



The Impact of OSA-Related EDS on HRQoL: Time for a Wake-Up Call

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Learning Objective

Recognize the impact and burden of OSA-related EDS on HRQoL and work productivity.

Audience Response



When evaluating a patient with excessive daytime sleepiness (EDS) related to obstructive sleep apnea (OSA), how often do you assess the quality of life and functional impact of OSA-related EDS?

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2. 1% - 25% of the time
3. 26% - 50% of the time
4. 51% - 75% of the time
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Patient Case: Margaret



- 35-year-old African American female w/ moderate OSA indicated by PSG → AHI = 26 episodes/hour; O2 sat = 82%; ESS = 15
- Loud snoring, frequent awakenings (no trouble going back to sleep), 1-2 nocturia episodes w/ night sweats, and occasional awakenings w/ elevated heart rate
- CPAP was initiated using an auto mode at a pressure of 7-12 cm (100% adherence); AHI = 1.8, average use of 7 hours; ESS = 13; FOSQ = 14; snoring eliminated
- Occasionally late for work (retail service)
- Caused two motor vehicle accidents in the last year
- Sometimes distracted, drifting off, or daydreaming while driving



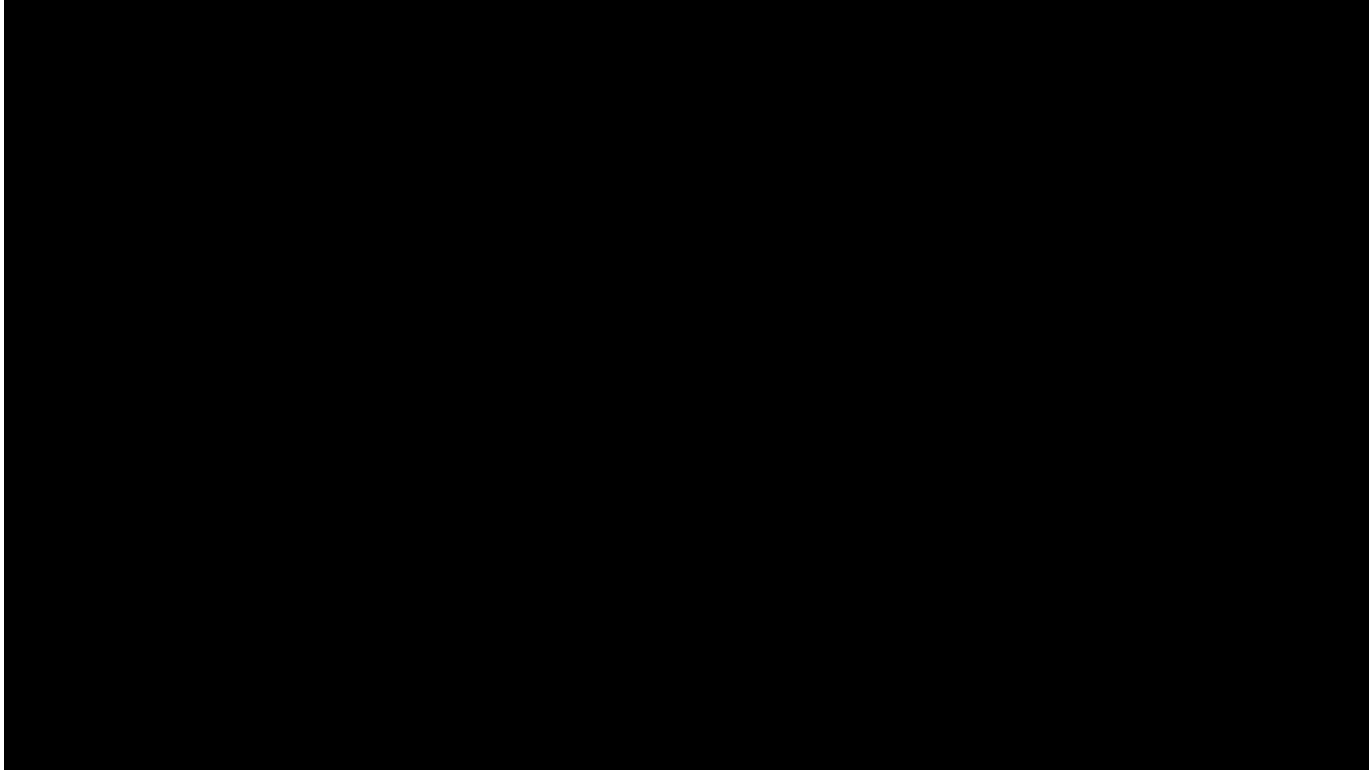
AHI = Apnea-Hypopnea Index; CPAP = continuous positive airway pressure; ESS = Epworth Sleepiness Scale; FOSQ = Functional Outcomes of Sleep Questionnaire; PSG = polysomnography

