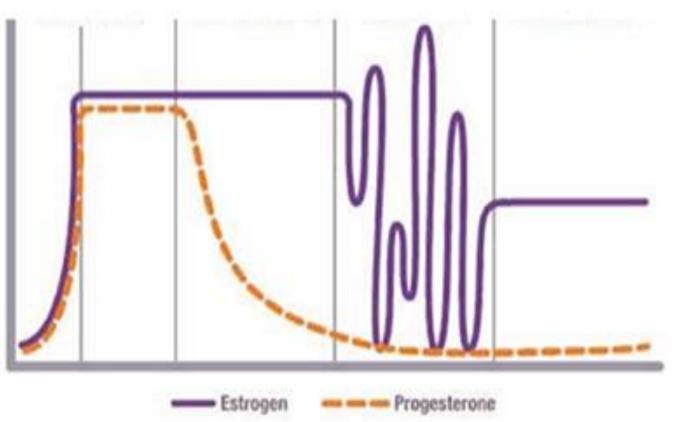


# Background

Menopause is a physical, psychosocial, and cultural transition as diverse and complicated as humans themselves.

About 80% of people with ovaries will experience symptoms as their hormones fluctuate and decline over time.



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Less than 10% of medical residents feel prepared to manage menopause.

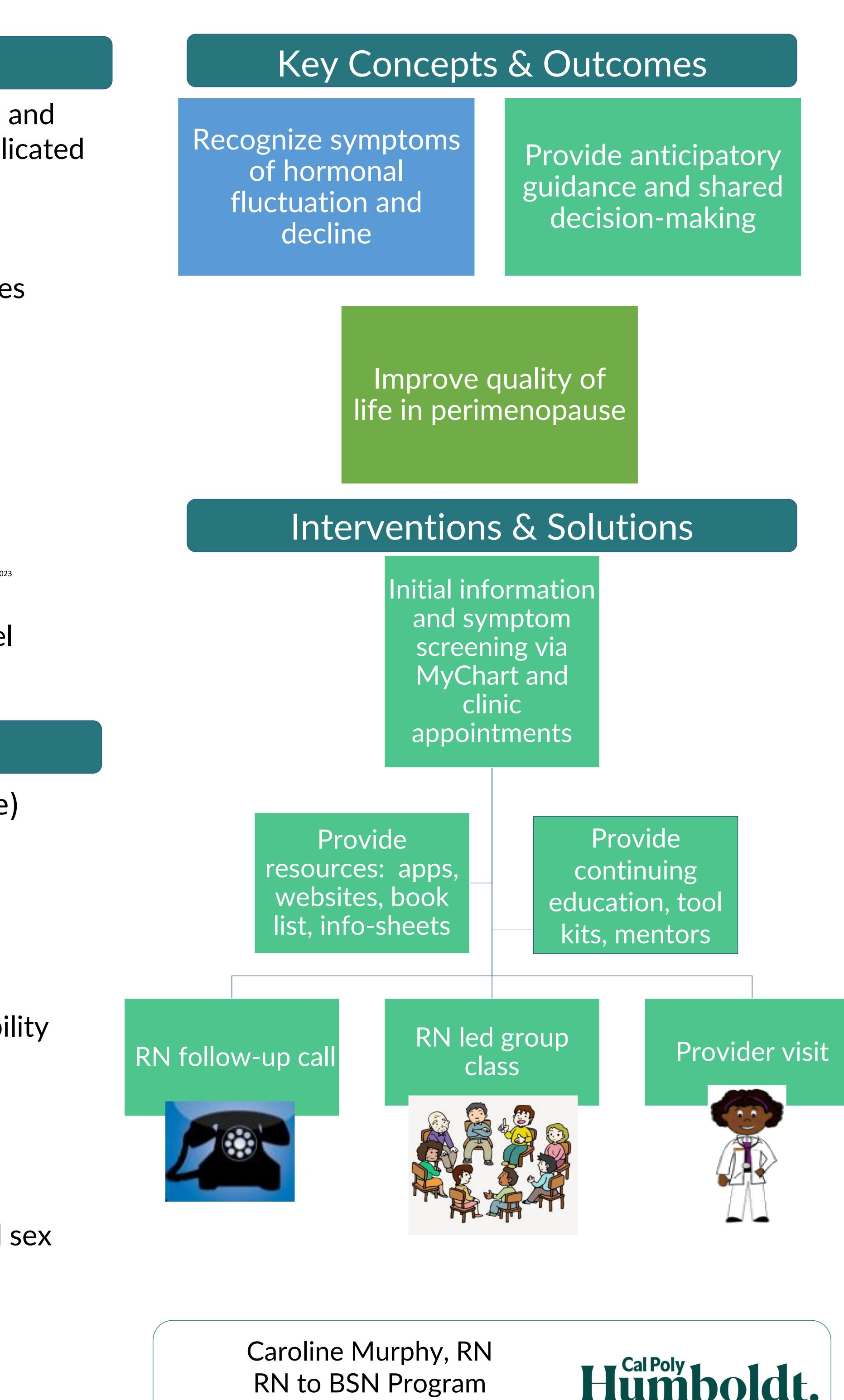
# Not Feeling Like Yourself?

Common symptoms (> 40% of people) may begin years before menstrual changes.



- Difficulty concentrating
- Fatigue, forgetfulness
- Anxiety, low mood, irritability
- Trouble sleeping
- Muscle and joint pain
- Itchy, dry skin
- Sore breasts
- Hot flashes, night sweats
- Less sexual desire, painful sex
- Urinary problems

# You are not losing your mind. You are losing your estrogen.



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### Other key players:

- EMR specialist
- Billing department

What was learned at group class? Are patients satisfied?

Have MENQOL scores improved? More perimenopause ICD-10 codes? More referrals or consult requests? Has clinical staff demonstrated competence?

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# Key Players

Patient population: Clinic patients aged 35-55

Providers- MD, CNM, FNP Clinic staff- RNs, MAs, front desk Organization management

## Evaluation

How many screenings went out? How many replies were received? What support was requested?

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