

Detection of Cases

- ▶ NEMSIS (version 3) has a mandatory field that has to mark a box if the case was a cardiac arrest.
- ▶ Version 3 of NEMSIS should be adopted everywhere to improve detection of cardiac arrest.
- ▶ There needs to be a robust tool to remove duplicate reports of the same case from multiple responders.

Dataset

- ▶ The purpose is QI
- ▶ Two registries – one for out-of-hospital and one for in-hospital
- ▶ Don't start over
- ▶ CARES – OOH and publically available
- ▶ GWTG – IH and publically available
- ▶ Takeaway: working group NCAC, CARES, GWTG common elements
- ▶ Encourage EMS agency to include hospital record number in ePCR
- ▶ There is a need for bidirectional data between hospitals and EMS

Data sharing

- ▶ Build on existing databases.
- ▶ There is a need to capture the entire chain of survival starting with dispatcher CPR.
- ▶ Work group for developing common language and definitions between GWTG-R and CARES.
- ▶ Encourage spreading the good news.

Mandatory Reporting

- ▶ Work with hospital accrediting organizations to make reporting mandatory.
- ▶ Rename to universal reporting to avoid negative connotations.
- ▶ Work with CMS to link reimbursement to reporting.
- ▶ Work with CoSaTE to encourage state-level universal reporting.

Sustainability

- ▶ Subscription models won't work – fundings should come from industry, private funders or foundations

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