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PROGETTO / PROJECT

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Titolo/Title: Digital Integrated Monitoring System of Public Health Spending
in Patients with Insomnia

Corso /PhD Course Cognitive and Behavioral Sciences

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Descrizione del progetto/Project description (Tra i 2.000 e 3.000 caratteri spazi inclusi/
Number of characters, including spaces: 2.000 - 3.000): **2994**

Insomnia is the most common sleeping disorder in adults, clinically characterized by difficulty initiating or maintaining sleep and often accompanied by symptoms such as irritability or fatigue during wakefulness.¹ Due to its high prevalence in the general population (10-20%; about 50% with a chronic course)¹, and high societal costs², it is now considered one of the major Public Health issues worldwide. Furthermore, gender differences have been reported in a recent meta-analysis³ observational studies, with females 1.5 times at higher risk to have insomnia. Reduced productivity and increased absenteeism are among the main functional consequences of insomnia, while the most significant risk is related to develop mental disorders such as depression and cognitive decline. Diagnosis is clinical, although supported by quantitative measurements derived from polysomnography (PSG) and actigraphy. Cognitive-behavioral and pharmacologic interventions have proven effective treatments in patients with insomnia.¹

An emerging question for managed care organizations in Public Health, is to quantify the economic and social burden of insomnia. A correct evaluation is based on the analysis of two broad categories of costs: direct and indirect. The direct costs include consultations, products, testing and cost-effectiveness of treatments and are generally associated to the consumption of the public resources. The indirect costs include absenteeism and reduced workplace productivity are usually associated with the loss of resources.⁴ It is also interesting to note that, although the indirect costs have received less attention in the literature, these are higher than direct costs. Overall, the direct and indirect insomnia healthcare costs have been estimated to be as high as \$100 billion US dollars for year.⁵

The current PhD project has the ambition to create a digital system to estimate and monitor the economic and social impact of insomnia in Italian population:

1. Providing a digital monitoring system to collect data concerning direct (medical, pharmaceutical, and laboratory expenditure) and indirect (absenteeism and reduced workplace productivity) costs of insomnia for year. De novo patients with insomnia, as well as, patients with chronic insomnia will be considered for the economic analysis. An integrated approach evaluating all the voices of health spending for insomnia is not only novel, but also is need to have a clearer picture of the issue.

2. Applying the advanced machine learning techniques and Artificial Intelligence to develop the decision-making algorithms: i) to predict the health spending related to specific clinical phenotype of insomnia; ii) to timely identify biomarkers to reduce the risk of re-hospitalization in insomnia patients;

Given the important societal and economic burden of insomnia, new strategies to reduce the consumption of the public resources and to improve the health related quality of life in insomnia patients, are needed.

Competenze che deve acquisire lo studente/Skills to be acquired by the student (Max 600 caratteri spazi inclusi/ Number of characters, including spaces: max 600): **519**

The main phases of the project: include the retrospective and prospective collection of the economic data of patients with insomnia



First year:

Critical literature review, data collection, management of data using methods of machine learning and models of Artificial Intelligence;

Second year:

Economic data collection, management and analysis of data by using of machine learning methods and models of Artificial Intelligence; Interpretation of Results;

Third year:

Planning, drafting and submission of scientific papers.

Bibliografia/References (max. 15)

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