

Developing an innovative web-based application to classify injured workers

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Every Day Matters

Highlighting the Importance of Timely Interventions and Support

- **Innovative Patient Categorization:**

Developing strategies to classify patients based on their responses to acute injuries can help identify those at risk for poor recovery.

- **Focused Clinical Approach:**

By understanding pain sub-types in both acute and chronic contexts, healthcare providers can streamline clinical histories and investigations.

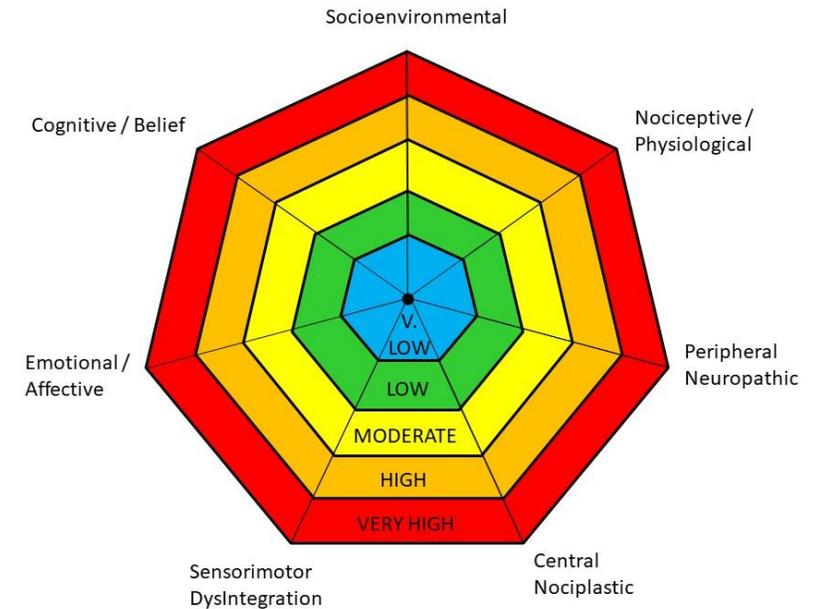
- **Tailored Interventions:**

This targeted approach allows for more effective and personalized treatment plans, enhancing patient outcomes.



Research Informing Innovation

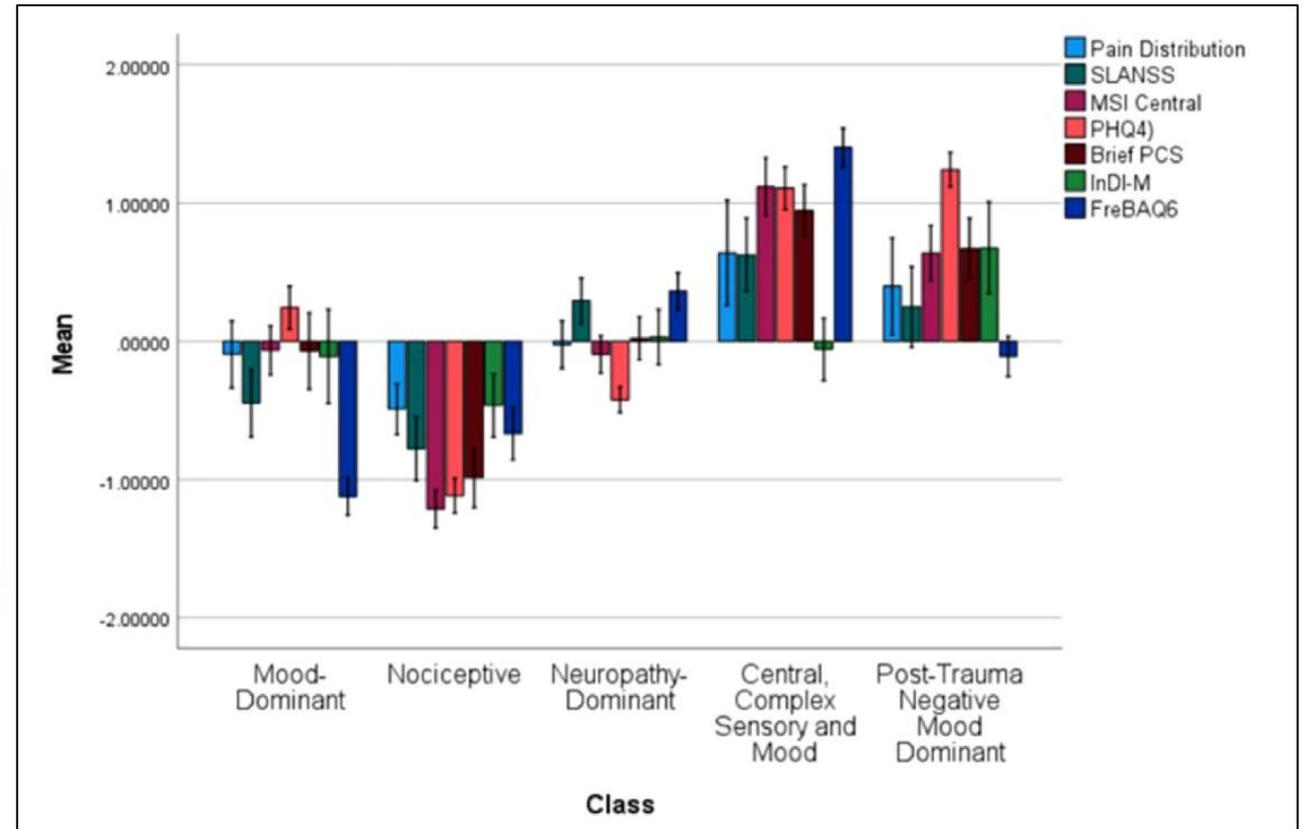
- Two studies to date, two independent cohorts
 - Study 1: Cross-sectional survey of military veterans with chronic pain
 - Study 2: Survey of acutely injured workers with 1 and 2 month follow-up
- Same questionnaires administered to both
- Questionnaires tapped each of the 7 'pain driver' domains (*shown at right*)
- Latent Profile Analysis used to identify response patterns and classify phenotypes



