

Innovation in Obstetrics: Early Warning and Artificial Intelligence

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I am employed with PeriGen, Advanced Software Solutions that is briefly highlighted in this presentation.

Objectives

Highlight

- Innovations in Fetal Monitoring

Reflect

- On our Current Perinatal Landscape

Discuss

- Artificial Intelligence Innovation in Healthcare & OB

Review

- Early Warning AI Support in OB

A Bit About Me & My Why



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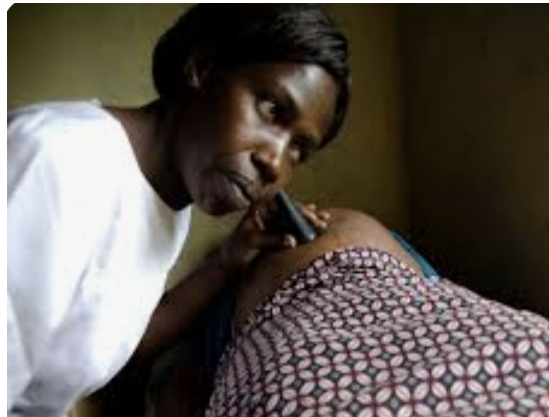


Laughter is a
Gift...

"Every time you smile
at someone, it is an
action of love, a gift to
that person, a beautiful
thing." ~ Mother Teresa



Fetal Monitoring Innovations





Electronic Fetal Monitoring

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Electronic Fetal Monitoring

1968

- First commercially available

1980's

- Widely utilized in the acute care setting

1990s

- Tracing is digitized – can see it on a computer screen (instead of paper printout)

Current State

- Central Fetal Monitoring
- NICHD Language

Modern fetal monitoring systems include computer analysis of EFM signals.

Originally developed because EFM interpretation is subjective and there continues to be disagreement in analysis among healthcare professionals.

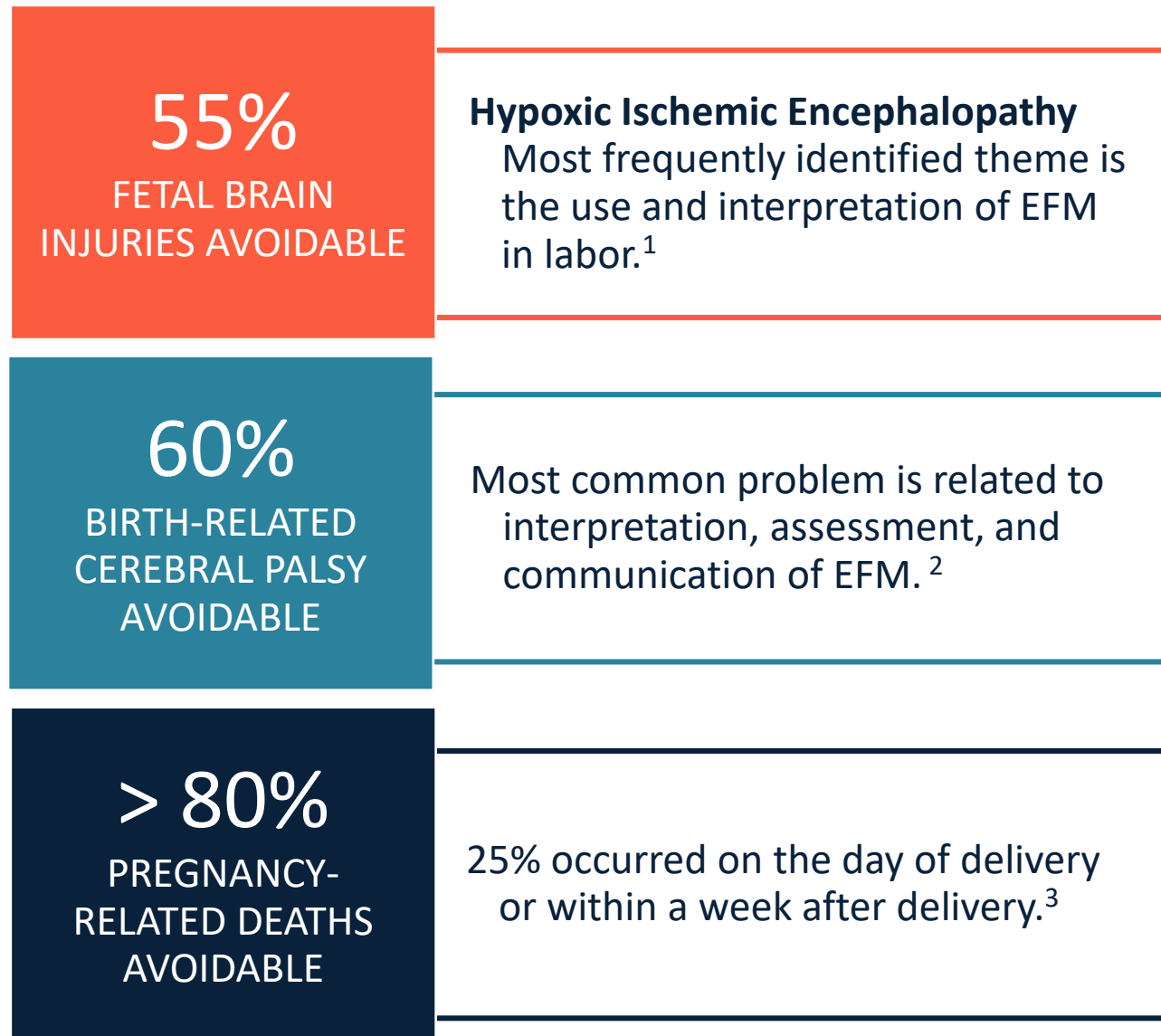
EFM Science Advances

Engagement Moment

How many have encountered disagreement in the analysis of an EFM strip among your healthcare professional team?



