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Real World Data (RWD) and Real World Evidence (RWE) in Health Care Decisions

Message from the Guest Editor

Interest in using real-world data (RWD) for providing real-world evidence (RWE) is significantly increasing in healthcare systems worldwide. Nowadays, real-world evidence is widely considered a useful tool to confirm data collected for regulatory purposes. In this growing scenario, searchable healthcare databases have been assessed as an excellent opportunity for secondary data used in research and applications. These databases include electronic health records and administrative claims, e.g., hospital discharge, prescribed drugs, and therapeutic procedures. These data can be subsequently merged at an individual level using unique, anonymized identifiers and make data available for both academic and policy research. These information are of great interest for making healthcare decisions that enable improvements in the quality, safety, and value of healthcare.

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