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Nursing Insights From CaringBridge Notes

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Objectives

- Describe CaringBridge, a compassionate technology social media platform
- Describe ontologically-based text mining
- Discuss methodological approaches for use in social media text mining
- Identify applications and implications for social media text mining methods

CaringBridge





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CaringBridge.org

- Nonprofit social network
 - Facilitate communication with friends and family
 - Support for loved ones during a health journey
- Free personal website
- Place for healing and comfort
 - 740,000 web sites
 - 235 countries

Sona Mehring (founder) with JoAnn Hardegger and Darrin Swanson holding a photo of their daughter Brighid, the baby who inspired CaringBridge in 1997. (Photo: May 2011. https://www.caringbridge.org/about-us)



UMN-CaringBridge Collaboration

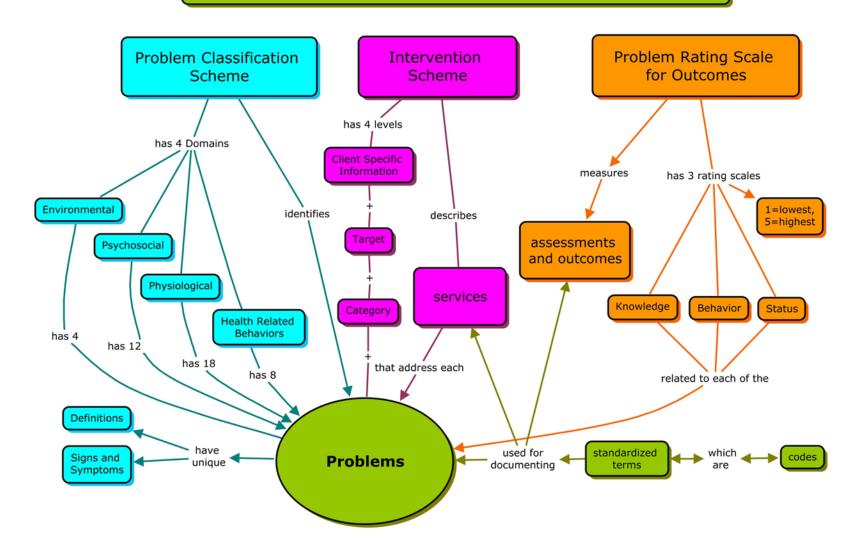
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The Ontology Question Guiding the Text-mining Approach

 "What kinds of things exist or can exist in the world, and what manner of relations can those things have to each other?"

http://semanticweb.org/wiki/Ontology

The Omaha System (Martin, 2005)

