

# **Impact of Mode and Order of Administration on Generic HRQOL Scores**

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# Mode of Administration Effects

- Telephone yields more positive HRQOL than mail administration
  - “Excellent” health reported by 30% in self-administration, 37% by phone and 44% in a face-to-face interview (Hochstim, 1967)
  - SF-36 (McHorney et al., 1994; Weinberger et al., 1996; Jones et al., 2001)
  - HUI3 was 0.05 (0.25 SD) higher for phone than mail (Hanmer et al., 2007)

# Health Measurement in Patients Tracking Clinical Outcomes Study

- Self-administration (mail) of HRQOL measures at baseline, 1 month, 3 months, and 6 months post-baseline.
  - SF-36v2<sup>TM</sup>, EQ-5D, QWB, HUI

# SF-36 Generic Profile Measure

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

# EQ-5D

## 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

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# Cross-over Design

- Telephone and mail self-administration at 6 months post-baseline
- Participants randomized to order of mail/phone administration
- Differences in days between survey dates
  - ❑ -133 to 54 days (mail – phone)
  - ❑ 57% were within 3 weeks
- $(1-p)/2$  decrease in sample size relative to parallel group design

# Sample

- 522 patients (156 heart failure, 366 cataract) at baseline sampled from UCSD, UCLA, & University of Wisconsin
- 324 patients at 6 months:
  - 94 heart failure
  - 230 cataract surgery
- Mean age ~ 66
- ~ 55% female, 87% white, 5% black, 28% high school education or less



# Mean Differences

- Random intercept model (PROC Mixed)
  - Controlling for fixed effects of:
    - Gender
    - Age
    - Race
    - Education
    - Site/disease (UCSD, UCLA, Wisconsin by heart failure and cataract).

# Means by Mode and Order

	Mail (1) before phone	Phone (1) before mail
MCS	53 <sup>b,c</sup>	53 <sup>a,b</sup>
PCS	41 <sup>b,c</sup>	41 <sup>b</sup>
SF-6D	71 <sup>b,c</sup>	73 <sup>a,b</sup>
QWB	61 <sup>a</sup>	<b>57</b> <sup>b</sup>
EQ-VAS	74 <sup>a</sup>	72 <sup>a</sup>
EQ-5D	80 <sup>b,c</sup>	81 <sup>b</sup>
HUI-2	83 <sup>a,b</sup>	79 <sup>b,c</sup>
HUI-3	73 <sup>b</sup>	71 <sup>b</sup>

