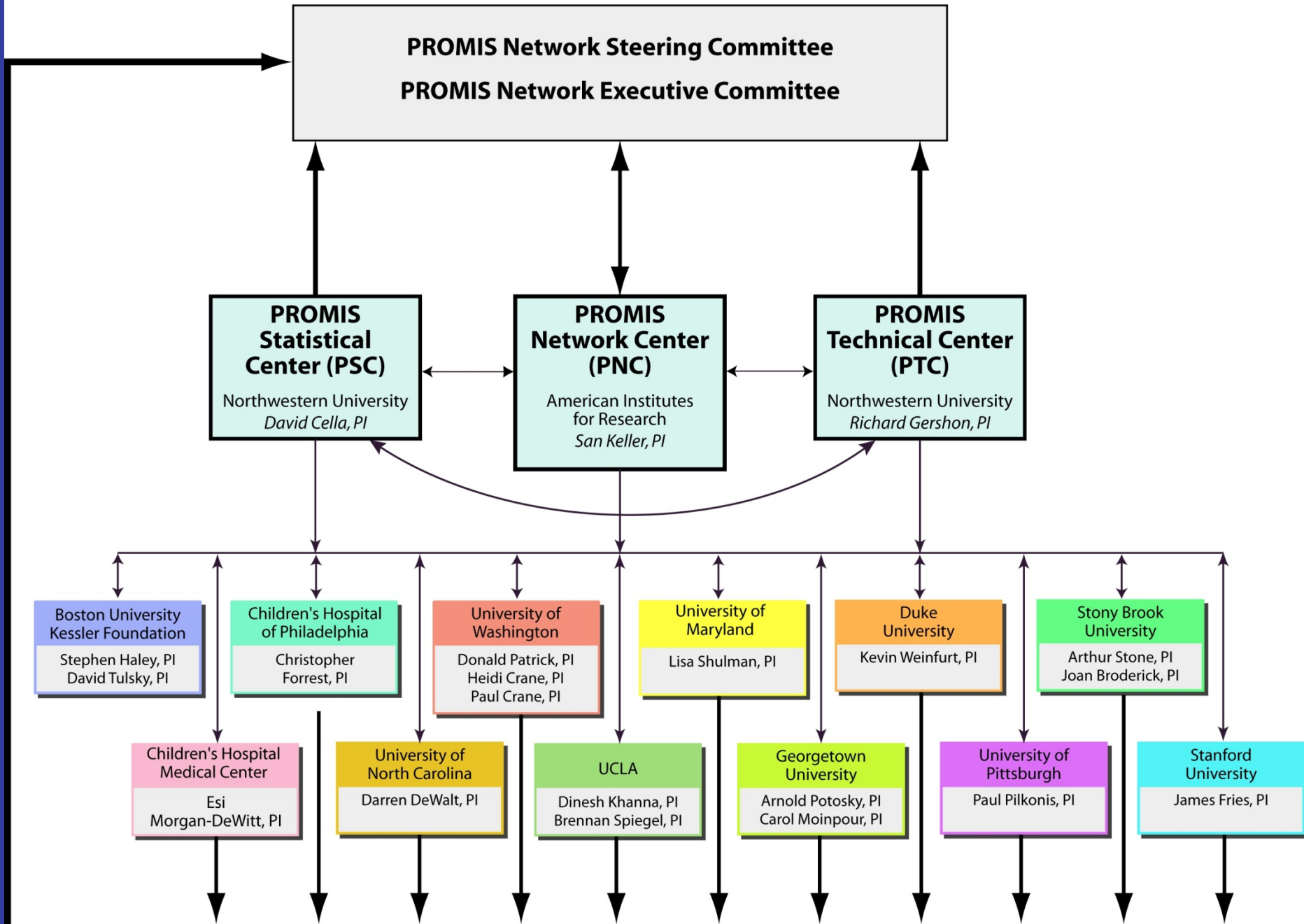
Patient-Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System (PROMIS), 2004-?

