Number of patients (P), number of articles (A) and average number of patients per article (M) for RCT articles on electronic symptom reporting, presented by health service innovation category and patients groups. COPD=Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The articles were identified in a comprehensive search in MEDLINE, Embase, PsycINFO, Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials and IEEE Xplore from 1990 to November 2011, and published in time period 2002-2011.

Patient groups	Consultation support	Monitoring	Self- management	Therapy	Total
	P / A / M	P / A / M	P / A / M	P / A / M	P/A/M
Cancer	483 / 3 / 161				483 / 3 / 161
Asthma		543 / 3 / 181	200 / 1 / 200		743 / 4 / 185.8
COPD		40/1/ 40	50/1/ 50		90 / 2 / 45
Other lung diseases			748 / 2 / 374		748 / 2 / 374
Cardiovascular diseases		387/2/194			387 / 2 / 193.5
Psychiatry			358/4/89.5	55 / 1 / 55	413 / 5 / 82.6
Diabetes			886 / 1 / 886		886 / 1 / 886
Mixed	241 / 1 / 241				241 / 1 / 241
Total	724 / 4 / 181	970 / 6 / 162	2242 / 9 / 249.1	55 / 1 / 55	3991 / 20 / 199.6