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Articles in this issue of *Neurology® Clinical Practice* (NCP) reflect a growing emphasis on integrating quality of life measures into clinical practice.

Chaitoff et al. (p. 32) compare patient-reported outcomes in adults with CNS tumors to physician-reported functional status. In an accompanying editorial, Ney and Taylor (p. 7) further examine the gap between physician- and patient-reported metrics and emphasize the importance of “exploring quality of life among patients where success or failure is often defined merely as survival.” Mbwana et al. (p. 83) describe tools that may be incorporated into electronic health records (EHRs) to improve quality of care of patients with epilepsy, including patient-generated data such as seizure diaries. The authors also discuss how standardization of data from EHR systems may lead to improvement in clinical research through registries, data sharing, and collaboration.

Abdallah et al. (p. 9) collected data as part of a medical relief team led by the Union of Medical Care and Relief Organizations and present a retrospective analysis of neurologic injuries among refugees in a major rehabilitation center on the Syrian-Turkish border from 2013 to 2016. An accompanying editorial by Etienne and Tsao (p. 5) highlights the challenges neurologists face in the austere settings of man-made and natural disasters. Fox et al. (p. 53) discuss the underlying mechanisms of action of disease-modifying therapies for patients with relapsing forms of multiple sclerosis and provide a guide to assist neurology practitioners to interpret observed changes and to make informed treatment decisions.

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