Medical History

- Gradual weight gain (BMI = 34), borderline hypertension
- Family history: Siblings and mother (OSA)
- Social history: Married but unable to socially commit to her husband and friends
- Melancholia, w/out frank depression or anxiety, often present
- No medications aside from oral contraceptives



Meet Margaret



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Audience Response



Which of the following is accurate regarding the impact of OSA-related EDS?

1. Patients with OSA are 2-3x more likely to be in an accident while driving
2. Up to 30% of patients who adhere to CPAP experience persistent EDS
3. The need to take naps only presents when patients receive less than 6 hours of sleep
4. An abundance of evidence exists on the impact of EDS on health-related quality of life (HRQoL)
5. I don't know.

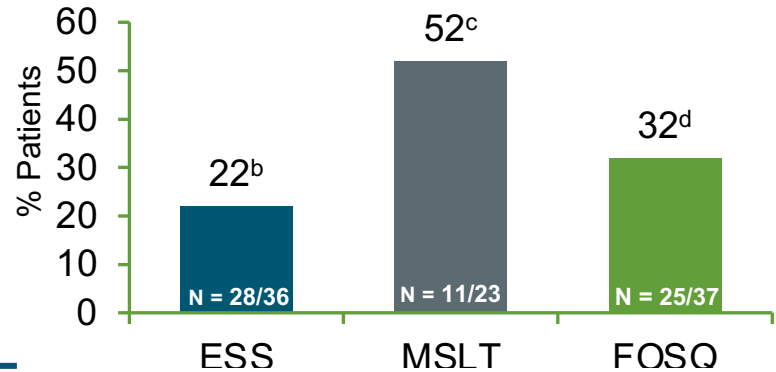
Excessive Sleepiness May Persist Despite ≥ 6 Hours CPAP Use Per Night

- Despite adequate treatment with CPAP, patients with OSA still have residual EDS¹
- In a multicenter trial (n = 128 patients with AHI ≥ 15) patients with OSA were treated with CPAP for 3 months and assessed for sleepiness before and after airway treatment using²:
 - Self reported ESS and FOSQ
 - Clinically-derived MSLT



For patients reporting ≥ 6 hours of CPAP use per night, **based on MSLT (n = 23), more than half of participants continued to experience EDS²**

Percent Patients Failing to Achieve a Normal Score With ≥ 6 h CPAP Use per Night for 3 Months^{2,a}



^aEvaluated in patients with pre- and post-treatment assessments who had abnormal pretreatment values²