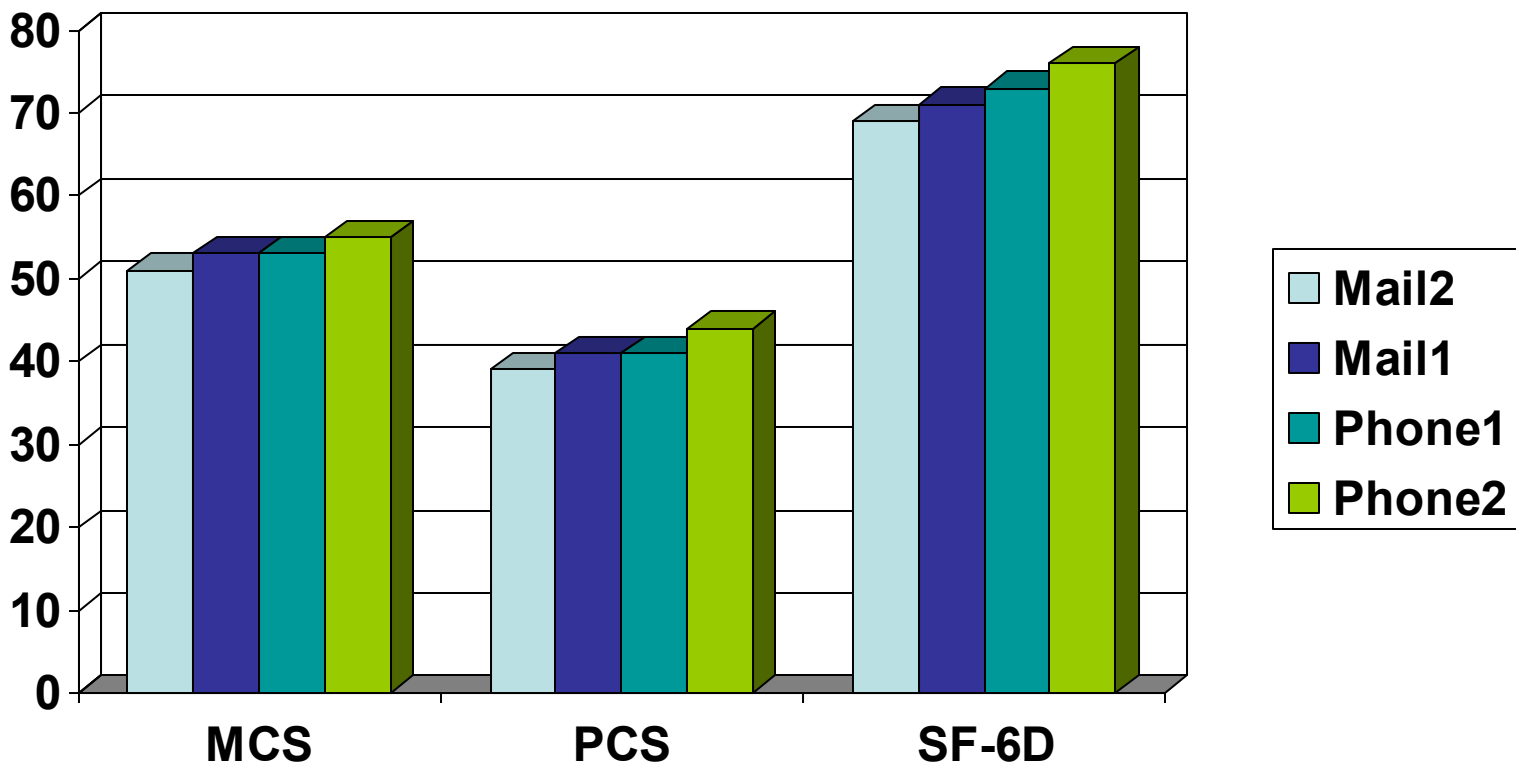
# Means by Mode and Order

	Mail (2) after phone	Phone (2) after mail
MCS	51 <sup>c</sup>	55 <sup>a</sup>
PCS	39 <sup>c</sup>	44 <sup>a</sup>
SF-6D	69 <sup>c</sup>	76 <sup>a</sup>
