

UNMC ID ECHO Project to Reduce COVID-19 Health Disparities Through Quality Improvement

Welcome to Session 4





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UNMC ID Health Equity and Quality Improvement ECHO Project

Topics: Health Equity Historical Context and Quality Improvement Human Factors and Systems Thinking

Free Live ECHO Project December 15, 2021 CID 53866



TARGET AUDIENCE

This live activity is intended for physicians, APPs, nurses, social workers, case managers, and anyone else interested in learning about health equity in underserved populations.

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

Achieving health equity, addressing COVID-19 disparities, and improving the health of all Nebraskans using a quality improvement approach are the goals for our newly launched educational initiative. This COVID-19-focused health equity and quality improvement educational series will use the ECHO model for training healthcare workers.

The course is being offered through the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) infectious diseases (ID) ECHO program and is funded by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) via a CDC grant.



EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this live activity, the participants should be better able to:

- Explain the role of human factors in work processes and error analysis in healthcare
- Describe systems thinking and how this relates to the Swiss Cheese Model
- List a historical example of medical racism.
- Recognize the present-day impact of historical medical experimentation.

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Current State of COVID-19 in Nebraska





Nebraska Statistics



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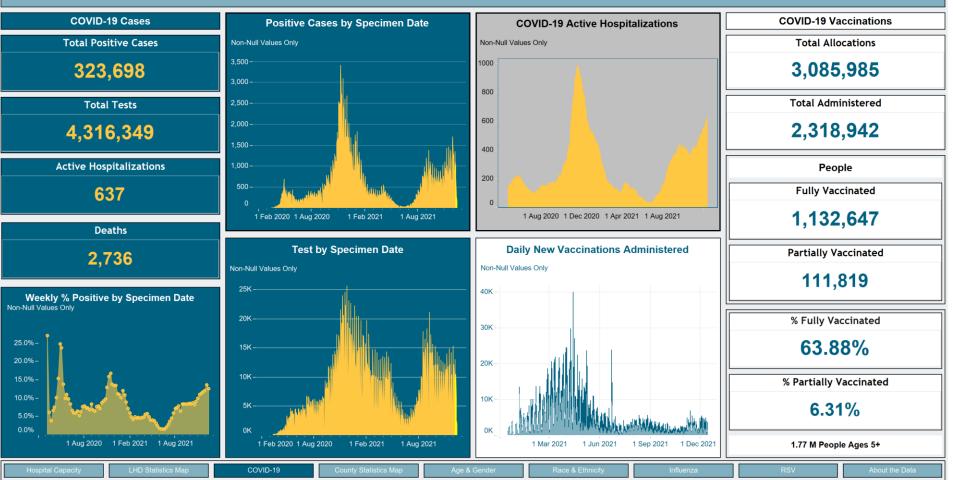
Nebraska Statistics

| Week | Daily New Cases/100K | Infection Rate | Positive Test Rate | Number of Hospitalizations | ICU Capacity Used | *Vaccinated 1+ |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 11/01/21 | 29.6 | 1.03 | 12.8% | 413 | 80% | 61% |
| 11/15/21 | 44.0 | 1.15 | 14.8% | 455 | 86% | 62% |
| 12/1/21 | 38.1 | 0.94 | 17.6% | 545 | 80% | 64% |
| 12/15/21 | 47.4 | 1.01 | 16.2% | 637 | 85% | 65% |
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*Percent of the entire state population vaccinated, regardless of eligibility/age.



Nebraska Hospital Capacity & Respiratory Illness Dashboard | Nebraska DHHS



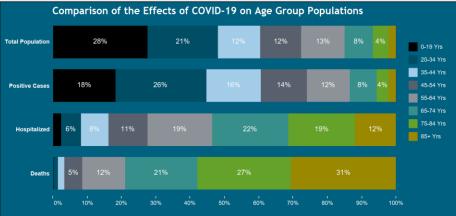
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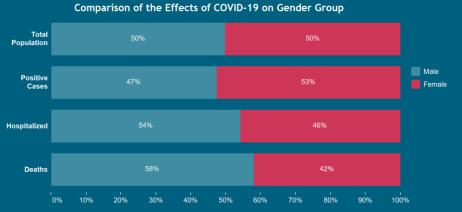
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| | Prior Da | ay Adult | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| Medica | l / Surg | IC | U |
| Staffed 3,239 | % Available Staffed 24% | Staffed 490 | % Available Staffed 17% |
| COVID Occupied 450 | Non COVID Occupied 2,014 | COVID Occupied 180 | Non COVID Occupied 226 |
| % COVID Staffed 14% | % Non COVID Staffed 62% | % COVID Staffed 37% | % Non COVID Staffed |

