

# Optimizing Survivorship

## The Healthy Living Program Experience

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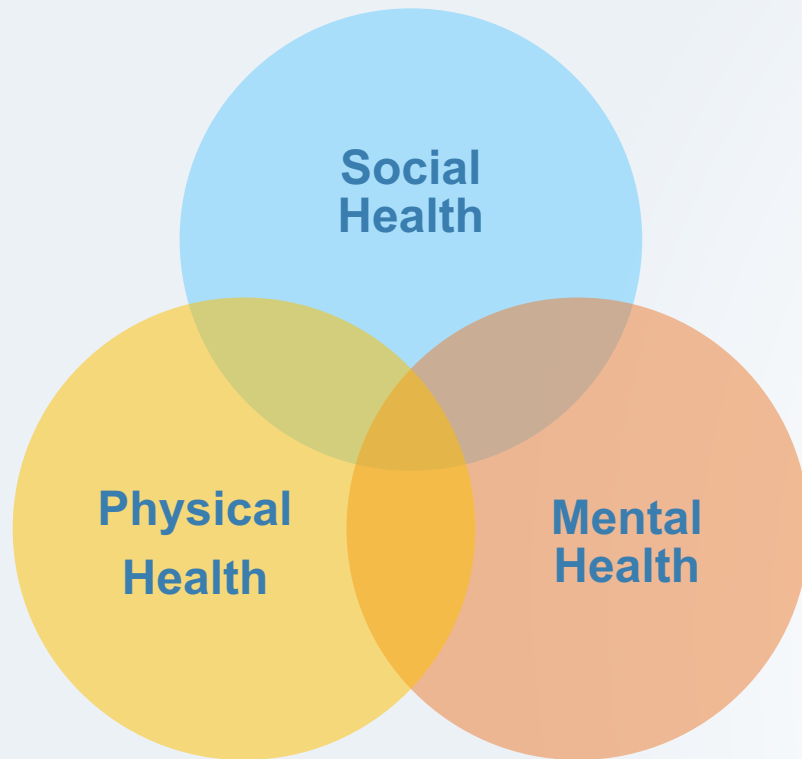


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# Lifestyle Management Improves Quality of Life after Cancer Diagnosis



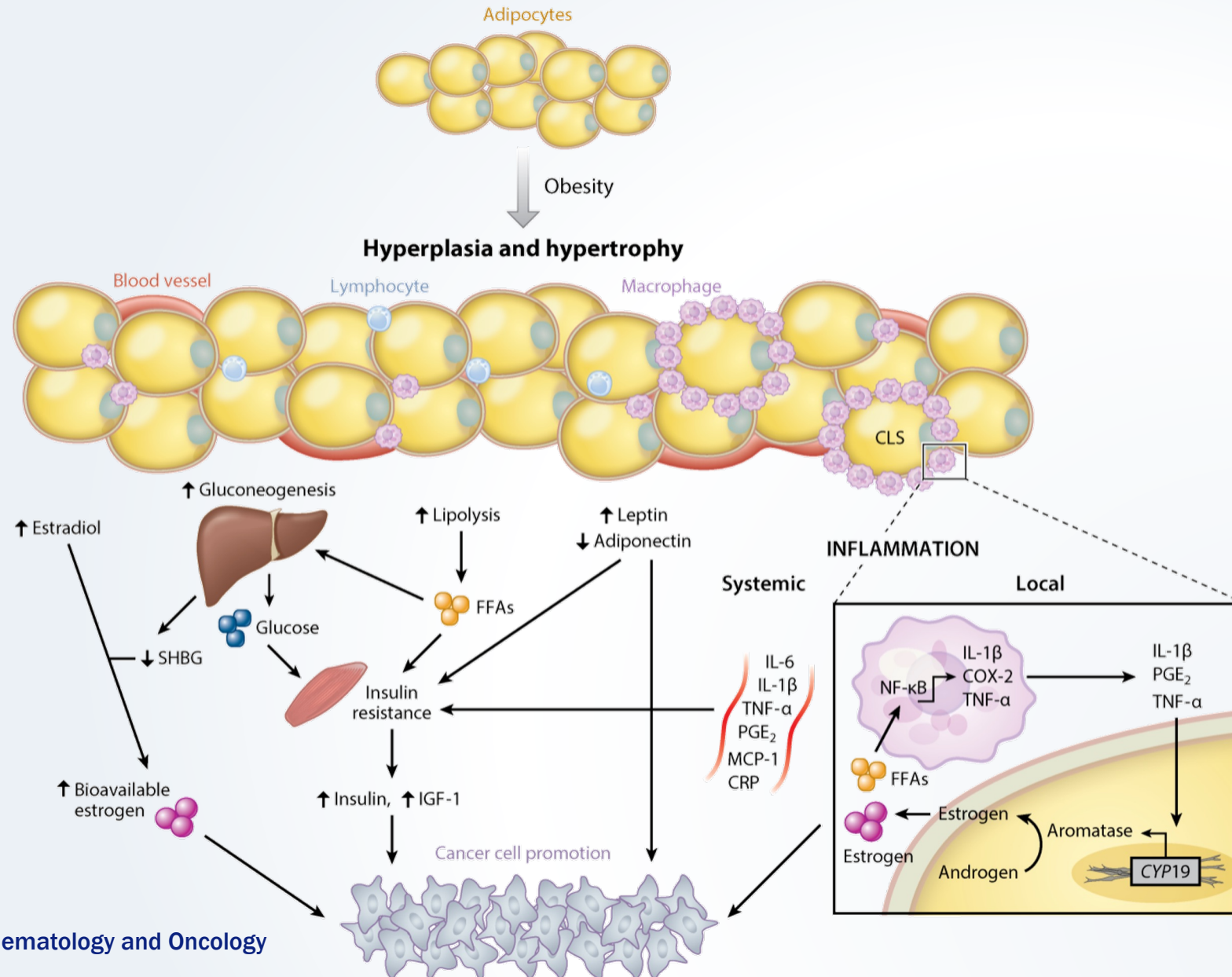
- Role limitations due to physical problems

- Energy / fatigue
- Sleep problems
- Health perceptions
- Physical symptoms
- Health distress
- Health outlook
- Pain

- Role limitations due to emotional problems
- Feelings of belonging

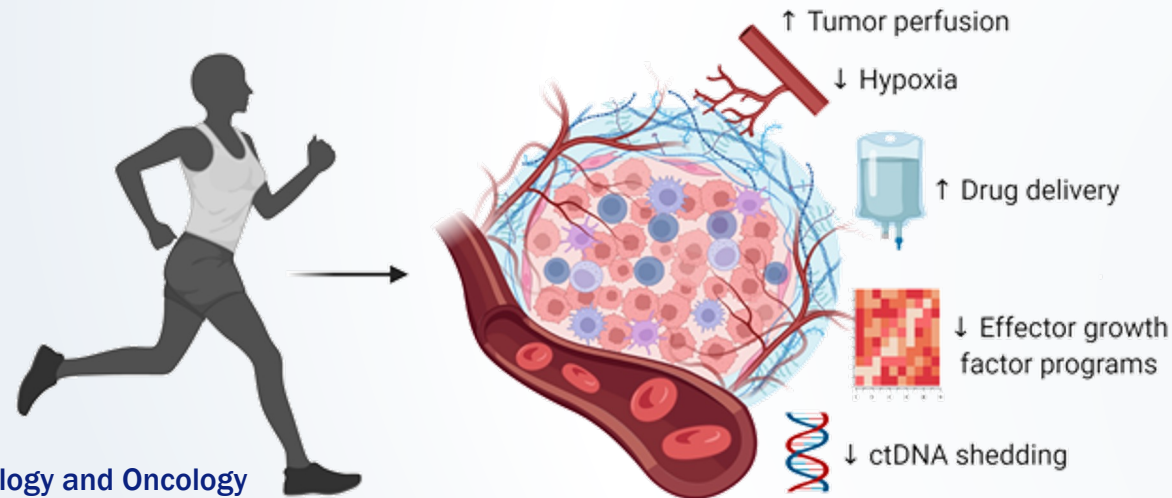
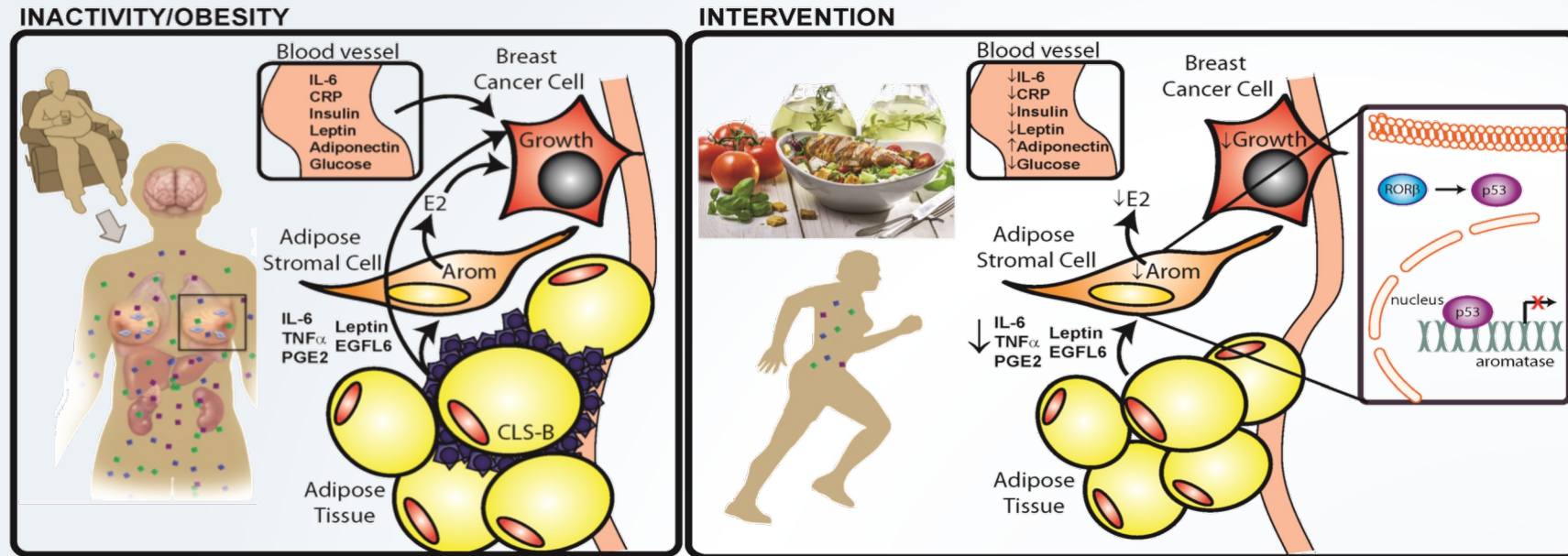
Source: van Leeuwen et al. Health Qual Life Outcomes 2018