How was it developed?

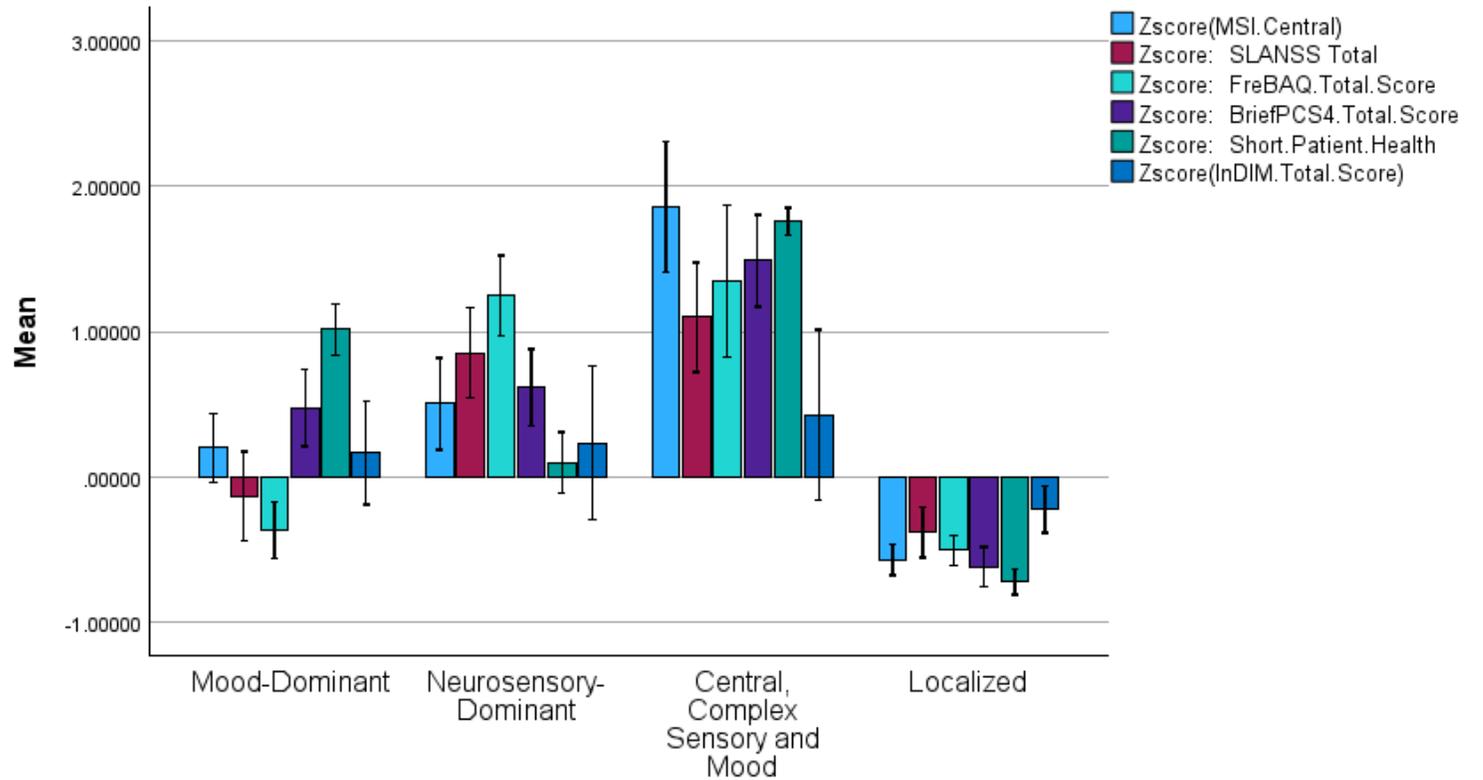


Study 1: Military Veterans with chronic pain (n = 320)