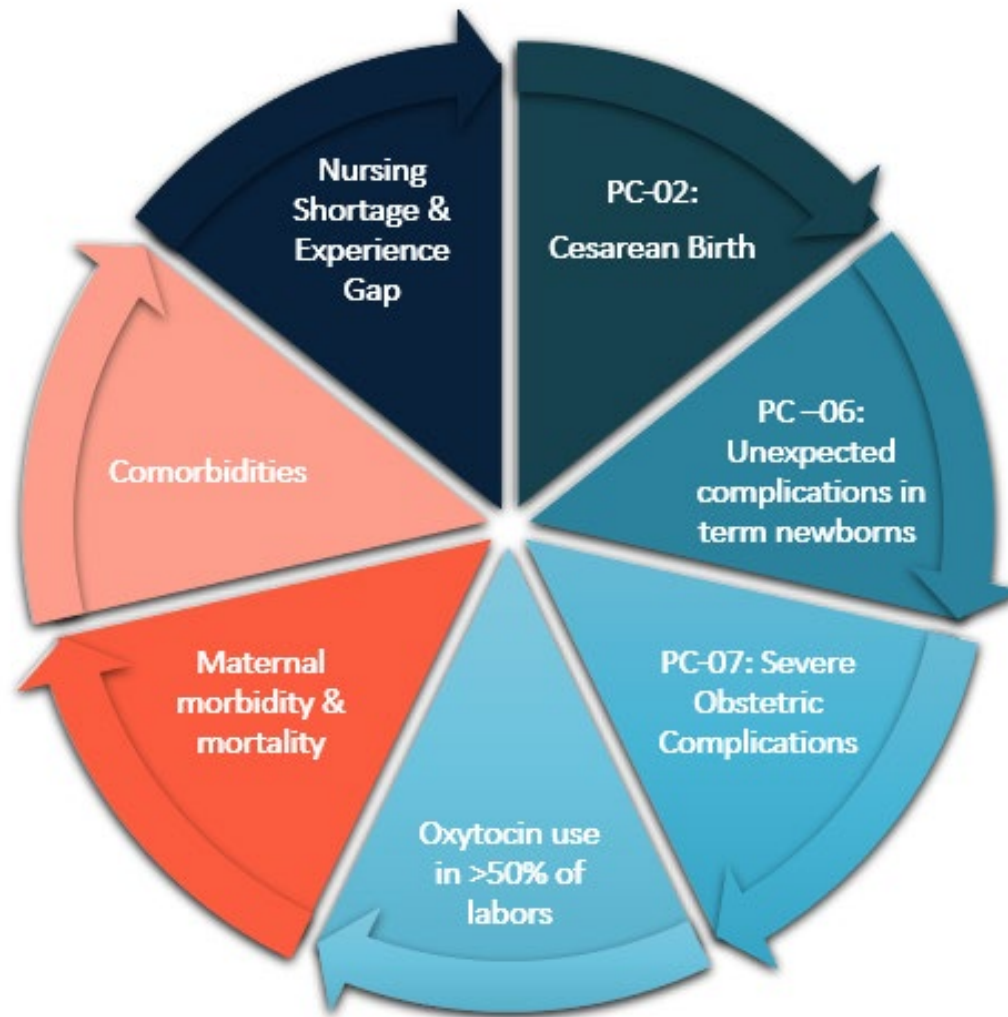
WHY INNOVATION?



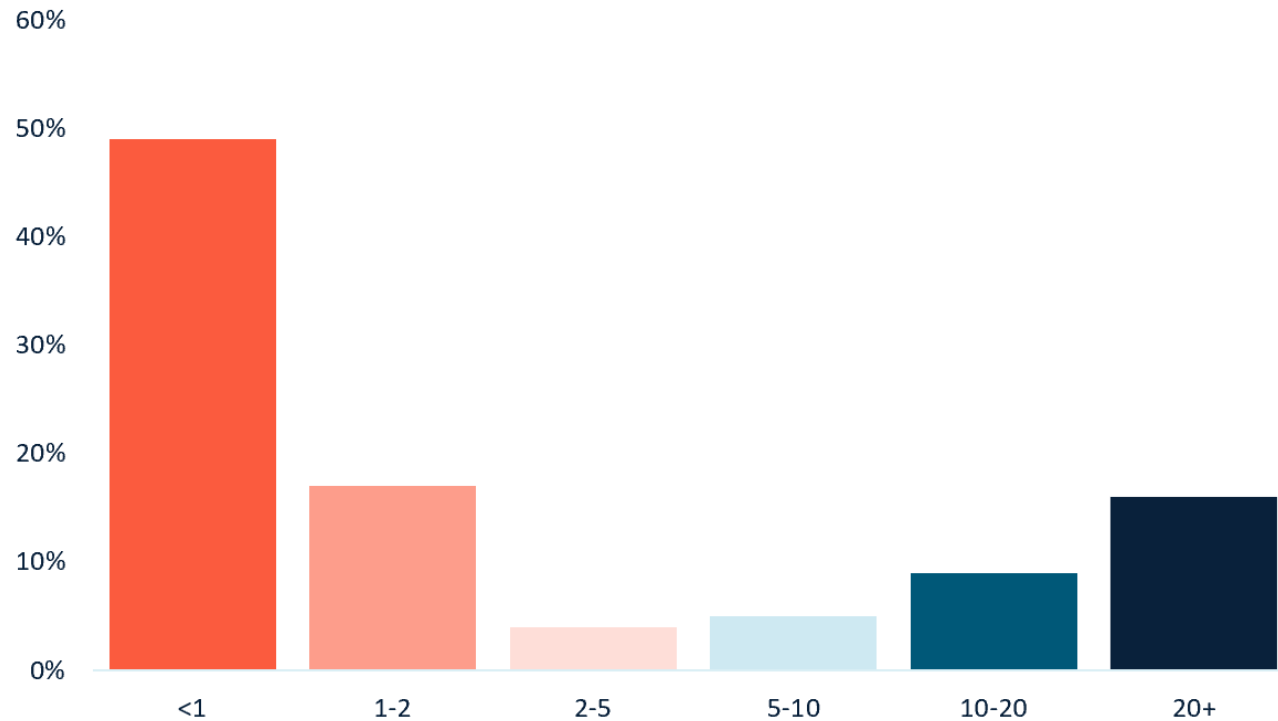
Chief Problems: Delayed recognition and intervention to clinical warning signs⁴