# Systemic Metabolic Dysregulation Promotes Cancer Progression





# Re-establishing Energy Homeostasis as Cancer-Directed Treatment

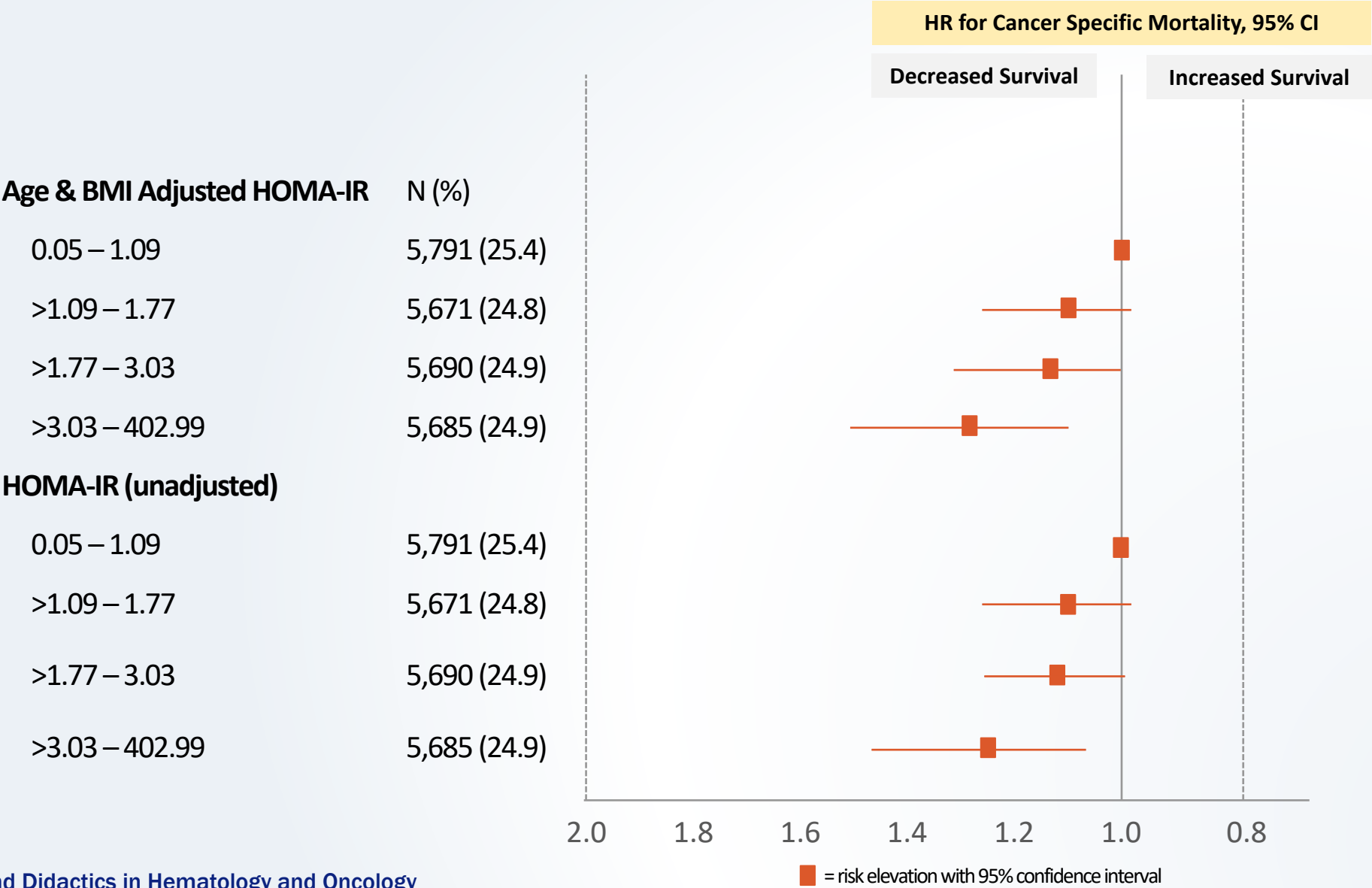


# Metabolic Dysfunction is Exacerbated by Chemotherapy

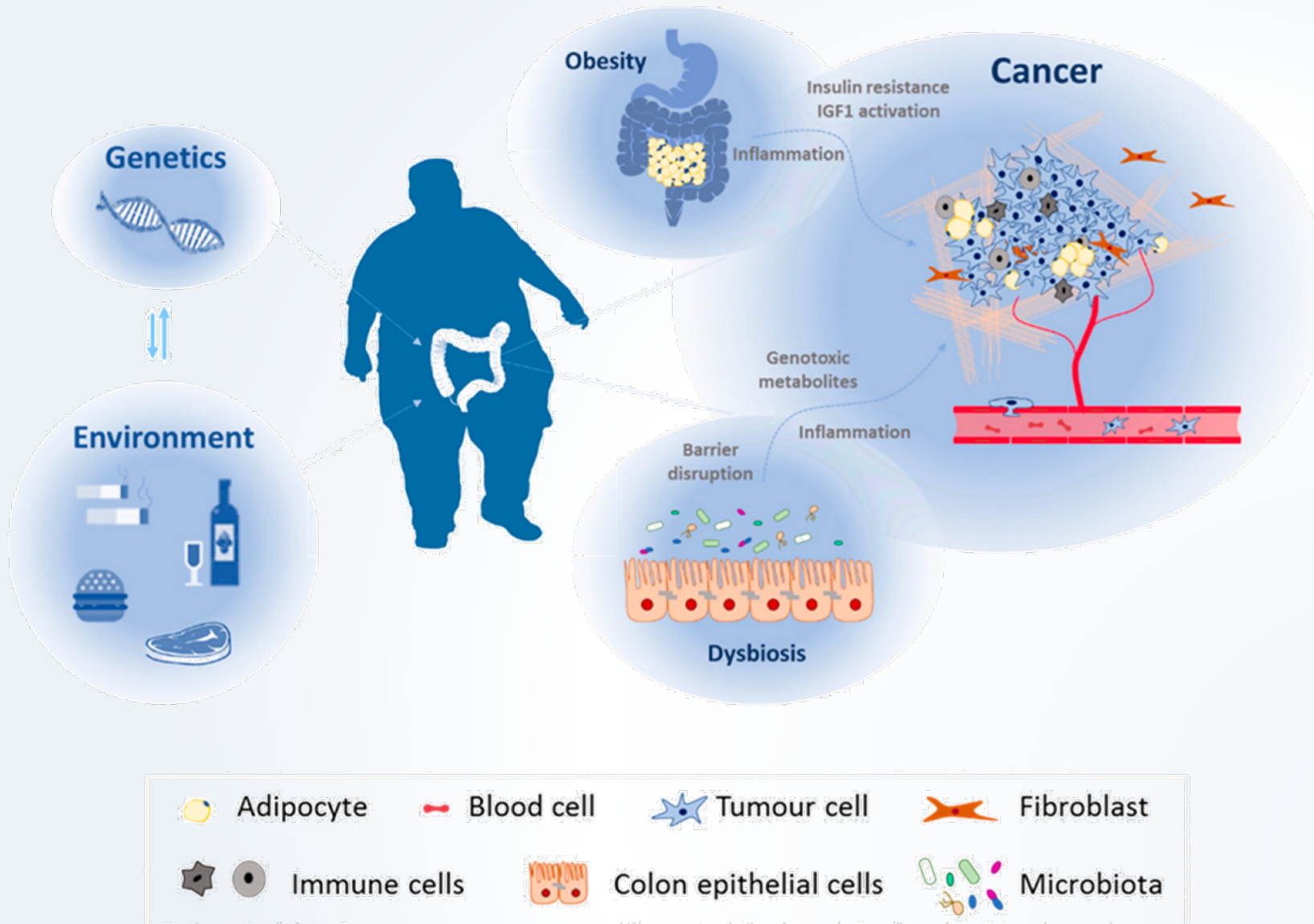
| Variable                  | Pre-Treatment* | Post-Treatment* | % Change | <i>P</i> |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|----------|
| Waist circumference (cm)  | 86.7 (12.9)    | 90.7 (11.2)     | 4.7      | <0.01    |
| BMI                       | 25.9 (6.3)     | 29.0 (7.0)      | 11.5     | <0.001   |
| Body fat (%)              | 33.1 (8.2)     | 36.0 (5.1)      | 8.9      | <0.001   |
| HOMA-IR                   | 4.52 (1.1)     | 9.4 (1.5)       | 108.3    | <0.001   |
| HbA1c (%)                 | 5.4 (0.4)      | 5.9 (0.6)       | 8.6      | <0.001   |
| Fasting glucose (mg/dL)   | 97.2 (19.8)    | 117.0 (37.0)    | 20.3     | <0.01    |
| Total cholesterol (mg/dL) | 185.5 (48.3)   | 201.9 (45.5)    | 8.8      | <0.001   |
| Triglycerides (mg/dL)     | 108.7 (47.6)   | 128.7 (58.9)    | 18.4     | <0.01    |
| CRP (mg/L)                | 0.37 (0.36)    | 0.49 (0.21)     | 31.9     | 0.04     |

\*Mean (±S.D.)