QWB	58 <sup>a,b</sup>	60 <sup>a,b</sup>
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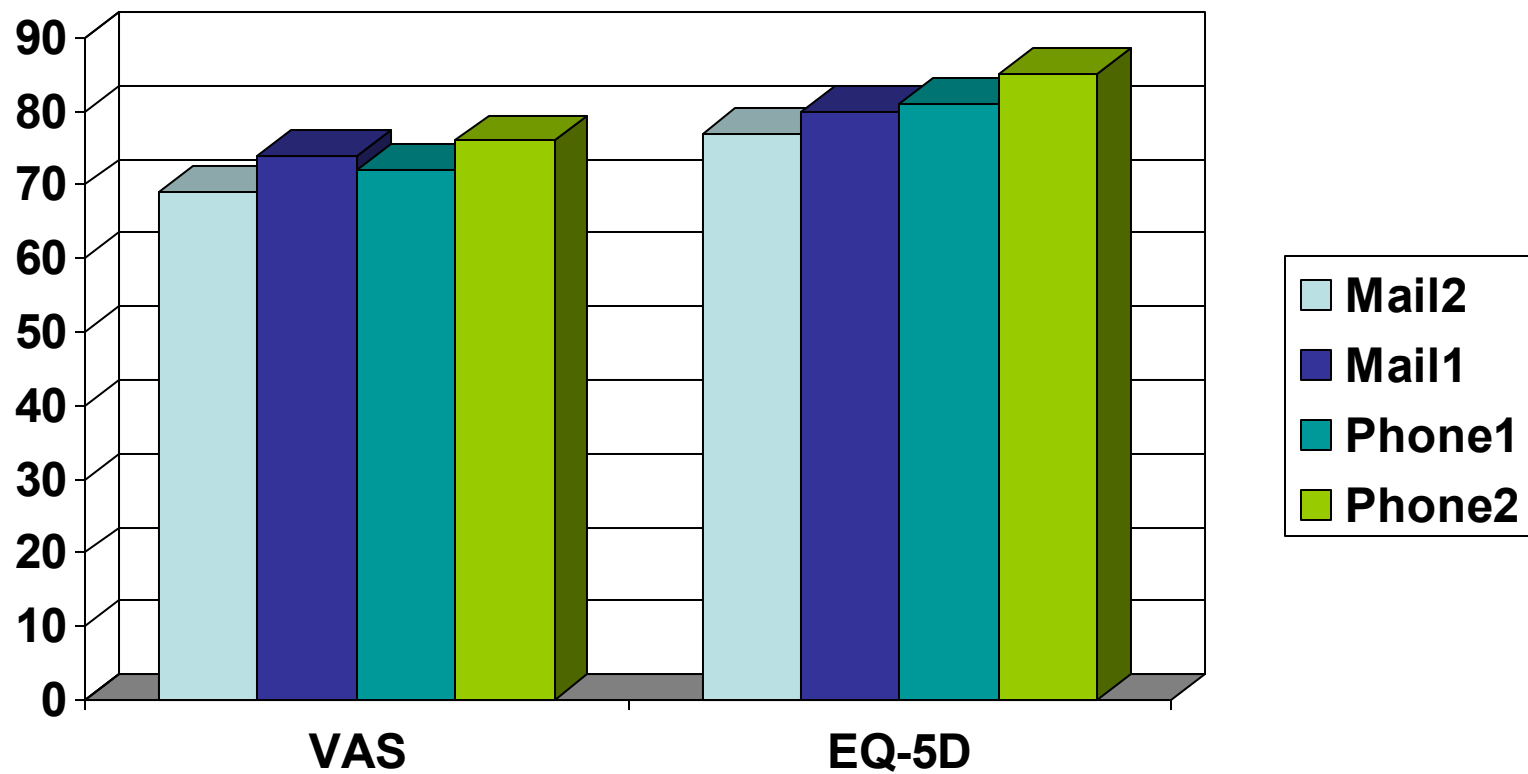
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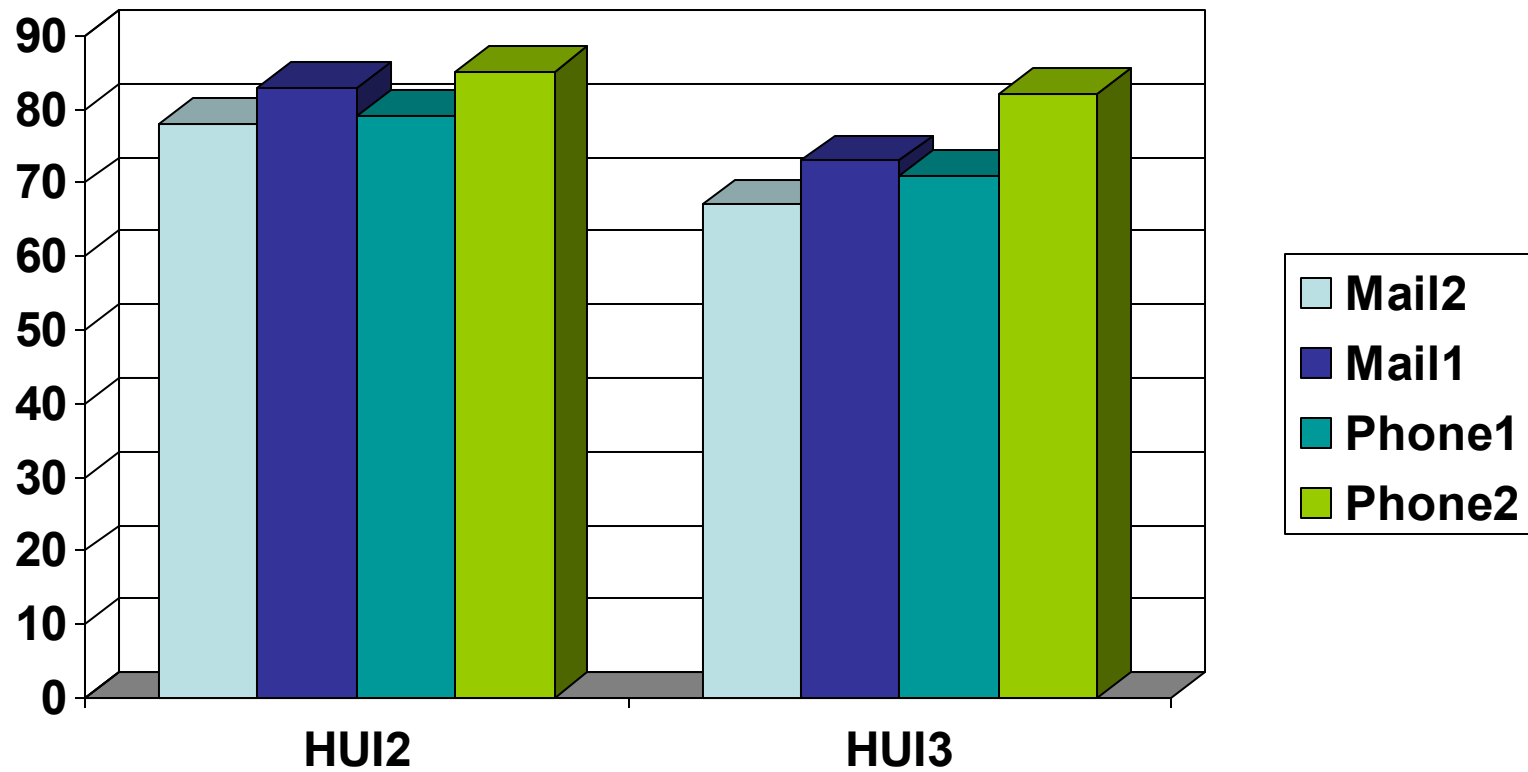
# SF-36 Means by Group