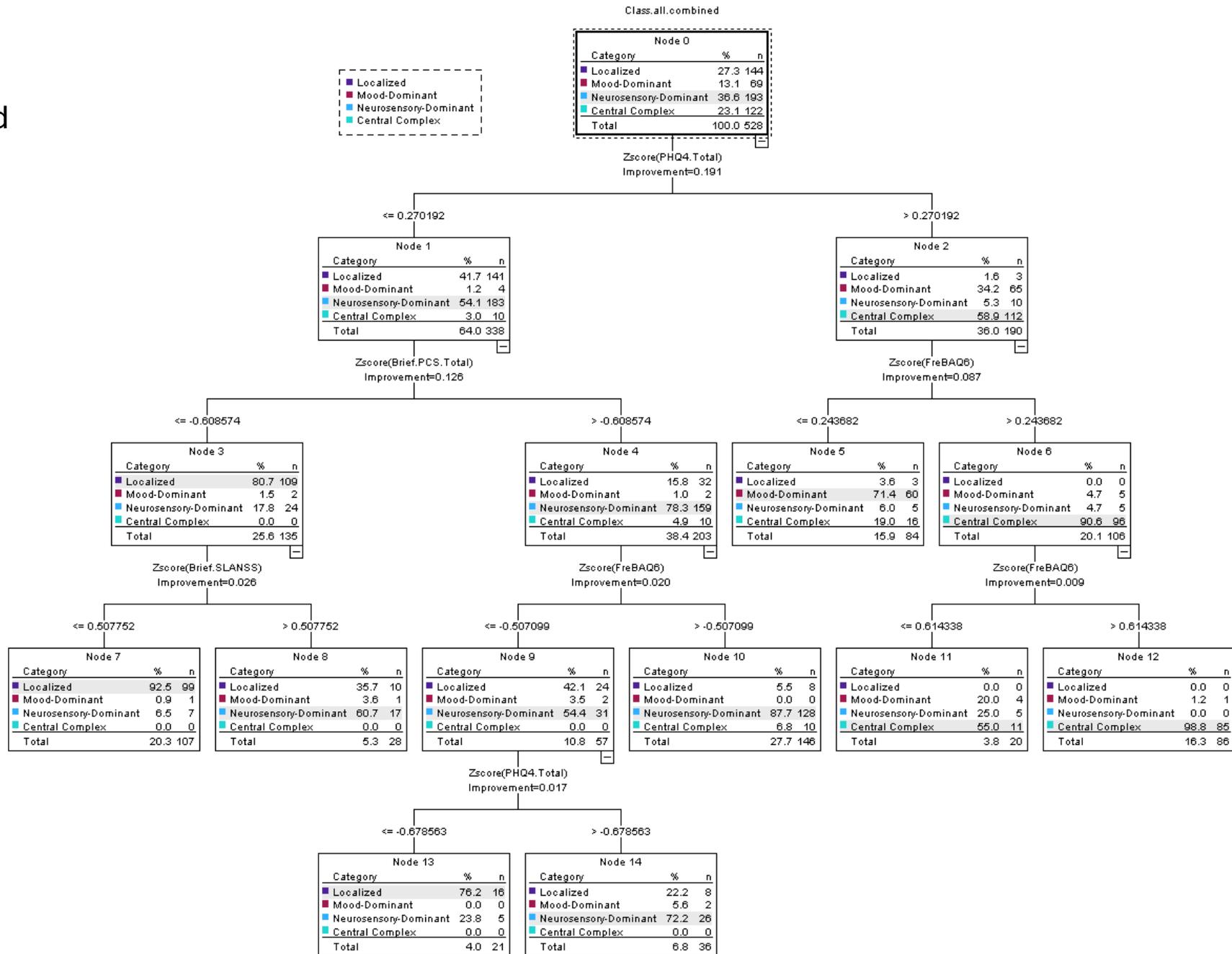


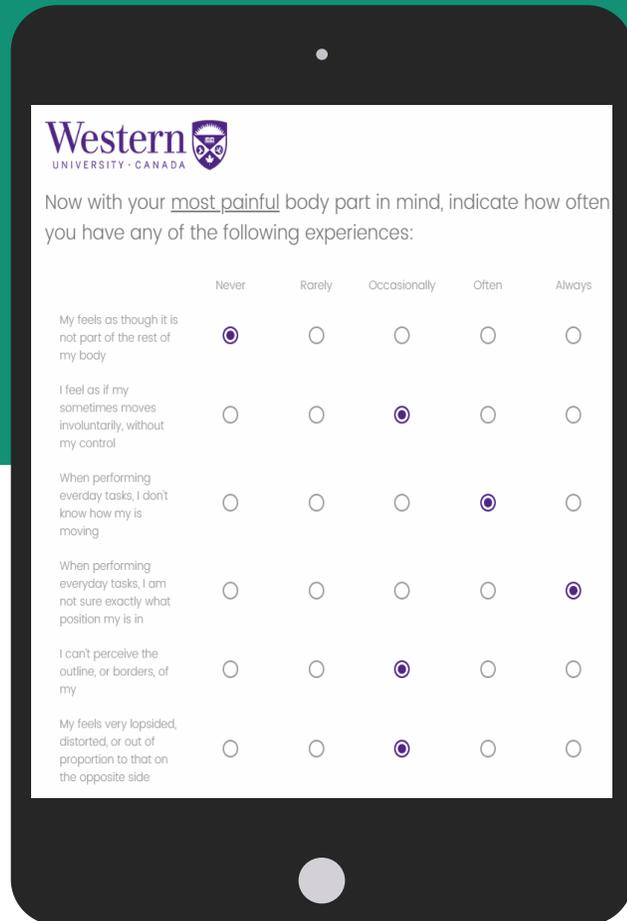
External Validation

Added 200 acutely injured workers
Total sample = 520