1. Sadler LC, et al AJOG 2016;214(6):747.e1-8
2. Berglund S et al BJOG 2008;115;316-23 3
3. Hnesich,D. (2022). CDC: Over 80% of pregnancy-related deaths are preventable: AHA News. American Hospital Association | AHA News. <https://www.aha.org/news/headline/2022-09-19-cdc-over-80-pregnancy-related-deaths-are-preventable>
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Referenced studies were not all conducted in the United States.



Nursing Experience Gap



*Data from a MLOC Level 3 facility with 2700 deliveries per year
25% of the 20+ year category are in administrative roles*

**66% of
L&D nurses at
this healthcare
organization
have less than
2 years
experience**

Engagement Moment

How would you describe the years of L&D experience on your nursing unit(s)?

WHAT ARE HUMAN FACTORS AND WHY DO THEY MATTER

Human Factors Science

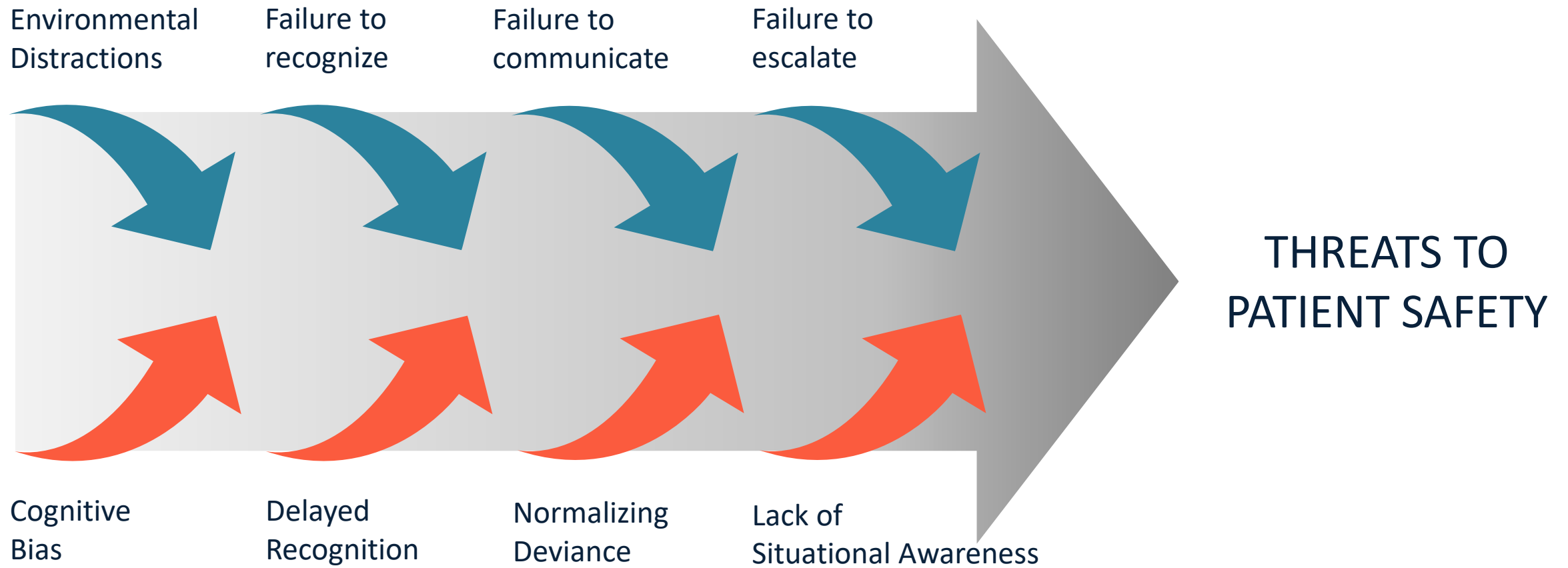
Looks at factors like stress, fatigue, and workload and their impact on human effectiveness and error rates.

Especially important in high-risk industries like healthcare, aviation, and nuclear power.

Understanding how people process information, make decisions, and avoid errors under different conditions.

Examining how physical and social environments influence human actions and decision-making.

HUMAN FACTORS THREATENING PATIENT SAFETY



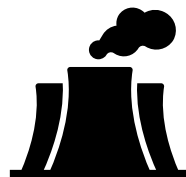
Situational Awareness

Summed up as knowing what is going on around you in your environment (Stephens, 2017).

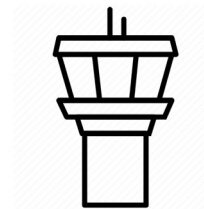
Utilized and well understood for years in industries with **complex work environments** where error has high, potentially catastrophic, risk for harm such as



Aviation



Nuclear
power



Air Traffic
Control

Situational Awareness

Focused assessment of your current environment using input from all five senses, and the ability to evaluate for risks or safety threats.

Poor situational awareness skills have been associated with error and accidents.

(Brady & Goldenhar, 2014; Cheng et al., 2020)

Engagement Moment

Can you think of an example in OB where situational awareness is critical?



Situational Awareness During Second Stage

Prolonged second stage increases the risk of adverse maternal and neonatal outcomes

- Increased rates of postpartum hemorrhage
- Chorioamnionitis
- Perineal injury
- Admission to the neonatal intensive care unit

Situational Awareness Humor





The process by which individuals focus and select on input for processing while simultaneously suppressing irrelevant or distracting information.



