

**KANSAS COLLECTORS USER'S GROUP**  
**SRS Learning Center**  
**March 12, 2008**

**Present:** Kathy Forester, Eric Cook-Wiens.

**Present via Conference Call:** Rita Demeter, Susan Ellis, Voncille Dirks, Sharon Ball, Alvina Fant, Lois Towster.

**Facilities Represented:** Ransom Memorial Hospital, Coffeyville RMC, Hillsboro CMC, Cloud County HC, University of Kansas Hospital, Overland Park RMC.

Eric Cook-Wiens opened the meeting with welcome and introductions. He provided the following update from the trauma program.

### **Kansas Trauma Program Update**

1. Trauma program has hired two new staff people. Jeanette Shipley, Regional Trauma Coordinator and Dan Robinson, Assistant Program Coordinator.
2. Regional Trauma Grants – KDHE received 6 applications in response to competitive trauma center grants. The intent is to fund a Level III trauma center in each of the six trauma regions. We did not receive applications from the NC or SW regions.
3. State Consultation Project – State program will be pursuing the BIS (Benchmark, indicators, and scoring) Assessment Process. This is likely to occur in August.
4. Trauma education classes – if your facility is having Trauma education classes please let us know so we can put them on the calendar.
5. The 2007 Trauma Program Annual Report is out. If you would like a copy please contact Dan Robinson at (785)296-3180.
6. In follow up to the ACT and regional council recommendation to increase communication between transferring and receiving facilities we have developed a “trauma card” (the smaller laminated card). The “trauma card” includes trauma transfer numbers and follow up numbers for facilities to use. The NE trauma region developed a more comprehensive card including flight services, ED numbers for all hospitals and trauma center information. Cards for the NE meeting will be distributed at their general membership meeting.
7. Next ACT meeting is May 14. Notices are not being mailed any more only sending email notices.
8. AIS 2005 Coding – we are planning on putting this in the KS version of collector. It will probably wait for the next software update for this.

### **CV4 Updates**

Latest patch is 1110.exe for local users. Local users need to get this installed if you haven't done so. This update fixed errors in the program that sent data to the state. The errors were discovered during the processing of quarterly data reports and resulted in inaccurate procedure code and ISS reporting. These errors have been fixed, but all users need to install the patch before data report processing can recommence.

### **SC triage tag evaluation**

During the summer months of 2007, the South Central region took on the project of using triage tag identification numbers for linking records in the central site database. This method could solve the problem of identifying links between records from different facilities that cared for the same patient. An analysis of their project was completed earlier this year. You can get a copy by downloading it at: [www.kdheks.gov/CHES](http://www.kdheks.gov/CHES) or by emailing Eric at the following address: [ecookwie@kdhe.state.ks.us](mailto:ecookwie@kdhe.state.ks.us).

## NTDB submissions for 2007 records

Although the official call for data has not been release, it is time to register to submit data to the National Trauma Data Bank if your facility chooses to do so. This is a nation-wide trauma registry data repository. They are particularly interested in records from facilities that registered at least 100 records during 2007. To sign up, go to <https://www.ntdbdatacenter.com>.

- Sharon Ball asked if all registry data already sent to the state will have to be re-entered. Eric replied that the NTDB submission module should map the data automatically into the National Trauma Data Standard Data Dictionary formats and that this mapping has already been determined by Digital Innovation. If the mappings need to be updated by the facility, the module will allow for that before data submission
- Kathy Forrester asked if any facilities had submitted yet. Eric pointed out that the submission module from Digital Innovation hasn't been released yet, so none of the Kansas facilities have had the opportunity to do the submission yet.

## Other issues discussed:

1. Submission – The deadline for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2007 was March 1, 2008. Data for 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, 2008 will be due on May 31<sup>st</sup>.
2. Central Report Site – Eric apologized for not being able to produce data reports yet. To process those, all facilities will have to install the 1110.exe patch and do a data submission first.
3. Quality & Completeness Reports are still under development. Because the central site database is new, this report is being redeveloped from scratch.
4. Trainings – There are two classes still scheduled this spring, one on March 25 in Hays and the other on April 14 in Wichita at Via-Christi St. Francis. No more are scheduled at this time. If you have any specific training needs please contact Eric.

## Question and discussion

Q: Kathy Forrester – How long do you allow for initial vitals to be considered as first vitals?

A: Alvina Fant offered that they don't have a specific time limit. Lois Towster also does not have a specific time limit and pointed out that the ACS guidelines do not stipulate one. However, both Alvina Fant and Lois Towster indicated that their respective facilities do track this time as a performance improvement issue.

Q: Alvina Fant - What is the status of adding burn-specific screens to the trauma registry?

A: This issue has been reviewed by KTRS and the recommendation was to not add burn screens. Minutes from this discussion can be accessed here: <http://www.kstrauma.org/download/TraumaRSub071806.pdf>.

Q: Sharon Ball– Will the QC reports show me if there was a record sent that should not have been included?

A: Certainly.

Q: Alvina – In the procedure section, there was an issue created because stop date was not a data element although stop time was. Has this been resolved?

A: Yes, in the last KTRS meeting the recommendation was to add procedure stop date as a comprehensive-version data element. Core users will only have to enter start date and time. Comprehensive users will have both date and time elements for procedure start and stop events.

Q: Alvina – There are two facilities named Centerpoint in the facility pick-list. Is there one in Kansas and one in Missouri?

A: There should only be one. Two hospitals were combined to make Centerpoint. Centerpoint is a Trauma hospital and is Missouri. Both facility numbers were retained so that legacy data would remain consistent.

Minutes from the October KTRS meeting are available at the Kansas Trauma web site:

<http://www.kstrauma.org/download/TraumaRSub103107.pdf>.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 11, 2008, at the SRS Learning Center E-Room.

The meeting adjourned at 2:00.