

Service + User Experience Design

Work Cases by Amanda R Sandora

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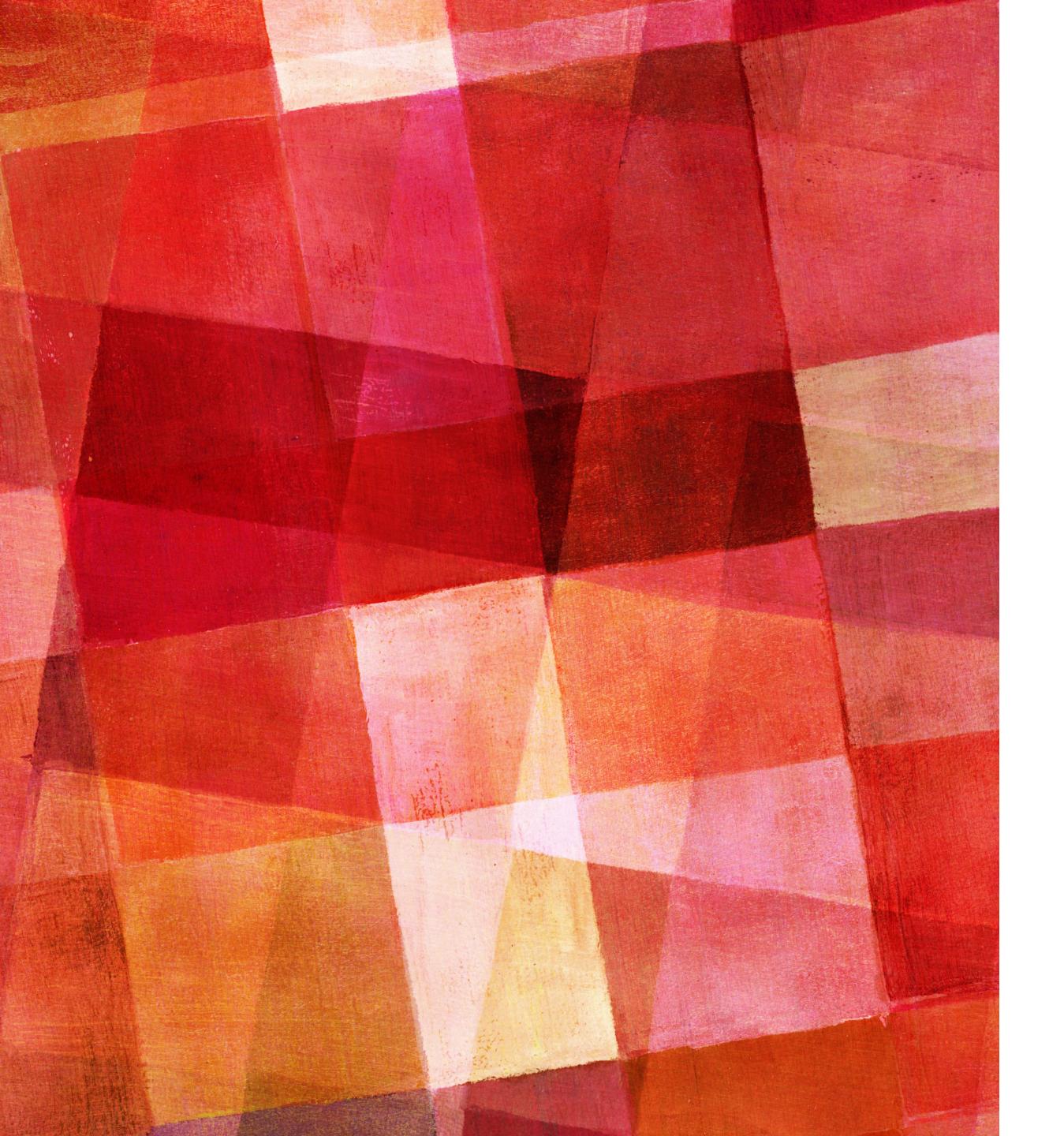
I am Amanda Sandora.

I'm a mixed methods researcher + human experience specialist based in Madison, WI.

I am a storyteller and an artist, and I love cycling, dancing, reading, and exploring everything.

I have professional work experience in media design, higher education, local bike shops/small businesses, Autism behavioral treatment, and corporate software development.





EDUCATION

- ➤ Graduate certificate in User Experience
 (UX) Design UW-Madison iSchool,
 1-year online program
 - Completed August 2021
 - ➤ Cumulative GPA: 4.0
- ➤ Bachelor's of Psychology Marian University, minor in Criminal Justice
 - → Cumulative GPA: 3.8103
- ➤ Associate's of Applied Sciences in Graphic Communications Moraine Park Technical College
 - → Cumulative GPA: 3.940

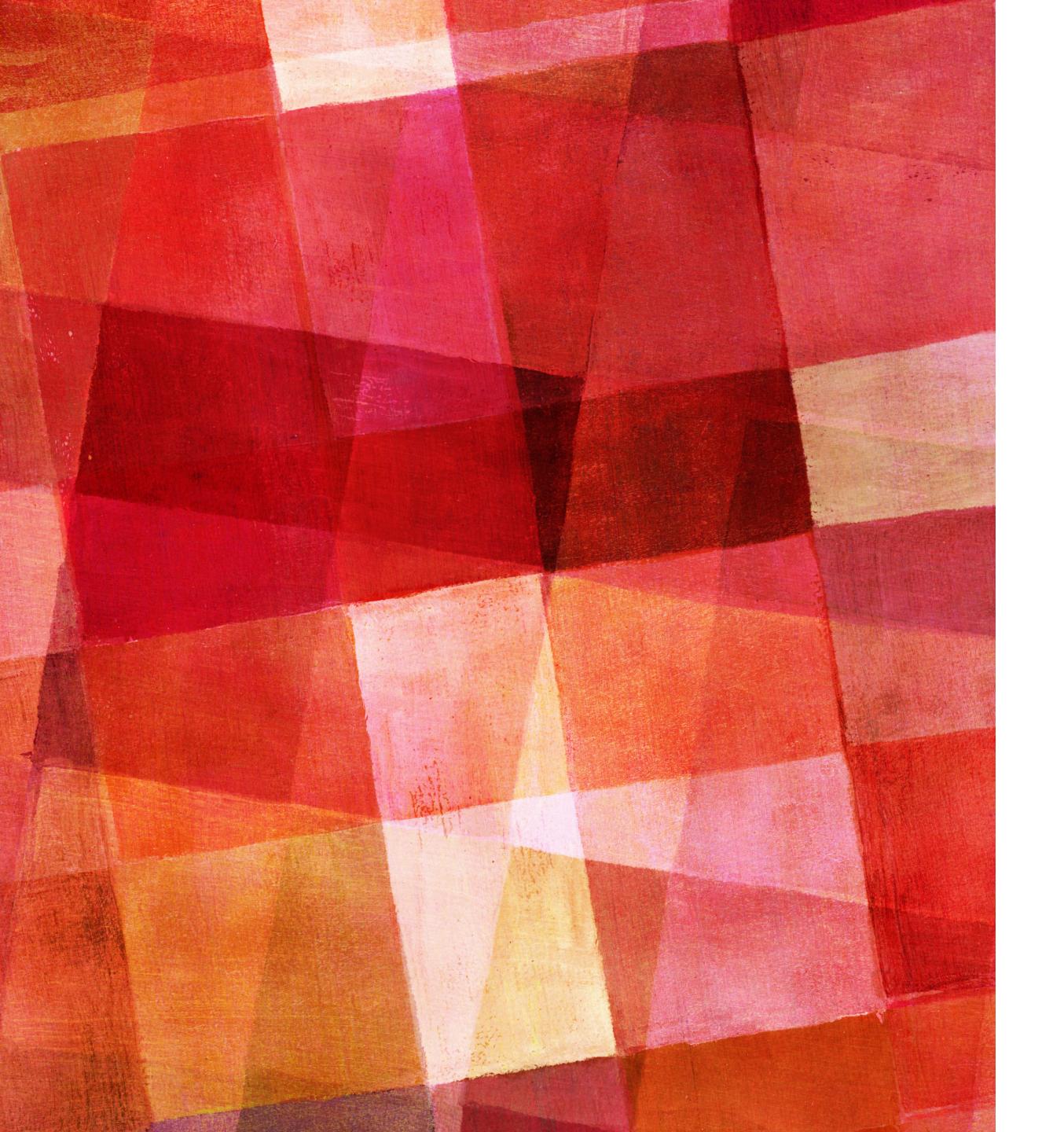
UX RESEARCH PHILOSOPHY

My work focuses on using user experience (UX) design, content strategy, several types of quantitative and qualitative research methods, and UX writing to help businesses and individuals improve their brands, websites, products, and/or services.