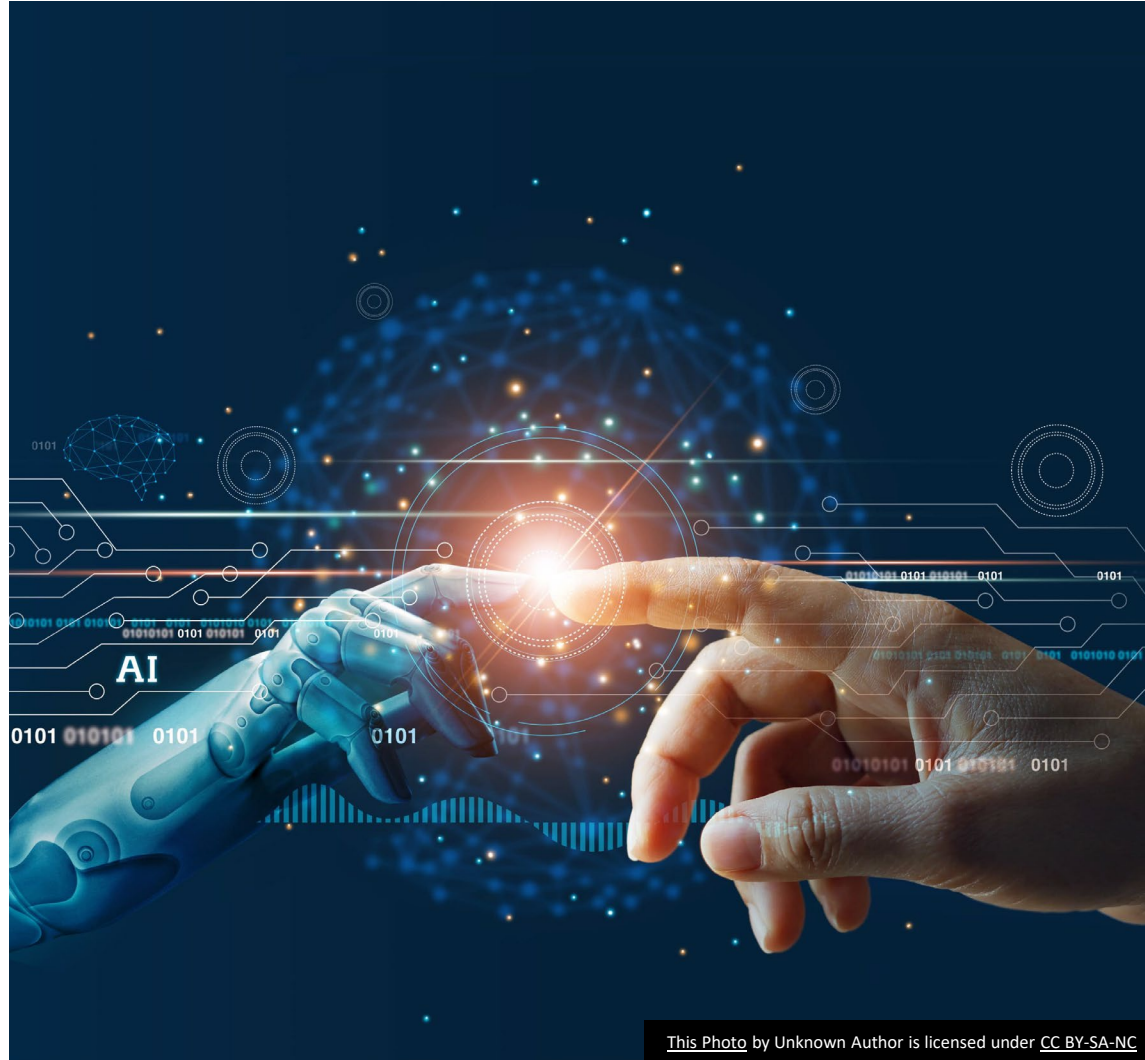
Often called the cocktail party effect. You focus on what your friend is saying rather than every single noise present in the background.



Attention is a limited resource; selective attention allows us to tune out unimportant details and focus on what matters.

Selective Attention

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJG698U2Mvo>



Innovation and Artificial Intelligence

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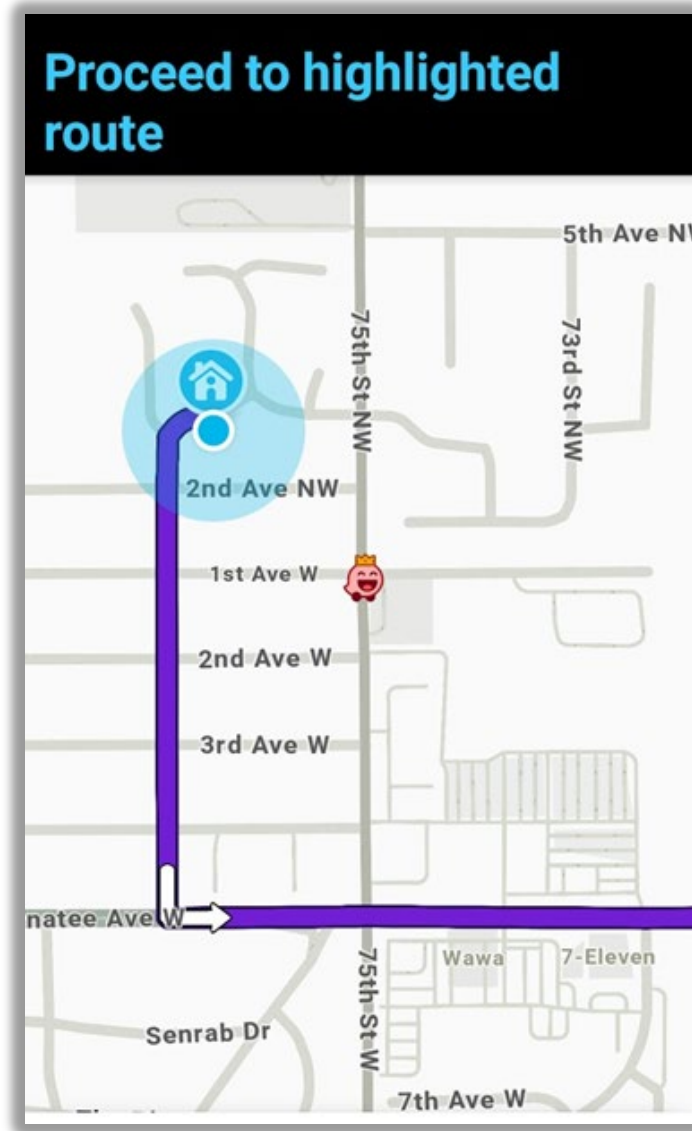
Mitigating Human Factors with Artificial Intelligence