Classification and Regression Tree





Enhancing Patient Care with the App

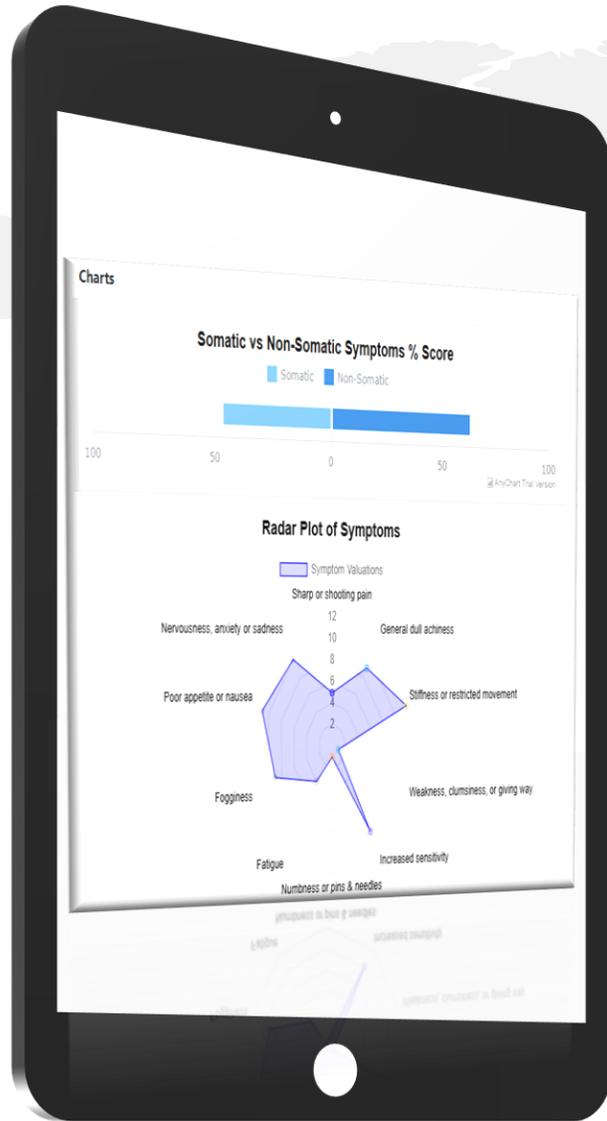
The app will tackle challenges in both acute and chronic contexts.