# Insulin Resistance and Cancer-Specific Mortality

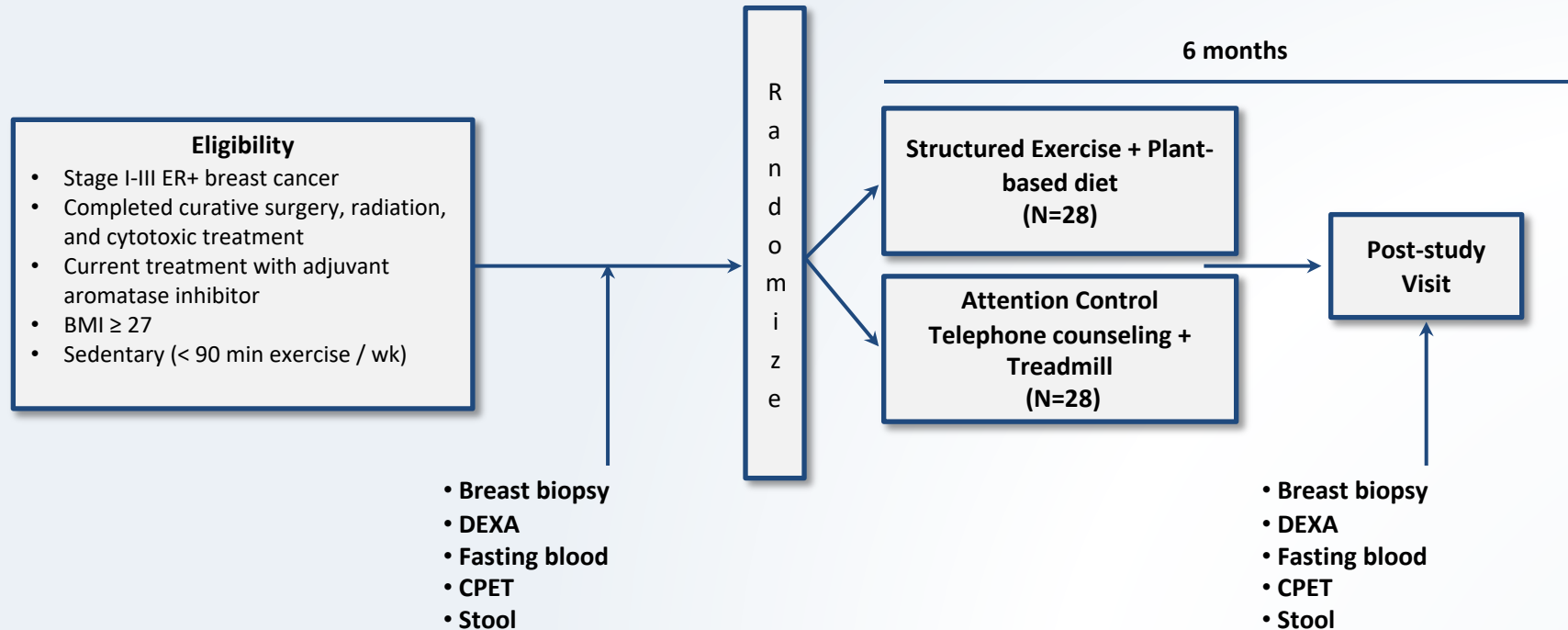


# Precision Lifestyle Interventions: Host + Tumor Targeting





# Phase 2 RCT: Precision Nutrition + Structured Exercise



**Study Endpoints**

**Primary:** Breast aromatase level

**Secondary:** Breast tissue gene expression changes, Blood markers, body composition, weight loss, adherence, microbiome, QOL / PROs

**Biostatistical Design**

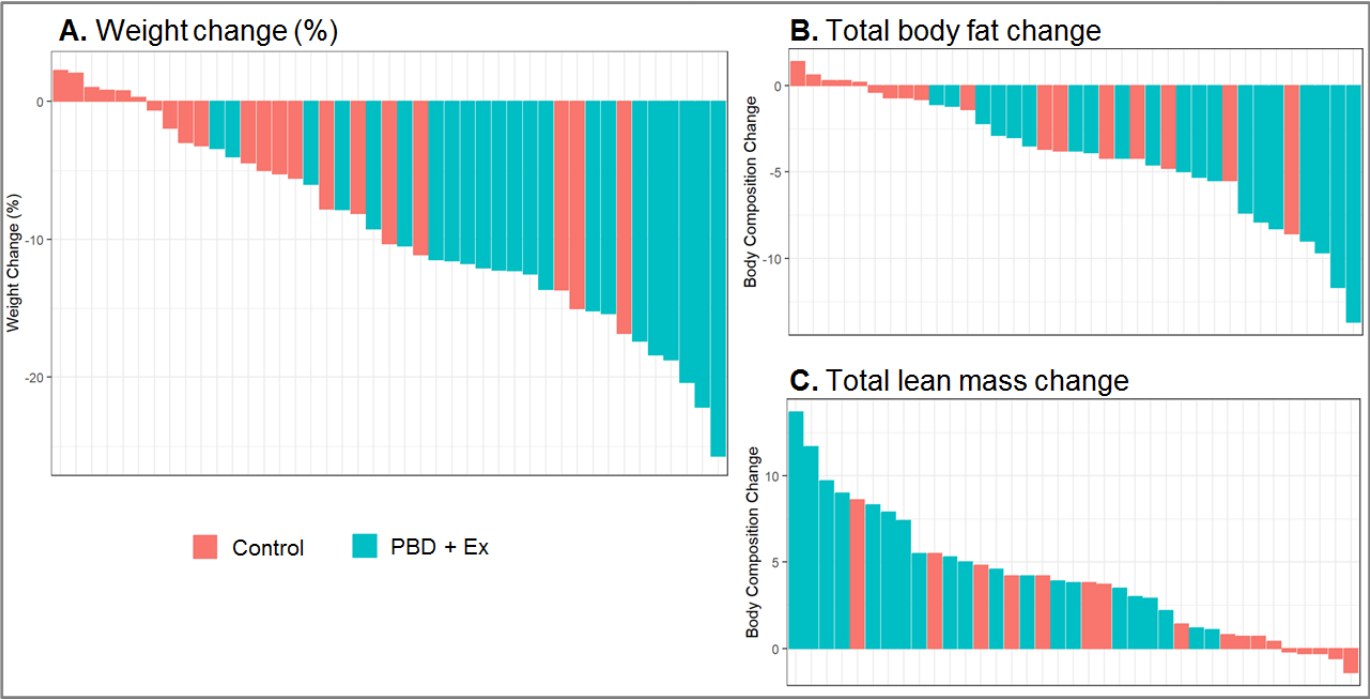
- 1 unit decrease in BMI = 0.06 mean reduction in aromatase (SD 0.81, log scale)
- Goal BMI reduction is 3 kg/m<sup>2</sup>

# Phase 2 RCT: Precision Nutrition + Structured Exercise



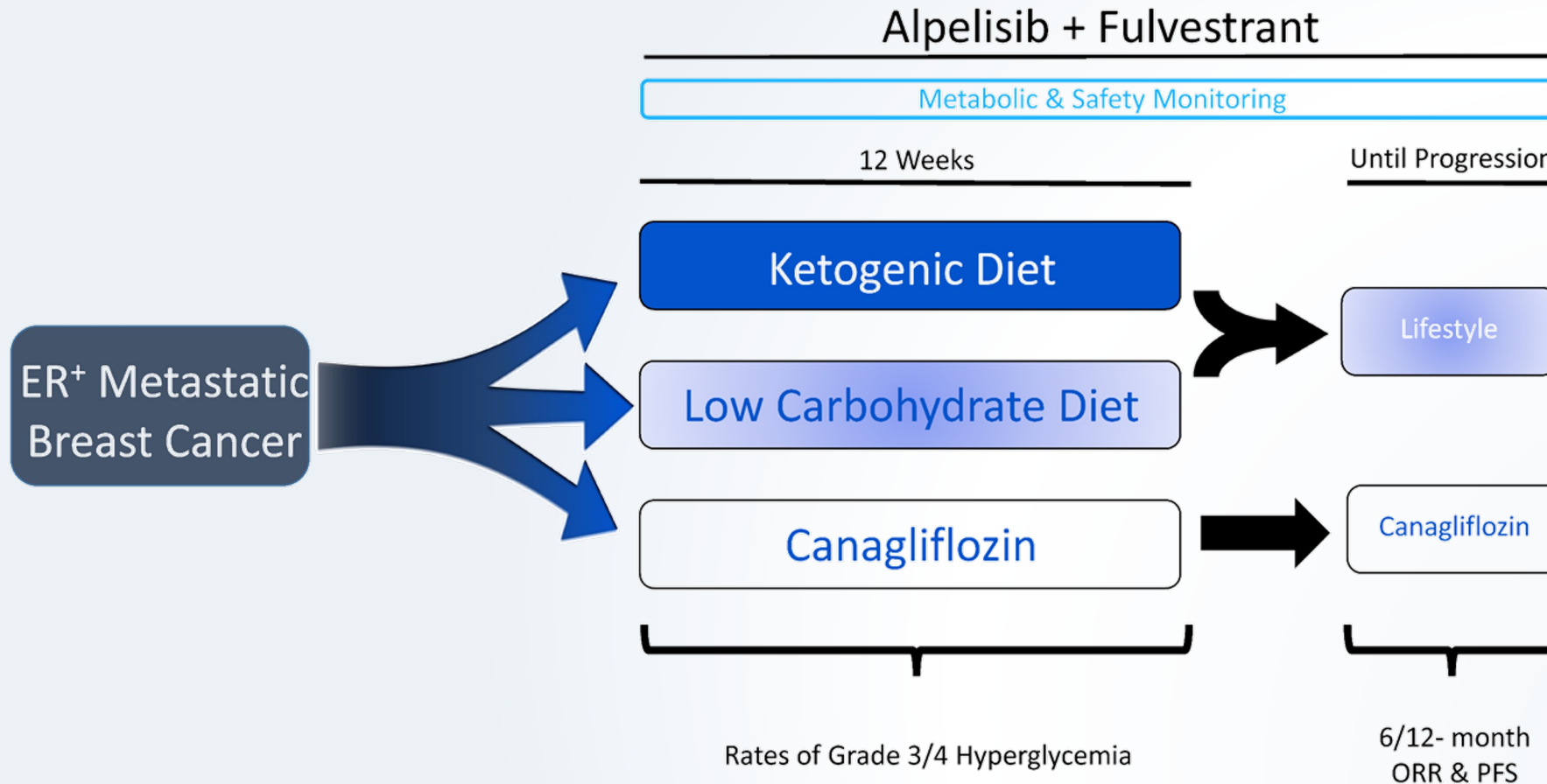
| Characteristic                  | Control (N = 21) | PBD + Ex (N = 22) |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Age at consent, mean (SD)       | 58 (7)           | 56 (7)            |
| Race, number (%)                |                  |                   |
| White                           | 16 (76%)         | 15 (68%)          |
| Black                           | 4 (19%)          | 3 (14%)           |
| Other                           | 0 (0%)           | 3 (14%)           |
| Unknown                         | 1 (5%)           | 1 (5%)            |
| Ethnicity, number (%)           |                  |                   |
| Non-Hispanic                    | 15 (71%)         | 18 (82%)          |
| Hispanic                        | 4 (19%)          | 4 (18%)           |
| Unknown                         | 2 (10%)          | 0 (0%)            |
| BMI, mean (SD)                  | 34.2 (4)         | 34.3 (5)          |
| Smoking, number (%)             |                  |                   |
| Never                           | 13 (62%)         | 14 (64%)          |
| Prior/quit                      | 8 (38%)          | 8 (36%)           |
| Alcohol intake, number (%)      |                  |                   |
| Never                           | 2 (9%)           | 4 (18%)           |
| Prior/quit                      | 1 (5%)           | 2 (9%)            |
| Yes                             | 18 (86%)         | 16 (73%)          |
| Stage, number (%)               |                  |                   |
| I                               | 11 (52%)         | 12 (55%)          |
| II                              | 7 (33%)          | 8 (36%)           |
| III                             | 3 (14%)          | 2 (9%)            |
| Receptor status, number (%)     |                  |                   |
| ER+/PR-/HER2-                   | 1 (5%)           | 1 (4%)            |
| ER+/PR+/HER2-                   | 19 (90%)         | 18 (82%)          |
| ER+/PR+/HER2+                   | 1 (5%)           | 3 (14%)           |
| Chemotherapy, number (%)        | 6 (29%)          | 8 (36%)           |
| Radiation, number (%)           | 18 (86%)         | 17 (77%)          |
| Ovarian suppression, number (%) | 5 (24%)          | 14 (64%)          |

|                                   | Control (N=21)      | PBD + Ex (N=22)     | P      |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------|
|                                   | Change (95% CI)     | Change (95% CI)     |        |
| Weight (kg)                       | -4 (-6.6, -2.2)     | -12 (-15, -9.4)     | <0.001 |
| Total body fat (kg)               | -2 (-3.5, -0.71)    | -6 (-7.3, -4.1)     | <0.001 |
| Trunk fat (kg)                    | -3 (-4.4, -0.73)    | -7 (-8.9, -4.9)     | <0.001 |
| Total body lean mass (kg)         | 2 (0.71, 3.5)       | 6 (4.1, 7.3)        | <0.001 |
| Total body fat to lean mass ratio | -0.01 (-0.02, 0.00) | -0.02 (-0.03, 0.00) | 0.4    |