https://datanexus-dhhs.ne.gov/views/Covid/1_DailyCharts?%3AisGuestRedirectFromVizportal=y&%3Aembed=y

Nebraska Hospital Capacity Dashboard | Nebraska DHHS







Nebraska Hospital Capacity Dashboard | Nebraska DHHS

Data updated through: 12/13/2021



COVID-19 Update: Omicron Variant

- Detected in 34 states including Nebraska
- Represents 3% of US cases (13% in NY, NJ)
- More transmissible than delta variant; eventually will predominate
- Unclear severity of illness
- Therapeutics & vaccine effectiveness under investigation
 - Boosters increase neutralizing antibodies; approved for kids
 - Monoclonal effectiveness under investigation; +Sotrovimab
- Other COVID-19 Therapeutics:
 - Pfizer Paxlovid (↓ hospitalization by 89%)
 - Merck molnupiravir (\downarrow hospitalization by 30%)



Debrief

For our previous session:

What have you done, or do you hope to do, with this content?

For today's session:

Do you have questions or concerns that we can address?





Health Equity – Historical Context

Presenters: Dr. Jasmine Marcelin and Mahelet Kebede, MPH





Objectives

- 1. List a historical example of medical racism.
- 2. Recognize the present-day impact of historical medical experimentation.







No strangers to disparities and health inequity

HISTORICAL CASE EXAMPLES OF INEQUITIES





Indigenous Sterilization

1976: Government admits unauthorized sterilization of Indigenous Women

A study by the U.S. General Accounting Office finds that 4 of the 12 Indian Health Service regions sterilized 3,406 American Indian women without their permission between 1973 and 1976.

Two years earlier, an independent study by Dr. Connie Pinkerton-Uri, Choctaw/Cherokee, found that one in four American Indian women had been sterilized without her consent.

Pinkerton-Uri's research indicated that the Indian Health Service had "singled out full-blooded Indian women for sterilization procedures."





LGBTQIA+ Treatment







Cured: <u>https://www.cureddocumentary.com/</u>

Reflection

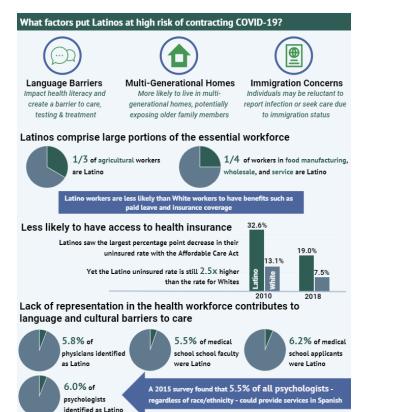
Thoughts on the trailer?





Latinx/Hispanic Communities

Systemic racism is a key factor explaining the unequal social, political, and economic opportunities for the nation's 60 million Latinx individuals.