“Artificial intelligence is **not a substitute** for human intelligence; it is a **tool** to amplify human creativity and ingenuity.”

– [Fei-Fei Li, Co-Director of the Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence and IT Professor at the Graduate School of Business](#)

ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE

THINK ABOUT
THIS...



The narrative of artificial
intelligence in
healthcare ~~is beginning~~
~~has begun~~ has taken off.

AI in Healthcare

Basic Types of Artificial Intelligence



Rule-Based AI (Narrow AI): Follows pre-set rules to solve specific problems. For example, clinical decision support systems that alert you when a patient's vital signs are abnormal



Machine Learning: This AI learns from data to improve over time. It is used in tools like predictive models that identify patients at risk for complications



Natural Language Processing (NLP): This helps computers understand and process human language, like converting patient notes into structured data or summarizing clinical documentation.



Generative AI: This type creates content, such as creating real-time patient notes during consultations, pathology generative AI augments microscopic imagery to improve cancer detection and classification.

Engagement Moment

Can you think of Examples of AI
such as Machine Learning and
Natural Language Processing

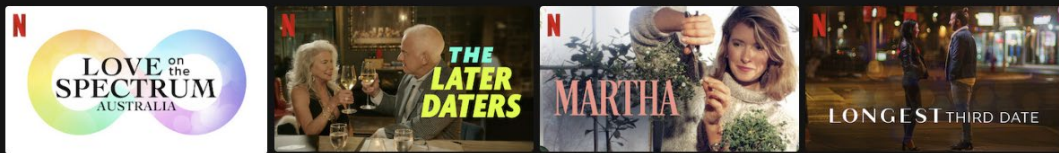
Crowd Pleasers



Romantic Movies



Documentaries



Historical TV Dramas >



Modern Westerns



Bingeworthy TV Shows



AI: THINK ABOUT THIS

Why did the machine learning model break up with its data?

It found someone with better features!



Artificial Innovation in Healthcare

Understanding AI in Medicine

AI utilizes machine learning, deep learning, and automation to improve medical processes.

Enhances diagnosis, treatment planning, drug research, and patient care.



AI in Medical Diagnostics

Improving Accuracy in Diagnosis

AI-powered imaging assists in early detection of diseases such as cancer and neurological disorders.

AI enhances medical record analysis for better disease prediction.



Diagnosing Rare Disease (Oct 2022)

Study from the Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital

Artificial Intelligence Model Can Support Rare Disease Diagnoses, Treatment

New research shows how an artificial intelligence model can function as a search engine for databases to support the diagnosis and treatment of various rare conditions.



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By Mark Melchionna



October 20, 2022 - Investigators from the Mahmood Lab at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital found that **an artificial intelligence (AI) model**, known as

