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Workshop for **Disease Registries**

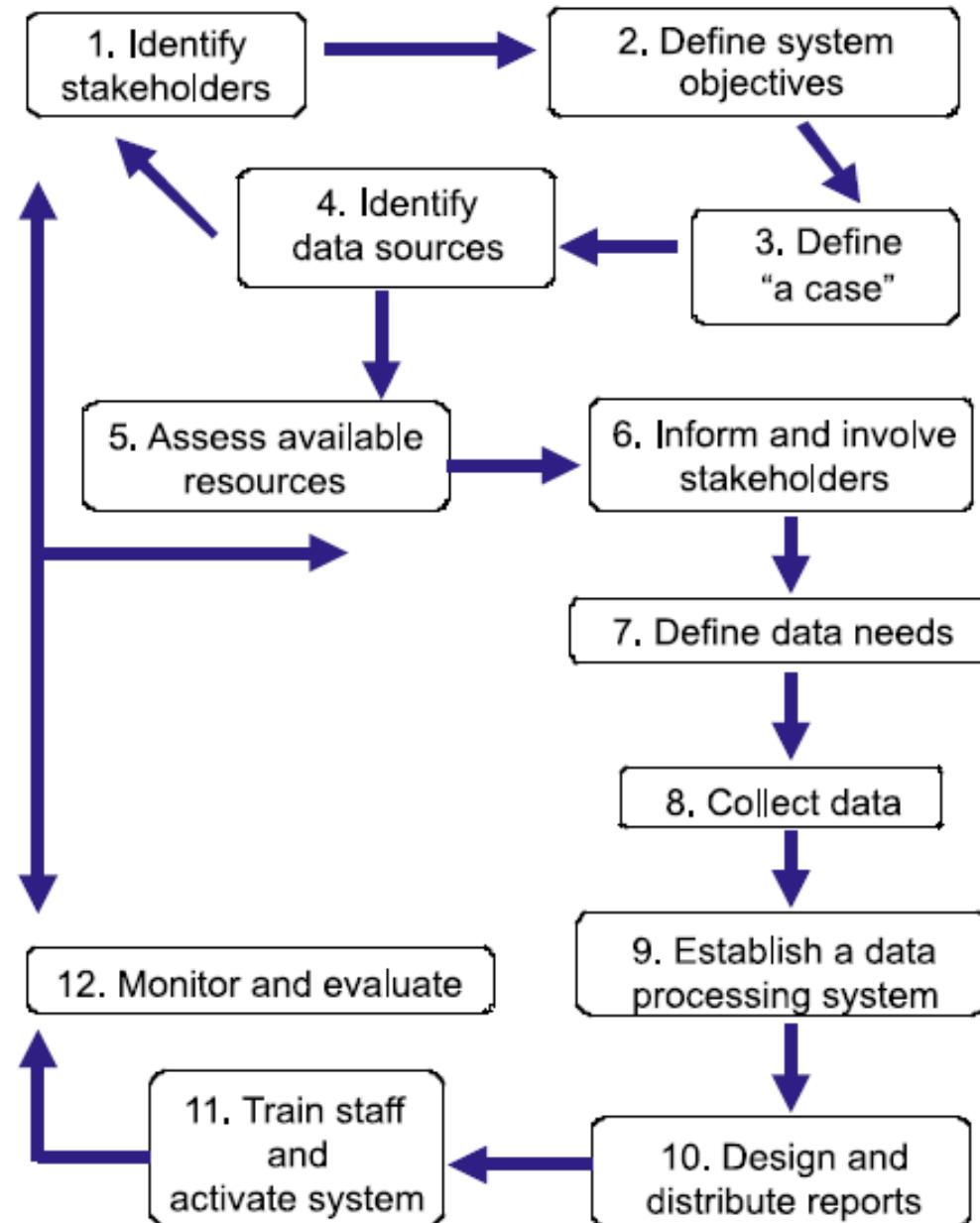
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(data collection)

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Design a system



Define “a case”

Define “a case” depends on the **objectives** of system.

- * Incident case? Prevalent case? Each visit? Each person?
- * to monitor the **burden of care** on a given service, a “case” will be any visit (first or repeat) to that service
- * to monitor the **incidence**, a “case” will be one person for **first time**

Case finding criteria

- * Covered **health problem/ events?**
- * **Referenced date ?**
- * Covered **entities (settings; area)?**
- * **Covered patients ? (in- or out-patient)**

Define data needs (Data sets)

Data sets: the building blocks of a registry system

- * minimum data sets (system purpose)
- * Extra information
- * **Core data** are the data a system collects **on all types of events** (MDS and optional)
- * **Supplementary data** is additional data that a system may collect **on specific types of event** (traffic collisions; MDS, optional)

Data sources?