Thinking strategically about the problems I try to solve, I research, ask <u>A</u> <u>LOT</u> of questions, and then do more research to understand the problem as clearly as possible. I lead with intense curiosity and empathy, and I love working closely with users to understand their unique needs and goals.

Let's figure out how to create the best possible experiences for all humans!



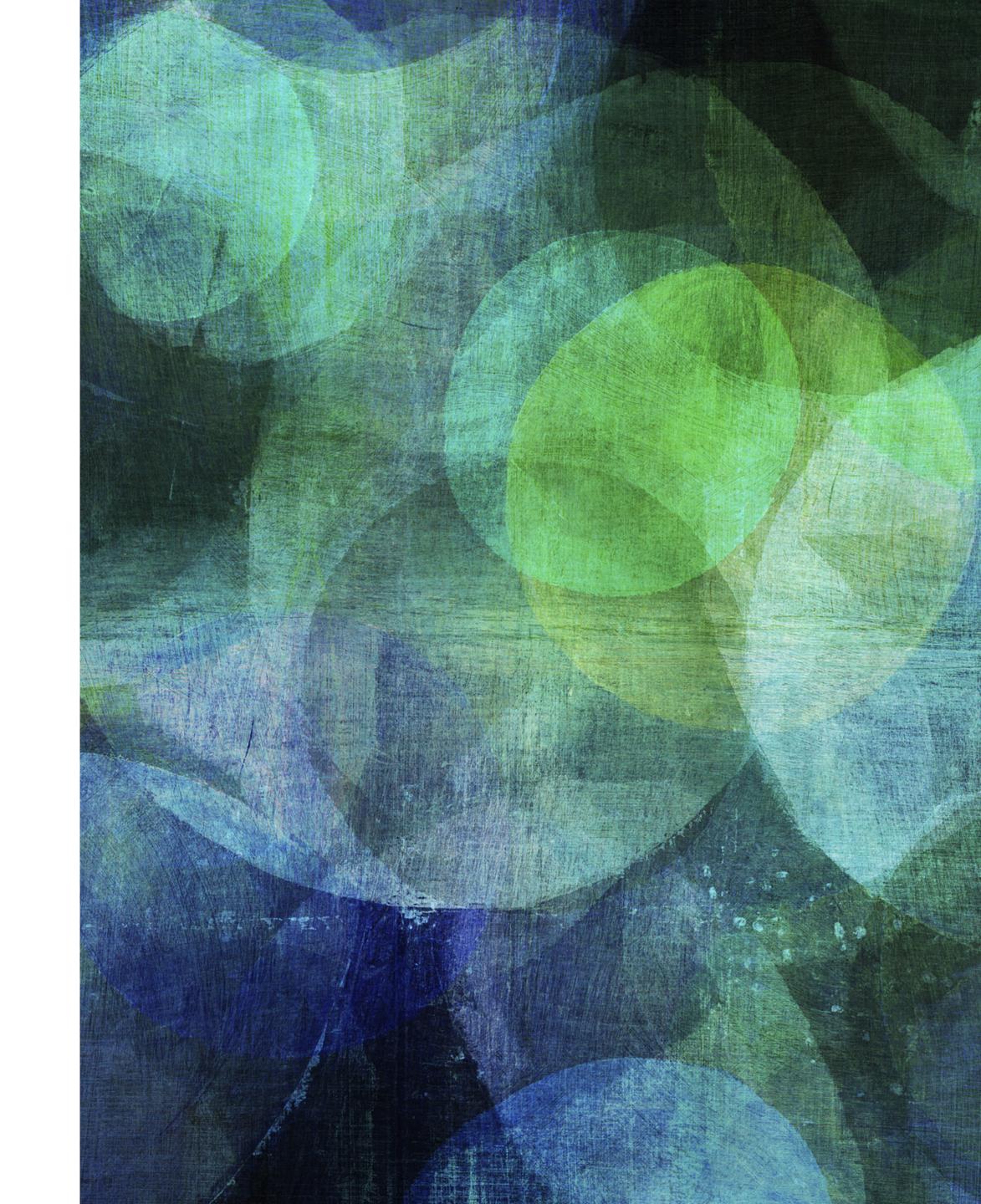


EXPERIENCE ROLES

- ➤ HHAeXchange (HHAX) corporate home healthcare software development "start-up" company based in New York, with contractors + development teams all over the world
 - → User Experience Researcher (UXR)
 - → Operationalized and led HHAX's new research on technology for caregivers, visiting nurses, home healthcare agencies, and insurance providers
- ➤ The Cargo Bike Shop (TCBS) local bike shop with two locations in Madison, WI, and St Paul, MN, specializing in children's bikes, cargo eBikes, and adaptive cycles
 - → Customer Experience (CX) Specialist
 - + Adaptive Cycling Specialist

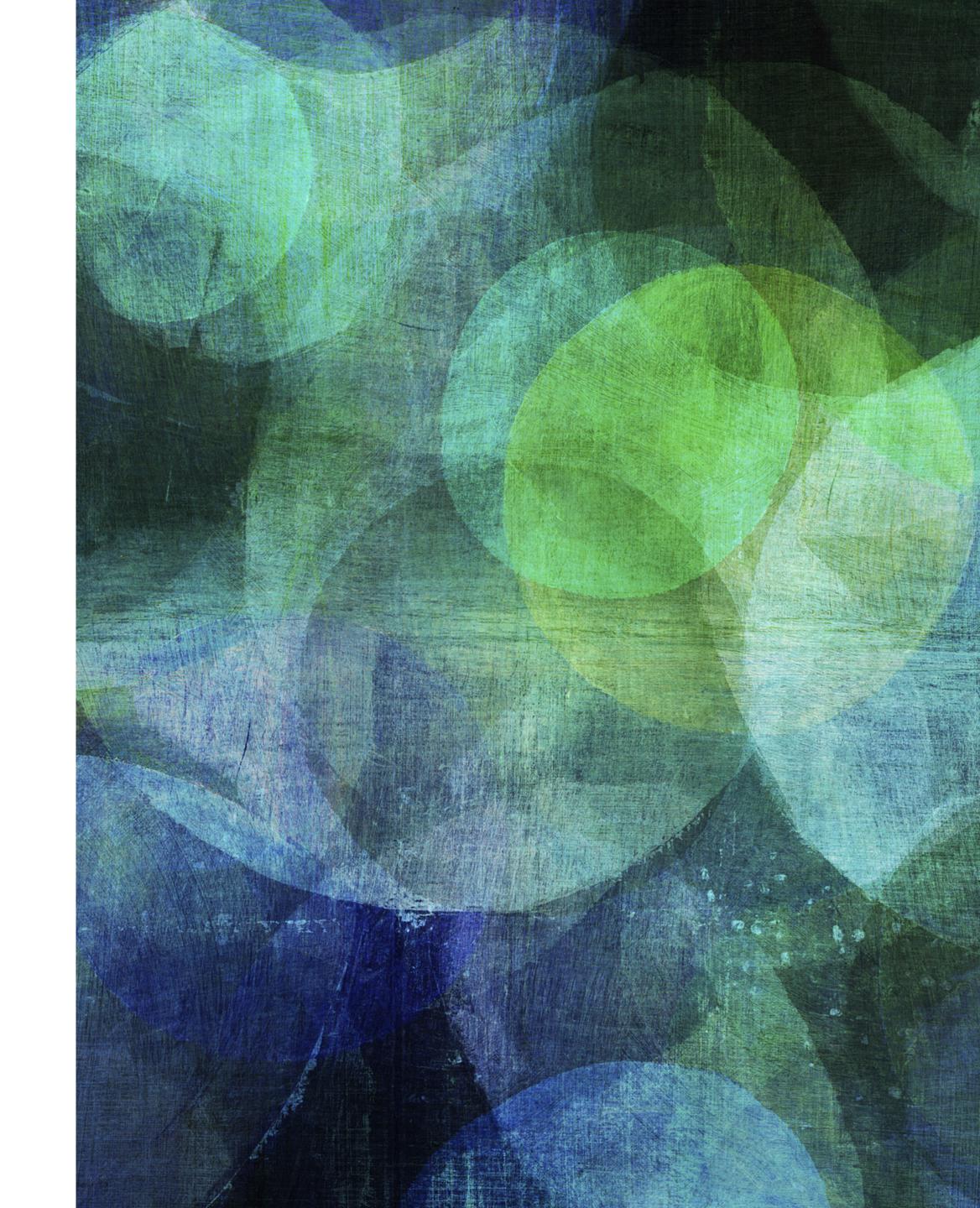
HHAX —— UX

- ➤ First UXR on a remote team of 6 UX Designers based in four timezones in Europe + US
- ➤ Spent my first 10 months setting up projects, working with multiple departments to send out text surveys to current users, and recruiting participants for usability testing + interviews
- ➤ Most of HHAX's software was in the market and used for nearly 15 years when they first brought on the UX Team ... so we played A LOT of "catch up," and I spent several months in the 'Discover' phase of the design process