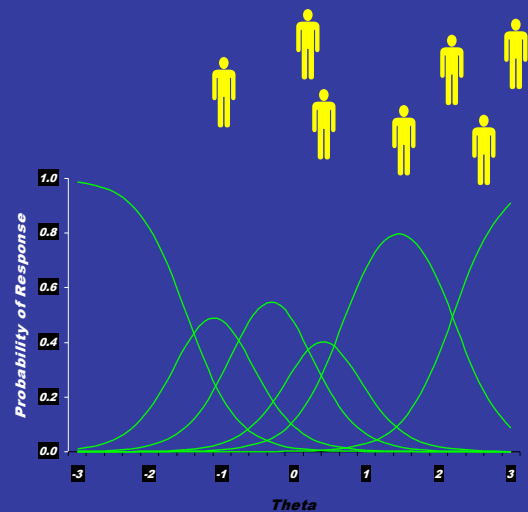
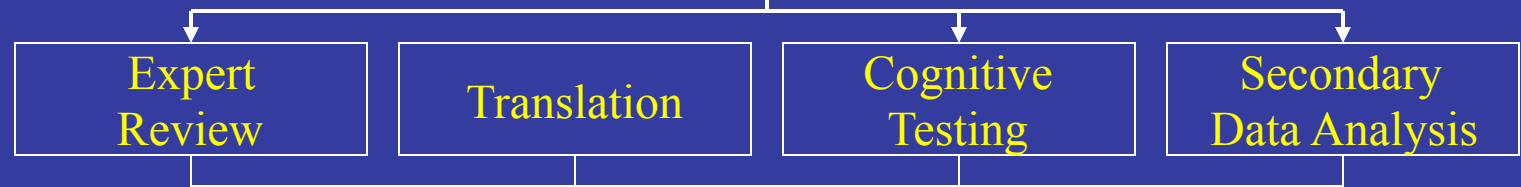
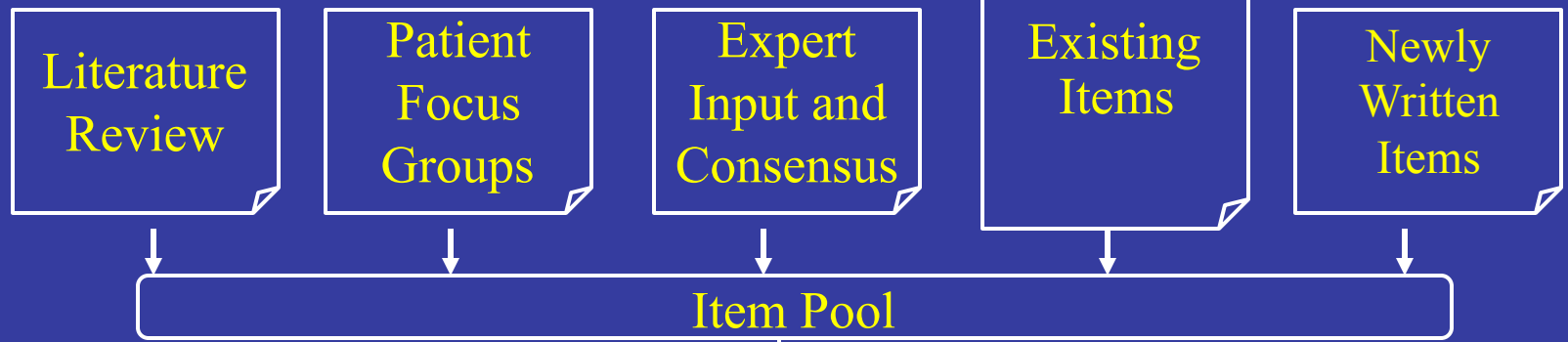
- An answer to the “Tower of Babel”
- A commitment of NIH to improve and standardize measurement of patient-reported outcomes (i.e., health-related quality of life)

