

**Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Office of Health Policy
Data Advisory Subcommittee
Monday, December 15, 2008
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
CHFS Auditorium**

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Opening Remarks
- II. Approval of Minutes (August 27, 2008)
- III. Proposed Change to 902KAR 19:020- Data Reporting Regulation
- IV. Reporting by Non-Hospital Facilities-Ambulatory Surgical Centers, Ambulatory Care Clinics, Alternative Birth Center, Mobile Health Services & Specialized Med Tech Services 2008 1st Quarter Data Collection
- V. Status of 902 KAR 19:030-Public Use Data Set
- VI. Facility Non-Compliance For 1st & 2nd Quarter 2008-Corrective Action Plans
- VII. Status of surveys to be submitted in 2009 by Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, MRI, Mega Voltage, PET, Home Health, Hospice and Long Term Care
- VIII. New ED data-Recommendations for reports / uses
- IX. Adjourn

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Wednesday, August 27, 2008
1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Salato Wildlife Education Center**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Berton
King's Daughters Medical Center

Kristin Celesnik (on behalf
Dr. John Lewis)
Health Care Excel

Sherill Cronin, Ph.D.
Bellarmine University

Ron Crouch
University of Louisville Data Center

Carol Ireson
UK College of Public Health

Tracey Jewell (on behalf
of Dr. Ruth Shepherd)
Department for Public
Health

Louis Kurtz
KY Dept for Mental Health
and Mental Retardation

Tim Marcum
Baptist Hospital East

Paul Sinkhorn
Jewish Hospital

Chuck Warnick
Kentucky Hospital Association

Ben Yandell
Norton Healthcare

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF: CHFS, Department for Public Health
Dr. Kraig Humbaugh Tracey Jewell

CHFS, Office of Health Policy
Carrie Banahan Kris Hayslett Sheena Lewis
Allison Martinez Beth Morris Chandra Venettozzi

CHFS, Office of the Undersecretary for Health
Charles Kendell

Office of Insurance
Voin Barker

Kentucky Hospital Association
Elizabeth Cobb Sarah Nicholson

GUESTS: Dr. Kevin Kavangh, Health Watch USA
Martha Riddell, DrPH, University of Kentucky
Sarah Walsh, University of Louisville Data Center

CALL TO ORDER

Charlie Kendell called the meeting to order at the Salato Wildlife Center, Frankfort.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Charlie welcomed the committee and guests.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the meeting of March 5, 2008, were approved with the following revision:

(Page 1) **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

~~Sherrill Cronin, PhD—
Bellarmine University~~

INTRODUCTION OF OFFICE OF HEALTH POLICY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CARRIE BANAHAN

Carrie Banahan was appointed as Executive Director for the Office of Health Policy. Carrie formerly worked with the Department for Medicaid Services and the Department of Insurance.

2008 1ST QUARTER DATA COLLECTION

Chuck Warnick provided an update on the 2008 1st quarter data collection. He stated that this is the first major change in the data collection program since 1998 and not only consisted of adding additional data elements such as present on admission, but also expanded the collection of ICD-9 and CPT codes from 9 to 25. The file layout has changed from a UB-04 file layout to either a flat-file layout or an 837 format for submission. This has caused issues with the hospitals. Chuck directed attention to the charts included in the meeting packet. The charts represent hospitals reporting and do not include Ambulatory Surgical Centers. Chuck has sent questionnaires to the data coordinators asking them who are their vendors, how is the data being entered into the system, whether or not the programming changes are being done internally, and when the changes were implemented. He also asked for any significant problems that the hospital may be experiencing. One particular vendor, Meditech, used by hospitals for general accounting and information systems has appeared frequently in terms of facilities that are experiencing difficulty. Each individual hospital's Meditech representative was responsible for writing this code with varying degrees of success. Chuck stated that lack of coordination within Meditech has hampered some facilities' efforts. There have been some issues in terms of response from COMPData .

Charlie asked Chuck if data is routinely collected from the Veteran's Administration hospitals. Chuck replied that VA does not allow their hospitals to submit without a waiver. He has met with the Executive Director of Lexington VA and they would like to participate but a waiver would be required in order to allow them to submit their data. Charlie stated that Dr. William Hacker has received a request from Lexington VA asking for a statement from him as to the necessity for them to report. Tim Marcum commented that the Richard L. Roudebush Indianapolis VA Medical Center in Indiana reports their data.

Charlie asked Chuck what the impact of these issues will be on the actual use of the data. Chuck stated that COMPData will not load the data until it is closed.

MRSA COLLABORATIVE MEETING OVERVIEW

The MRSA summit, jointly sponsored by the Department for Public Health and KHA, was held on July 31 – August 1. Elizabeth Cobb, Kentucky Hospital Association, provided an overview of how the MRSA collaborative started and what the next steps will be. Slides from Elizabeth's overview were distributed with the meeting packet.

The collaborative is currently in the process of developing a hospital survey and risk assessment. They are also interested in determining how they might encourage hospitals to participate in the best type of data collection tool. One tool being considered is the CDC National Health Care Safety Network Program, which is a national data collection program. Several states require that hospitals report this. A number of Kentucky hospitals are voluntarily reporting. The data is collected and allows the ability to benchmark other hospitals in other areas of the nation on an agreed upon set of data standards.

Charlie asked for more information on what types of data that the collaboration might be interested in collecting. Elizabeth stated that they want to gather baseline data so they can determine how far they progress over a year or even longer depending on what outcomes might be seen after the first year. The tentative distribution date for the survey will be the end of September and give the hospitals a month to return them.

902 KAR 19:030 RELEASE OF PUBLIC DATA SETS FOR HEALTH CARE DISCHARGE DATA REGULATION

The amended regulation was distributed to the group for review. Changes to the regulation included the addition of new data elements and public use datasets for Emergency Department data.

PRESENTATION ON ADVERSE EVENTS IN HOSPITALS, VALUE INDEX FOR HOSPITALS, AND THE HEALTHCARE TRANSPARENCY & PATIENT ADVOCACY CONFERENCE

Charlie introduced Dr. Kevin Kavanagh, Health Watch USA. Dr. Kavanagh provided information related to cost-to-charge ratios for Kentucky's hospitals. He is advocating the use of these ratios to help provide cost information to the public to aid them in their decisions when seeking health care in the hospital setting.

He provided information on the upcoming Conference for Healthcare Transparency & Patient Advocacy scheduled for November 20, at the Four Points Sheraton, Lexington.

Charlie stated that he will make a suggestion to Carrie Banahan to bring this issue to the attention of the Governor's Transparency Committee for discussion.

DAC MEMBERSHIP

Charlie referred to the biographical information sheet included in the meeting packet. He asked that those who are interested in continuing to serve on the subcommittee complete the forms and return them to Sheena Lewis, if they have not already done so.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Charlie stated that he would defer to Carrie Banahan regarding the next meeting date.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.