Analyze patient response patterns

Categorizing patients into specific pain sub-types

With a completion time of approximately 2 minutes, the app has significant potential to enhance clinical efficiency and provide more personalized care experiences.

What is the app?



An interpretation aid for clinicians



Uses algorithms to:

Better understand pain drivers

Triage patients towards the right type of (initial) provider

Help in deciding initial treatment options



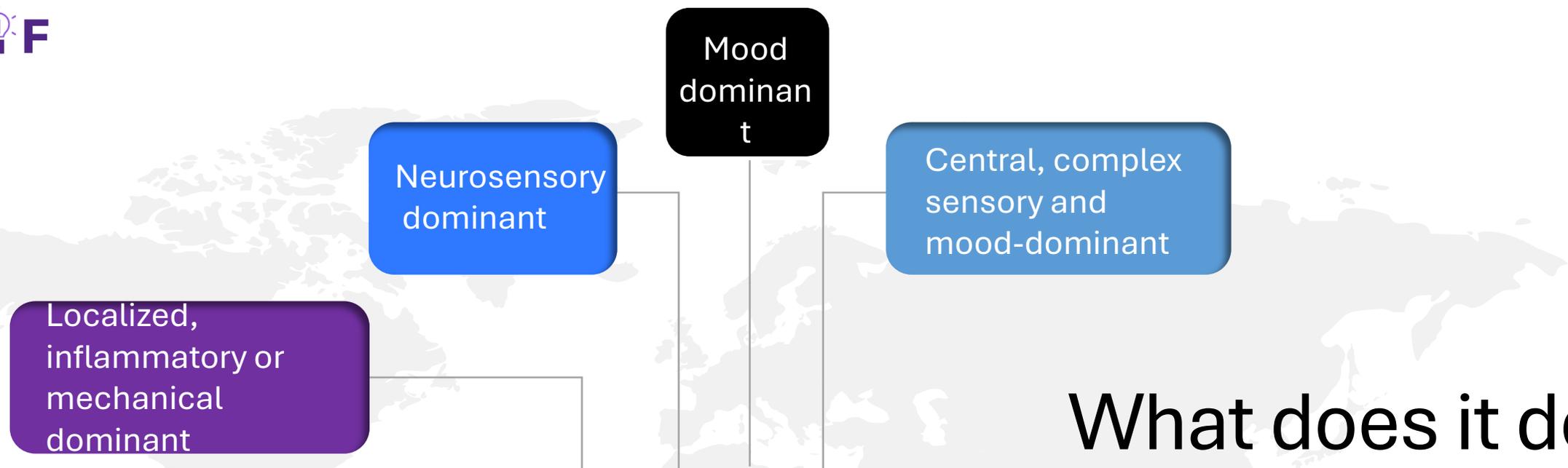
Help patients decide what type of service provider might be the best first option



