A Model for **Acceptance and Use** of **Health Information Systems** for **South African Health Practitioners**



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The Health Systems Framework

(WHO,2007)

Variants of HIS



Acceptance & USE of HIS

- To receive: the psychological state of taking the minimal objection;
- To grasp the idea: the psychological state of fully comprehending the intentionality (e.g. functionality and design) of HIS;
- To assess the worth: the psychological state of evaluating the value and desirability of the HIS to a health practitioner;

Acceptance & USE of HIS

- To be given: the psychological state of a health practitioner willing to adapt their routines to what was required by HIS; and
- To submit: the psychological state of a health practitioner surrendering to the intentionality of the HIS

USE

 The regular application of HIS as an integral part of a health practitioners in performing their functions and achieving objectives

(Schwarz et al. 2014).

Research Objectives

Primary

1. Explain why HIS is accepted and used by South African health practitioners

Secondary

- 1. Explain the factors influencing individual acceptance & use of HIS
- 2. Determine the extent to which each factor is significant in influencing the acceptance and use of HIS
- 3. Develop a model for acceptance and effective use of HIS by South African health practitioners

Practical Implications of achieving research objectives

- 1. Prediction of whether the new HIS will be acceptable to health practitioners,
- 2. Diagnosis of the reasons why a planned HIS implementations may or many not be fully acceptable to health practitioners,
- 3. Taking of corrective actions to increase the acceptability and usage if of HIS
- 4. Enhancement of the business impact resulting from the large investments in time and money associated with introducing new HIS to health and health related institutions.

Key Questions to be addressed

Primary

1. Why are health information systems used or not used by South African health practitioners?

Secondary

- 1. What are the factors influencing the use or non-use of HIS by South African health practitioners?
- 2. To what extent is each factor significant in influencing the use of HIS by South African health practitioners?
- 3. In what ways can HIS be efficiently used by South African health practitioners?

Leading Theories on Acceptance and Use of Technology

- Theory of Planned Behaviour (**TPB**) (Aizen, 1991),
- Task-Technology Fit (**TTF**)

(Goodhue and Thompson, 1995),

• Technology Acceptance Model (TAM),

Venkatesh and Davis (2000)

• Unified Theory of Acceptance and Use of Technology (UTAUT)

Venkatesh et al. (2012)

Theoretical Constructs Surveyed

UTAUT Constructs		TTF Constructs	
PE	Performance Expectancy	IC	Individual Characteristics
EE	Effort Expectancy	TE	Technology Characteristics
FC	Facilitating Conditions	ΤΑ	Task Characteristics
PV	Price Value		
HM	Hedonic Motivation		
SI	Social Influence		
HB	Habit		

Research Methodology

- Population Health Professionals
- Sampling Method Stratified Random
 - Target Sample Size 384 Health Practitioners
- Collection Media
- Privacy
- Data Analysis

- Survey Monkey
- Data Anonymisation
- SPSS Software
- Descriptive Analysis
- Linear Regression
- Further Analysis Pending

Respondents Profile - Affiliation



Factors to which Health Practitioners Agreed / Strongly Agreed

Construct / Factor	Mean Scoring
EE - Effort Expectancy	4.5
PE - Performance Expectancy	4.2
SI - Social Influence	3.8
BI - Behavioural Intention	3.8
PV - Price Value	3.7
IC - Individual Characteristics	3.7

Likert Scale Scoring (1 = Strongly Disagree – 5 Strongly Agree)

Data Analysis and Results

Factors to which Health Practitioners are Neutral

Construct / Factor	Mean
	Statistic
TA - Task Characteristics	3.4
FC - Facilitating Conditions	3.3
TE - Technology Characteristics	3.2
HB - Habit	3.1
HM - Hedonic Motivation	3.1
TA - Task Characteristics	3.4

Significant of Factors to predict individual use of HIS

IA, TA, TE, EE, HM, SI, IC, HB, FC, PV, PE and BI collectively predict 51.7% of HIS use by health practitioners

This is a high R Square (Pallant, 2013) but there is still 48.3% required to predict from other factors not covered in the proposed model

Next Steps in Research

- Advanced Data Analytics
- Further Development of the Model
- Validation of the Model
- Model Recommendations

The Conceptual Model



Mberi & Kekwaletswe (2019)

