

Implementing Robotics in the Patient Care Environment



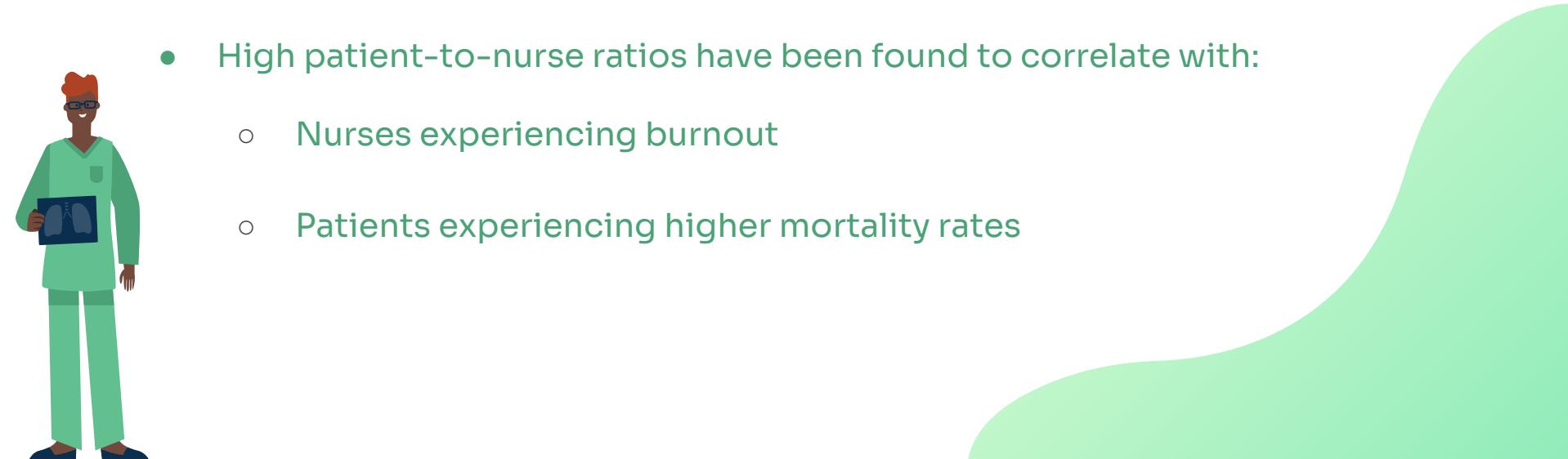
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What problems are being addressed?



Background

- Nursing shortages:
 - Errors in patient care
 - Higher mortality rates
- High patient-to-nurse ratios have been found to correlate with:
 - Nurses experiencing burnout
 - Patients experiencing higher mortality rates



Stressful Environment

- Nurses have to manage multiple patients
- Sense of urgency/time
- Patient isolation and uncertainty



Pre-Existing Solutions

- MediBabble and Google translate fall short at providing adequate cultural context
- Additionally these solutions operate under the assumption that every nurse and patient has their own device and internet access
- AI tools operate with a much greater knowledge of language and allow for less information to get lost in translation



Criterias used to consider audience

- Justice
- Equity
- Diversity
- Inclusion
- Accessibility



Sustainability and Equity

- Reduce plastic usage through reuse of designated pill container
- Reducing costs for patients by minimizing medical errors
- Improving equity in medicine for non-native English speakers
- Better understanding of the patient's preferred diet
 - Less food waste



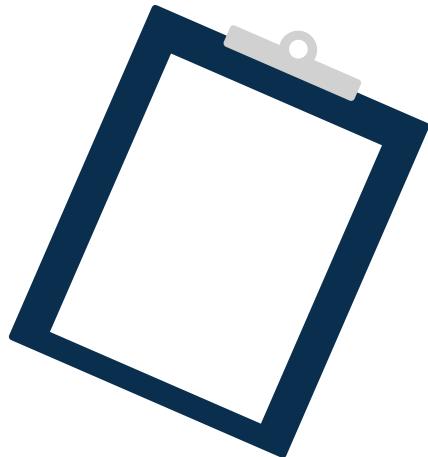
Considerations for Users

- Barcodes make it easier for users
- Better accessibility to people with disabilities
- More future opportunities for employees by providing certified technical skills
- Stress reduction for both patients and nurses
- Relieving nurses from extra routine activities





