

Potential Patients' Expressions of Values About Psychiatric Inpatient Care on TikTok

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Background

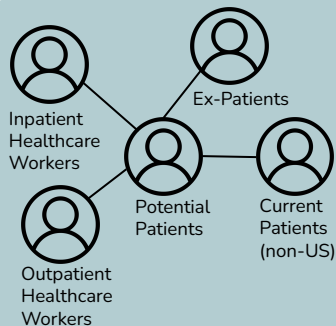


- TikTok is an app popular with teens and young adults
- TikTok's For You Page is algorithmically curated based on a user's activity
- Like-minded users connect with each other in loose networks without explicitly searching for each other

- Psychiatric hospitalization can be a traumatic process
- "Potential patients" connect to others with experiences of psychiatric hospitalization on TikTok



Motivation



Potential patients often feel their values are unaligned with healthcare workers and institutions

- What are the values potential patients find important?
- How does this play a role in whether they choose or are willing to be admitted?
- How do people in this network help each other navigate healthcare systems?



Aims

- Analyze:
 - Potential patients' values
 - Perceived values of healthcare workers and medical institutions
 - Where are these mis/aligned?
- Communicate to clinicians and other healthcare professionals knowledge and values of potential patients