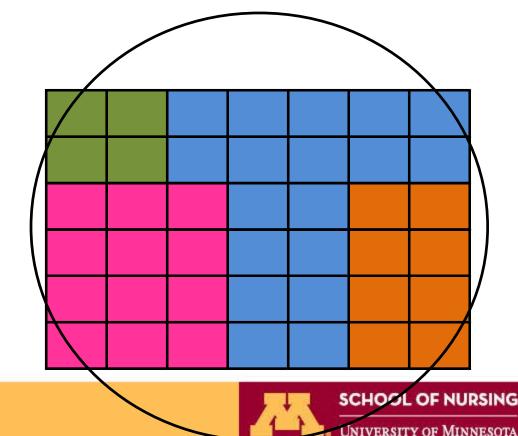


42 Neutral Concepts

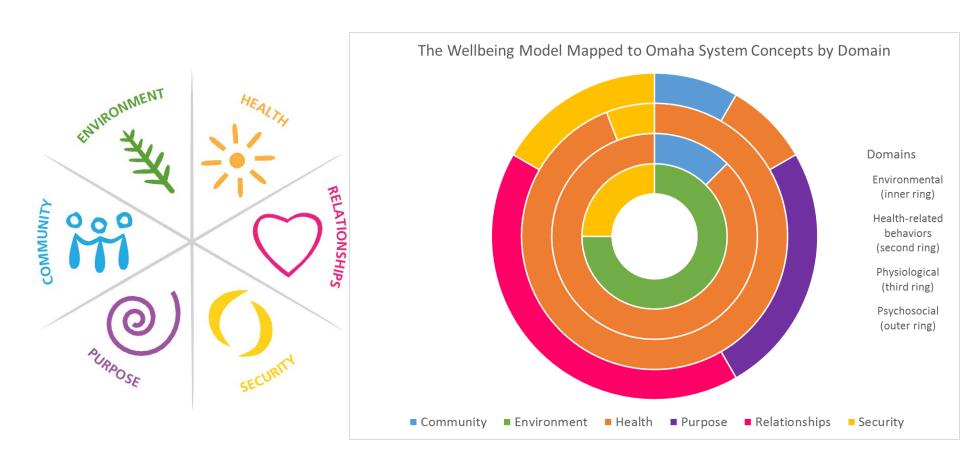
Describe all of health and health care

Called "Problems" but may refer to strengths as

well



Comprehensive Whole

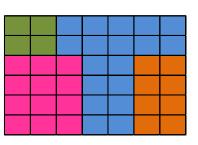


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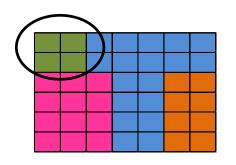
Problem Classification Scheme

- Describes defined health concepts in four domains
 - Environmental (4 problems)
 - Psychosocial (12 problems)
 - Physiological (18 problems)
 - Health-related Behaviors (8 problems)
- Every problem has a definition and a unique list of signs/symptoms
- See http://omahasystem.org/problemclassificationscheme.html



Environmental Domain

Income
Sanitation
Residence
Neighborhood/workplace safety



Psychosocial Domain

Communication with community resources

Social contact

Role change

Interpersonal relationship

Spirituality

Grief

Mental health

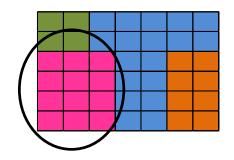
Sexuality

Caretaking/parenting

Neglect

Abuse

Growth and development



Physiological Domain

Hearing

Vision

Speech and language

Oral health

Cognition

Pain

Consciousness

Skin

Neuro-musculo-skeletal

function

Respiration

Circulation

Digestion-hydration

Bowel function

Urinary function

Reproductive function

Pregnancy

Postpartum

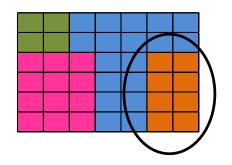
Communicable/infectious

condition



Health-related Behaviors Domain

Sleep and rest patterns
Physical activity
Personal care
Substance use
Family planning
Health care supervision
Medication regimen



Specific Aims

- To develop ontology-based text mining methods for application in a CaringBridge social media corpus
- 2. To examine the use of the Omaha System as a basis for understanding whole-person health/wellbeing in CaringBridge journals
- 3. To describe CaringBridge journal content from a whole-person perspective

Methods

- Sample consisted of free text from 13,757,900
 CaringBridge journal entries
- The text dataset was prepared by removing stop words and html text using standard NLP procedures by Giaquinto, Banerjee, and team
- Word counts of the 42 Omaha System problem concepts were obtained using shell scripts and python programming on Minnesota Supercomputing Institute High Performance Computing systems in four steps

Text Mining Approach

- Step 1: Problem concept stems
- Step 2: Combining problem concept stems
- Step 3: Adding S/sx stems
- Step 4: Adding synonyms and related words

Sleep and rest patterns

- Periods of suspended motor and sensory activity and periods of inactivity, repose, or mental calm
 - Sleep/rest pattern disrupts family
 - Frequently wakes during night
 - Sleepwalking
 - Insomnia
 - Nightmares
 - Insufficient sleep/rest for age/physical condition
 - Sleep apnea
 - Snoring