Education Employment Immigration Health Voting The Wealth Gap









History has its eyes on you Structural Racism and Medicine



| | | How race is used | Rationale for race-based management | Potential harm | | |
|------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
| eGF | R° | eGFR for Black patients is multiplied by 1·16–1·21 the eGFR for White patients, depending on the equation used | Black patients are presumed to have higher muscle mass and creatinine generation rate than patients of other races | Black patients might experience delayed dialysis and transplant referral ^{8,9} | | |
| | l risk for betes ⁷ | Asian patients considered at risk for diabetes at BMI ≥23 vs 25 for patients of other races | Asian patients are presumed to develop more visceral than peripheral adiposity than patients of other races at similar BMI levels, increasing risk for insulin resistance ⁷ | Asian patients screened for diabetes despite absence of other risk factors might experience increased stigma and distrust of medical providers ¹¹ | | |
| FRA | X ¹³ | Probability of fracture is adjusted according to geography or minority status, or both | Different geographical and ethnic minority populations are presumed to have varied relative risks for fracture on the basis of epidemiological data | Some populations, including Black women, might be less likely to be screened for osteoporosis than other populations ¹⁴ | | |
| PFT | 16 | Reference values for pulmonary function are adjusted for race and ethnicity | Racial and ethnic minority groups are presumed to have varied lung function on the basis of epidemiological data | Black patients might experience increased difficulty obtaining disability support for pulmonary disease ¹⁷ | | |
| | 8 bertension delines ¹⁹ | Treatment algorithm provides alternate pathways for Black and non-Black patients | ACE-inhibitor use associated with higher risk of stroke and poorer control of blood pressure in Black patients than in patients of other races | Black patients might be less likely to achieve hypertension control and require multiple antihypertensive agents ²⁰ | | |
| From | From race-based to race-conscious medicine: how anti-racist uprisings call us to act | | | | | |

The problem with racebased medicine

From race-based to race-conscious medicine: how anti-racist uprisings call us to act Cerdeña. Jessica P et al. The Lancet. Volume 396. Issue 10257. 1125 - 1128





1918 Influenza Pandemic: Historical Precedent for Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Pandemic Healthcare Delivery

• Segregated hospitals; Lower quality care; Inadequate supplies

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- Stigma and blaming pandemic on migrating Black families
- Overcrowded living conditions