PROMIS-1 Network: 2004-2009



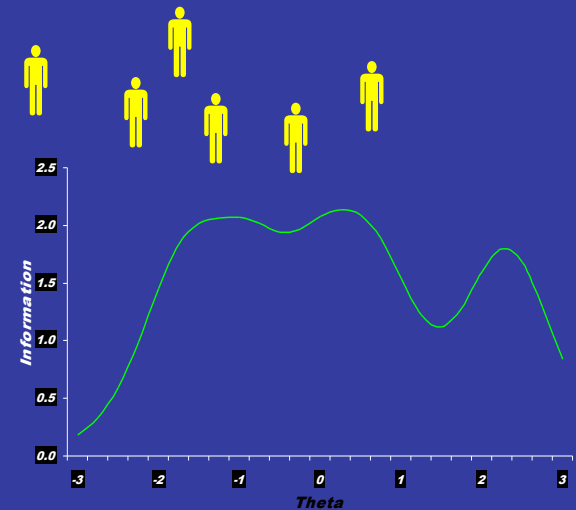
PROMIS II Network Diagram





Questionnaire
administered to large
representative sample

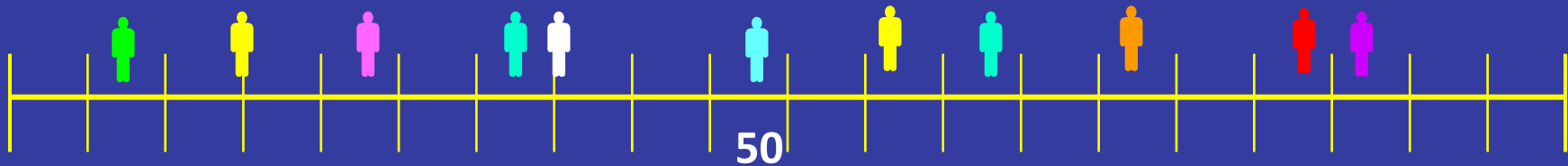
Psycho-
metric
Testing



Item Bank
(IRT-calibrated items)

Short Form
Instruments

CAT



Physical Functioning Item Bank

↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑	↑
Item	Item	Item	Item	Item	Item	Item	Item	Item	Item
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	<i>n</i>

- 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?

Computerized Adaptive Testing (CAT)

- Select questions based on a person's response to previously administered questions.
- Iteratively estimate a person's location on a domain (e.g., fatigue, depressive symptoms)
- Administer most informative items
- Desired level of precision can be obtained using the minimal possible number of questions.

Reliability and SEM

- z-score (mean = 0 and SD = 1)
- T-score = (z-score * 10) + 50
 - Reliability = $1 - \text{SEM}^2$ (for z-scores)
 - = 0.91 (when SEM = 0.30)
 - = 0.90 (when SEM = 0.32)
- With 0.90 reliability
 - 95% Confidence Interval for score at mean
 - z-score: - 0.62 → 0.62
 - T-score: 43.8 → 56.2
- www.nihpromis.org

In the past 7 days

I was grouchy

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

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Response	Theta	Score	SE
EDANG30=3	0.61	56.1	0.57