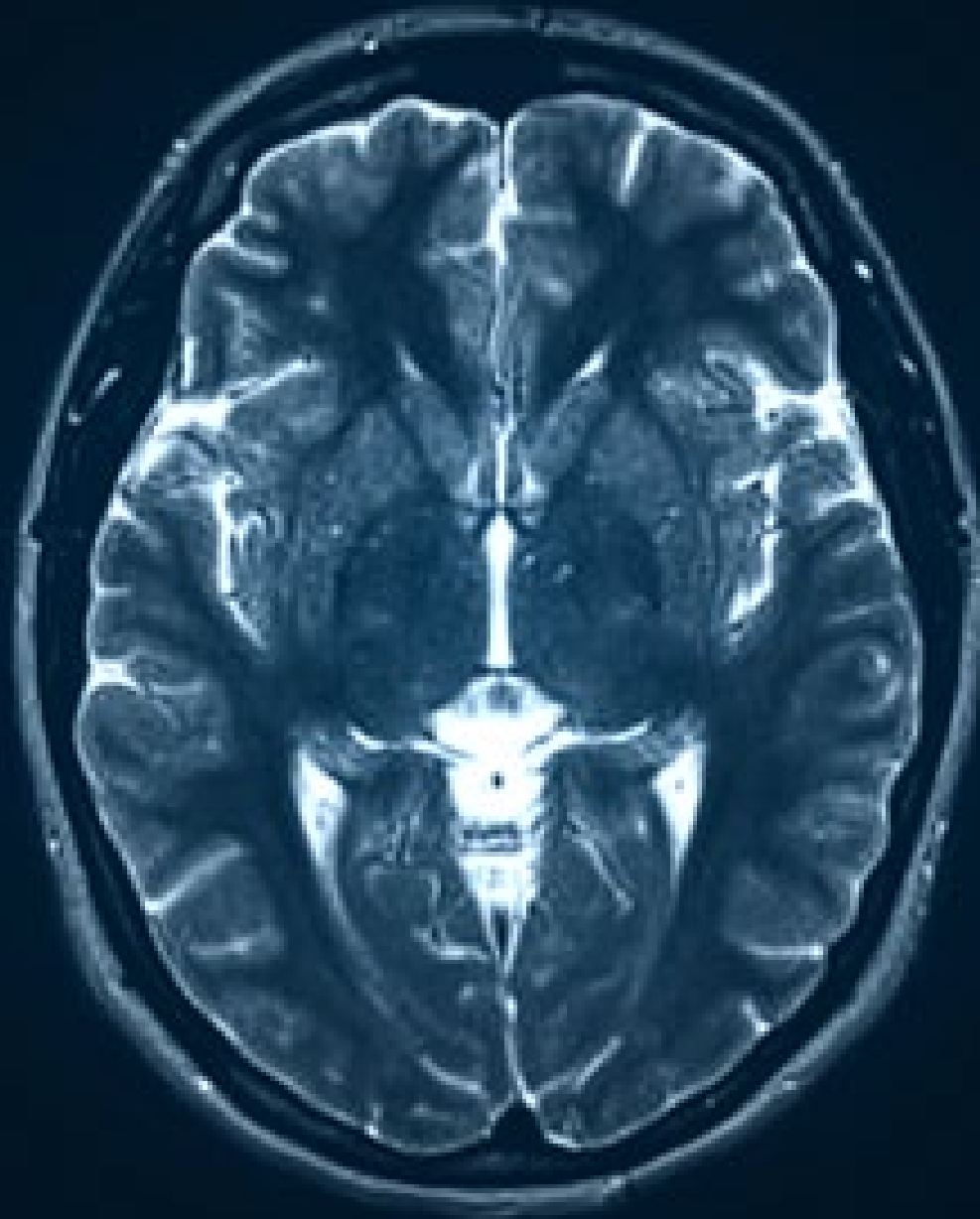
Ohio Cleveland Clinic

Viz.ai in its stroke response.

The algorithm detects occlusions or blockages to reduce the response time.

Reduced response time greatly impacts how badly the brain is damaged.

Hudson, C. (2023, July 6) *How 5 healthcare organizations are investing in AI for patient care*. Modern Healthcare. https://www.modernhealthcare.com/technology/ai-patient-care-cleveland-clinic-providence-adventhealth?utm_source=modern-healthcare-the-digital-health-deal&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=20230707&utm_content=article3-readmore



Development of a Machine Learning Model for Sonographic Assessment of Gestational Age

Chace Lee, MS; Angelica Willis, MS; Christina Chen, MD; Marcin Sieniek, PhD; Amber Watters, MD; Bethany Stetson, MD; Akib Uddin, MHS; Jonny Wong, BA; Rory Pilgrim, BEng, LLB; Katherine Chou, MS; Daniel Tse, MD; Shravya Shetty, MS; Ryan G. Gomes, PhD

Can an AI model predict gestation age with higher accuracy than standard fetal biometry-based estimates using ultrasonography videos?

Findings

AI models were statistically superior to standard fetal biometry based gestational age estimates derived from images captured by expert sonographers.

Conclusion

Findings suggest that AI models can empower trained ultrasonographers to estimate gestational age with higher accuracy.



AI in Remote Patient Monitoring

Real-Time Health Tracking

Wearable AI devices monitor vitals and detect irregularities.

AI alerts healthcare providers about potential medical conditions.

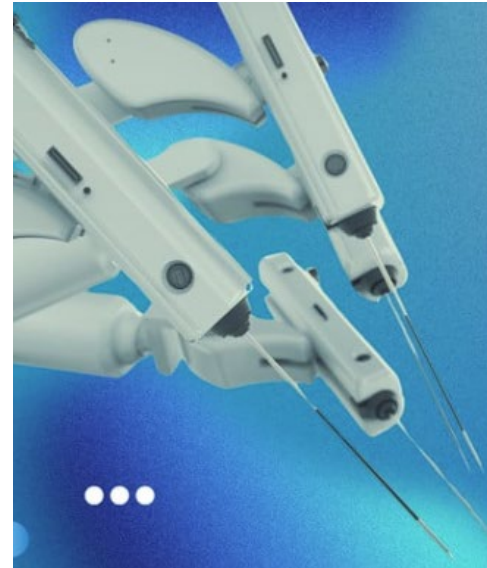


AI-Assisted Surgery

Enhancing Precision in Surgery

AI-driven robotic systems assist surgeons with accuracy and minimally invasive techniques.

Reduces human error and improves surgical outcomes.



The turnkey RPM program busy care teams have been waiting for

Accurately assess maternal and fetal health without the visit. Implement our comprehensive remote monitoring program and start improving maternal health outcomes in as few as 4 weeks.

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The Future of AI in Healthcare

Evolving AI Technologies

AI advancements in precision
medicine and real-time diagnostics.

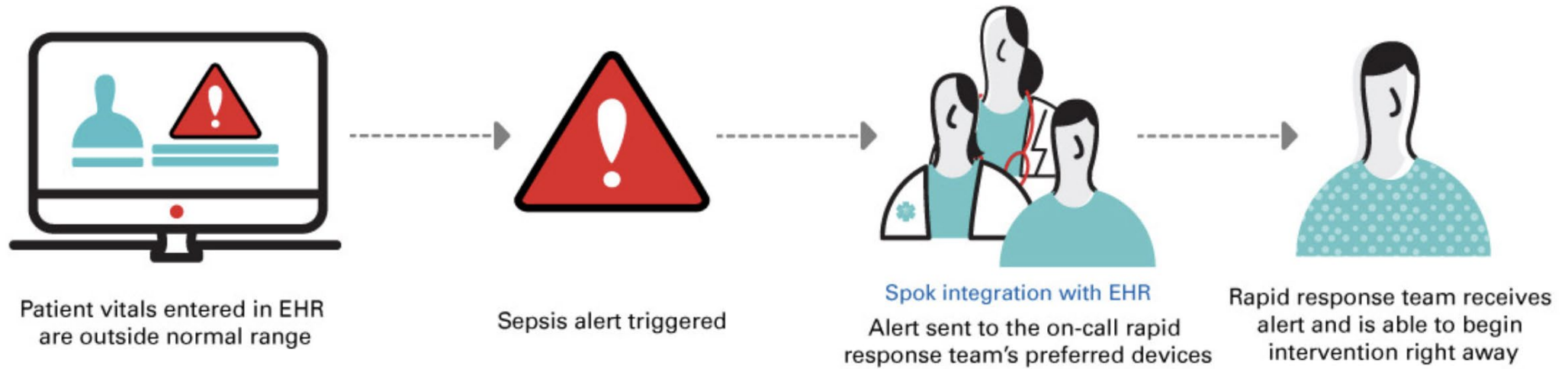
Integration with telehealth for
remote patient management.

