

Status of Physician-Ordered Advance Codes in Patients With Acute Heart Failure

Physician-ordered advance codes (PAC)

The records documented by physicians in the medical record as advanced codes



1,203 in-hospital patients with acute heart failure patient

Patients with PAC (N=495)

Older
Female
Low BMI
Low ADL
Cognitive impairment



Patients without PAC (N=708)



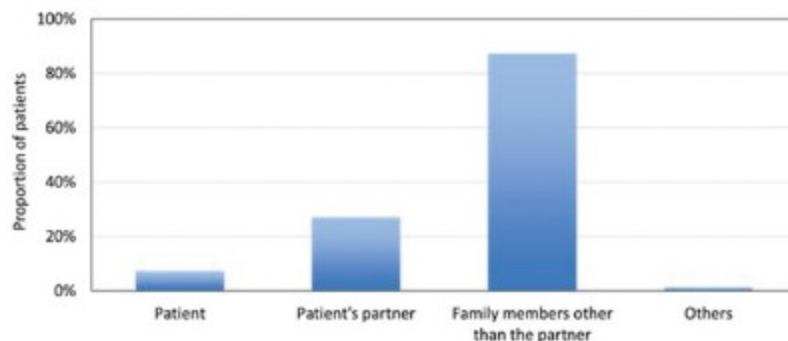
In-hospital mortality rate

26.5% vs. **0.6%**

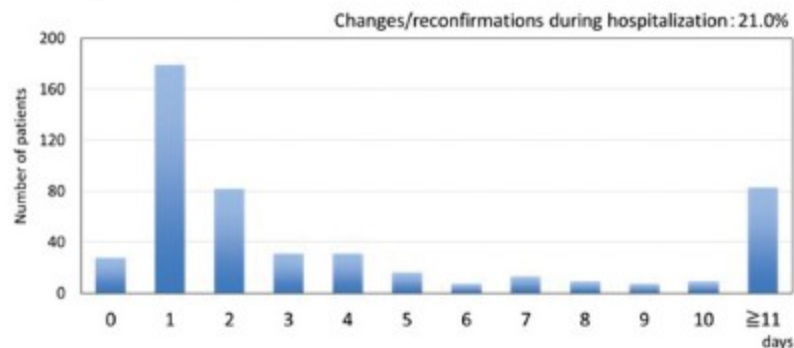
2-years mortality rate

45.5% vs. **16.5%**

Distribution of individuals informed about the PAC orders



Timing of the final PAC orders after hospital admission



Central Figure