

**KANSAS COLLECTORS USER'S GROUP**  
**SRS Learning Center**  
**June 11, 2008**

**Present:** Debbie Helten, Debby Trujillo, Terri Woods, Jan Miller, Eric Cook-Wiens, and Laurie Stanley.

**Present via Conference Call:** Rita Demeter, Sam Evans, Voncille Dirks, Alvina Fant, Lois Towster, Erin Patrick, Mary Caldwell, Barbara Jenista, Kathy Forester, Dan Clark, Tina Johnson, Holly Atwood, Diana Lippoldt, Shelia Rupp, Mike Valdez, Rosanne Rutkowski.

**Facilities Represented:** Children's Mercy Hospital, Hillsboro Community Medical Center, Memorial Hospital-McPherson, Overland Park Regional Medical Center, Ransom Memorial Hospital, Stormont-Vail Healthcare, Sumner County Hospital, Via-Christi Regional Medical Center, Wesley Regional Medical Center, University of Kansas Hospital.

**Welcome**

**Eric Cook-Wiens**

**Kansas Trauma Program Update**

**Rosanne Rutkowski**

1. August 25 & 26 in Topeka, a team from the American College of Surgeons will come to Kansas to facilitate a self assessment process. The Benchmarks, Indicators and Scoring (BIS) assessment includes 113 indicators used for assessing the structure and effectiveness of the state trauma system. The eventual outcome of this process will be an update to the State Trauma Plan.
2. On September 12, a Trauma Outcomes and Performance Improvement Course (TOPIC) will be provided in Salina. This curriculum was developed by the Society of Trauma Nurses and provides education for building and understanding the performance improvement process in Trauma. More information can be found here: <http://www.traumanurses.org/education/topic>.
3. On November 7, members of regional trauma council executive committees from all regions in Kansas will meet in Salina. A number of issues are on the agenda including standardization of field triage guidelines and updating state and regional trauma plans.
4. The contract with our trauma registry vendor, Digital Innovation, Inc., will be renewed for another year. The new contract will begin on July 1, 2008.
5. A number of changes in staffing at the central site for the trauma registry are in process. Eric Cook-Wiens has accepted a position in the Office of Health Promotion at KDHE and will no longer serve as the central site registry coordinator (official start date pending). The trauma program will be hiring for a ½ time database manager and a full time epidemiologist, to be housed in the Office of Local and Rural Health with the Trauma Program.

**CV4 Updates/Patches**

Three patches have been distributed this spring for the local version of the trauma registry. Please make sure that your registry is up to date.

**2008 Software Cycle**

Plans for the next update to the trauma registry have begun. Planned changes will include:

1. Implementation of AIS 2005.
2. Speed improvements for the locally installed version
3. Updated NTDB mappings
4. ICD-9 codes diagnosis and procedure codes and DRG codes will be updated.
5. Major report writer upgrade.
6. Implementation of the new ATV injury field.

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Other questions or comments about changes:

Kathy Forrester asked about the deletion of the outcome data element 'condition on discharge'. It was noted that all changes approved by the KTRS will be implemented in the update.

Dan Clark, Wesley RMC asked about the QA/QI section. The list categories for actions-taken currently refer to "providers" generically. Wesley has requested that those categories be expanded to account for both physician providers and nurse providers. This issue will be on the agenda for the next Kansas Trauma Registry Subcommittee meeting.

#### **NTDB.**

The NTDB deadline has passed. All trauma centers were able to submit successfully.

Deb explained process. We got the patch and all of the data was mapped automatically. The only field you had to fill in was demographic city. When you do these NTDB submissions, in general they have major logic errors and minor logic errors. Major logic error will not let them accept that submission, minor will allow them to accept but will be counted as a minor logic error so they will let you know there is some data quality issues. There were minor mapping issues that caused minor logic errors. Next year the mapping will take these errors. What kind of time commitment? It took about the same amount of time to come up as to put in. It took about 48 second for each one. NTDB is interested in getting data from any facility that had more than 100 cases in the year.

#### **Other issues discussed:**

1. Submission deadline – The deadline for 1st Quarter 2008 was May 31, 2008. Deadlines are available at this website: [http://www.kstrauma.org/download/registry\\_qrtly\\_rpt\\_deadlines.pdf](http://www.kstrauma.org/download/registry_qrtly_rpt_deadlines.pdf).
2. Central Site Report – Eric apologized for not being able to produce data reports yet. Hopefully in the next couple of weeks. The central site system is still not fully implemented.
3. Trainings Needs – There are no trainings planned at the present time due to the program changing in July. Will try for something this fall. Requests were made for Advanced Report Writer and CV4 training.

#### **Questions and discussion**

Q: Should all procedures be recorded in the registry, or only invasive procedures?

A: Keep track of what you need first. The state registry is interested in invasive procedures, particular ones that are tracked in various quality indicators and in the data report (for example, wound debridement of open fractures, reduction of dislocation, splenectomy). However, routine procedures should be recorded at your facility if there is a need to keep that data.

Q: Is anyone having trouble with burn screens in the registry?

A: The Kansas Trauma Registry inclusion criteria do include burns, but our registry software does not include burn-specific data fields as the Missouri version does.

Minutes from the most recent KTRS meeting are available here:

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

Next meeting September 10, 2008, SRS Learning Center Room 2

The meeting adjourned at 1:35.