





# Comprehensive assessment of pharmacotherapy in the complex chronic patient: collaboration between different levels of care

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## Background and Importance

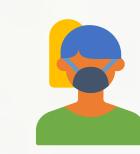
Complex chronic patients (CCP) have changing needs that require continuous reassessment and require effective coordination of different levels of care.

## Aim and Objectives

To analyse a comprehensive pharmacotherapy assessment program (CPAP) in the CCP in terms of health resources utilization, optimization of pharmacotherapy, pharmacotherapeutic recommendations accepted by prescriptors and patient satisfaction.

Emergency department (ED) 09/01/2023 - 31/08/2023.

## Materials and Methods

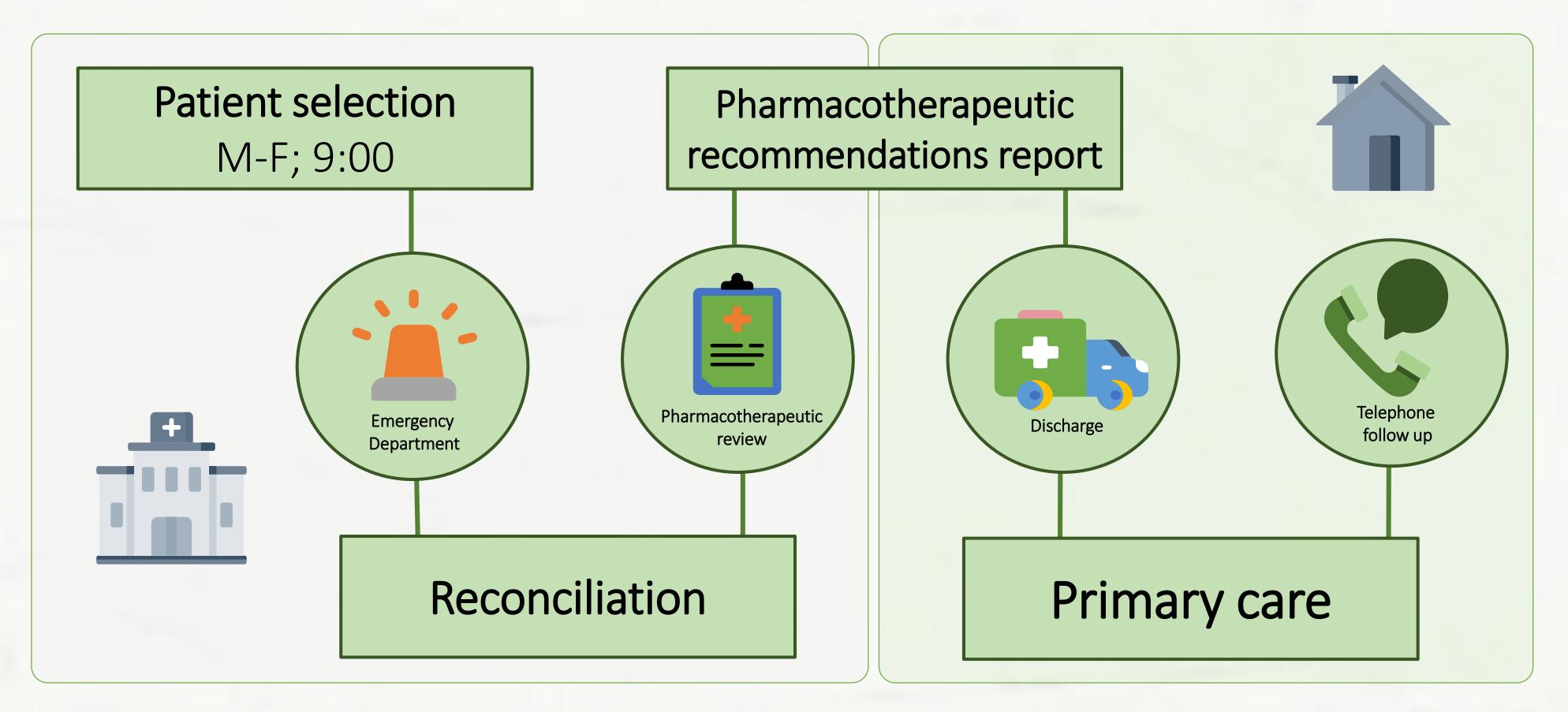


#### Inclusion criteria:

- CCP who consulted the ED.
- Signed informed consent.
- Not clinical serious or institutionalized.

#### **CPAP**

- <24H/48H.
- Conciliation.
- Adherence.
- Review of prescriptions.
- Pharmacotherapeutic review (PTR).
- Pharmacotherapeutic recommendations report.
- Telephone follow up.





CCPs: 110 Gender: 56 males (50.9%) Median age: 86(35-101) Charlson Index: 7(2-14)

## Results



Chronic drugs: 11 (3-21) Polymedicated patients: 103(94%) Hyperpolymedicated patients: 74(67.3%)



Hospitalised 85(77.3%) Mean stay 8 days Medical service Internal Medicine 37(43.5%).



In SU

Recommendations made 376(mean 3.4/patient) Recommendations accepted 91(24.2%)

### At discharge

Recommendations made 168(mean 2.2/patient) Recommendations accepted 54(32.1%)



Patient satisfaction 9.4(7-10)



Patients who completed follow up: 76(83.6%) Patients who returned to ED: 17(15.8%) Patients readmitted: 6(7.9%)

Losses: Exitus:18; Palliative:8; Other:8.

Electronic prescription errors detected: 95; 55(57.9%) in the first evaluation.

## Conclusion and Relevance

- a. A high percentage of CCPs attending the ED were admitted. A quarter of the CCPs were readmitted or returned to the ED during the month of follow-up.
- b. There is a decrease in the number of recommendations issued after the CCP's stay in the hospital, but there is greater acceptance of the discharge recommendations.
- c. In more than half of the patients there are discrepancies between the treatment described in the discharge report and their electronic prescription, which is a safety problem.
- d. Patients reported a high satisfaction level with the project.

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