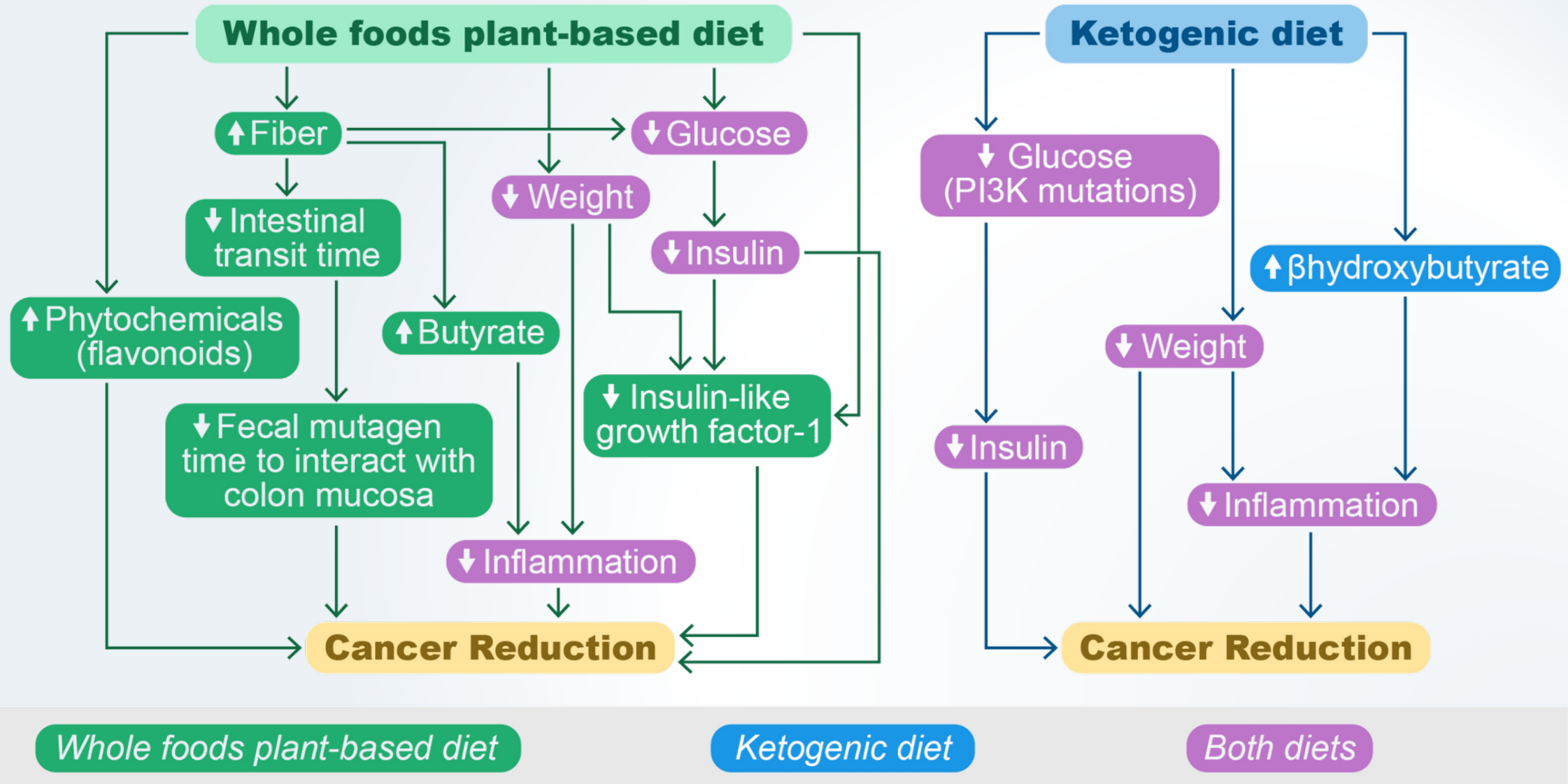




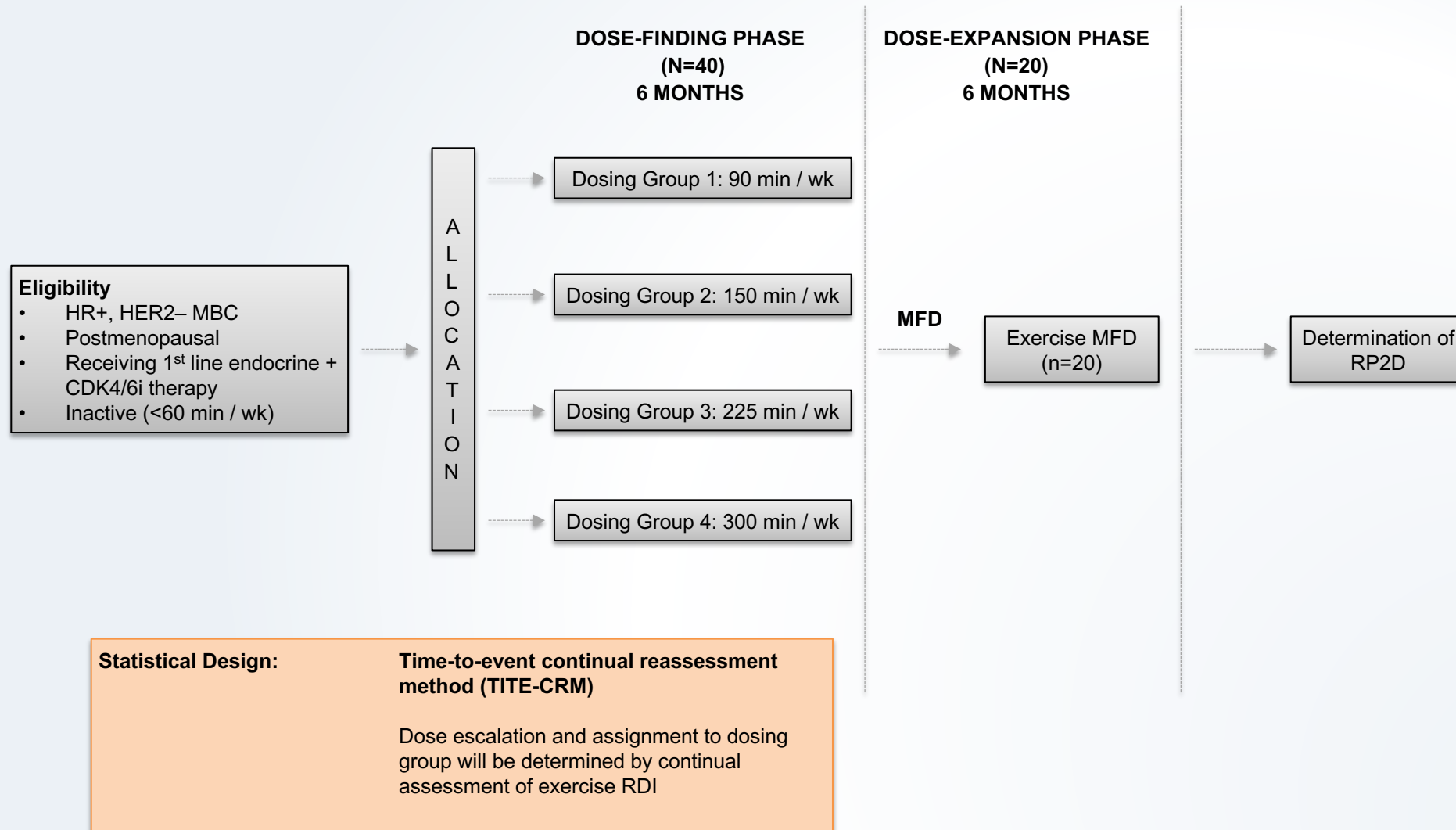
# Targeting Insulin Feedback to Enhance Alpelisib (TIFA) Trial