HHAX——UX

- Worked very closely with the designers on my UX team to update HHAX prototypes
- ➤ Although all of the research I conducted was confidential + owned by HHAX, I included a sample of one usability report at the end of this presentation. These slides show my:
 - Executive Summary
 - Research Study / Participant Demographics
 - Design Changes (done with UX Designer)
 - Insights + Next Steps



HHAX (cont'd)

Research methods conducted:

Competitive Analysis of top 5 HHA competitors using objective, independent research from Capterra

Qualitative and Quantitative Data Analysis

User Interviews

User Surveys

Usability Testing of three mobile caregiver applications and two web platforms for Agency Payers + Service Providers

(* I was also in the beginning phases of developing user personas and journey maps based on the research collected + testing conducted)

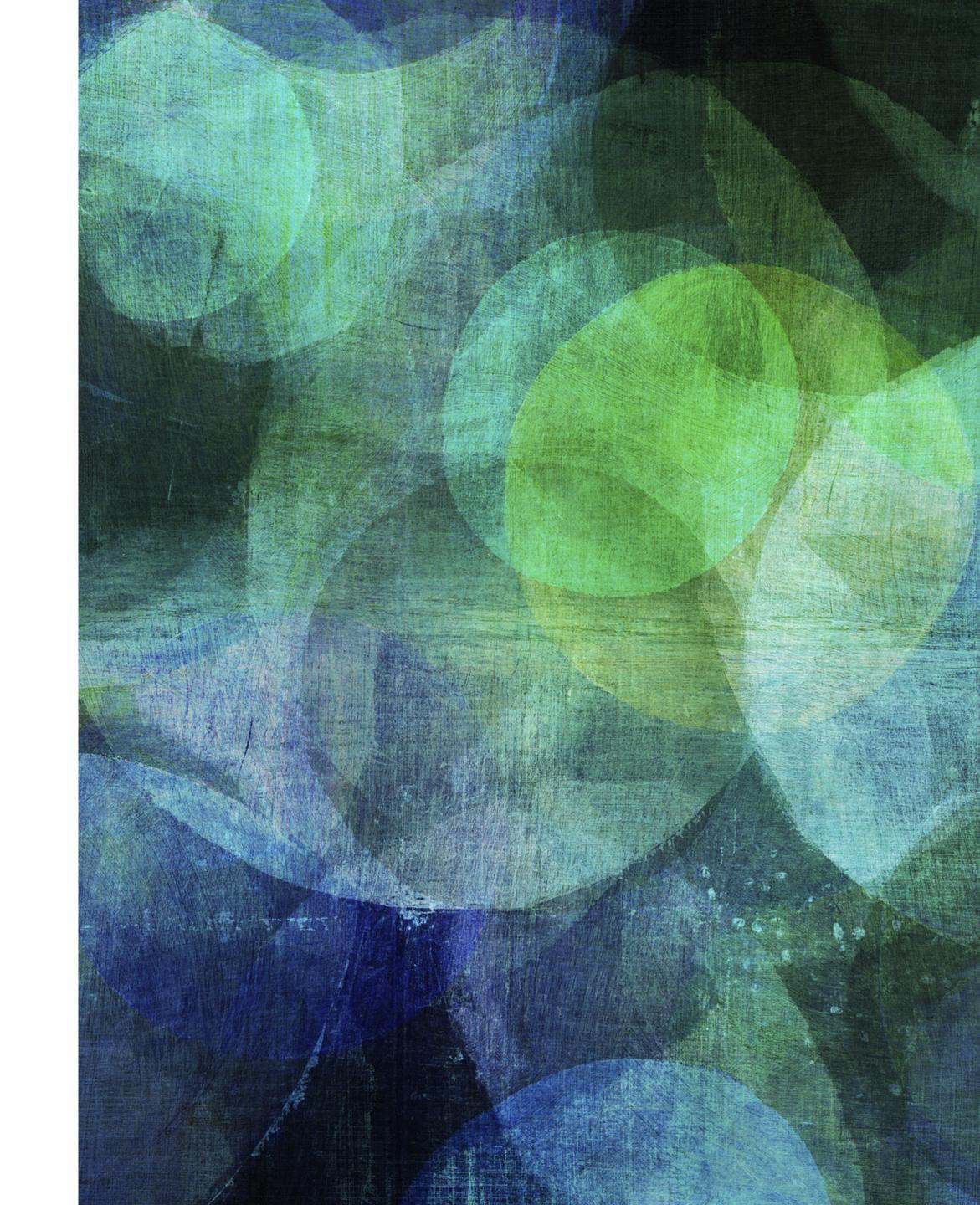
HHAX (cont'd)

Research tools used:

- ➤ **Dovetail** Analyzing interviews, usability testing, and user survey feedback; video clips embedded in Keynote presentations
- ➤ Google Suite Data collection and research planning documents
- ➤ **Keynote** Presentations of research to PM's, web developers, and executives
- ➤ Miro UX Team collaboration boards and
- ➤ Numbers Shared spreadsheets for data collection of usability testing
- ➤ Optimal Workshop Card sorting, surveys, and first-click testing (UXR tools)
- > Punchbowl For sending thank you's and gift cards to research participants
- ➤ Qualtrics Usability testing guides + quantitative data analysis

