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# ***Conceptual Framework – Constructed, Not Found***

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- My Journey into
  - CER/PCOR
  - The PATIENTS Program
- A Story About Resource Mapping



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- Conceptual Framework is about What Happens to a Patient
- Who Better than Patients to Describe/Construct that Framework?



# Some Examples

- Framework for benefits/harms of treatments
- Framework for decision
- Framework for implementation
- Framework for PCOR to address disparities
- Framework
  - Identifies Variables
  - Clarifies relationships among the variables (e.g. interaction terms)



# QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