# Plant-based vs. Ketogenic Diets

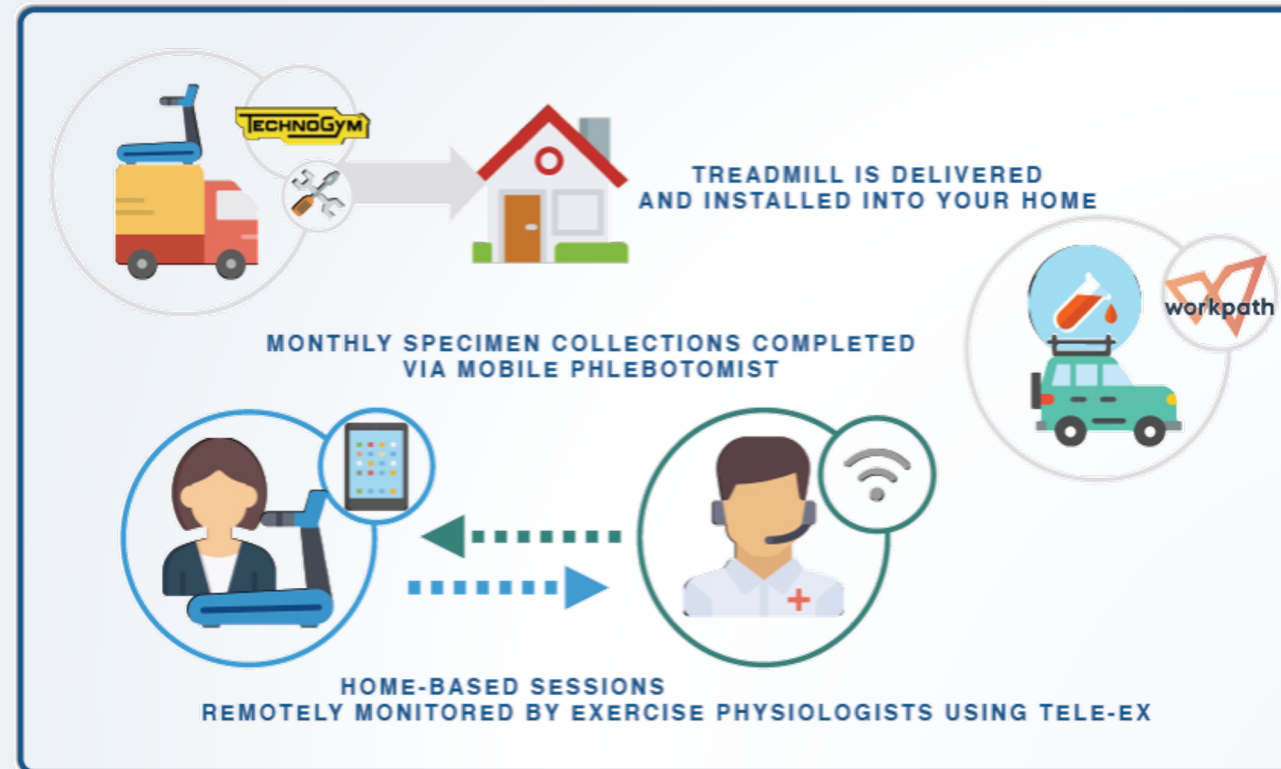


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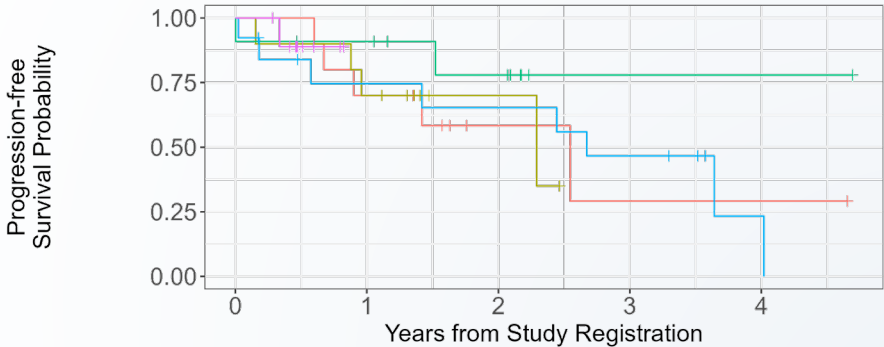
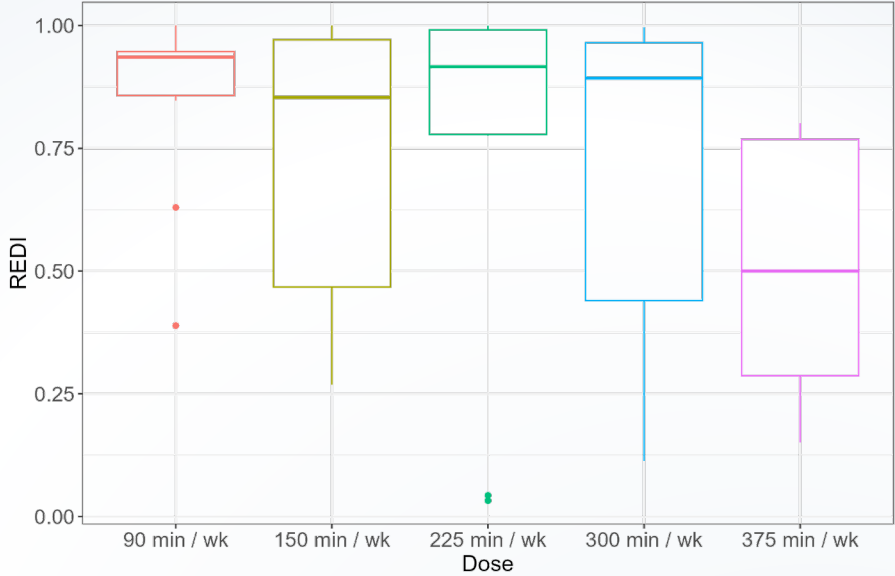
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## IN-HOME



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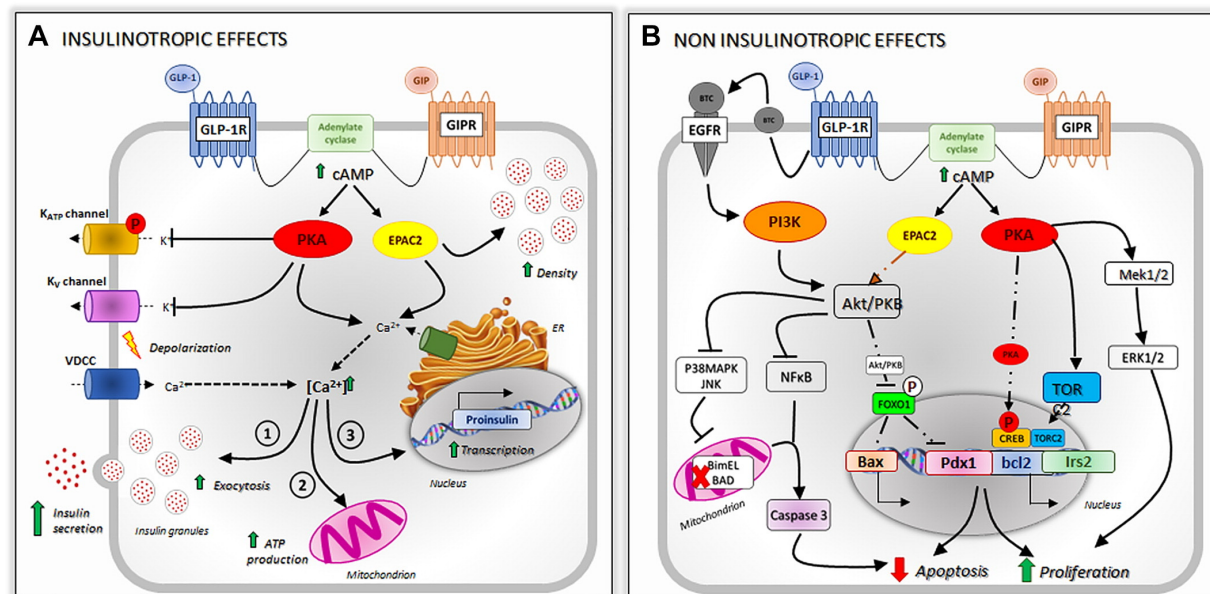
| Characteristics (N=54)   |                           | Median (IQR) or N (%) |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Age                      |                           | 53 (46 – 63)          |
| BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) |                           | 27 (23 – 33)          |
| Race/Ethnicity           | Asian                     | 3 (6%)                |
|                          | Black or African American | 5 (10%)               |
|                          | White                     | 35 (73%)              |
|                          | Other                     | 5 (10%)               |
|                          | Unknown                   | 6                     |
| Smoking & Alcohol Use    | Current smoker            | 1 (2%)                |
|                          | Current alcohol use       | 37 (69%)              |
| Hormone Receptor Status  | ER+                       | 54 (100%)             |
|                          | PR+                       | 40 (74%)              |
| Cancer Burden            | De novo metastasis        | 12 (22%)              |
|                          | Visceral metastasis       | 23 (43%)              |
|                          | 1 metastatic site         | 37 (69%)              |
|                          | 2 metastatic sites        | 10 (19%)              |
|                          | ≥ 3 metastatic sites      | 7 (12%)               |
| Endocrine Therapy        | Aromatase inhibitor       | 43 (80%)              |
|                          | Fulvestrant               | 11 (20%)              |
| Ovarian Suppression      |                           | 1 (2%)                |
| CDK4/6 Inhibitor         | Palbociclib               | 33 (62%)              |
|                          | Ribociclib                | 12 (23%)              |
|                          | Abemaciclib               | 8 (15%)               |
|                          | Unknown                   | 1                     |



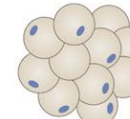
| At Risk      |    |   |   |   |   |
|--------------|----|---|---|---|---|
| 90 min / wk  | 10 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 150 min / wk | 10 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 225 min / wk | 11 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 1 |
| 300 min / wk | 13 | 8 | 7 | 5 | 1 |
| 375 min / wk | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |



# Incretin Mimetics (GLP1-RA) – Mechanisms & Effects



● Glucagon ● GLP-1 ● GIP



**Liver**

- ↑↑ Gluconeogenesis
- ↓ Steatosis
- ↑ Bile acid production
- ↑ Lipid oxidation
- ↓ Lipid synthesis