Demonstration

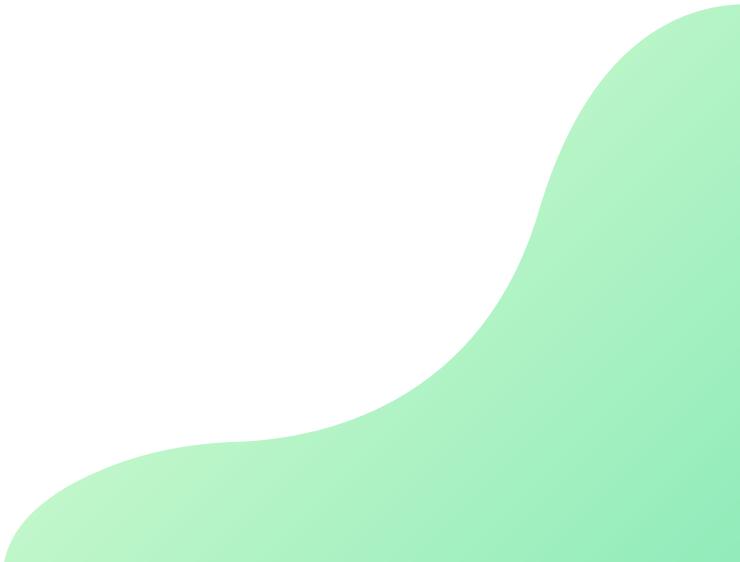


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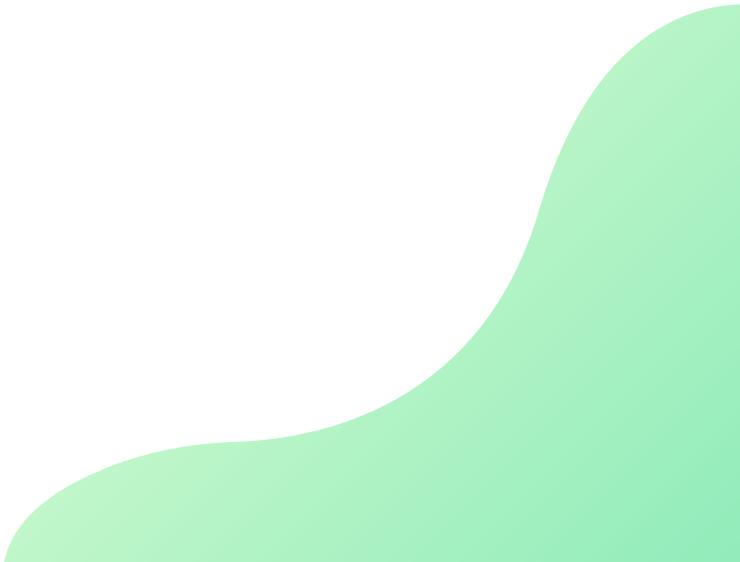
- This device utilizes pre-existing medical records with OpenAI and the cloud
- Language detection and translation through OpenAI



Presentation visual and clear?