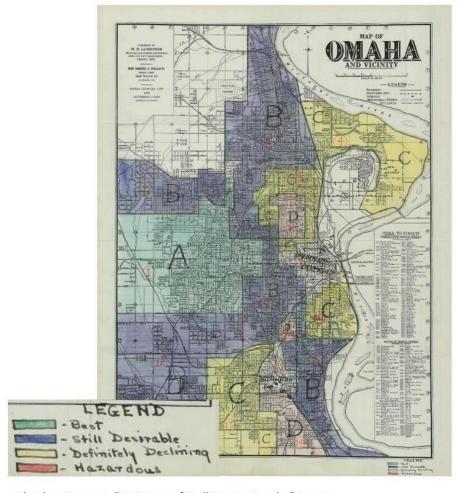
Factors Contributing to Inequities



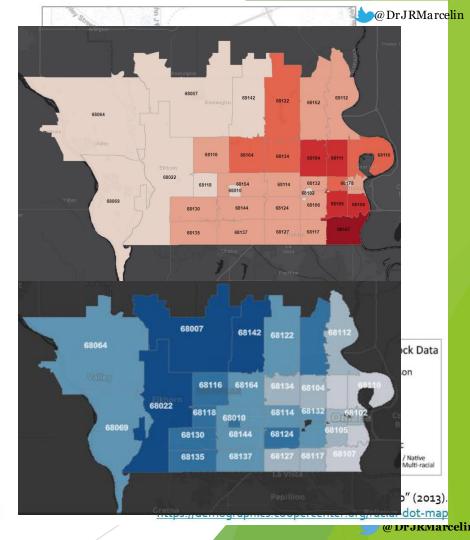


Redlining

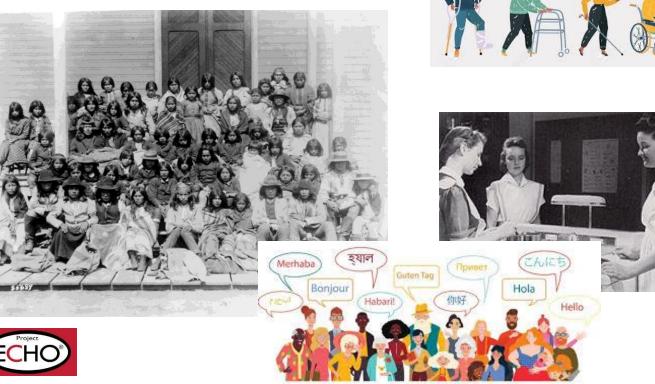




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Education

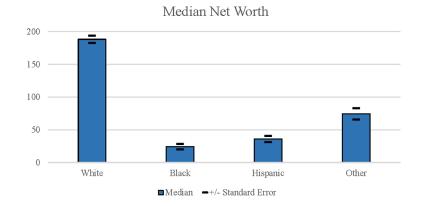


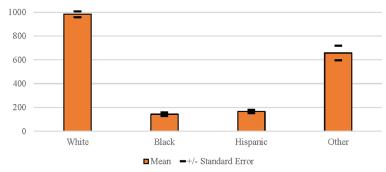




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Racial Wealth Gap





Mean Net Worth

Findings from the Federal Reserve Board's 2019 Survey of Consumer Finance.

This data observation is a result of many complex **societal, governmental, and individual factors** that play out over the life cycle and even across generations.

Source: Federal Reserve Board, 2019 Survey of Consumer Finances.

Social Determinants of Health



Source: CDC Website



Quality Improvement: Systems Thinking and Human Factors

Presenters: Jeff Wetherhold, Gale Etherton, MD, Mahliqha Qasimyar, MD







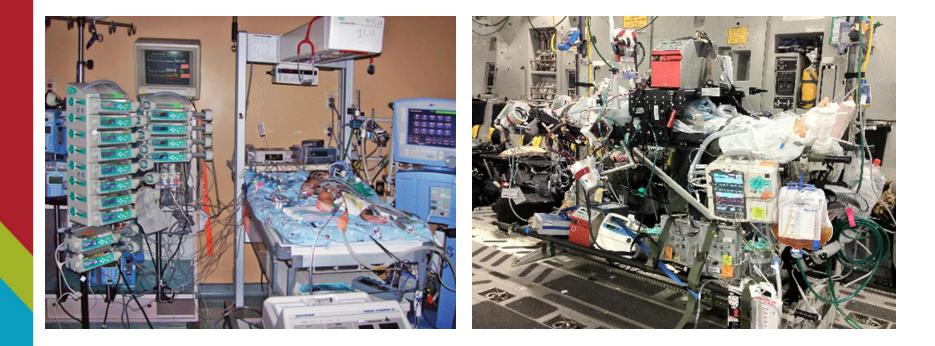
- 1. Describe systems-based thinking and how this relates to the Swiss Cheese Model
- 2. Explain the role of human factors in processes





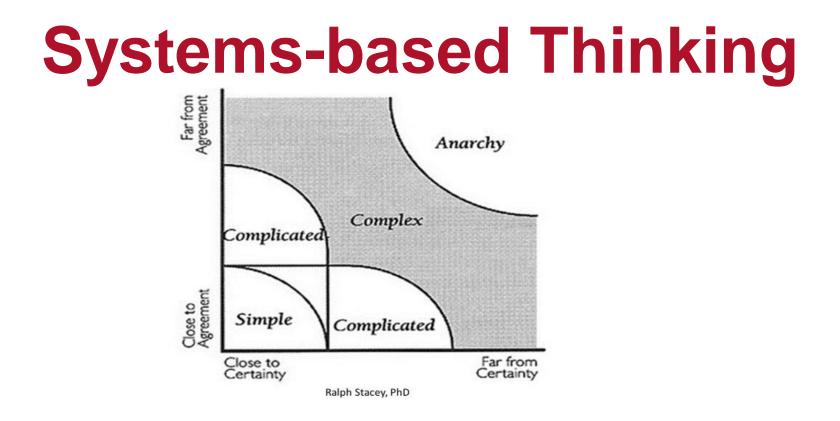
• Medicine used to be simple, ineffective and relatively safe