**Intestine**

- ↓ Gastric emptying
- ↓ Gastrointestinal motility

**Brain**

- ↓↓ Food intake
- ↓ Reward behaviour
- ↓ Palatability
- ↑ Nausea

**Muscle**

- ↑ Insulin sensitivity
- ↓ Glucose uptake

**Pancreas**

- ↑↑ Insulin secretion
- ↓ Glucagon secretion
- ↑↑ β-Cell survival

**Adipose**

- ↓ Lipogenesis
- ↑ Lipolysis
- ↓ Fat mass
- ↓ Inflammation
- ↑ Thermogenesis

**Cardiovascular**

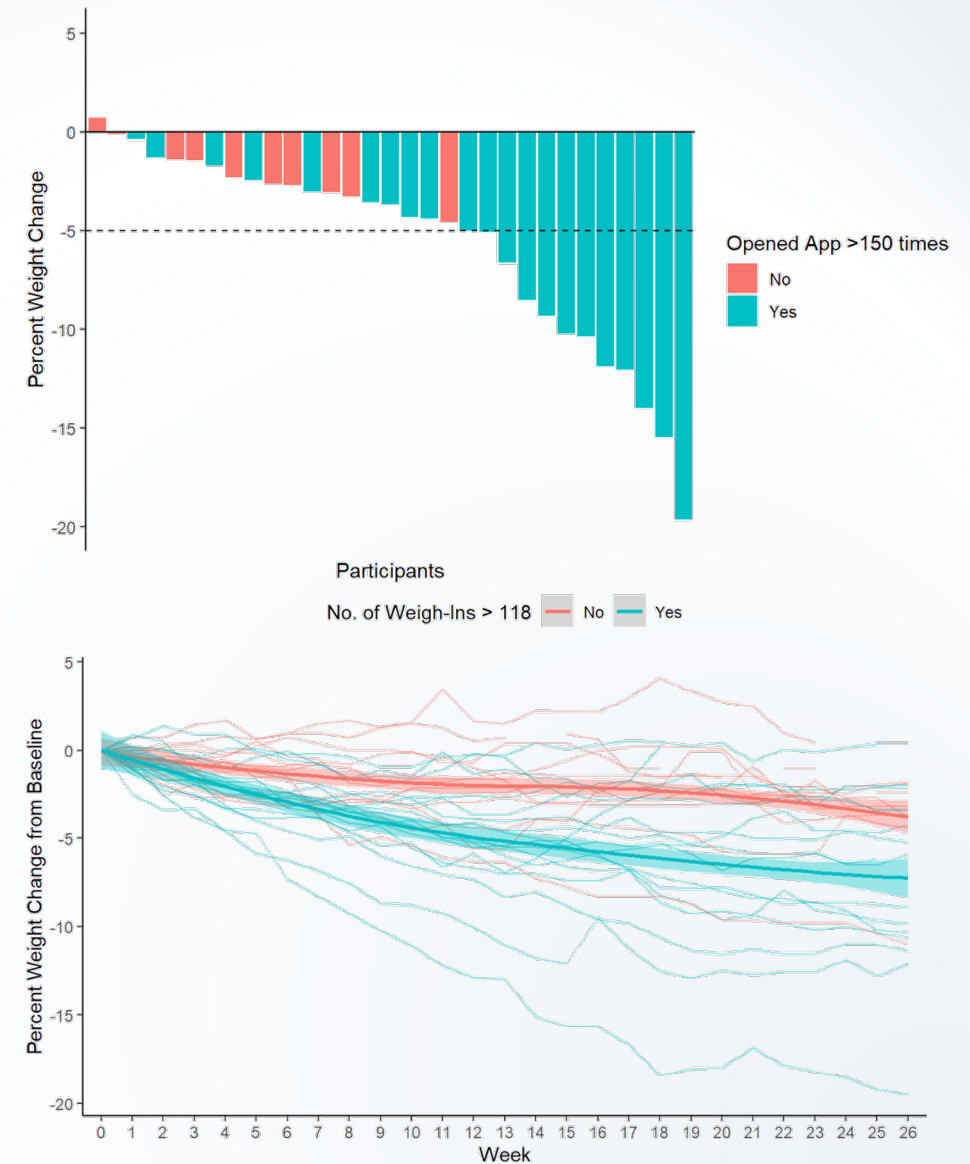
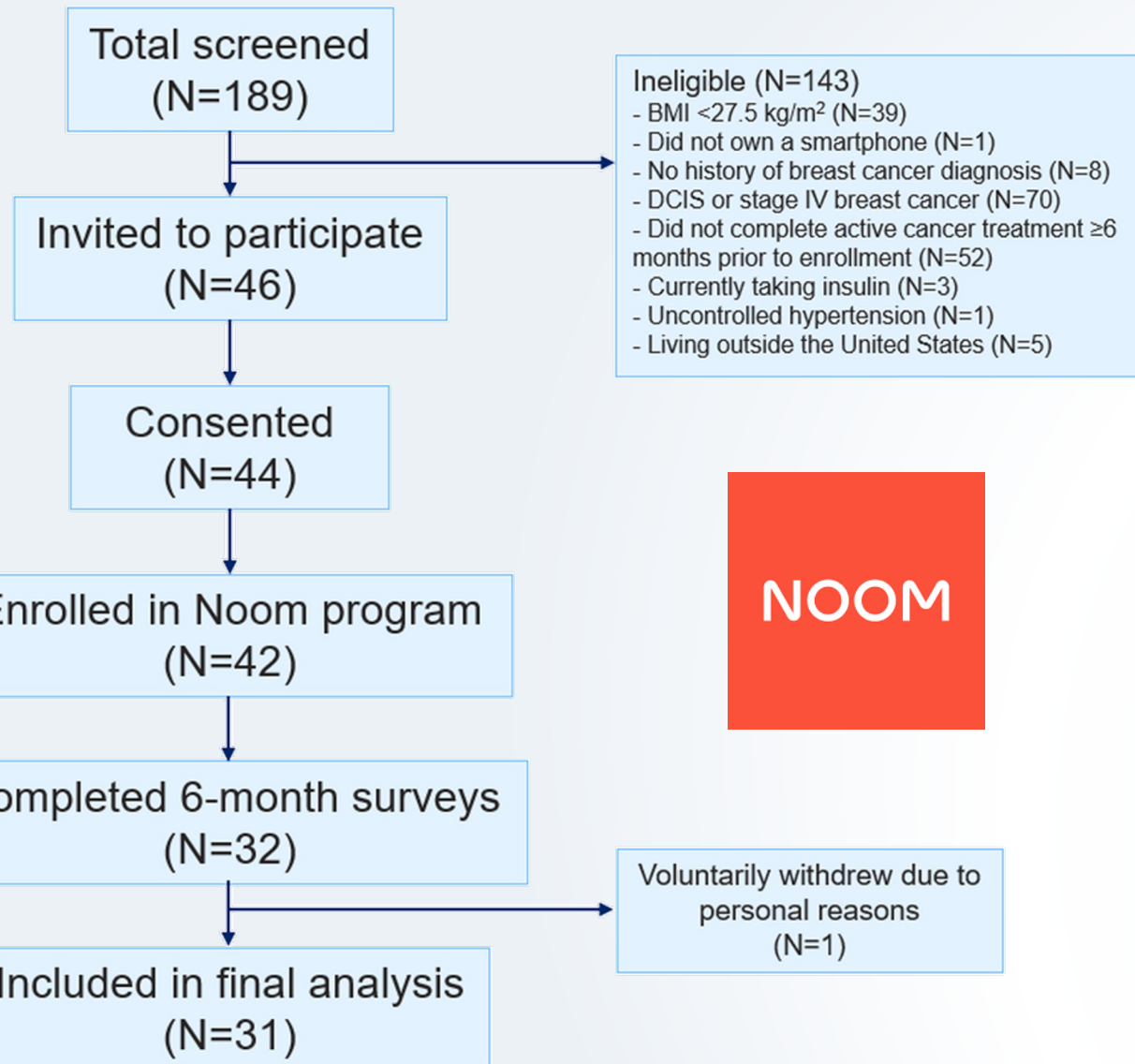
- ↓ Cardiovascular events
- ↓ Blood pressure

**Plasma**

- ↓ Triglycerides
- ↓ LDL-cholesterol
- ↓ Fasting insulin
- ↓ Fasting glucose

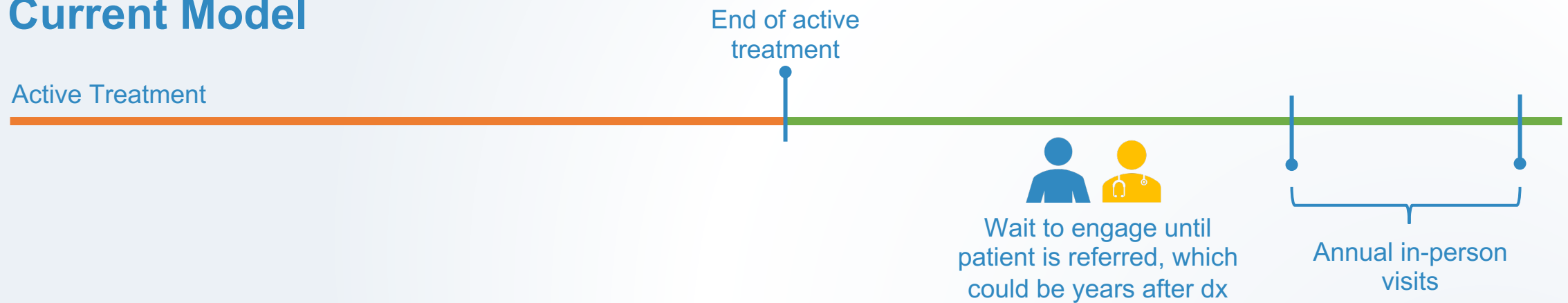
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# Mobile Behavior Change Application in Breast Cancer



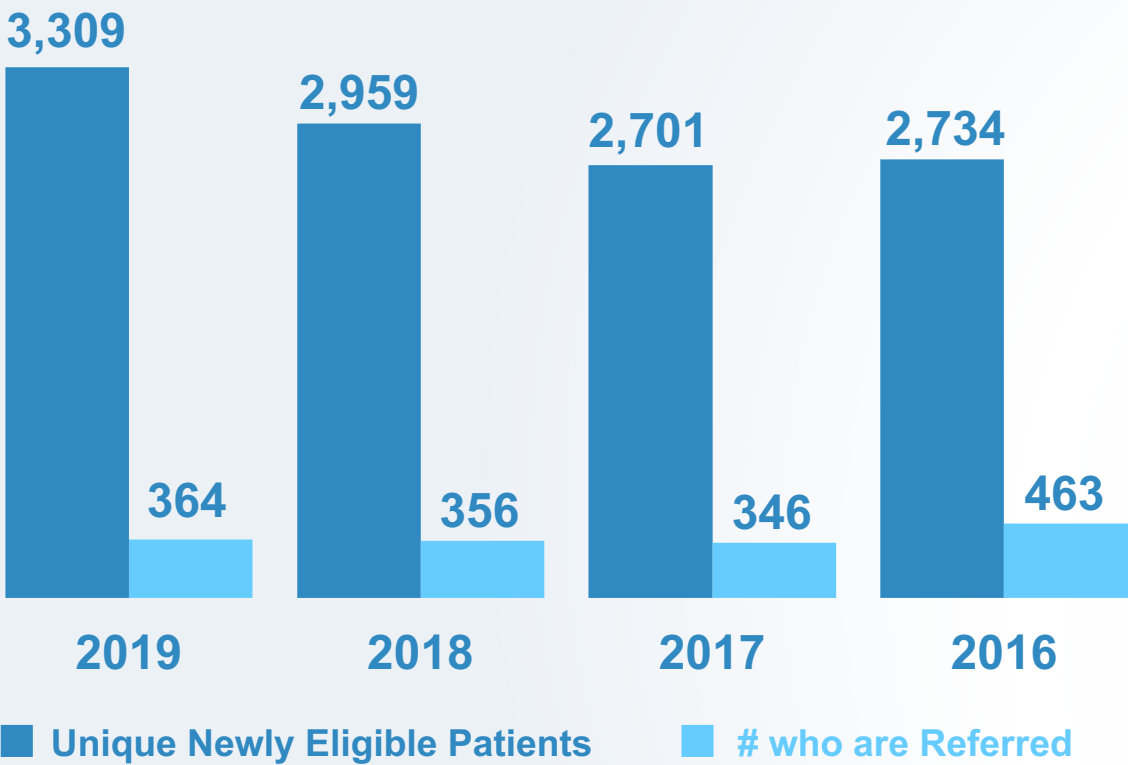
# Lifestyle management is a central feature of survivorship care, yet referral to Survivorship occurs years after diagnosis

