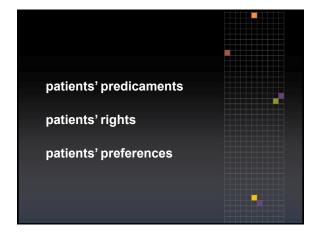




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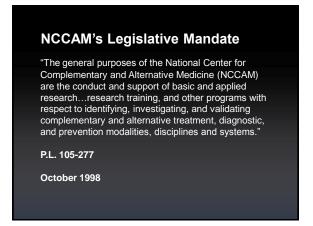
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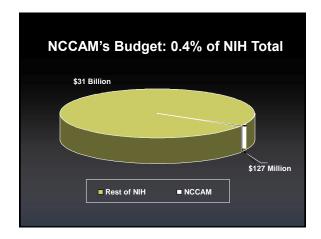


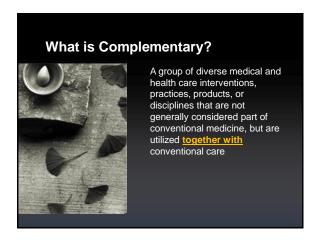




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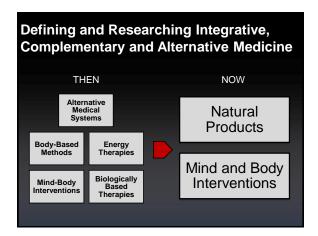
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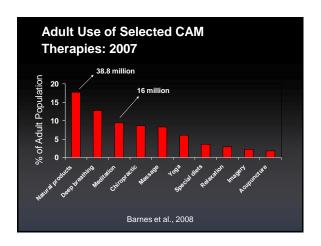


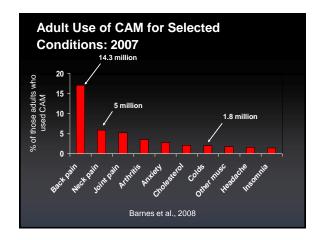


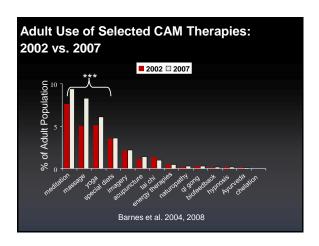


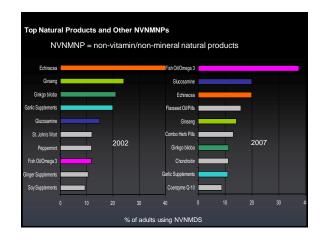


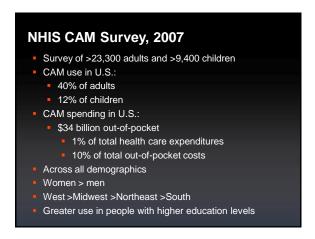


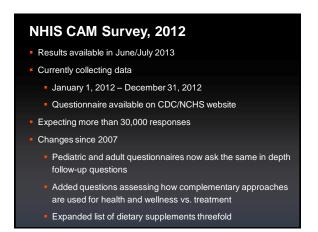






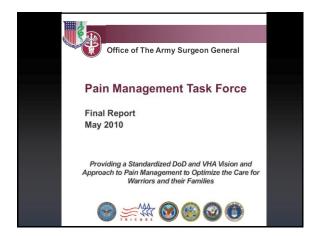






Quirky Ideas from Outside the Mainstream Physical resistance training is good for people recovering from major physical trauma: Joseph Pilates, 1915 Relaxation and breathing techniques help with pain of childbirth: Fernand Lamaze 1940 Breast feeding is good for babies: Edwina Froehlich, La Leche League founder 1950's Extensive palliative support, and reduced medical interventions should be provided to dying patients: Saunders, Wald, Kubler-Ross 1960's

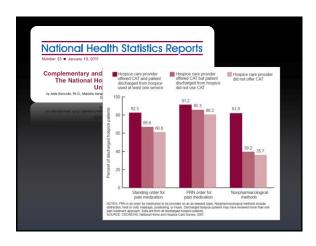
Military Interest in CAM Department of Veterans Affairs interest in mind-body medicine for PTSD Department of Defense conference on acupuncture for acute pain – February 2-3, 2011 Meeting with Defense Health Board regarding CAM use in military settings New military guidelines for CAM use for treating pain



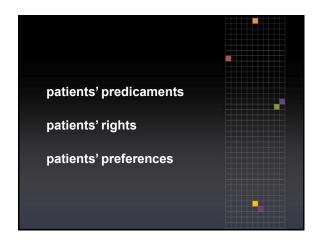
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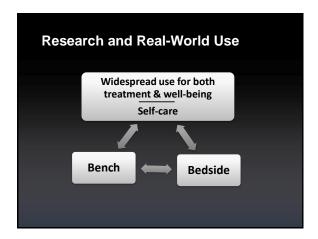
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MAPPING THE PATH FORWARD

Framework for priority setting

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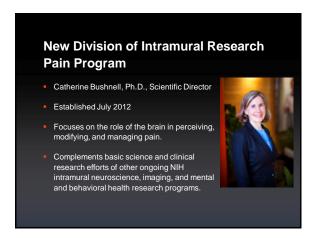
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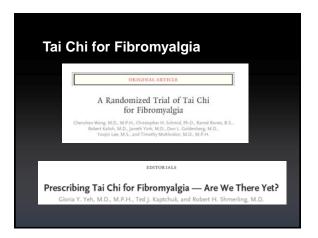
Potential for integration into health care systems

Questions important to users, caregivers, providers and health policy makers

Strategic Plan Goals

GOAL 1: Advance the science and practice of symptom management.
Priority = chronic pain
GOAL 2: Develop effective, practical, personalized strategies for promoting health and well-being.
Priority = better strategies for promoting and supporting health-seeking behavior







Goal #3

Enable better evidence-based decision making regarding use of complementary or alternative therapies and their potential integration into health care and health promotion.











