Clinicians' conference presentations might be associated with improved patient outcomes through increased evidence-based practice.

Study population



56,923 inpatients with a record of acute myocardial infarction

in 384 acute care hospitals participating in QIP project.

Exposure



Clinicians' conference
presentation was defined
as a presentation at the annual
scientific meeting of the
Japanese Circulation Society

Outcome



Drug prescription in accordance with the evidence was significantly greater



Clinicians' conference presentations were significantly associated with lower in-hospital mortality

Prescribed drugs after admission (number,%)

	Control	Presentation	P value
Aspirin	20623 (91.5)	32586 (94.7)	<0.001
P2Y12-R Inhibitor	rs 19656 (87.2)	31113 (90.5)	<0.001
β-blocker	13993 (62.1)	23858 (69.4)	<0.001
ACE/ ARB	14326 (63.6)	24989 (72.7)	<0.001
Statin	17365 (77.1)	28982 (84.3)	<0.001

	Odds ratio	95% CI	C-statistics
Crude	0.68	0.65 to 0.72	0.55 (0.54 to 0.55)
Model 1 a	0.73	0.68 to 0.79	0.91 (0.91 to 0.92)
Model 2 b	0.76	0.70 to 0.82	0.91 (0.91 to 0.92)
Model 3 c	0.84	0.76 to 0.92	-
Model 4 d	1.00	0.92 to 1.09	0.94 (0.94 to 0.94)

^a: Model 1: adjusted for sex, age, Killip classification, smoking, ambulance use, hypertension, atrial fibrillation, old myocardial infarction, diabetes, renal disease, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease

b: Model 2: adjusted for Model 1 plus admission year and the number of admissions

^c: Model 3: multilevel analysis clustered by hospital codes adjusted for the same variables as Model 1

d: Model 4: adjusted for Model 1 plus the evidence-based practices as causal mediation analysis