## Current Model

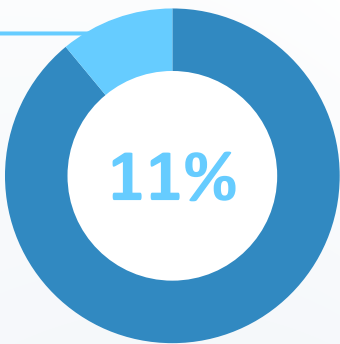


# Low engagement with a growing population of eligible survivors

Within Breast Medicine Service at MSK

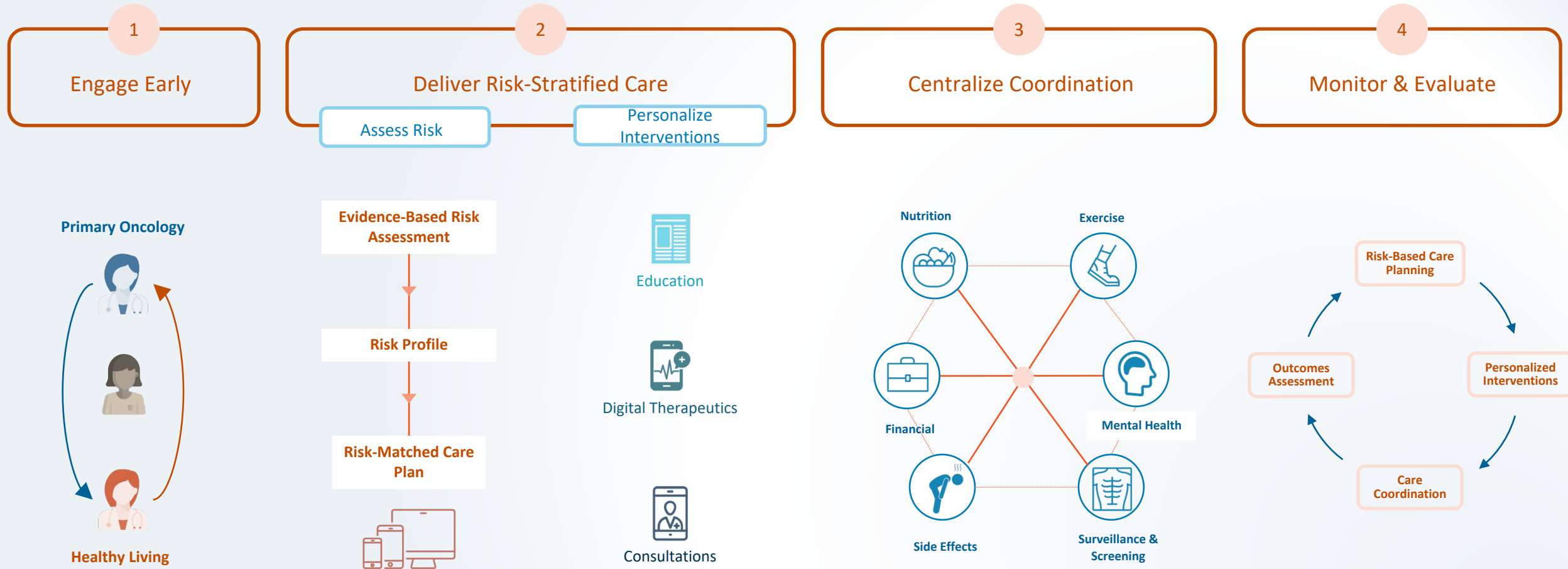


Eligible BMS patients referred to Survivorship Program in 2019



# The Healthy Living Model: Core Components

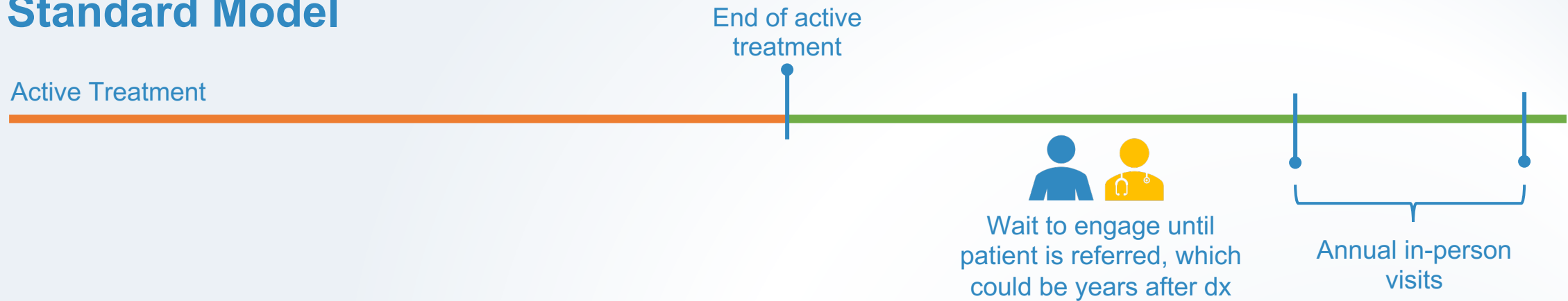
A risk-based approach to assessment and management of a patient's lifestyle, behaviors, psychosocial context, and needs, delivered at the start of cancer care through a hybrid model.



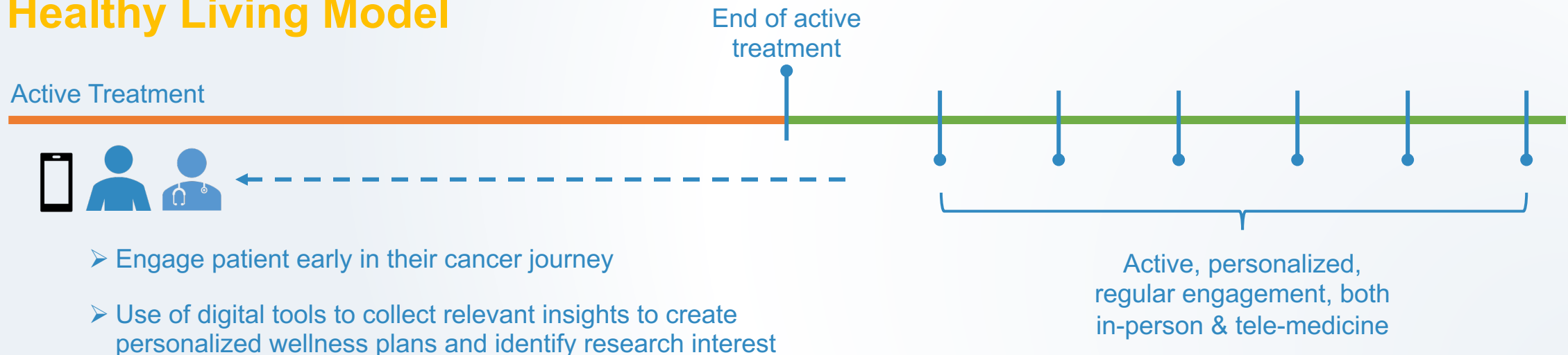


# Support During Treatment, Bridge to Survivorship

## Standard Model

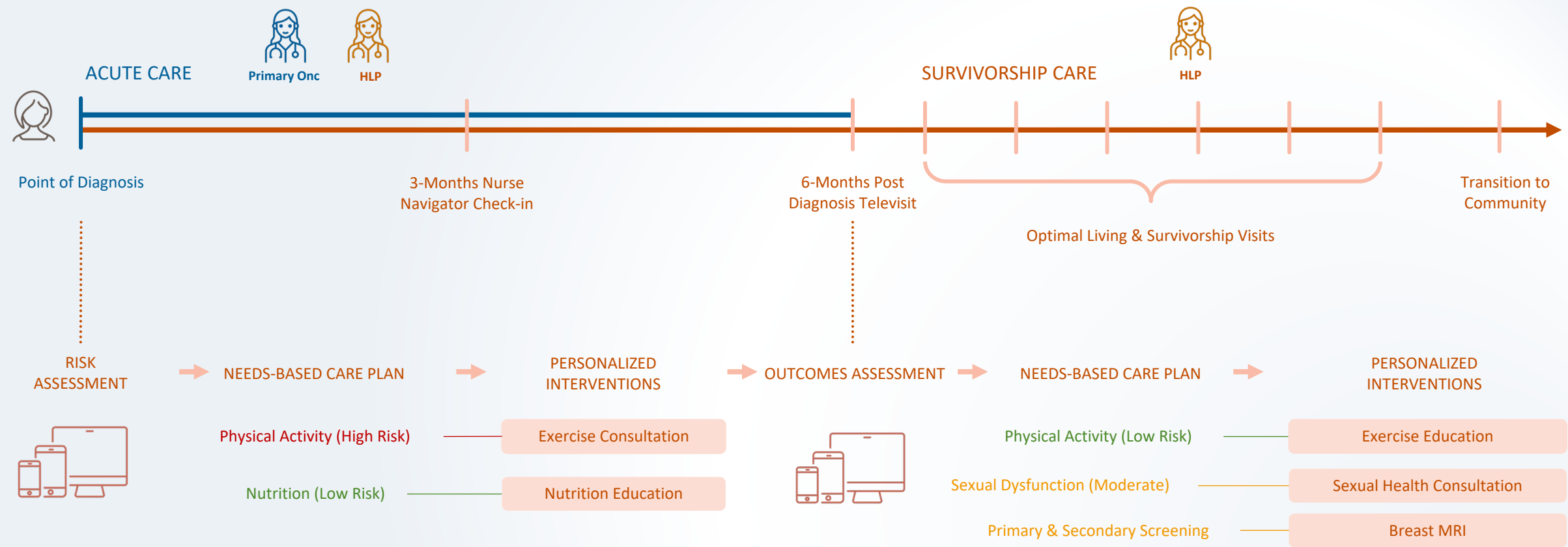


## Healthy Living Model



# Healthy Living Program Patient Journey

Healthy Living leverages a whole person approach as a bridge to post-treatment care.