- * Primary or secondary?
- * Primary data sources incorporate data collected for **direct purposes of the registry** (primarily for the registry).
- * Data of interest **are not available elsewhere** or, if available, are **unlikely to be of sufficient accuracy and reliability**
- * Using **common procedures** and the same format across all registry sites

- * Secondary data sources are comprised of data originally collected for purposes other than the registry under consideration

Identify data sources

Potential data sources

- * Household (community) surveys
- * Health records
- * Family doctors' records
- * Emergency Room records
- * Ward admission records
- * ICU admission records
- * Death certificates

Potential data sources

- * Other data bases /registries
- * autopsy/pathology reports
- * police reports
- * insurance company records
- * workplace records
- * Patient
- * Clinicians
- * EHR/HIS
- * etc.

Data collection

- * Based on **existent systems**
- * **Revised forms**
- * **Create forms**

Data collection

- * a similar range of data collection procedures may be **acceptable**, but only **certain methodologies** may be suitable for **particular purposes** of a registry.
- * Certain **end users** of the data may require that **data collection** or validation be performed in accordance with their **own guidelines or standards** (FDA, MOH)

Data collection

- * Type of data collected
- * The types of authorization obtained
- * Applicable governmental regulations
- * Method of involvement
- * Active vs. Passive?
- * Define in advance

Case Report Forms

- * Specific and consistent **data definitions** for collecting **data elements** in a uniform manner
- * Patient-level variables
- * CRF is a formatted **listing** of data elements
- * paper or electronic formats

Paper CRFs

- * Forms should be **reviewed for completeness, accuracy, and validity**
- * **Assessment of error rate** (re-entering a sample of the data is sufficient for reporting purposes)
- * **Data validation checks** on direct data entry

Electronic CRFs

- * Allows clinician-reported data to be entered directly into the electronic system
- * Web-based data entry forms
- * Data validation checks or edits at the time of data entry

Sample CRF

Demographics/Patient Characteristics		
Center		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Patient ID		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Date of birth	ddmmyy	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Gender	0=male 1=female	<input type="checkbox"/>
Hematologic response		
Date of hematologic response	ddmmyy	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
WBC	$\times 10^9/l$	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Platelets	$\times 10^9/l$	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Immature cells in PB (blasts, promyelocytes, myelocytes, metamyelocytes)	0=no 1=yes	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Clinical symptoms and signs of disease including palpable splenomegaly	0=no 1=yes	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Hematologic response	1=complete 2=partial 5=no response 6=unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cytogenetic response		
Date of cytogenetic response	ddmmyy	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of evaluated metaphases		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of Ph-positive metaphases		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
% of Ph-positive metaphases	%	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Cytogenetic response	1=complete 2=partial 3=minor 4=minimal 5=no response 6=unknown	<input type="checkbox"/>
Molecular biology		
Date of molecular analysis	ddmmyy	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Source of material	1=PB 2=BM	<input type="checkbox"/>
Volume	ml	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Ratio BCR-ABL/ABL	%	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Other control gene	Please specify	<input type="text"/>
Ratio BCR-ABL/other gene	%	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Nested PCR	1=positive 2=negative 4=not done	<input type="checkbox"/>

Clinician-Reported Data

Benefits:

- Directly by the clinician
- From the medical record
- More specific data

- * Clinicians are highly sensitive to burden.
- * Who can collect? Abstractors?
- * Data that must be collected directly by the clinician should be defined.

Patient-reported data

- * Patient outcomes.
- * Obtaining information on treatments not prescribed by clinicians (e.g., OTC drugs, herbal medications).
- * Obtaining intended compliance information.
- Literacy, language, or other barriers that may lead to underenrollment of some subgroups.
 - development of validated data collection instruments
 - Loss to follow-up or refusal to participate
 - Limited confidence in reporting clinical information and utilization information.

Medical records

Data Abstraction (limitation)

- * Data collector other than the clinician extracts clinician-reported data
- * Potential for comprehensive view of patient medical and clinical history
- * Degrees of judgment and interpretation and even errors.
- * Clarity of description and standardization
- * Knowledgeable registry personnel as abstractors or a guide is needed.

Medical records

Data Abstraction (limitation)

- * The underlying information is not collected in a systematic way.
- * It is difficult to interpret missing data.
- *
- * Data abstraction is resource intensive.
- * Complete medical and clinical history may not be available (e.g., new patient to clinic).