Continuous improvement of
AI capabilities in medical
decision-making.



My Experience





Early Warning AI for Sepsis

Early warning systems are broadly utilized in healthcare facilities as a tool to identify patients at risk for deterioration.

(Brady et al., 2013; Cheng et al., 2020; de Vries et al., 2017; Norman et al., 2018).

Bring a general increase in situational awareness to frontline staff.

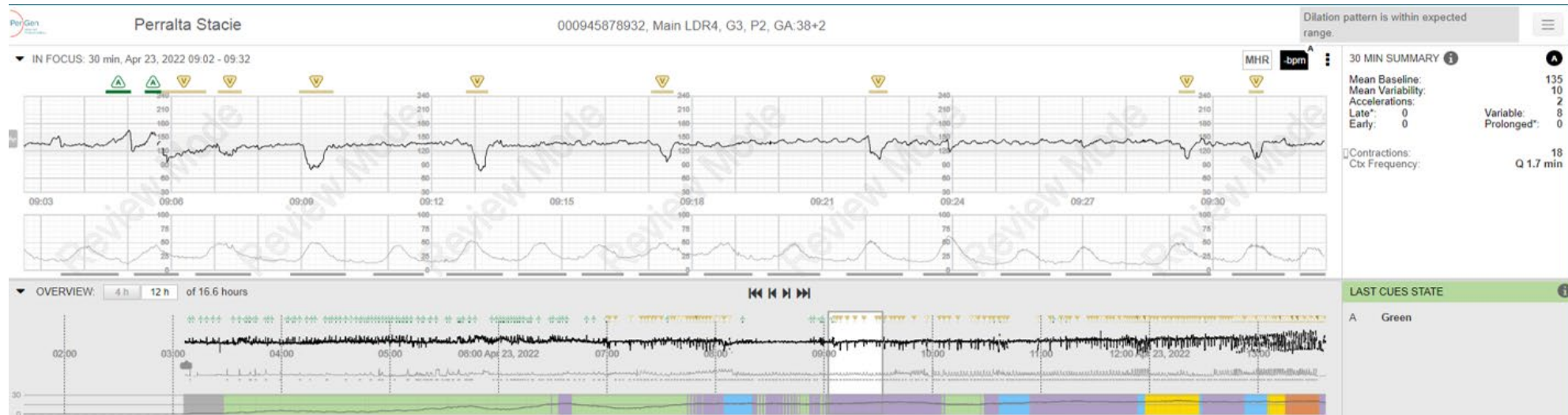
This in turn promotes earlier recognition, notification, and intervention.

Use of early warning systems has demonstrated a reduction in serious safety events

(Brady et al., 2013; de Vries et al., 2017; McElroy et al., 2019; Stephens, 2017).

Early Warning Systems

PeriGen Early Warning System



Supervised Learning: The algorithm is trained on labeled or “ground truth” data.

- The model was created using Supervised Machine Learning with Neural Networks
- This model was trained using ground-truth “labeled datasets”
 - Hundreds of hours of tracings were labeled by a set of MFM physicians “truthers”, experts in EFM,
 - Using a computerized tool to mark features of the tracings