^bSubjective EDS defined as ESS (> 10)²

^cObjective EDS according to MSLT sleep latency < 7.5 min²

^dFunctional impairment defined as FOSQ < 17.9 ²

MSLT = Multiple Sleep Latency Test

1. Foster SN, et al. *Sleep Breath.* 2020;24(1):143-150. 2. Weaver TE, et al. *Sleep.* 2007;30(6):711-719.

Impact of OSA-related EDS on HRQoL and Psychosocial and Work Functioning



Brain fog



Memory problems



Impaired
critical thinking



Falling asleep
throughout the day



Employment: frequent job
changes, job loss,
absenteeism / presenteeism



Strain on
relationships

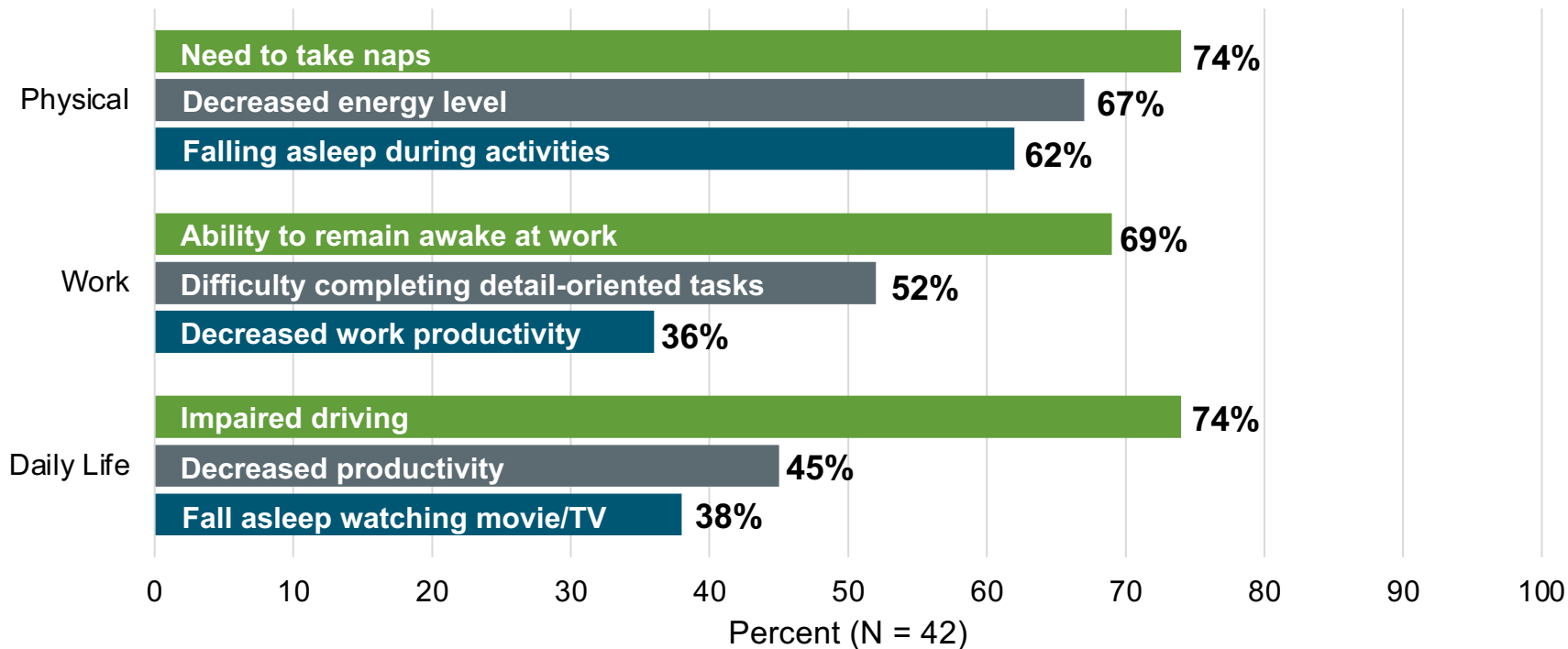


Worsened
HRQoL

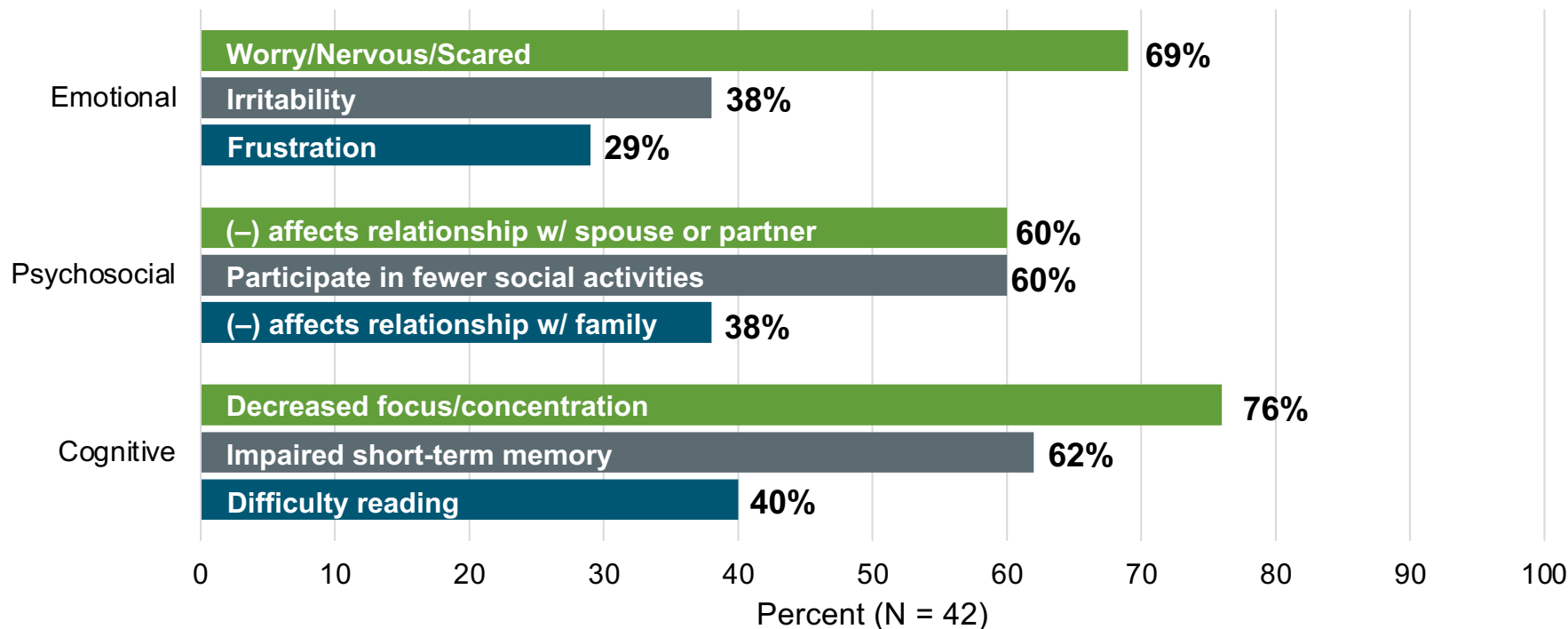


Increased risk of
accidents while driving

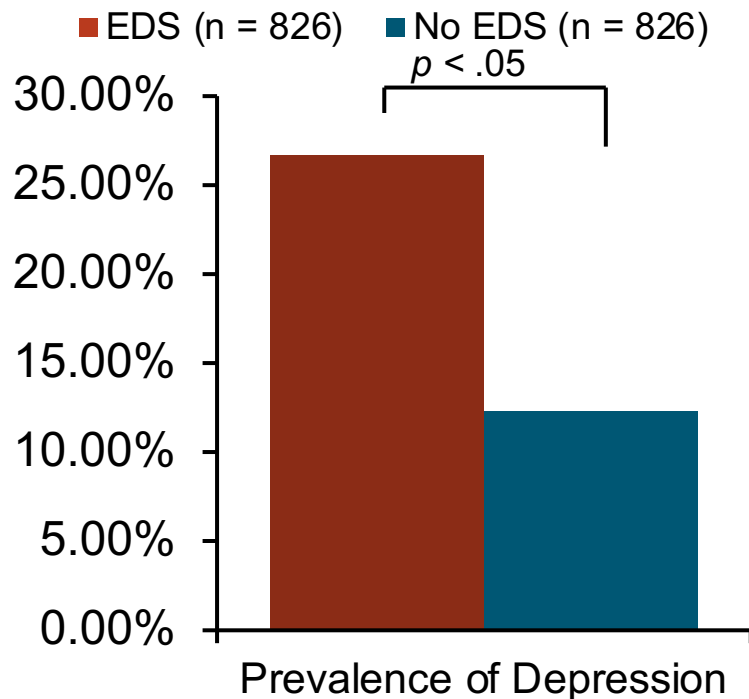
Impact of OSA-related EDS



Impact of OSA-related EDS (cont.)