Chart abstraction guidelines

- * Instructions to search for particular types of data
- * Coding instructions (ICD, etc,)
- * Data sources/forms
- * Data definitions and their interpretation
- * Training on the registry protocol and procedures, conditions

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Self Instructional Manual for Cancer Registrars Abstracting a Medical Record: Patient Identification, History and Examinations

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Considerations for chart abstractions

- * Standardized materials (e.g., definitions, instructions).
- * Standardized training.
- * Testing with standardized charts.
- * Reporting of inter-rater reliability

Electronic Medical Record

- * A source of **clinical data for registries**
- * EMR **may include** patient demographics, diagnoses, procedures, progress notes, orders, flow sheets, medications, and allergies
- * EMRs already serve as **data sources in some registries**

EMR benefits

- * information on **routine medical care and practice**
- * more **clinical context** than coded claims.
- * Potential for **comprehensive view of patient history**.
- * **Efficient access** to medical and clinical data.
- * Use of **data transfer and coding standards** will increase the quality of data abstracted.

EMR challenges

- * Underlying information from clinicians **may not be collected**.
- * **Consistency of data quality** and breadth of data collected varies across sites.
- * Difficult to handle information uploaded **as text files** into the EHRs (e.g., scanned clinician reports)
- * **Historical data capture** may require manual chart abstraction (prior to EHR system)
- * Complete medical and clinical **history may not be available** (e.g., new patient to clinic)
- * EHR **systems vary widely**. If data come from multiple systems, the registry should **plan to work with each system individually** to understand the requirements of the transfer.

Existing registries

- * To answer **additional questions** not considered in the original registry
- * Specific data **not generally collected** in routine medical practice.
- * Can provide **historical comparison data**.
- * Reduces **data collection burden** for sites, thereby encouraging participation.
- * understand the existing registry protocol to evaluate data collected for element definitions, timing, and format
- * Other registry **may change data elements**
- * Some sites **may not participate in both**.
- * Must **rely on the data quality** of the other registry.

Considerations

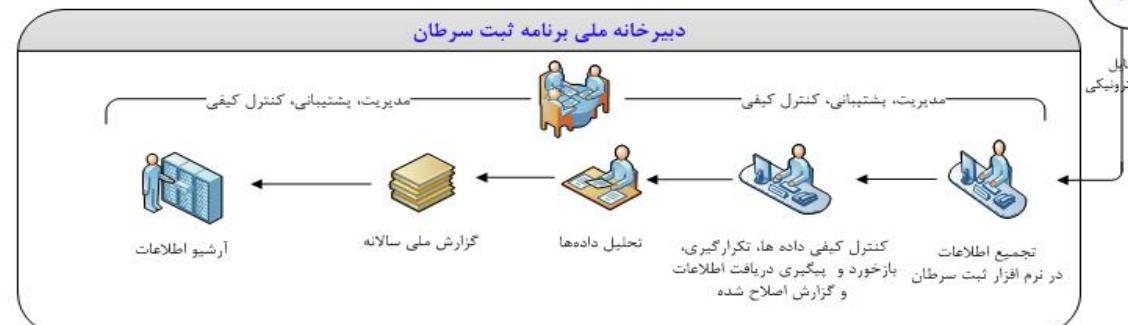
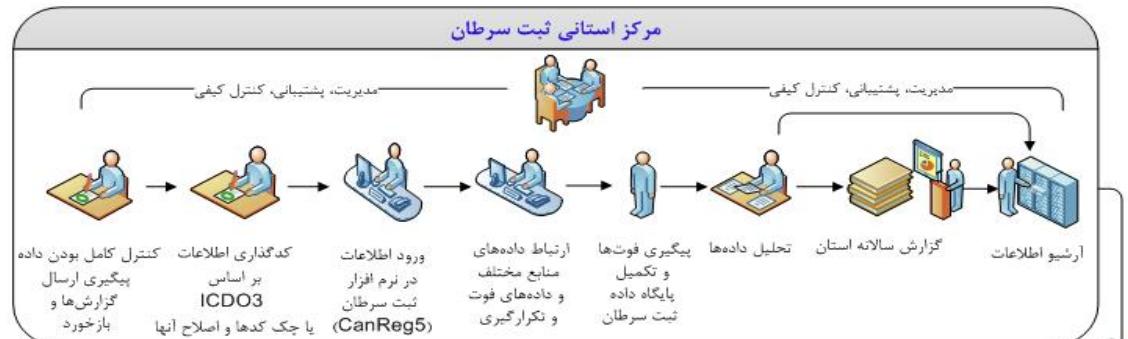
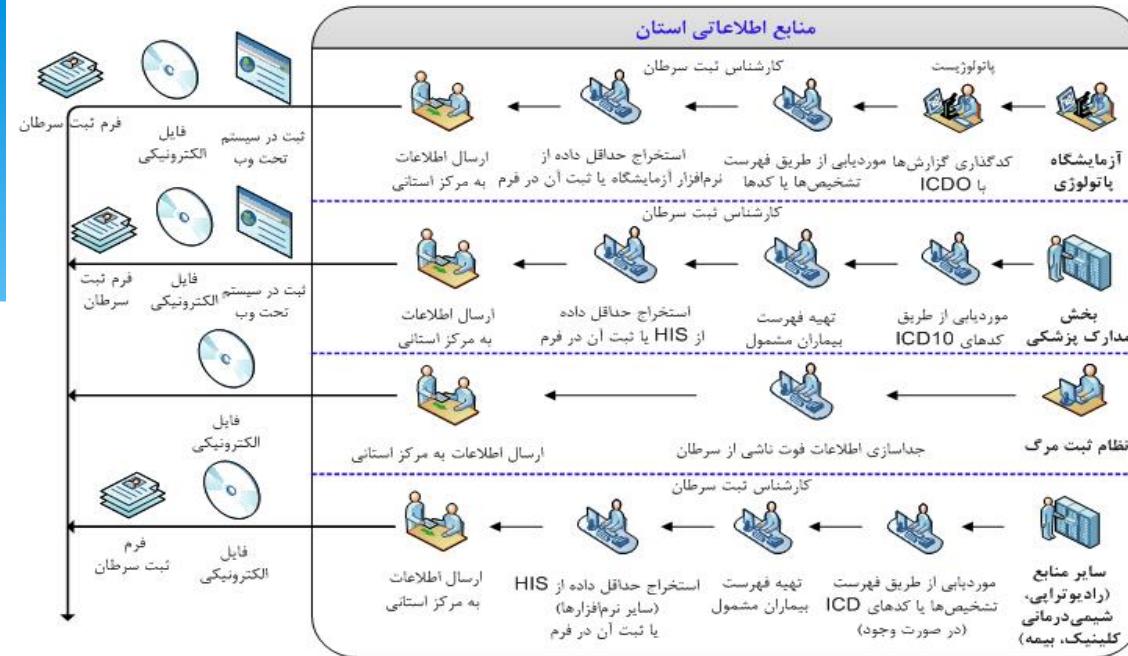
General Considerations:

- * flexibility (the number of options available)
- * data validity (whether all methods are equally able to produce clean data)
- * Cost
- * number of data elements
- * number of sites
- * Location
- * registry duration
- * followup frequency
- * available resources

Procedures, Personnel, documentation

- * **Workflow model** that can be integrated into the day to- day **clinical practice** of active physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and patients with **minimal disruption**.

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Documentation of Procedures

The data collection procedures for each registry **should be clearly defined (Manual):**

- * protocols, policies, and procedures;
- * the data collection instrument;
- * a listing of all the data elements and their full definitions.
- * If the registry has optional fields (i.e., fields that do not have to be completed on every patient), these should be clearly specified
- * inclusion and exclusion criteria
- * **The methods of completing the report form and submitting it**

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Personnel

- * All personnel involved in data collection **should be identified**, and **their job descriptions** and respective roles in data collection should be described.
- * The **necessary documentation or qualification** required for any role should be specified in the registry documentation.

Data Entry Systems

how data will be entered into the registry database

- * paper CRFs → personnel, validation, feedbacks
- * Direct data entry → online validation, offline checking
- * Facsimile or scanning systems
- * electronic CRFs
- * EMR → standard coding, terms, import and export, coding errors (sensitivity and specificity)

consideration for participation

- * You need **complete data** (coverage)
- * **Participation** is important
- * **Well-planned strategies** for enrollment and retention are critical

- * Registries that are **not voluntary** have **different drivers for participation**.
- * **Burden** of participation should be kept **as low as possible** (focus on the main purpose)
- * **Rewards**, particularly **nonmonetary** rewards, should be maximized.

- * Building participation **incentives** into a **registry** should also be included in the **planning** phase.
 - * participation in a **community of researchers**,
 - * access to **useful data or quality improvement benefits**
 - * to **continuing medical education**,
 - * **Public recognition or certification**
 - * **payments** (payments should not exceed fair market)
 - * **access to patients**

- * Research interest of a particular investigator or champion
- * Ability of the hospital **to achieve other goals** through the registry (such as requirements for **reimbursement, certification, or recognition, accreditation**)
- * The general interest of the particular institution in the **disease area** (e.g. specialty hospitals).

- * Use **stakeholder representatives** to identify potentially interested hospitals/ physicians.
- * Enroll hospitals through **physicians who work there and are interested** in the registry.
- * Ask **physician members of an advisory board** (if applicable) to **network** with their colleagues in other hospitals.
- * Reach out to physicians or hospital administrators through relevant **professional societies** or hospital associations.

- * Ask leaders in the field to suggest interested colleagues.
- * Partner with local and national medical societies or large physician hospital organizations.
- * Use stakeholder representatives to identify interested physicians.
- * Recruit and raise awareness at conferences.
- * Advertise using email and the Web.



Thank you for your attention

Any comments and questions?