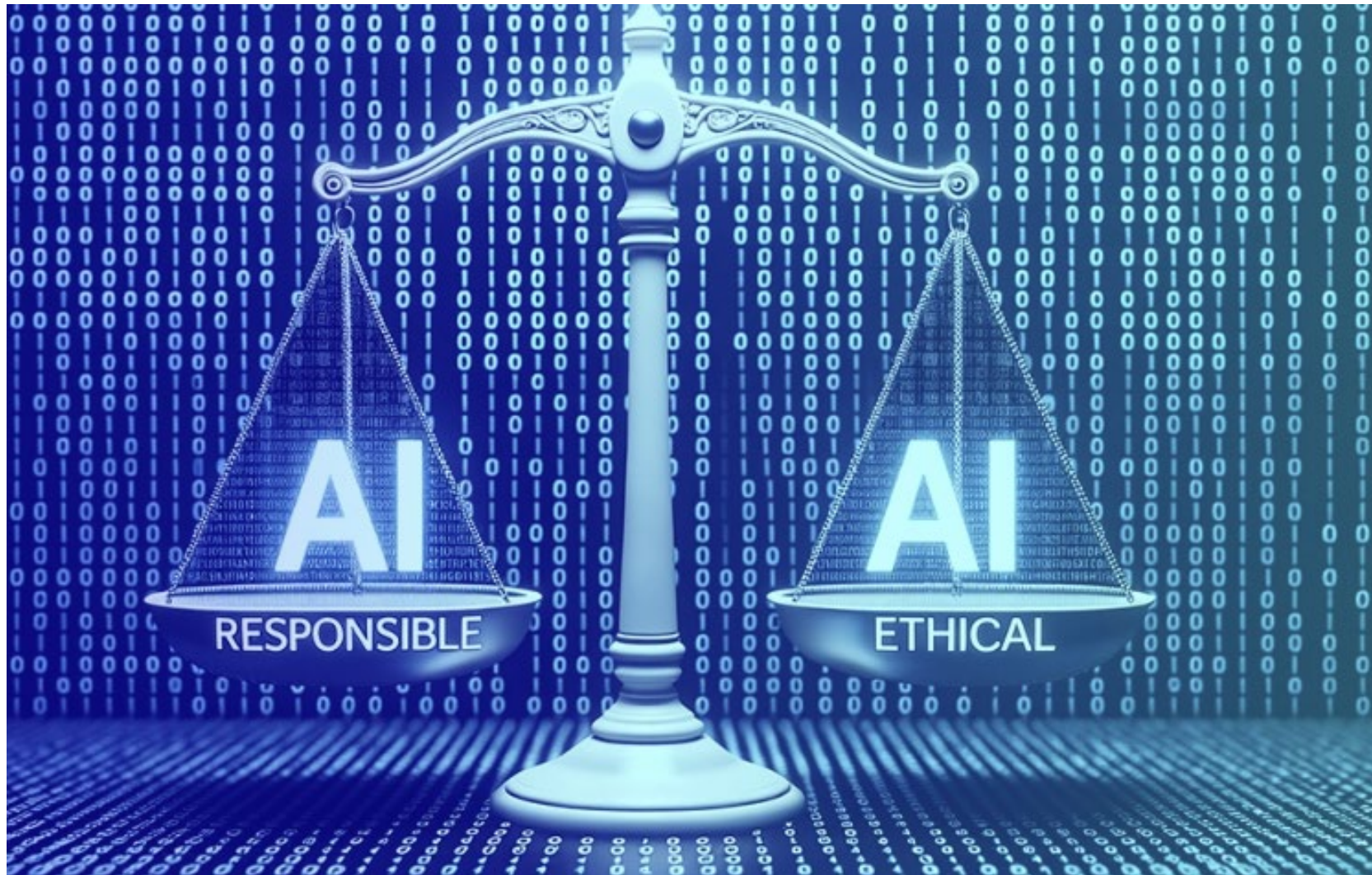
Challenges in AI Integration

Ethical and Regulatory Considerations

Concerns over data privacy and patient security.

Ensuring AI algorithms are transparent and unbiased.

Regulatory approval for AI-driven medical tools.





Certain AI/Machine learning enabled technologies may be considered Software as a Medical Device (SaMD) and thus subject to regulation.



In cases where these technologies are regulated as SaMD, process validation is **mandated prior to use**.



Vigilance Cues falls into this category and is validated by the FDA prior to commercial release.

Coalition for HealthCare Artificial Intelligence (CHAI): Validation and Reliability

CHAI



Recognizes the enormous potential of AI to improving the quality and efficiency of healthcare delivery



Proposes a framework for adoption. Focus on health impact, fairness, ethics, and equity principles to ensure that AI in healthcare benefits all populations including groups from underserved and under-represented communities.



The report summarizes recommendations to help educate end users on how to evaluate AI technologies to drive responsible adoption.



Goal = Ensure health AI tools to support high-quality care, increase trustworthiness among the healthcare community, and meet the needs of patients and providers.

Coalition for HealthCare Artificial CH (CHAI)

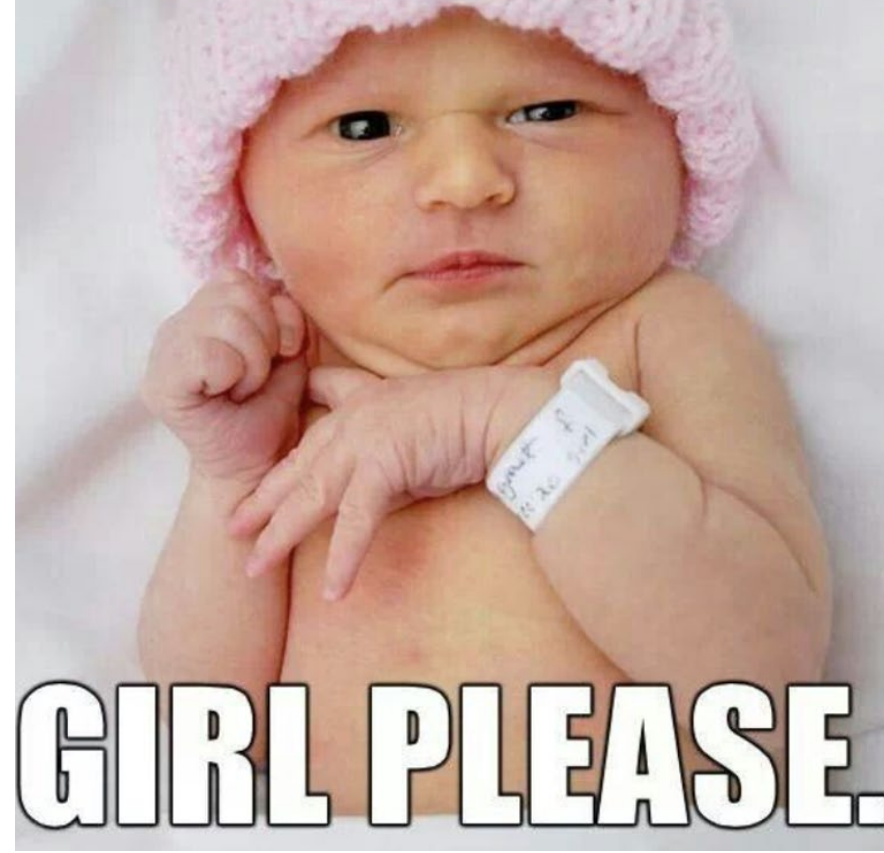
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THIS BRACELET?**



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Thank you!



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