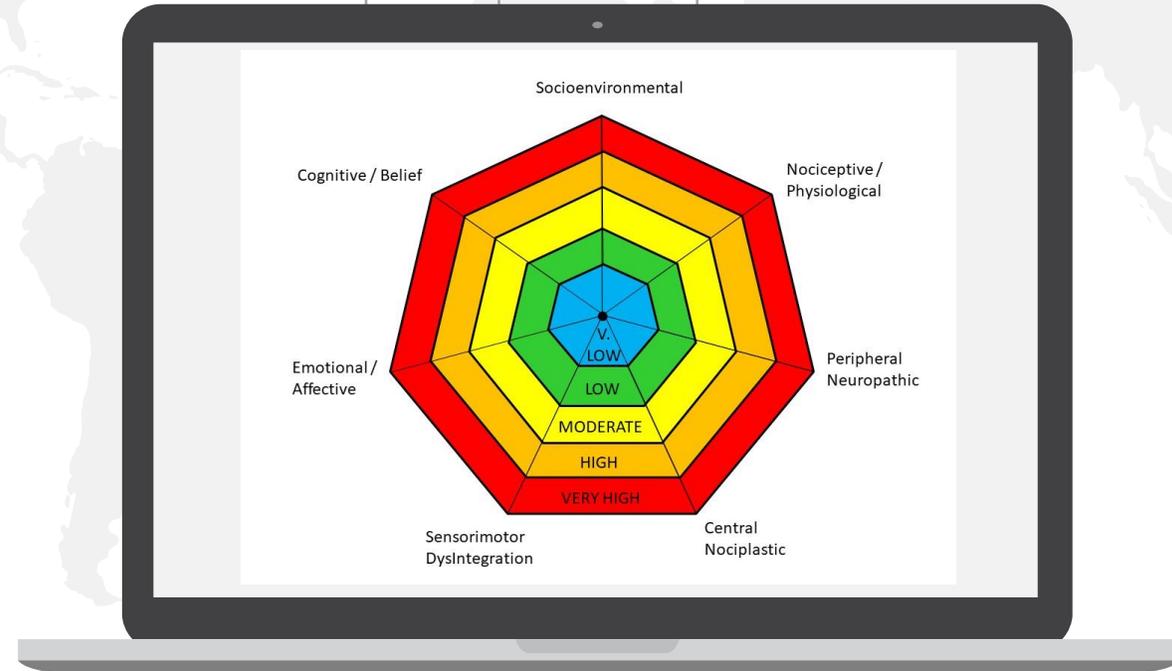
For researchers: Rapid inclusion/exclusion screening for trials



May have value for fundors (e.g., WSIB)



What does it do?



Summative Scores

Summative Scores		Target Score for Meaningful Change	
Number of Symptoms:	10 (100%)	Number of Symptoms:	8
Mean Frequency:	2.1 (70.0%)	Mean Frequency:	1.2
Mean Bothersomeness:	2.5 (62.5%)	Mean Bothersomeness:	1.5
Somatic Symptoms:	28 (47%)	Somatic Symptoms:	20
Non-Somatic Symptoms:	45 (62%)	Non-Somatic Symptoms:	39

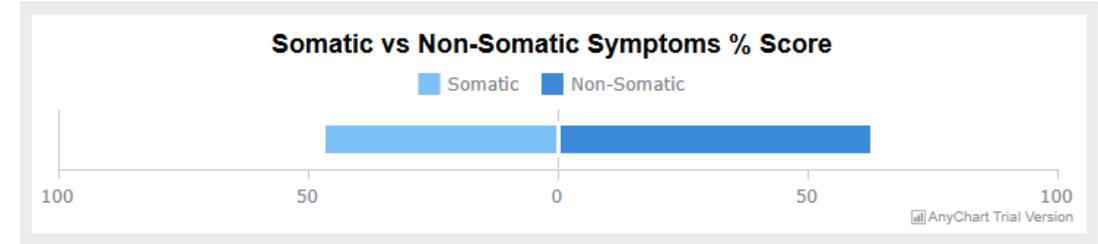
Screening Results

Full Recovery Predicted:	Unlikely
Potential Major Depressive Disorder:	Likely

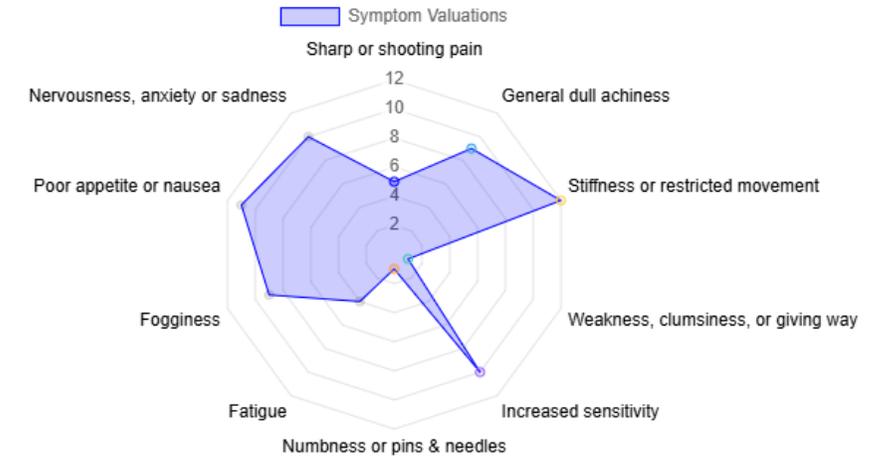
Other Comments

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Charts



Radar Plot of Symptoms





Initial Consultations

Liaise with clinician and patient partner groups to determine optimal design for usability



Prototype tool

Using the decision trees to create a radar plot and indicate most likely class a patient falls into



Clinician and patient feedback and iteration

Ask questions of the research team and partners as needed.