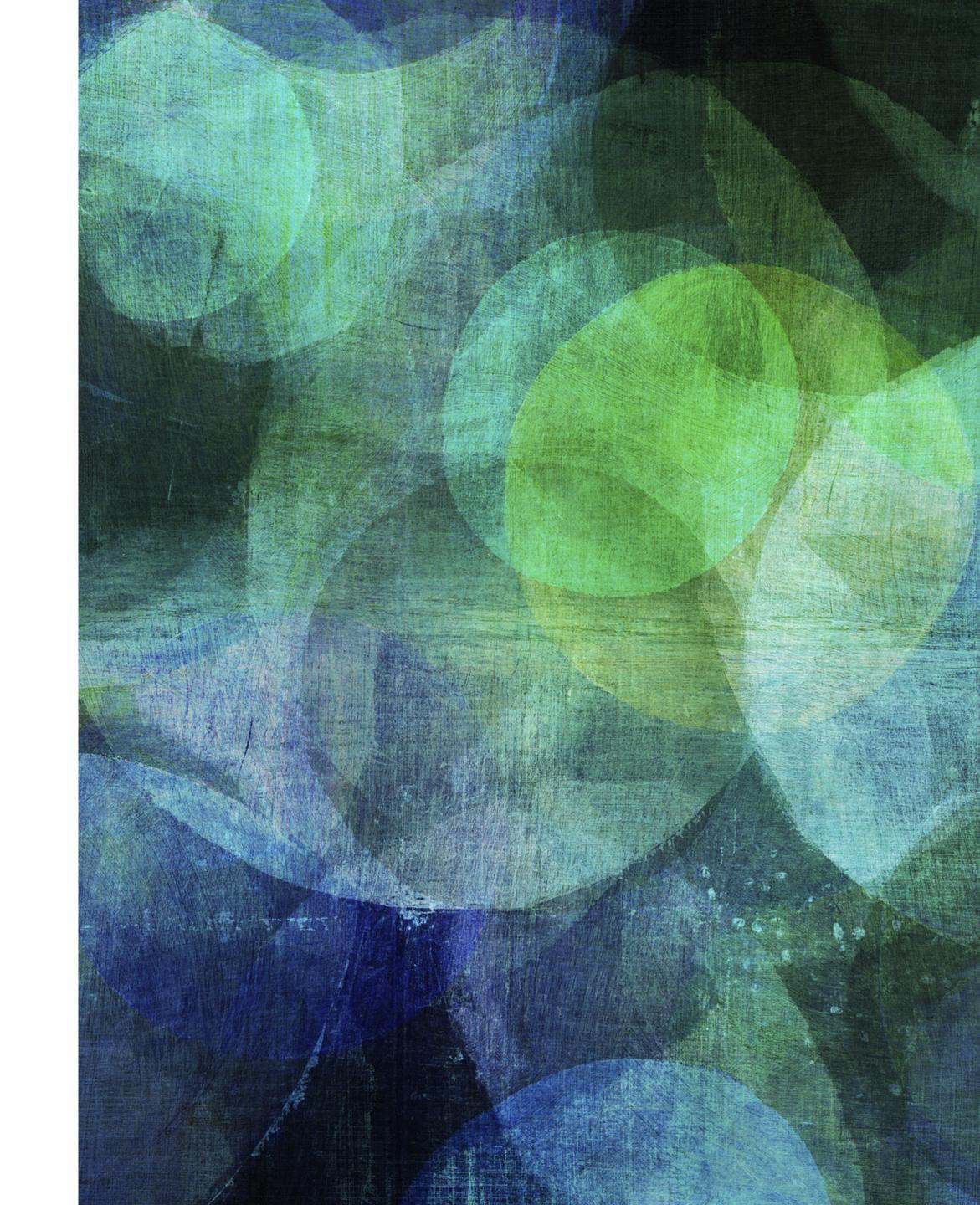
TCBS —— CX

- ➤ In a customer-facing role at TCBS, I was primarily responsible for communicating with humans via in-person walk-ins, through the shop's 5 inboxes, incoming phone calls, and social media
- Answer customer + vendor questions, and serve as the primary point of contact; created message templates of frequently asked questions
- Write personalized sales quotes based on family or individual's specific mobility needs
- Led business efforts to increase access to adaptive bicycles for school districts, senior organizations, or families of a disabled person



TCBS —— CX

- Created a system of tagging and assigning communications to different sales/service/ adaptive cycling teams
- Developed informational handouts for customers to take with them, including websites, bike pricing, and shop details
- Created a pleasant and enjoyable experience for customers of all ages + abilities, and provided small toys and coloring activities for children who struggle to wait while adults talk



TCBS

Software + Tools regularly used:

- ➤ **Ascend** Point of Sale (POS) system used for managing inventory, customer information, and purchases (terminal system)
- ➤ Citrus Lime Cloud-based POS system used for managing inventory, customer information, and purchases across TCBS's two locations
- > Front Five Inboxes + Social Media messaging management platform
- ➤ Google Calendar Scheduled meetings + appointments for St Paul customers to meet with TCBS's owner during regularly organized trips/visits to the second shop location; created calendar availability for customers to meet with me virtually about adaptive cycling options
- > Google Sheets Project management documents; tracking bike orders, builds, and timelines
- > Excel + Numbers Spreadsheets for inventory data management and updates to POS systems



USABILITY TESTING RESULTS

(Sample of 2022 HHAX report presented to key stakeholders)

Executive Summary



Remote moderated user tests were conducted on the HHAeXchange Unified Mobile App-Self Direction (UMA-SD) prototype with 4 Direct Care Worker participants (from Pennsylvania and New York) between Aug 18 and Sep 9.

Participants were asked to complete two tasks using the Evvie native mobile app that they already use on their phone. The same 2 tasks, as well as 3 additional tasks for new features, were tested using the UMA-SD prototype.

For both Evvie and UMA-SD, all users completed the tasks successfully and within a satisfactory timeframe.

Net Promoter Scores (NPS) were 5.5 (Detractor) for Evvie app and 8 (Passive Promoter) for UMA-SD prototype.

System Usability Scores (SUS) for Evvie and UMA-SD were 80 and 77, respectively. There is no statistical difference between the two scores.

"

Yeah. I kind of really like this. I mean, I have everybody who works here in my phone, but this is cool."

[re: Patient Details in UMA-SD]

Staff Manager (U4)



"It wasn't so much easier as it was smoother design-wise and flow-wise. The way the two profiles can transition between each other was more fluid. ... If I complete a shift with a couple of patients at once, they both do the job, I just think this one is smoother and nicer."

Caregiver (U2), re: UMA-SD prototype compared to Native Ewie app



Research Study

Study Approach



Objectives

- a. Determine users' ability to complete tasks using the Evvie native mobile app and UMA-SD prototype
- b. Identify the most common errors or inefficiencies users make
- c. Gather feedback on users' feelings and overall thoughts about the usability of the two apps

Methodology

- Moderated usability tests conducted via Zoom
- 60–90 minute testing sessions
- 2 scenario-based tasks completed in the Evvie native mobile app
- 5 scenario-based tasks completed in the UMA-SD prototype
- Post-task + post-test standardized questionnaires

Task Scenarios



App	Task	Task Label	Task Description	
Annkissam Native Evvie Mobile App	1	Login + Start Shift	You just arrived at the home of "Evvie Consumer" and his wife "Evvie Twosumer" – participants of Community Health Choices / Tempus – to help them with their daily care. Use the AK Evvie app downloaded on your phone to clock-in to the visit with these two patients.	
	2	Record Shift Details + End Shift	You are nearing the end of your visit. For Evvie Consumer, add details to the required fields and record in the feedback that Consumer was happy and appreciated your visit. You are ending this visit at the YMCA. For Evvie Twosumer, add the required information and document that Evvie was not happy, or unhappy. You will also end this visit at the YMCA. Complete the visit.	

HHAeXchange UMA-SD Prototype	1	Change language	You prefer to use Spanish. Without logging in, change the language from English to Spanish on this mobile app.	
	2	Login + Start Shift	You just arrived at the home of Alexander Stephanopoulos and his wife, Jessica, participants of Community Health Choices / Tempus, to help them with their daily care (consecutive shifts). Use the app to clock-in to your visit with these two patients.	
	3	Find emergency contact	Alexander asked you to call his friend, John, their emergency contact. Find John's phone number in the mobile app.	
	4	Record Shift Details + End Shift	You are now near or at the end of your visit. For Alexander, record that you completed Goal 1 and received feedback that he was happy and appreciated your visit. Document that you went grocery shopping and prescribed diet-assist tasks for him, and make up information for the other required fields. For Jessica, record that you completed Goal 3 and got feedback that she was not happy (or unhappy). Document that you made the bed, swept floors, and cleaned the refrigerator for her. Complete the visit.	
	5	View + Edit Shift	Just as you were about to leave, Jessica asked you to empty the trash for them. You already clocked out of the visit, but now update the documentation to include this additional task that you completed for Jessica.	

Participant Demographics



Total Participants

Position	Location	Age
Caregiver	Pittsburgh, PA	46–55 years
Direct Care Worker	Allentown, PA	36–45 years
Staff Manager	Westport, NY	46–55 years
Caregiver	Franklin, PA	26–35 years