 Medicine is now complex, effective and potentially dangerous



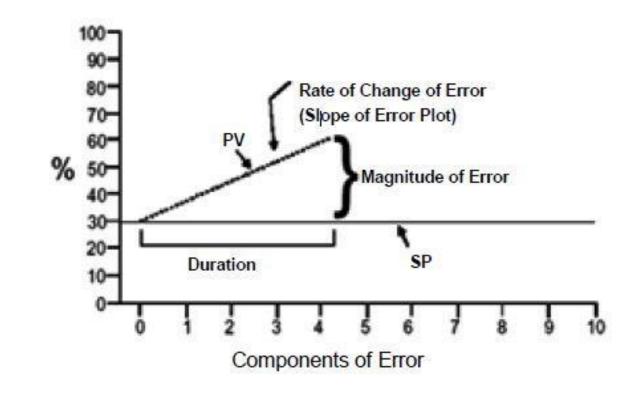


• The study of complexity and the relationships and interactions among components of a system



• The sum of its parts are more than the whole

System Error Rates





Human Error Rates

| | Error rate (per task) | | | |
|--|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--|
| | Read/ reason | Physical operation | Everyday yardstick | |
| Routine simple task | | | | |
| Read a checklist or digital display wrongly | 0.001 | | | |
| Set switch (multiposition) wrongly | | 0.001 | | |
| Calibrate dial by potentiometer wrongly | | 0.002 | | |
| Check for wrong indicator in an array | 0.003 | | | |
| Wrongly carry out visual inspection for a defined criterion (e.g. leak) | 0.003 | | | |
| Fail to correctly replace PCB | | 0.004 | | |
| Select wrong switch among similar | | 0.005 | | |
| Complicated non-routine task | | | | |
| Fail to notice adverse indicator when reaching | | | | |
| for wrong switch or item | 0.1 | | | |
| Fail to recognize incorrect status in roving | | | | |
| inspection | 0.1 | | | |
| New workshift - fail to check hardware, unless | | | | |
| specified | 0.1 | | | |
| General (high stress) | 0.25 | | | |
| Fail to notice wrong position of valves | 0.5 | | | |
| Fail to act correctly after 1 min in emergency | | | | |
| situation | 0.9 | | | |
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In failure rate terms the incident rate in a plant is likely to be in the range of 20×10^{-6} per h (general human error) to 1×10^{-6} per h (safety-related incident).

Source: Smith, Dr David J., 'Reliability and Maintainability and Risk', Extracts from Appendix 6, 7th Edition, Elsevier, 2005



Human Factors

- All errors have human components and system components
- How humans interact with that system is the study of human factors



Social Determinants of Health

| Healthcare Access and Quality | Education Access and Quality | Social and Community Context | Economic Stability | Neighborhood and Built Environment |
|--|--|---|---|--|
| Access to healthcare Access to primary care Health insurance coverage Health literacy | Early childhood education and development Graduation from high school Enrollment in higher education Language, literacy | Cohesion within community Civic participation Discrimination Workplace conditions Incarceration | Poverty Employment Food security Housing stability | Housing quality Access to transportation Availability of healthy foods Air and water quality Neighborhood crime and violence |

ERROR CLASSIFICATION

| ENVIRONMENT | | | | |
|-------------|--|---|--|--|
| | Climate/Culture | Physical Environment | | |
| | Attitudes and actions allow unsafe acts Overconfident or underconfident | Concentration, vision, hearing or movement impaired | | |

ERROR CLASSIFICATION

| LEADERSHIP | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| Operational Planning | Supervisory Ethics | | |
| No provision for adequate training Role/responsibilities not defined Rule/policies and/or procedure not defined Failure to correct known and/ or identified problems Employees not fully aware or capable of work to be done No formal team training provided | Permits workers to perform tasks outside of scope and licensure or qualification | | |

