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Integrating neurophysiological data into public health strategies for post-stroke rehabilitation.

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Introduction

Stroke remains one of the leading causes of long-term disability worldwide, with survivors often facing significant neurological and functional impairments. Neurophysiological assessments, including transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS) and somatosensory evoked potentials (SEPs), offer valuable biomarkers for predicting recovery potential and tailoring rehabilitation strategies. Public health policy can leverage these findings by embedding neurophysiological evaluations into stroke care pathways, ensuring that rehabilitation resources are allocated efficiently and patients receive individualized therapy plans based on objective neural recovery markers [1].

Current rehabilitation programs vary widely in effectiveness, often due to a lack of data-driven personalization. Neurophysiological monitoring allows clinicians to track cortical reorganization and synaptic plasticity during recovery, providing real-time feedback on therapeutic progress. This information could inform public health guidelines that prioritize rehabilitation approaches with proven neurophysiological efficacy, thereby reducing the trial-and-error nature of current protocols and improving long-term outcomes for stroke survivors [2].

From a policy standpoint, integrating neurophysiology into community-based rehabilitation services could significantly enhance accessibility and equity. Many stroke survivors, particularly in low-resource settings, cannot afford prolonged hospital stays or frequent specialist visits. Portable neurophysiological devices could be deployed in local clinics, enabling remote data analysis and tele-rehabilitation services. Such models would align with public health goals of decentralizing care and expanding access to underserved populations [3].

Moreover, large-scale data collection from neurophysiological assessments could inform population-level stroke recovery trends. These datasets would be invaluable for public health planning, enabling the identification of demographic or regional disparities in recovery outcomes. Policymakers could then direct funding toward targeted interventions—such as early screening in high-risk communities or specialized rehabilitation centers in areas with poor outcomes—to address these gaps systematically [4].

Implementing such initiatives will require cross-sector collaboration between neuroscientists, public

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health officials, rehabilitation specialists, and technology developers. Standardized neurophysiological protocols and data-sharing frameworks must be established to ensure comparability across regions. Additionally, public education campaigns will be essential to raise awareness about the importance of neurophysiological monitoring, both for individual recovery and for shaping more effective rehabilitation policies [5].

Conclusion

The integration of neurophysiological assessments into post-stroke rehabilitation planning offers a promising path toward more effective, equitable, and data-driven public health strategies. By combining individualized therapy with population-level insights, policymakers can improve recovery outcomes, optimize resource allocation, and ensure that stroke survivors receive care that is both scientifically informed and socially inclusive.

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