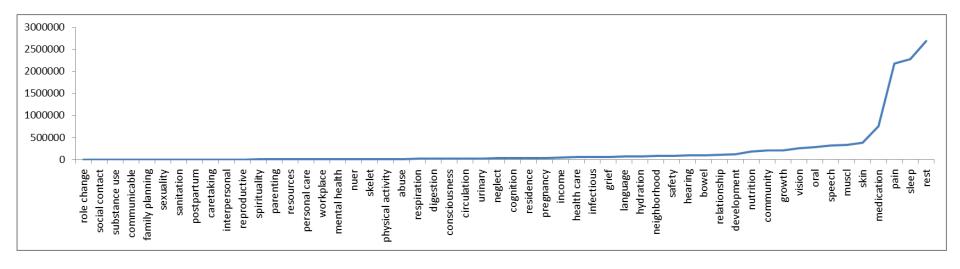
Sleep and Rest Patterns Stems, S/sx, Synonyms

- Sleep
- Rest
 - awake during night
 - sleepwalk
 - insomnia
 - Nightmare
 - snoring

- repose
- snore
- awake at night
- awake all night
- up all night
- nap
- doze
- shut eye
- shuteye

Results Step 1: Problem concept stems

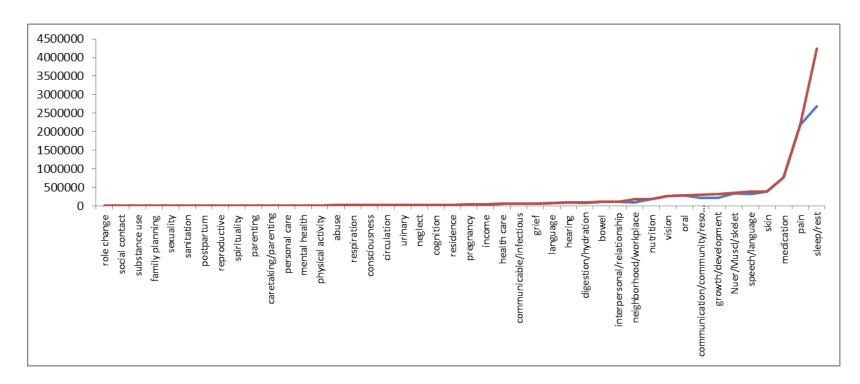
All 55 terms and stems were present



• Range from 336 (Role change) - 2,685,494 (Rest)

Step 2: Combine problem concepts from terms and stems

Showing 42 concepts

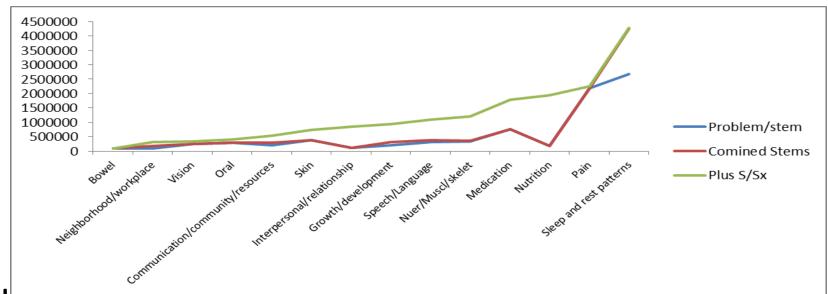


Maximum = Sleep/rest (>4M)