In the past 7 days

I felt like I was ready to explode

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

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In the past 7 days

I felt angry

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

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EDANG09=2	0.05	50.5	0.39

In the past 7 days

I felt angrier than I thought I should

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

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EDANG28=1	-0.12	48.8	0.36

In the past 7 days

I felt annoyed

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

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In the past 7 days

I made myself angry about something just by thinking about it

- ☐ Never
- ☒ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
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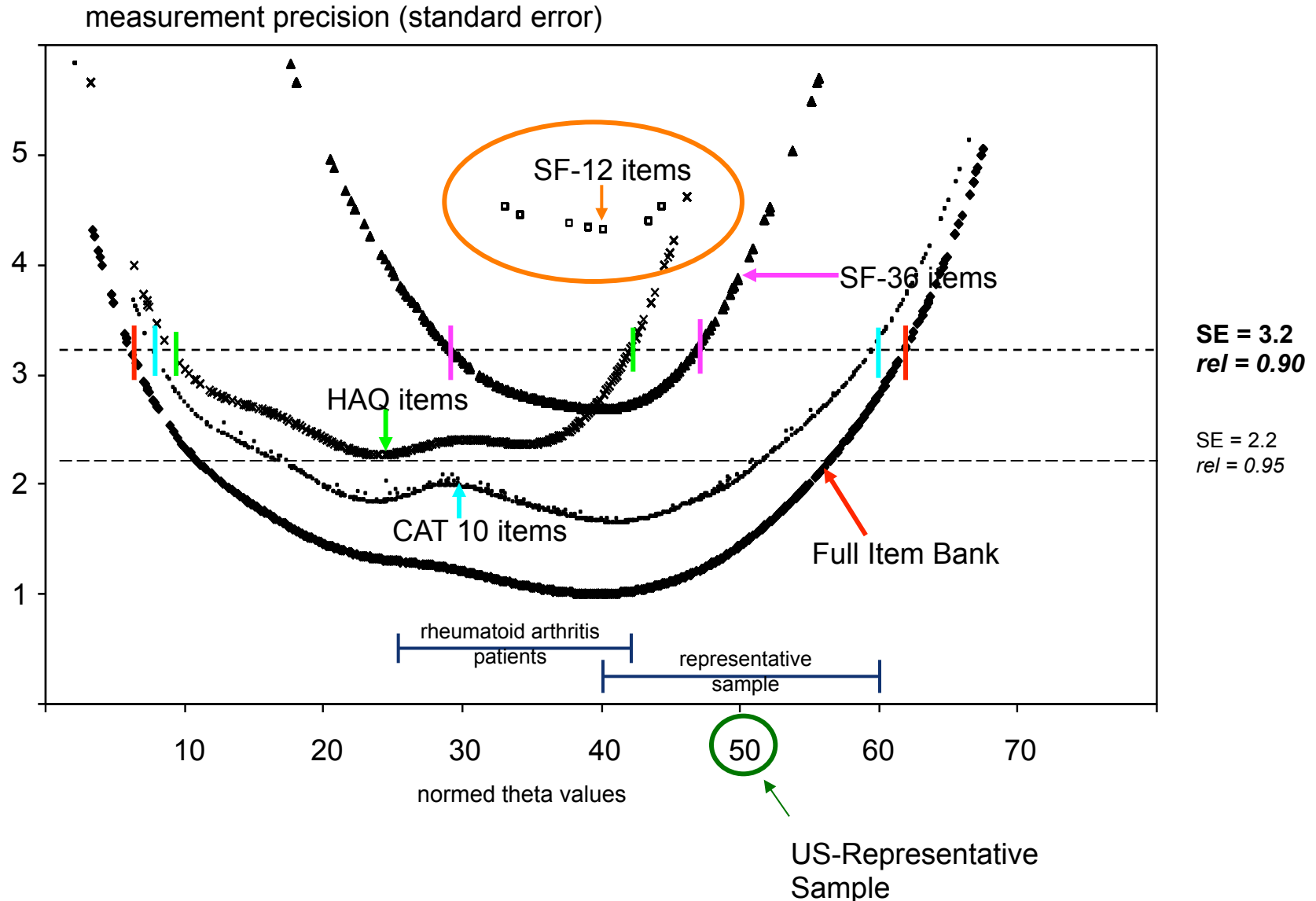
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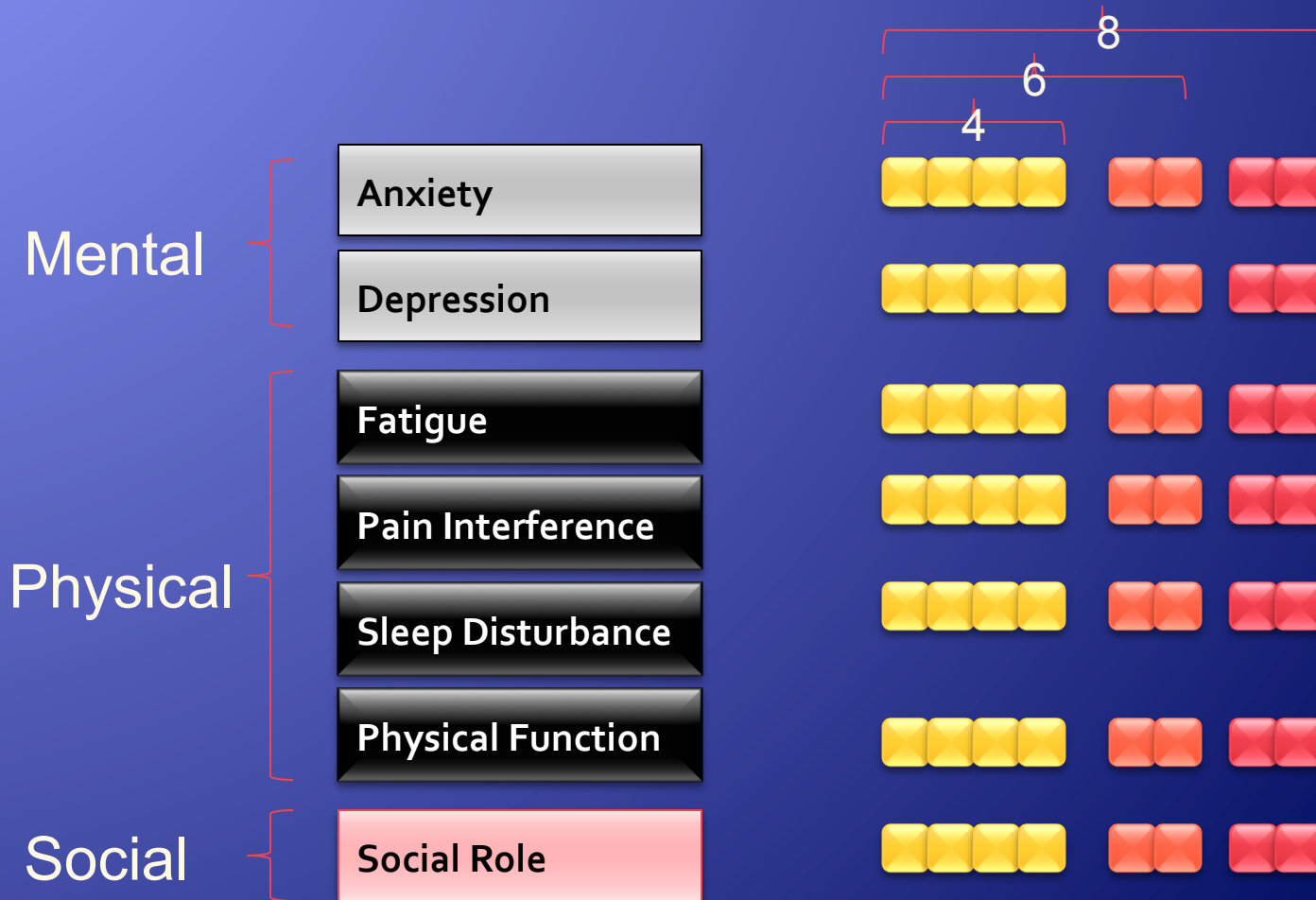
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EDANG06=2	0.02	50.2	0.28