As needed



Beta version

For broader clinician trialing

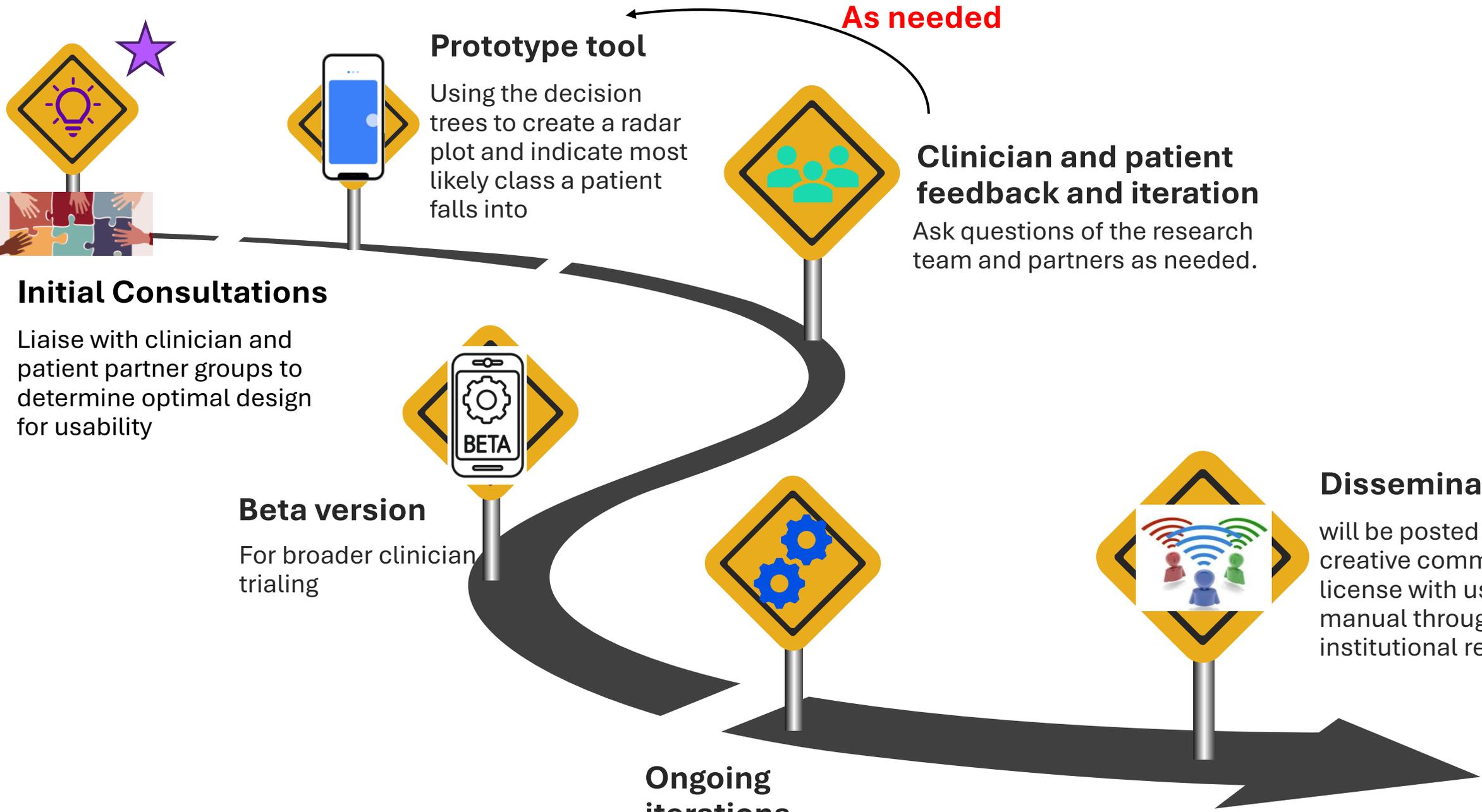


Ongoing iterations



Dissemination

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Any Questions?