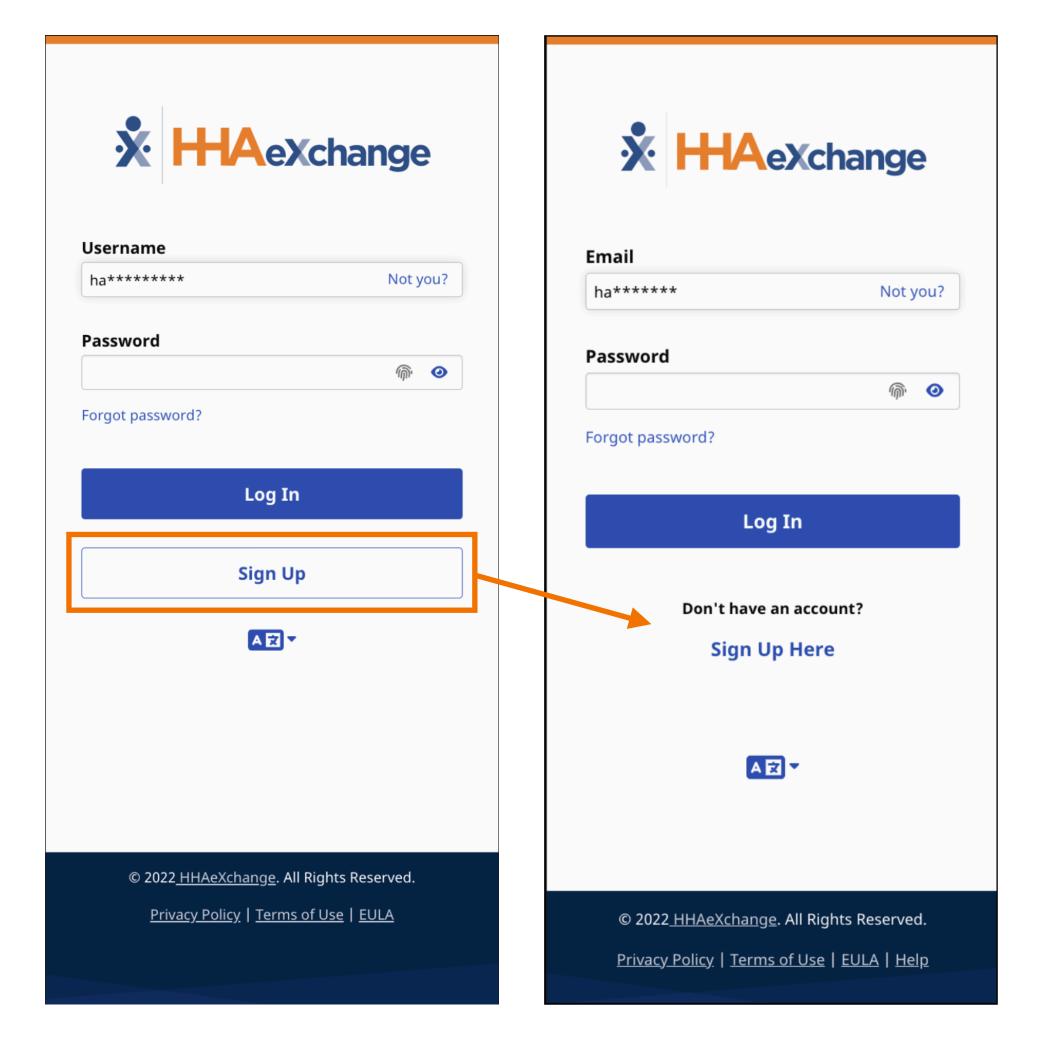


Design Changes

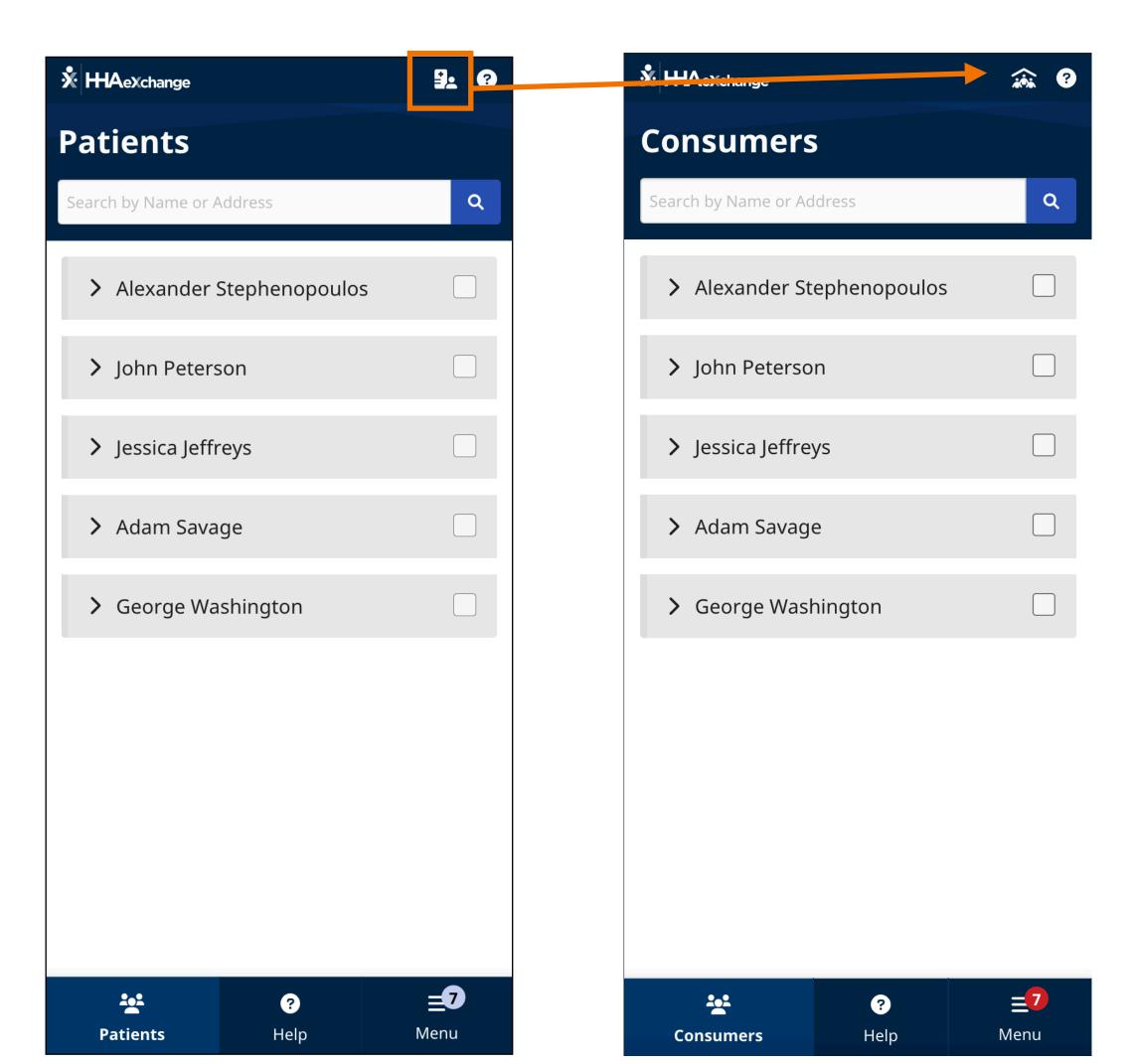
Scott Kuehnert, UX Designer



Sign Up changed from hollow button to a linkwith leading text above

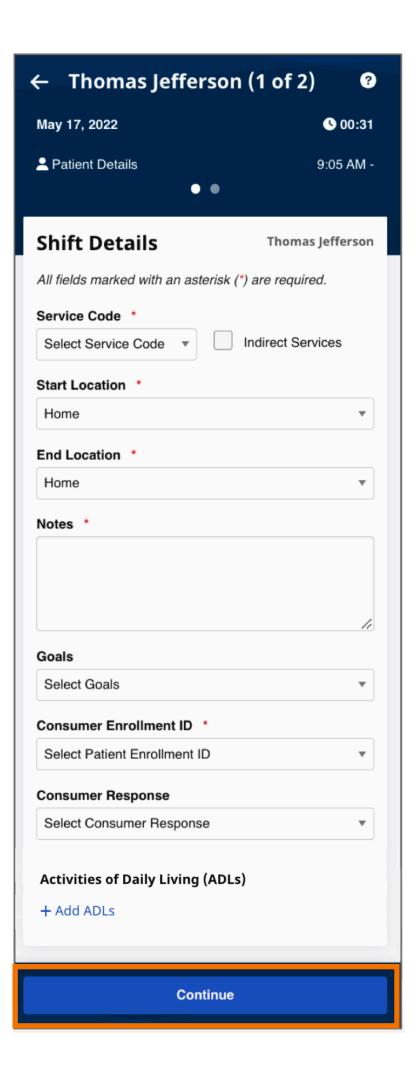


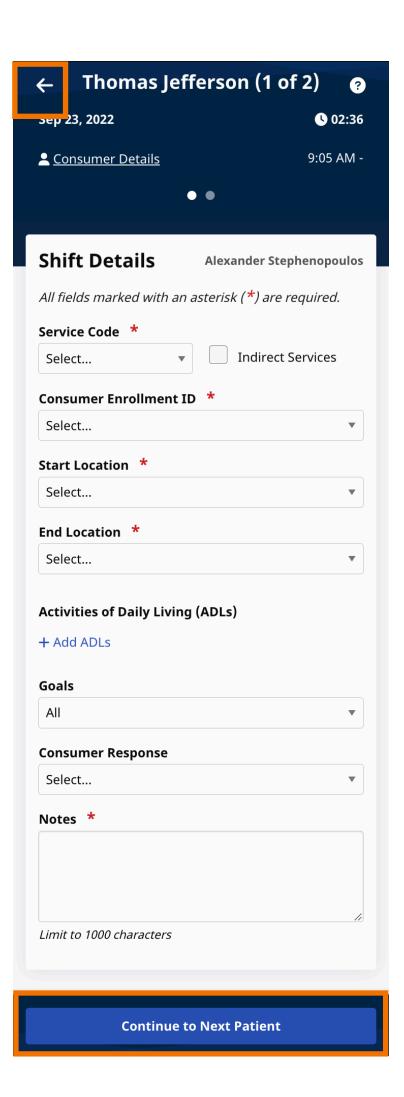
Updated "View/Change Agency" icon