End of Form

CAT assessments can achieve higher precision than fixed forms

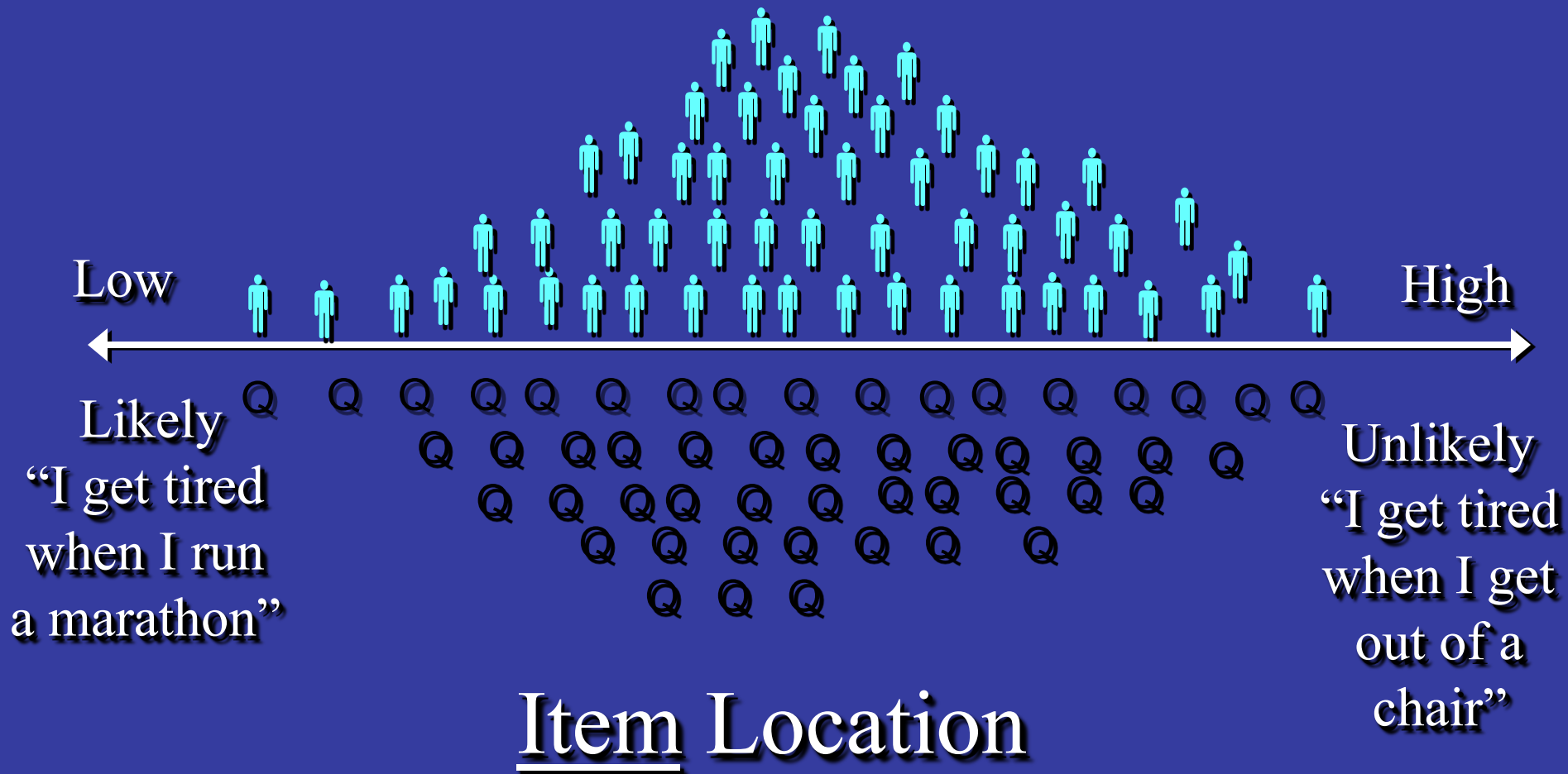


PROMIS Profiles

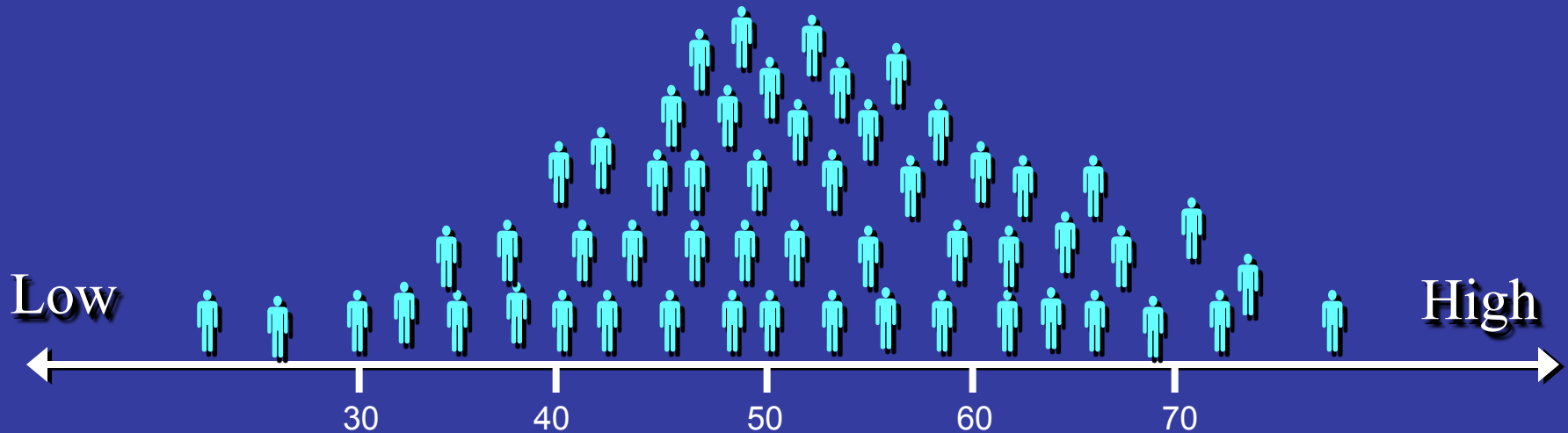


Interpretation

Person Fatigue Score



Interpretation Aids

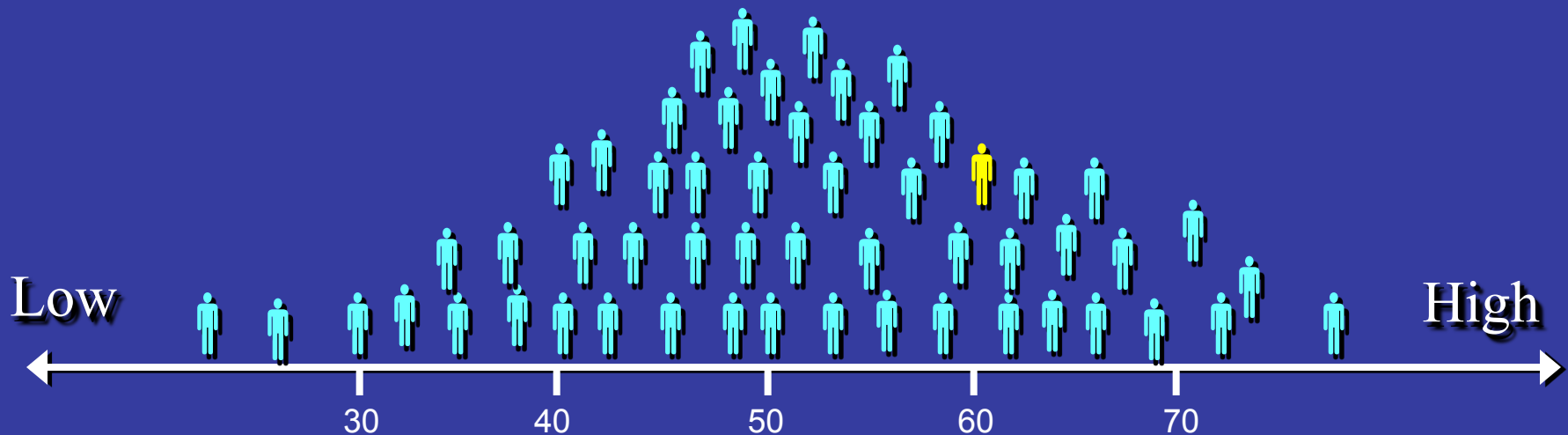


$$\underline{M} = 50, \underline{SD} = 10$$

$$T = (z * 10) + 50$$

Example of high fatigue

Fatigue Score=60



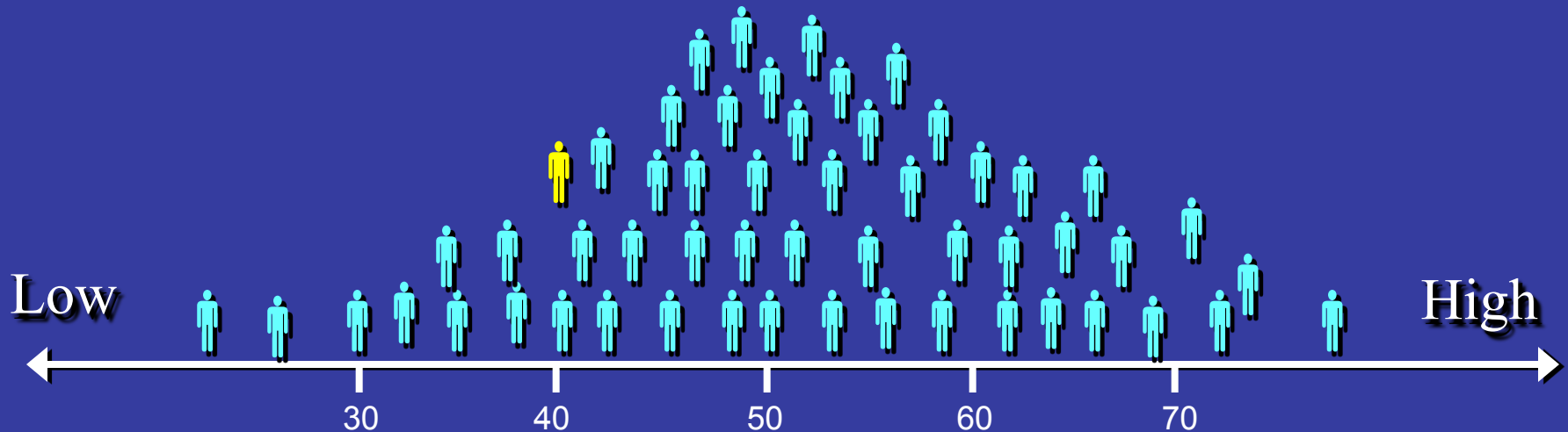
This patient's fatigue score is 60, significantly worse than average (50). People who score 60 on fatigue tend to answer questions as follows:

..."I have been too tired to climb one flight of stairs: VERY MUCH

..."I have had enough energy to go out with my family: A LITTLE BIT

Example of low fatigue

Fatigue Score=40



This patient's fatigue score is 40, significantly better than average (50). People who score 40 on fatigue tend to answer questions as follows:

..."I have been too tired to climb one flight of stairs: NOT AT ALL

..."I have had enough energy to go out with my family: VERY MUCH

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

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 for Significant Individual Change

Scale	Change	Effect size	Reliability
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

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%

Questions?

