

Trauma Registry Advisory Subcommittee (TRAS) – February 19, 2008

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National Trauma Data Standards (NTDS):

A. Data Dictionary:

A list of previously identified fields for validation within the state registry system was distributed to the group for discussion. The group reviewed each field and there were a few recommendations for adjustments to some of the validation rules set in place.

Next steps are to make the changes in the Trauma Acute Care Registry (previously called the Ohio Trauma Registry, OTR) Data Dictionary.

B. Inclusion Criteria “Plain English”

The group reviewed the second draft on the “Plain English” section that will be added to the Data Dictionary. This will be an amendment to the current Trauma Acute Care Registry (TACR) Inclusion Criteria. The group discussed the 48 hour versus the 23 hour inclusion time frame. It was suggested that the group review the report generated from the 2-week time frame of data that the state required hospitals to include 23 hr patients back in July and October of 2007. It was felt that this report will prompt any future decisions or suggestion to change the time frame criteria.

Unique Identifier:

To re-cap the concept of a unique identifier was brought to forth by Dr. Barry Knotts, to allow a better way of linking records within the various state databases. The group reviewed the composition/structure process in detail. The concept of the hospitals having access to the EMSIRS to retrieve the squad data for those patients brought to their institution has not been approved yet. There is still talk on the details of how the process will work, along with the issue of then allowing the squads access to the hospital data within the TACR. There is still concern for the rehab hospitals on how they will be able to assign a unique identifier.

Other:

Tim distributed a report of the research requests submitted to the Ohio Dept of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Medical Services datacenter. The report is a summary report of all the 2007 data requests, it includes the organization of who requested the data, summary of request and the data source in which the data is retrieved (housed).

Next Meeting:

April 15, 2007