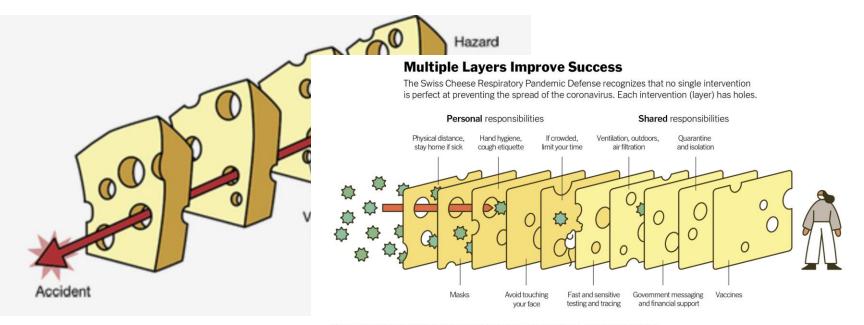
| HUMAN FACTORS | | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Information Technology | Equipment | Scheduling | Resources | |
| Computer hardware or software problems EMR issues Information security issues | Usability issue Warning system or automated system issues Biomed interface problems: hardware or software | Fatigue Rushed or delayed necessary action Task overload Competing priorities | Failure to use available resources Appropriate resources not available when needed Appropriate resources not purchased, funded Failure to remove defective resource | |

| HUMAN FACTORS | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Training | Training | Failure Mechanism of Communication | | |
| Improper use of equipment Inadequate report provided Inadequate maintenance of equipment | Procedure or checklist not followed Wrong procedure or tool chosen for task Team training failure (Team trained but failed) Poor team dynamics Team specific coordination failures Team specific communication failures | Confidentiality lost Conveyance poor (written, electronic or verbal) | | |





Swiss Cheese Model



Source: Adapted from Ian M. Mackay (virologydownunder.com) and James T. Reason. Illustration by Rose Wong

By Siobhan Roberts Published Dec. 5, 2020 Updated Dec. 7, 2020

Standardization

- Complex systems are more than the sum of simple tasks
- Standardization and protocolization of simple tasks can help improve the overall outcome
 - Minimize variability in care
 - Minimize variability in cost
- Allows you to get right some pieces of the puzzle in a complex system

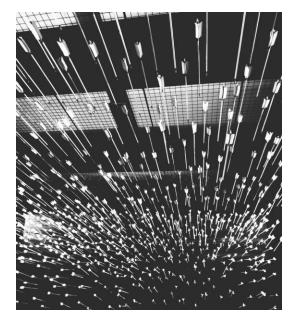
Makes your processes more reliable and less prone to error



Reliability **#** Perfection

To achieve reliability, we need to:

- Understand why processes are frequently unreliable
- Accept that attempts to create perfect processes keep us from creating reliable processes
- Build a toolkit for QI that is simple, applicable, and requires few resources







• Will provide more in-depth didactics and discussion about QI tools and how to use them



Case Study





Case Study

You are a provider having a conversation about COVID vaccination with a patient in their 40s. They are healthy but have a family member who passed away from COVID last year. They are hesitant to be vaccinated because the vaccine was "developed too fast" and they are worried it is "experimental."

- 1. What systems-level barriers might be relevant?
- 2. What human factors might contribute to their hesitance?
- 3. How might these differ depending on their values or beliefs?



***SDOH & HF Linked**



| Human Factors: Information, Technology & Equipment | Human Factors: Scheduling | Human Factors: Communication | Human Factors: Resources | Human Factors: Training | Environment: Climate & Culture | Environment: Physical Environment | Leadership |
|--|--|--|--|-------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Limited or lack of access to reliable data sources | Public briefings held during work/school hours Vaccine clinics scheduled during work/school hours | Information not provided in preferred format or language | Multiple data sources, potentially conflicting Lack of healthcare access Limited financial resources | • Health literacy | Individual freedoms v public health Religious beliefs Individual v family or community- oriented decision making Implicit and explicit biases | Vaccination sites not locally accessible Workplace conditions | Inconsistent messages from CDC, others Clear, complete & updated info not provided Historical mistreatment by US govt and healthcare system |

*Key SDOH = Social Determinants of Health HF = Human Factors

POLL





What can you do in the next three weeks?

Identify changes you can make to address vaccine hesitance



Wrap-Up

- 1. You will receive today's presentation, in addition to a one-page key-takeaways document and next session's agenda through email.
- 2. Next session will be on January 5th on "Long Term Complications of COVID-19 Infection; Cultural Attitudes - time, space, group dynamics, authority, tasks, relationships (part 2/3)".
- 3. If you'd like to share a case with us, kindly send it by Monday, January 3rd.





Thank You