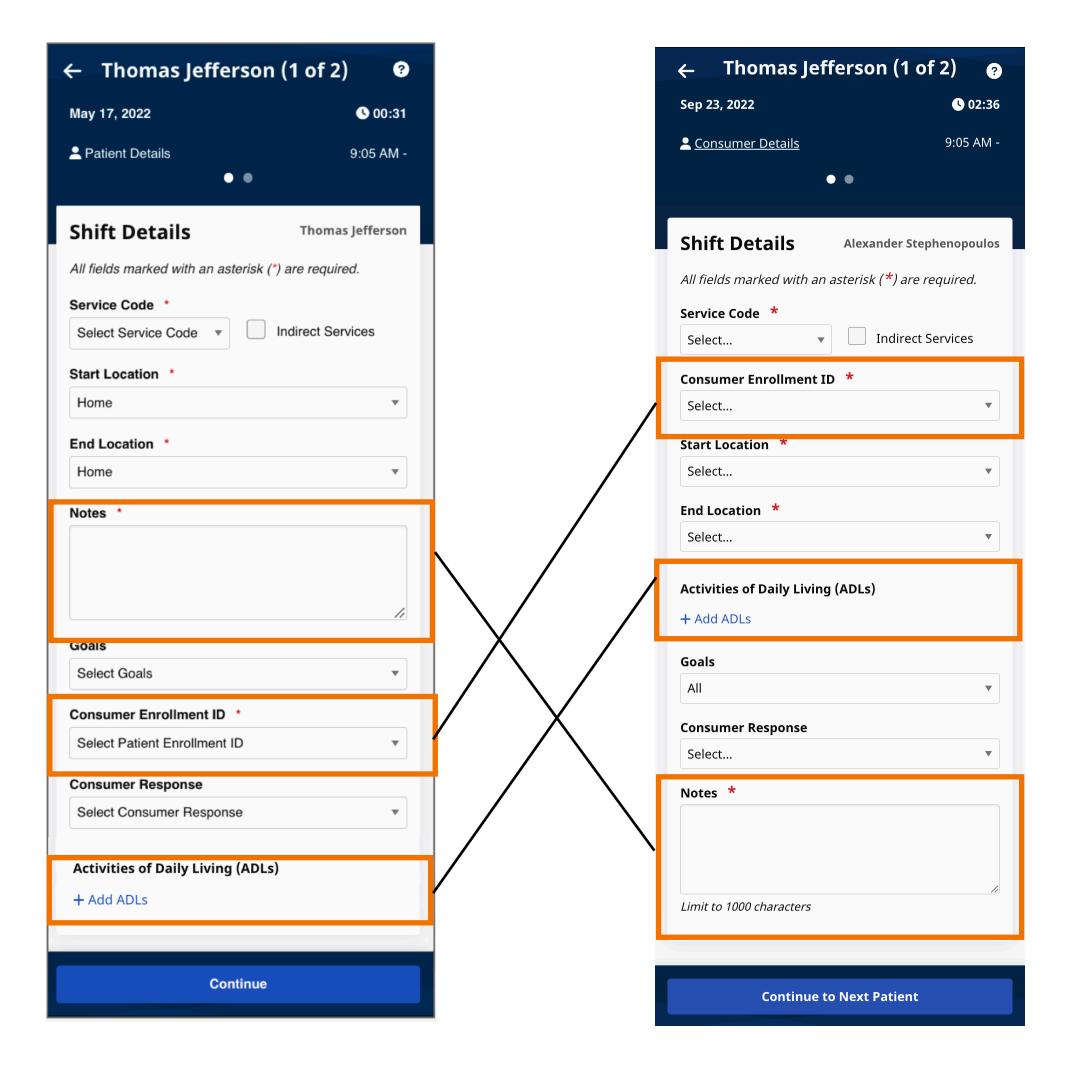


Updated action buttons for shared-care self-directed shifts (including mapping back button to previous patient)



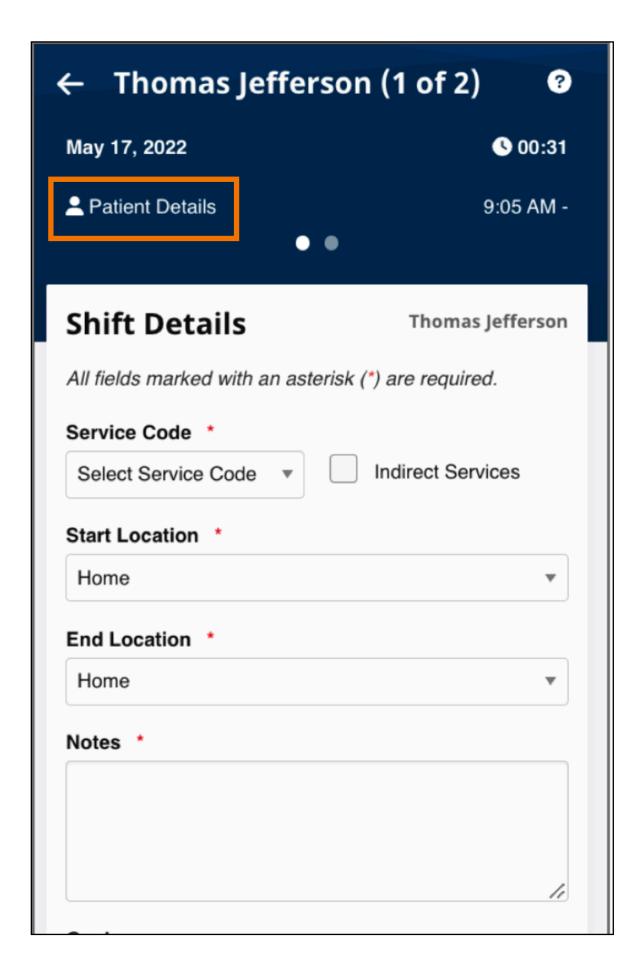


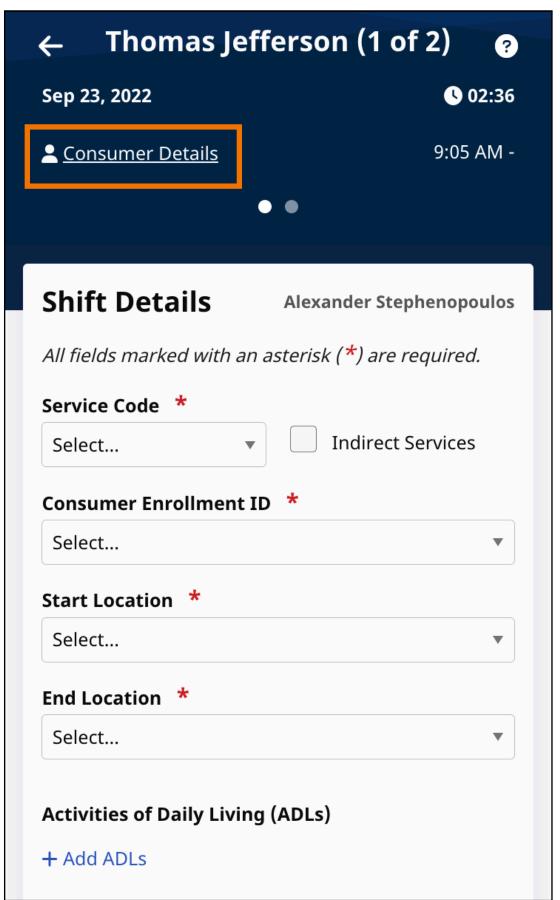
Updated ordering of fields for self-directed shifts