Step 3: Adding signs/symptoms

showing problem terms and stems with N > 100,000



Increases ranged from 2.5% to 957.3%

• Maxiumum = 4.5M

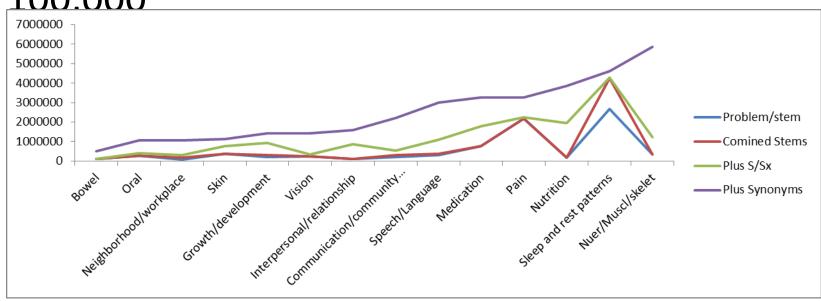
Nursing Knowledge: 4.5M

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Step 4: Adding related words

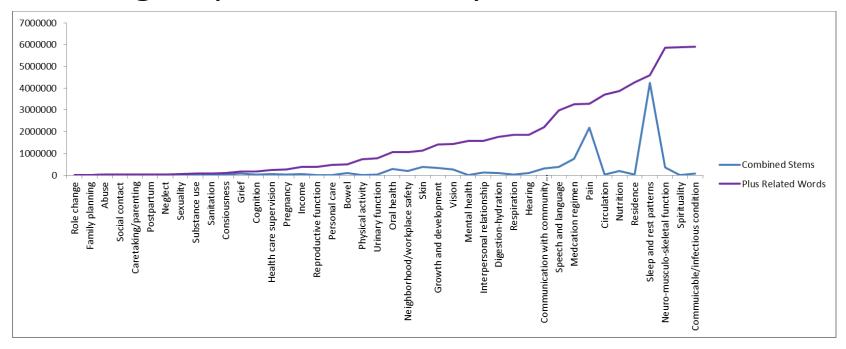
 showing problem terms and stems with N > 100,000



- Increases ranged from 7.4% to 381.2%
- Maximum = 6M

Step 4: Adding related words

showing all problem concepts



 Increases ranged from 0.01% (Abuse) % to 1548.5% (Spirituality)



Preliminary Validation

- "Things looked fine far as the skin [Skin] color, oozing, swelling, and blisters, it's all there, just in the right amounts, nothing to worry about."
- "They will run some tests to see if parainfluenza [Communicable/infectious condition] is still cause of his cough [Respiration]."
- "He does not walk unless necessary like getting to car so he's quite weak [Neuro-musculo-skeletal function]."

Other Important Observations

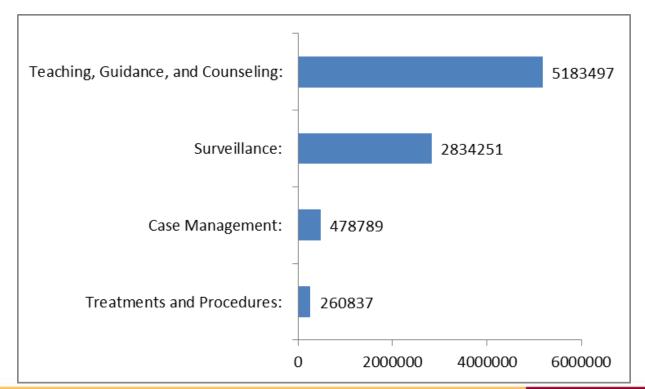
Some CaringBridge authors express extreme emotions

Possible Intervention Topics

- Many people talk about
 - Sleep and rest
 - Pain
 - Nutrition
 - Medications

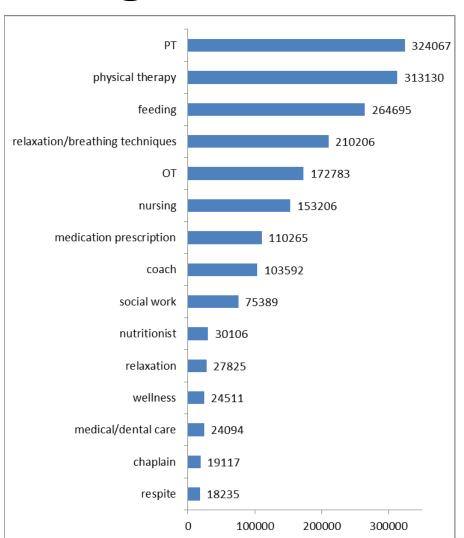
Intervention Terms: Categories

Many people talk about



Intervention Terms: Target

- Many people talk about
 - PT
 - Feeding
 - Breathing techniques
 - -OT
 - Nursing
 - Prescription
 - Coach
 - Social work



