

Data Science Intern at Data Glacier

Project: Healthcare - Persistency of a drug (Data Science)

Week 7: Deliverables

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1. Project Plan

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Week 11	Aug 16, 2023	EDA Presentation and proposed model technique
Week 12	Aug 23, 2023	Model Selection
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2. Problem Statement

The pharmaceutical industry faces numerous challenges in understanding the persistency of drugs as per physician prescriptions. Ensuring that patients adhere to prescribed medications is crucial for their health outcomes and overall treatment effectiveness. However, non-adherence to prescribed medications can lead to suboptimal results, increased healthcare costs, and potential complications. To address this critical issue, ABC pharma company has decided to take a data-driven approach and has approached us to automate the process of identifying factors impacting drug persistency.

Our task is to analyze a comprehensive dataset containing a diverse set of variables related to patient demographics, provider attributes, clinical factors, disease/treatment factors, comorbidities, concomitancy, and adherence information. The primary objective is to gather insights and build a robust classification model that predicts whether a patient will exhibit persistency with the prescribed drug or not. The target variable, "Persistency_Flag," will serve as the ground truth for this classification task, where it is coded as 1 if the patient is persistent and 0 if the patient is non-persistent between variables. Then build a model that classifies the dataset.