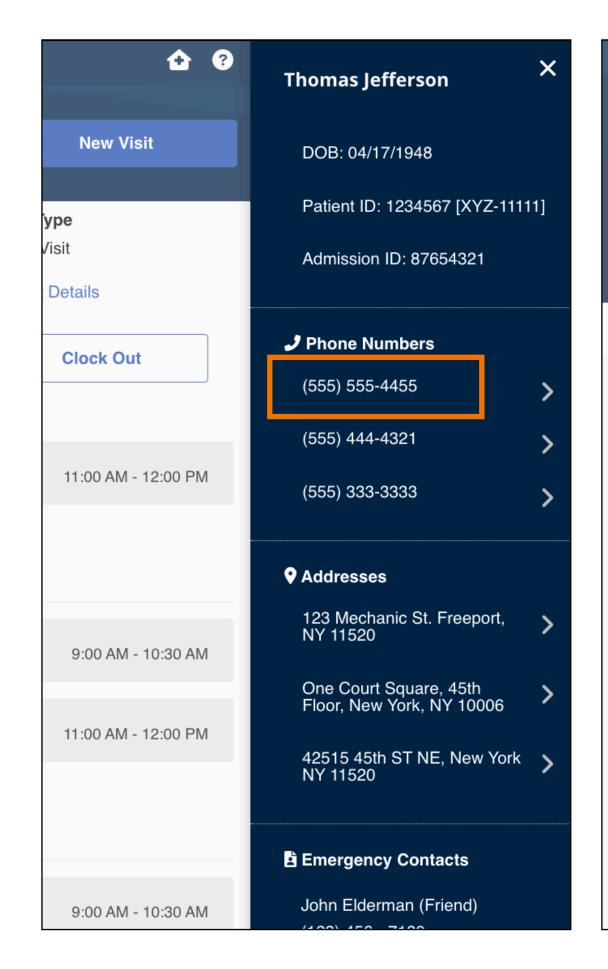


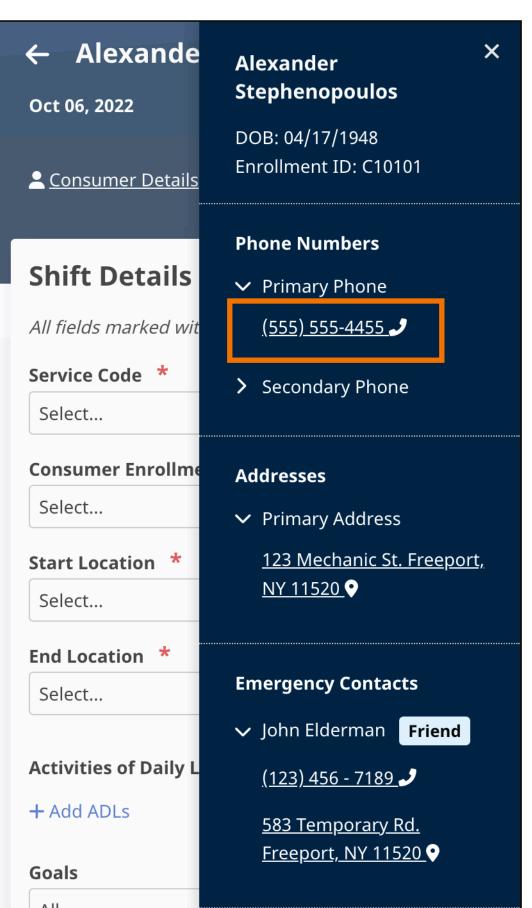


Added underline to links within modal headers and off-canvas panels to help communicate the affordance of tappability



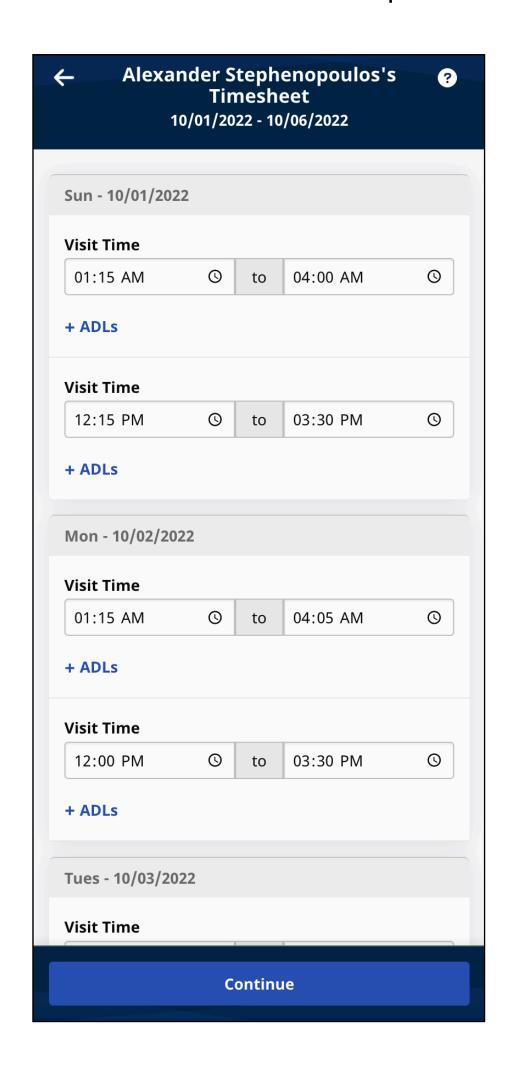


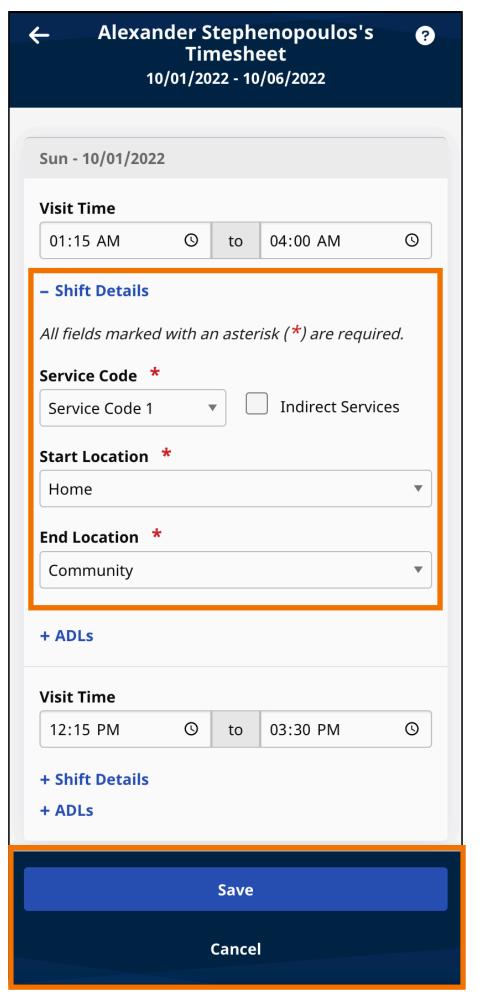


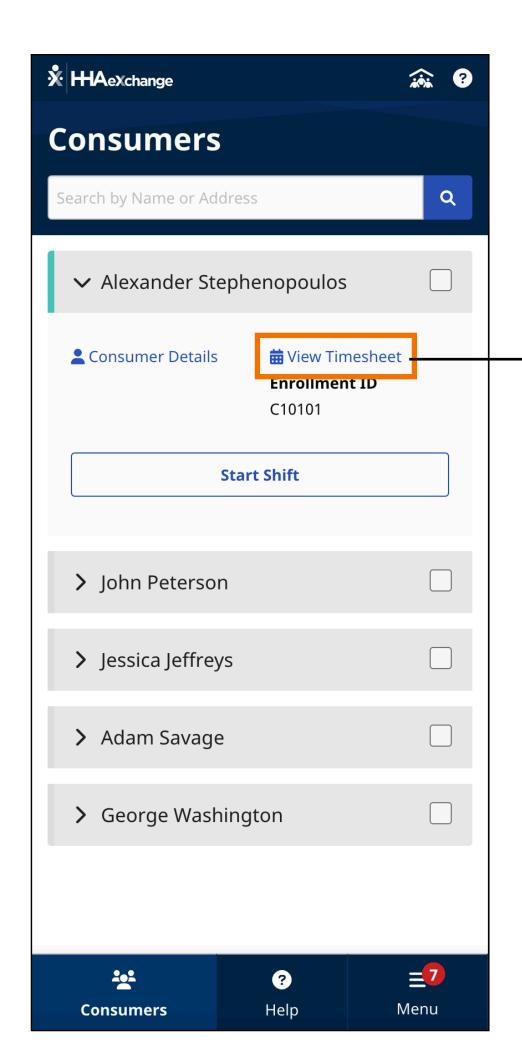




Updated Timesheets design to include shift details, used different verbiage for action buttons, and include a link to access timesheets from the patients list