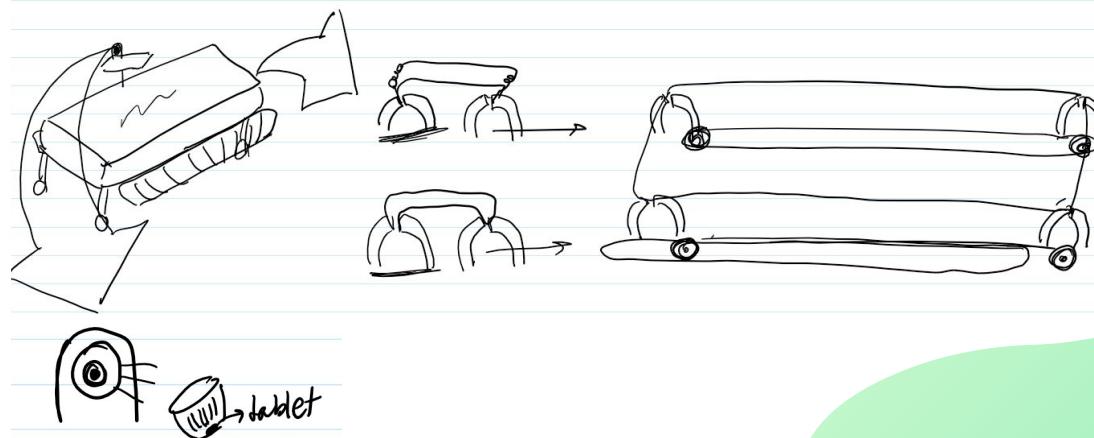


Did we explore user experience?



Design process, inspiration, ideation, implementation?

- We have noticed many issues through some of our personal exposure to nurses and patient care
- Nurses have to manage many patients at any time
- AI has more access to cultural context than other translation tools



Development Challenges

- Learning to use API
- Rewriting program in entirely different language Java to Python
- Software Financial Constraints
- Combining multiple features into a file
- Creating front-end interface



Financial Aspects and Business Plans

- Implementation of device requires electricity and internet
- Available in most hospitals already
- Not difficult to train staff on how to use



Improvements to Routine Patient Care

- Communication
- Medication Delivery
- Patient Information Logging



Communication

- Translation tools using OpenAI improve communication between patients and healthcare providers
- Familiarity with foreign brand names



Medication Delivery

- Allows for patient's past medical history to be easily accessed
 - Will reduce human error on patient's side
→ eliminates patient reported error
- Provides another barrier/failsafe to ensure restrictions are observed



Patient Information Logging

- This device will allow for ease of tracking and monitoring doses
- Information can be communicated among nursing staff instantly
- This provides an additional verification of charts



Equity for the System and Individual

- Ensures that patients get the care they need
 - Regardless of the languages they are able to speak and understand
- Reduces pre-existing medical errors due to miscommunication
- Equality of outcome through breaking language barriers



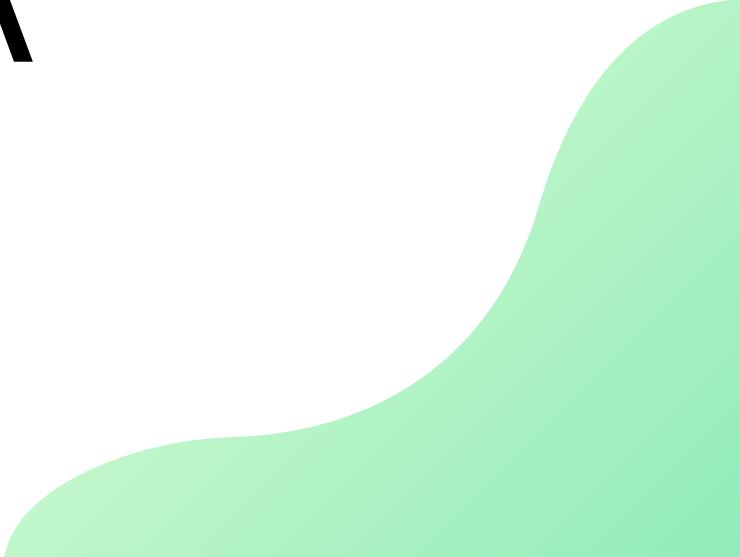
Ethical Considerations

- We must be mindful that hospitals do not use the freed up resources as an excuse to lay-off nurses or medical interpreters
- Simplest design possible to allow for accessibility to wide audience and easy integration
- Program uses data from hospital medical records which must be kept confidential and not collected by other parties

Thank you!



Q & A



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