EDS in OSA and Depressed Mood or QoL

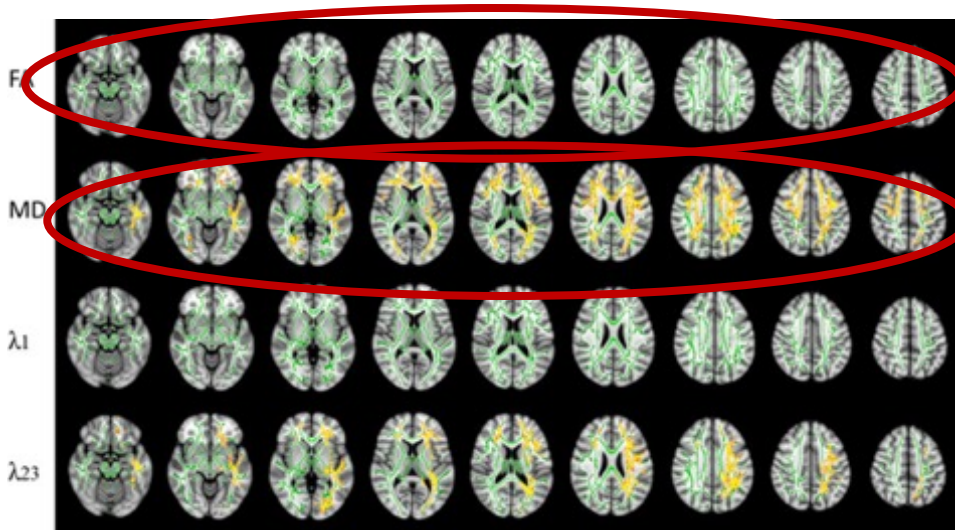


- Those with EDS often have higher rates of depression and QoL based on MCS and SF-12/36 indicators
- Employees with OSA or EDS are at least 2X more likely to be involved in occupational incidents

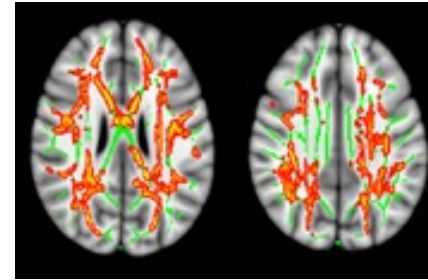


Brain White Matter Changes in CPAP-Treated Patients with Residual Sleepiness

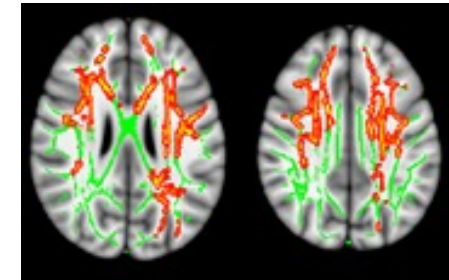
- White matter connectivity measured by FA, myelin MD, axial diffusivity (λ_1), & radial diffusivity (λ_{23}) between sleepy (N = 12) & non-sleepy male groups
- CPAP > 5hr/night. Sleepy PVT lapses > 5



FA Maps



MD Maps



Red/yellow: white-matter tracts where statistically significant changes were observed between the sleepy and non-sleepy groups ($p < .05$)

FA = fractional anisotropy ; MD = mean diffusivity; PVT = psychomotor vigilance task

Xiong Y, et al. *J Magn Reson Imaging*. 2017;45(5):1371-1378.

Measuring Treatment Effectiveness

- Interviews, questionnaires: ESS, FOSQ, PHQ-9

Epworth Sleepiness Scale

- The ESS is the most frequently used, validated self-report assessment of a patient's sleepiness¹
- On a 4-point scale, patients rate their likelihood of falling asleep during 8 different situations (reading, driving, etc.)²
- The ESS can also be used to monitor the progression of or improvement in sleepiness over time³

Functional Outcomes of Sleep Questionnaire

- The FOSQ (or shorter FOSQ-10) assesses the effect of sleepiness on daily functioning^{4,5}
- Evaluates 5 domains^{4,5}
 - General productivity
 - Activity level
 - Vigilance
 - Social outcomes
 - Intimate/sexual relationships



Subjective measures rely on patients to accurately report their own sleepiness; however, they are⁴:

- Practical for monitoring progression or improvement in EDS
- Simple to administer

- Objective data: MSLT, MWT, etc.

PHQ-9 = Patient Health Questionnaire-9

1. Miglis MG, et al. *Sleep Med Clin*. 2014;9(4):491-498. 2. Johns MW. *Sleep*. 1991;14(6):540-545. 3. Ahmed IM, et al. *Sleepiness: Causes, Consequences and Treatment*. 2011. 4. Chapman JL, et al. *Sleep Med Clin*. 2016;11(3):353-363. 5. Chasens ER, et al. *Sleep*. 2009;32(7):915-919.

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SMART Goals

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely



- Recognize that EDS may persist despite adherence to CPAP.
- Assess patients with OSA for persistent EDS.
- Have a heightened awareness of the impact of EDS on work, psychosocial, and cognitive functioning, as well as quality of life.

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