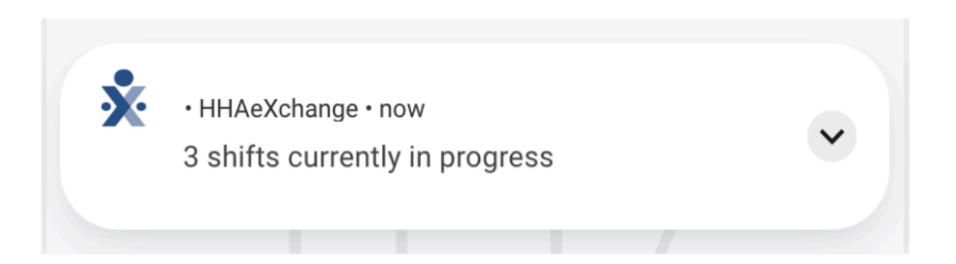




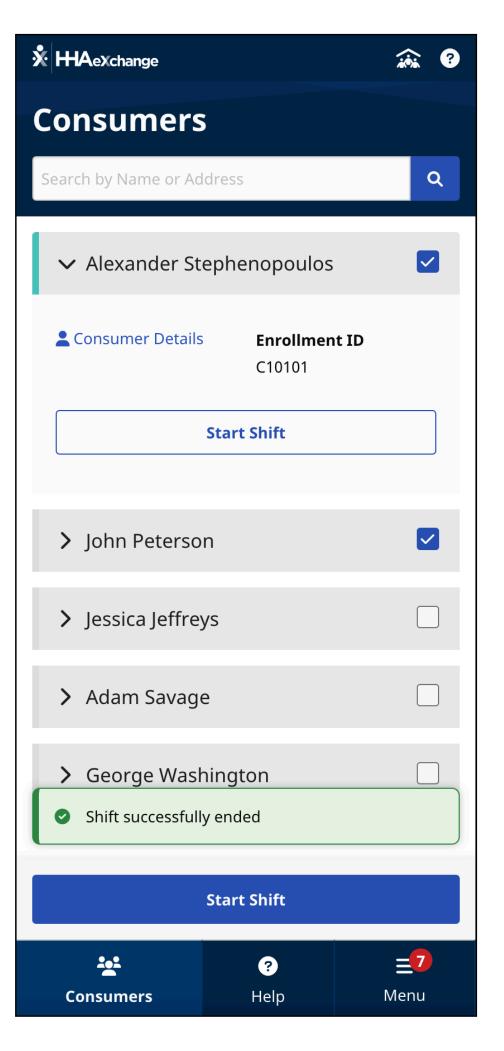
Note: excluded from MVP

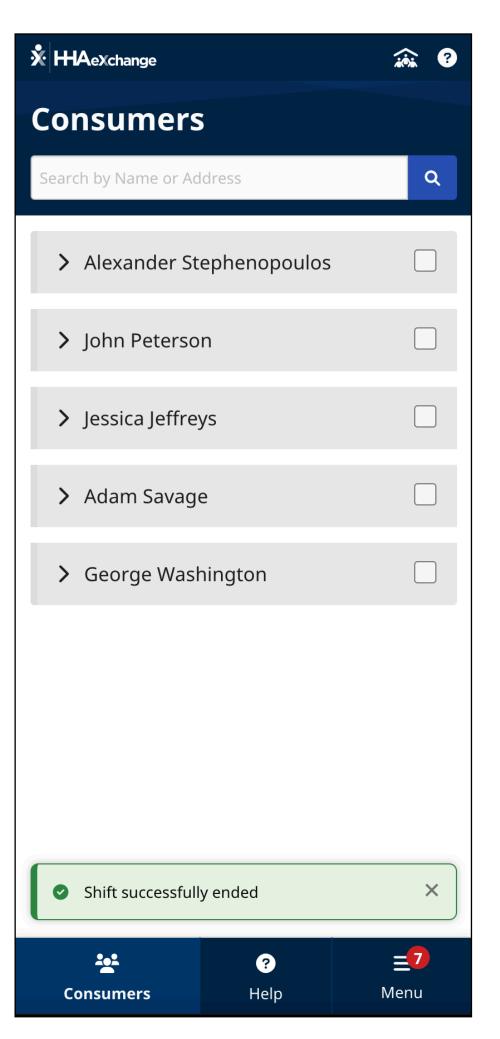


Added a banner notification when users navigate
 away from the application when a shift is in progress



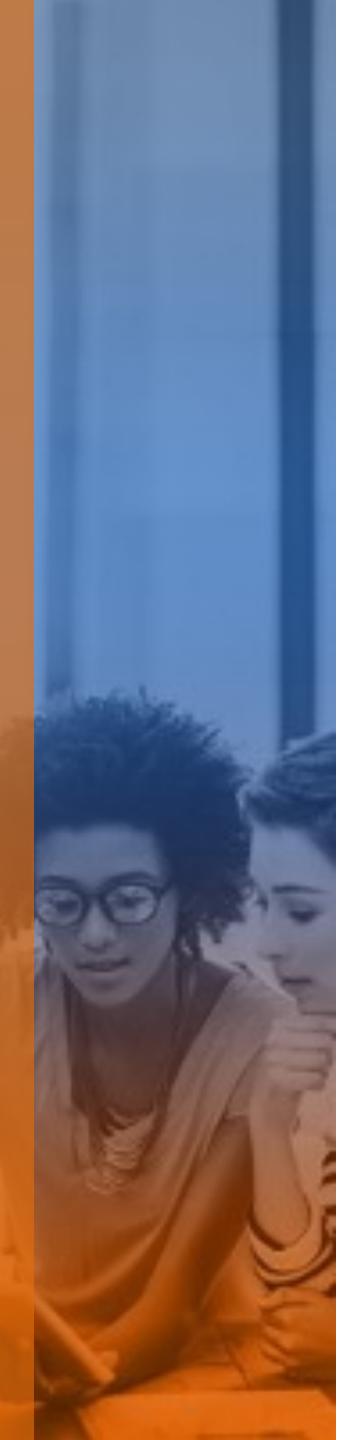
De-selected consumers after shift has ended and collapsed accordion







Insights + Next Steps



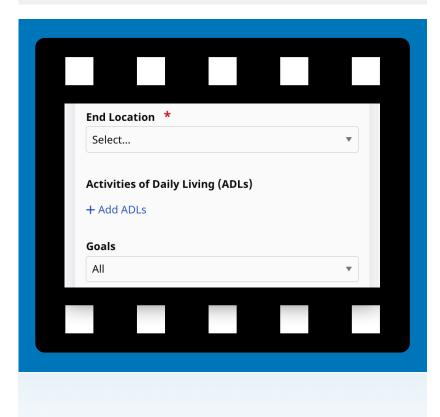
Insights



Patient Details

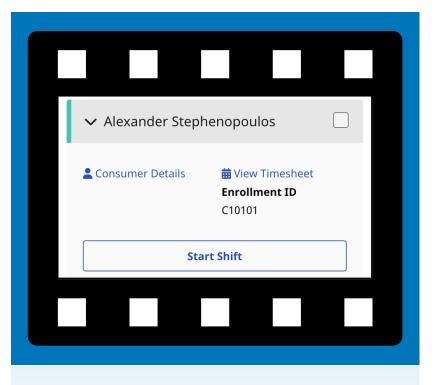


Add ADL's

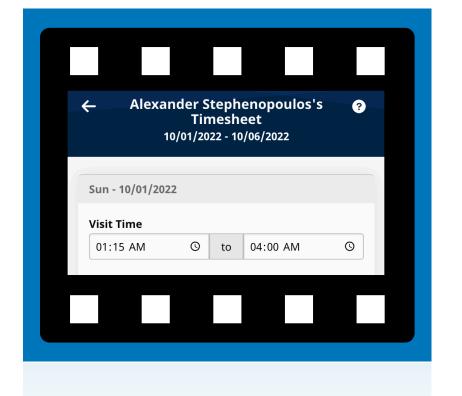


- Patient Details: DCWs like the addition of Patient / Consumer Details in the UMA-SD prototype
- Add ADLs: New York DCWs need to prove why they are with a patient for 8 hours + they like the addition of 'Add ADLs' feature to shorten their typed notes
- View/Edit Timesheet: Although it is excluded from the MVP, DCWs really like the ability to edit their timesheet in the UMA-SD prototype
- Authorized Hours: Showing the number of approved hours each DCW can work each week would be a valuable addition to mitigate issues and confusion with timesheets, "unpaid hours," etc.

View/Edit Timesheet



Authorized Hours





Next Steps



- Continued usability testing of the UMA over the course of development + recruitment of caregiver participants
- Ongoing updates to the UMA prototype throughout testing in collaboration with UX Design + Dev teams
- Analysis of user research (Caregiver UX Satisfaction Survey) and development of caregiver personas

THANK YOU

I appreciate you taking the time to look through my work!

Please reach out with any questions, comments, or to schedule a time to discuss my work in Experience and Service Design.

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