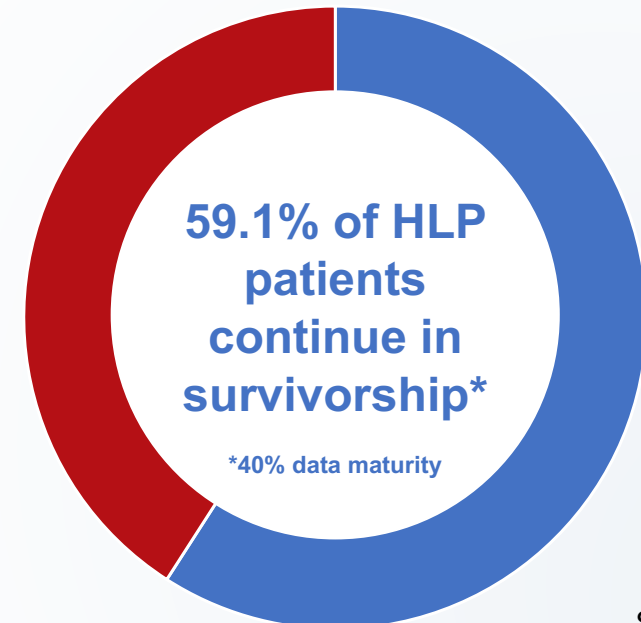
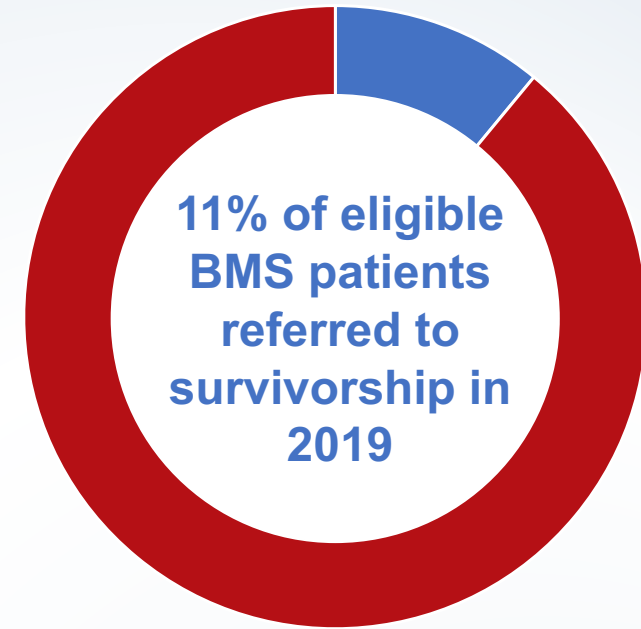
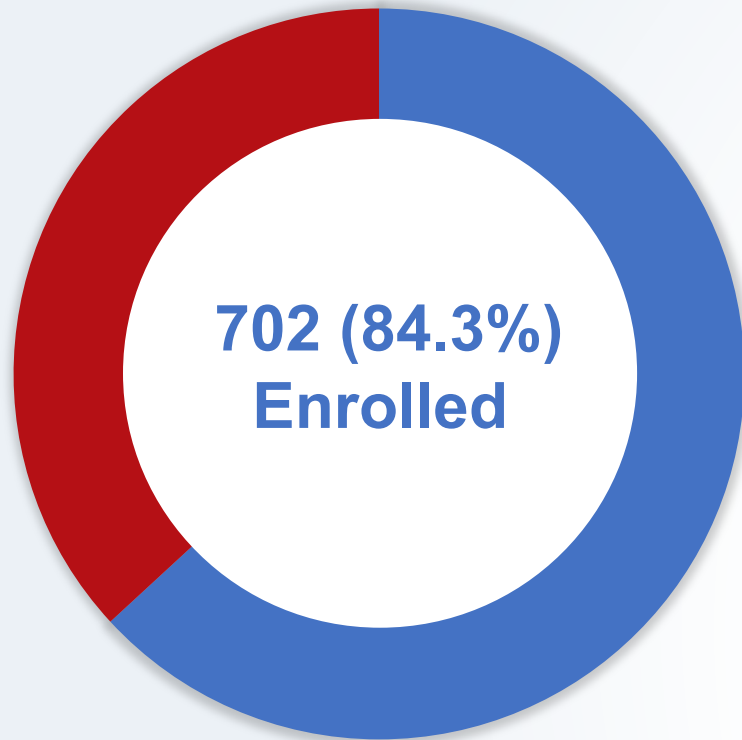


# Proof of Concept: Pilot Study

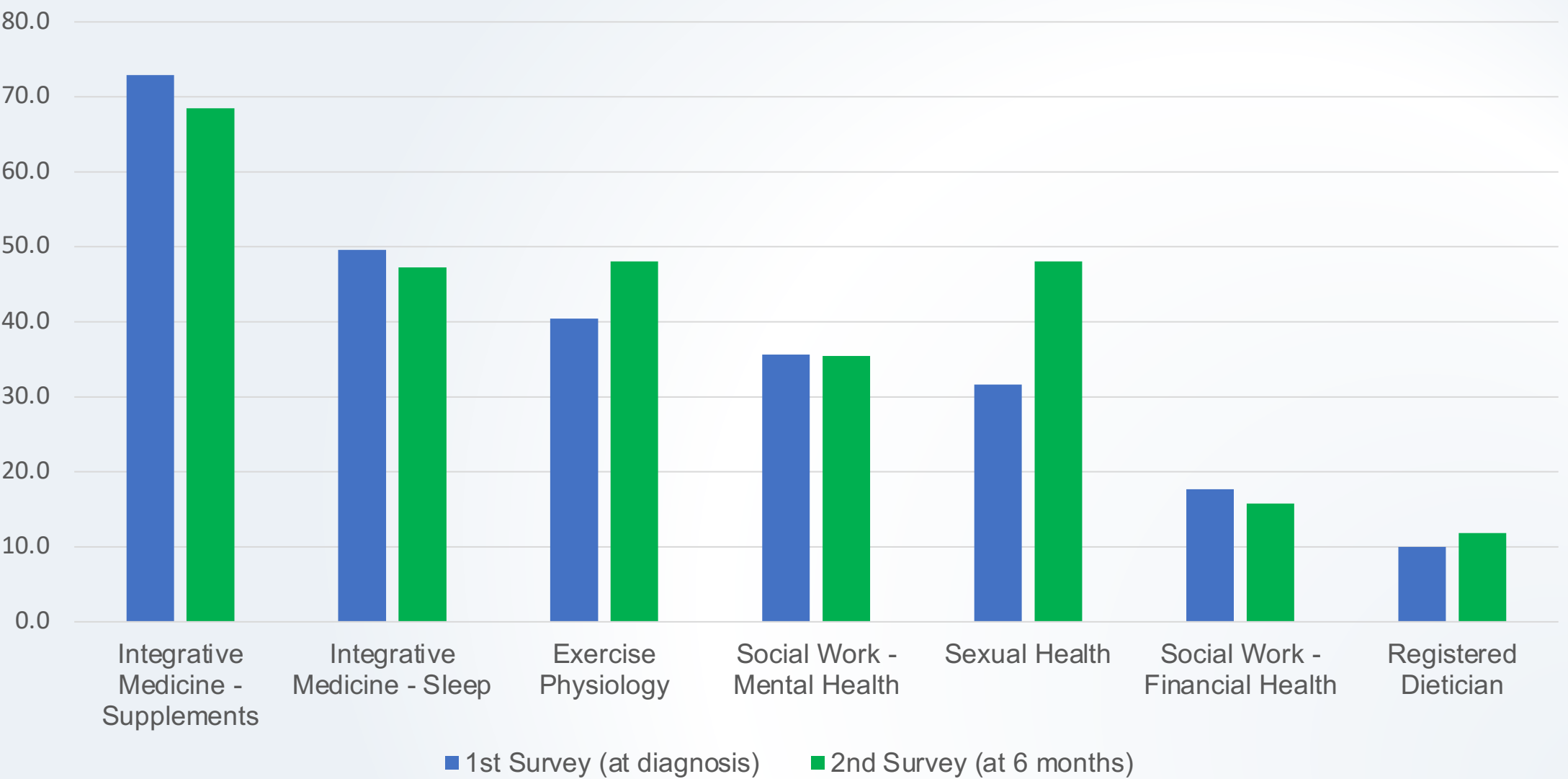
| Baseline characteristic                   | N=399       |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Age, median                               | 58          |
| Baseline BMI, median (kg/m <sup>2</sup> ) | 26.1        |
| Stage                                     |             |
| Ductal carcinoma in situ                  | 45 (11.2%)  |
| Stage I                                   | 296 (74.2%) |
| Stage II                                  | 51 (12.8%)  |
| Stage III                                 | 7 (1.8%)    |
| Receptor status                           |             |
| Hormone receptor-positive                 | 317 (89.5%) |
| HER2-positive                             | 24 (6.8%)   |
| Triple-negative                           | 26 (7.3%)   |
| Chemotherapy                              | 135 (33.9%) |

## Pilot Study: Feasibility

**833 surveys assigned**



# Pilot Study: Lifestyle risk profiles at diagnosis and 6 months post



■ 1st Survey (at diagnosis)    ■ 2nd Survey (at 6 months)



# Collaborative approach to program development & implementation

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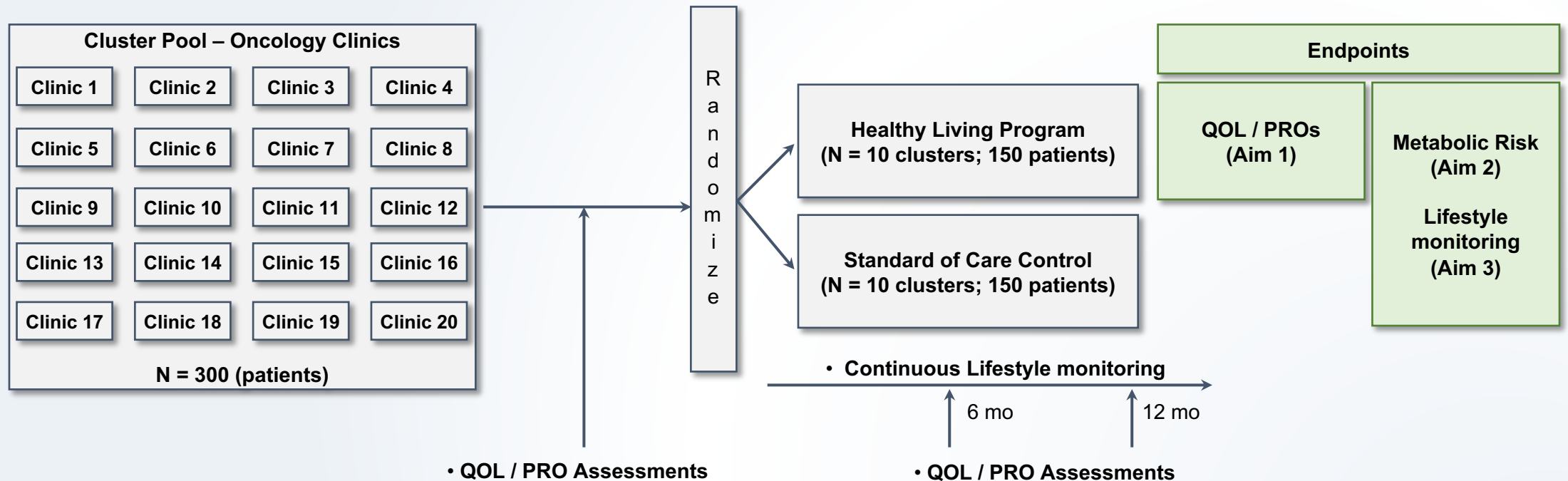
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# Future Directions: R01 submission



# Future Directions: Platform to promote rigor in lifestyle / survivorship research