# EQ-5D Means by Group



# HUI Means by Group



# Max. Differences by HRQOL Measure

	Difference	SD
MCS	5	10
PCS	5	12
SF-6D	7	14
QWB	4	14
EQ-Vas	7	19
EQ-5D	8	17
HUI-2	8	18
HUI-3	15	25



# Mean difference vs. Correlation

	ES	Pearson	ICC
PCS	0.4	0.84	0.82
EQ-VAS	0.4	0.80	0.79
SF-6D	0.5	0.77	0.75
EQ-5D	0.5	0.74	0.72
HUI-3	0.6	0.70	0.68
MCS	0.5	0.65	0.61
HUI-2	0.4	0.62	0.60
QWB	0.3	0.61	0.60

# Summary of Results

- The most positive HRQOL scores occur when measures administered by phone after a mail administration
- The least positive scores occur by mail after a phone administration.
  - Effect sizes range from small to medium
- Mean differences by mode do not map to correlations

# Conclusions

- Caution warranted in comparing HRQOL estimates that differ by mode and/or order of administration
  - Basis for interaction unclear
- Correlations and mean differences provide different information about equivalence by mode (individual versus group)



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**Los Angeles Lakers 5/1**  
Detroit Pistons 6/1  
San Antonio Spurs 8/1  
New Orleans Hornets 11/1  
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Utah Jazz 15/1  
Cleveland Cavaliers 16/1  
**Chicago Bulls 20/1**  
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Dallas Mavericks 25/1  
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Washington Wizards 25/1  
Golden State Warriors 40/1  
Miami Heat 40/1  
Atlanta Hawks 50/1  
Charlotte Bobcats 50/1  
New Jersey Nets 50/1  
New York Knicks 50/1  
Philadelphia 76ers 50/1  
Toronto Raptors 50/1  
Indiana Pacers 75/1  
Los Angeles Clippers 100/1  
Memphis Grizzlies 100/1  
Milwaukee Bucks 100/1  
Minnesota Timberwolves 100/1  
Sacramento Kings 100/1  
Seattle Supersonics 100/1





# Correlations (mail, phone) > 0.63

- PCS with EQ-VAS (0.70 & 0.64)
- SF-6D with EQ-5D (0.67, 0.64)
- SF-6D with EQ-VAS (0.66, 0.61)
- HUI-3 with EQ-5D (0.65, 0.68)
- HUI-2 with EQ-5D (0.64, 0.68)

# Means and SDs on Generic HRQOL Measures at Six Months

	Mean	SD	Minimum	Maximum
MCS	54	10	12	72
PCS	44	12	10	65
6-D	75	14	37	100
QWB	61	14	18	100
EQ-VAS	75	19	10	100
EQ-5D	83	17	20	100
HUI-2	81	18	13	100
HUI-3	74	25	-24	100