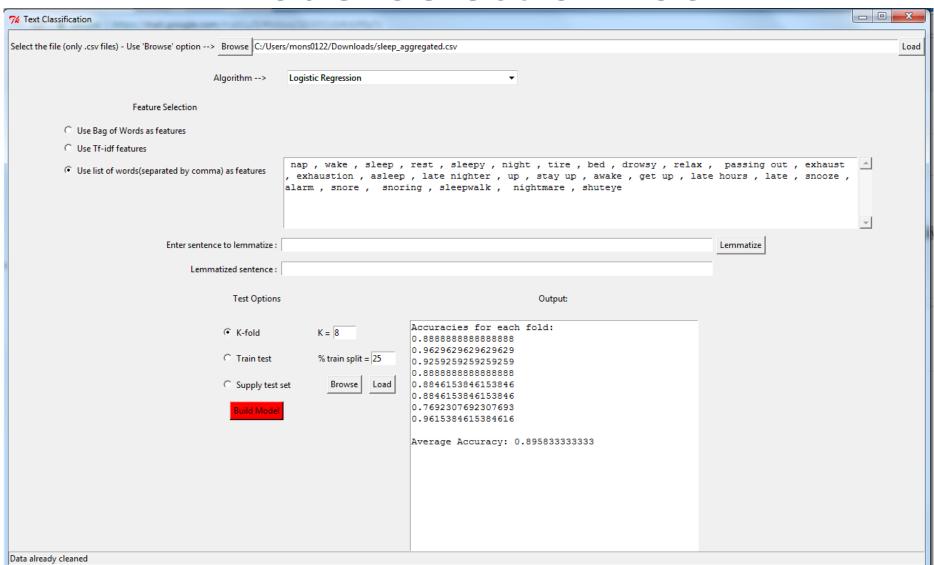
Limitations

- Challenges of interpretation:
 - Concepts may be positive or negative
 - Idiomatic bias: need to take words at face value, and not include some words: e.g. "See" could relate to vision or be used in many other idiomatic expressions
 - Semantic equivalence: many ways to say the same thing, difficult to capture all synonyms
 - Overlap: Despite the Omaha System's taxonomic structure, there may be areas of overlap in some concepts expressed in natural language

Next Steps

- Validate meaning and concept saturation through review of randomly selected journals
- Automate model selection for each concept
- Tag each journal with problem concepts
- Cluster authors to identify meaningful subgroups
- Apply sentiment analysis techniques to understand whether concepts are positive or negative
- Identify intervention needs and outcomes

Model Selection Tool



Preliminary Findings from Use of Model Selection Tool

TBD

Applications for Use in Other Social Media Platforms

- Word2vec technique will identify words in any corpus associated with the standardized words
- Specialized vocabularies may need to be built for each platform
- Model selection tools can help identify best models to be used by concept, with each corpus and platform

Spinning Words into Data

- Implications for our future work
 - We hope to continue the process of tagging journals with 42 concepts, 4 intervention categories, and 75 intervention targets in order to apply typical clustering and analytics methods to text data as we would to quantitative data
 - These methods should be tested with other datasets from diverse platforms and populations

Conclusions

- The Omaha System text mining approach revealed differential representation of CaringBridge content from a whole-person perspective
- Further research is needed to extend this approach to inform important clinical questions and intervention opportunities

Thank you!

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