



National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

Overview and Potential for Surveillance of Transfusion-Related Adverse Events

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Transfusion-Related Adverse Events

Scope of the Problem

- 1 million per year¹
 - Deaths or serious disability associated with a hemolytic reaction due to the administration of ABO-incompatible blood or blood product²
- 5 million if near misses included

¹Kohn LT et al, eds. To err is human: building a safer health system. 2000.

²National Quality Forum. Serious reportable events in patient safety: a National Quality Forum consensus report. 2002.

Healthcare-Associated Infections

Scope of the Problem

- 2 million hospital-associated infections
- 8 million hospital days
- 80,000 deaths
- > \$ 4.5 billion

Source: MMWR, Oct 23, 1992, Vol 41, No 42; p783.

DHQP Healthcare Surveillance

Designed to help infection control, dialysis, and occupational health programs promote patient and healthcare personnel safety by providing tools to:

- Identify problems that need to be addressed
- Monitor the success of interventions
- Trend data over time
- Determine which events to target for greatest efficiency and impact

How?

- Provide standardized protocols and definitions
- Identify and monitor risk factors for adverse events/exposures
- Feedback risk-adjusted aggregated rates for comparison
- Provide access to prevention guidelines and other prevention tools

DHQP Surveillance Systems

- **NNIS**: National Nosocomial Infections Surveillance System
- **DSN**: Dialysis Surveillance Network
- **NaSH**: National Surveillance System for Healthcare Workers

Current Surveillance Systems

NNIS	DSN	NaSH
Nosocomial (hospital-associated) infections in critical care and surgical patients	Bloodstream and vascular access infections in dialysis outpatients	Exposure to bloodborne pathogens; TB skin testing and exposure; Vaccine history and receipt and adverse events

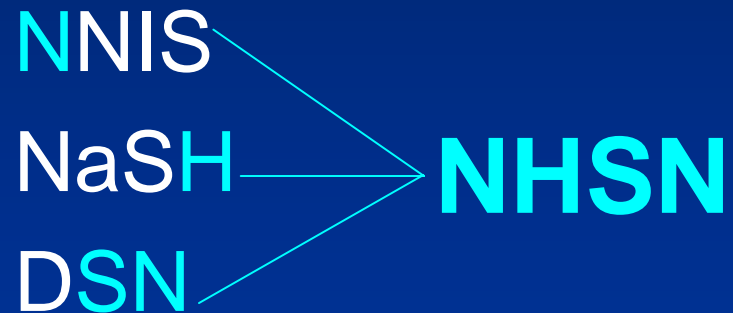
1970-2004

1999-2005

1996-present

What Is NHSN?

Integration of 3 DHQP
patient and healthcare personnel
surveillance systems



NHSN Components

- Patient Safety Component
 - Modules based on NNIS and DSN systems
 - Focused on events associated with the use of devices, procedures, and medications
- Healthcare Personnel Safety Component
 - Modules based on NaSH system
 - Focused on exposures, investigations, and interventions

Patient Safety

- **Device-Associated**
 - Bloodstream infection
 - Urinary tract infection
 - Pneumonia
 - Dialysis incident
- **Procedure-Associated**
 - Surgical site infection
 - Post-procedure pneumonia
- **Medication-Associated**
 - Antimicrobial use and resistance

Healthcare Personnel Safety

- **Exposures:**
 - Bloodborne pathogens
 - Vaccine-preventable diseases (VPD)
- **Investigations:**
 - Tuberculosis
 - VPD
- **Interventions:**
 - Lab testing
 - Post-exposure prophylaxis
 - Vaccinations

NHSN Premises

- Share data in a timely manner while maintaining data security, integrity, and confidentiality
 - Between user and public health agencies
 - Between users (e.g., multi-hospital system)

NHSN Premises

- Minimize user burden
 - Streamline data reporting protocols
 - Increase capacity for including data from existing electronic sources (e.g., Laboratory, pharmacy, clinical, administrative)
- Allow all healthcare delivery entities to participate

Surveillance of Transfusion-Related Adverse Events

- Use/extend an existing system
 - AERS/MedWatch
 - BPD
 - Fatalities
 - MERS-TM
 - Add to NHSN under Procedure-associated Event Module

MEDWATCH

For VOLUNTARY reporting of
adverse events and product problems

The FDA Safety Information and
Adverse Event Reporting Program

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Triage unit
sequence #

A. PATIENT INFORMATION

1. Patient Identifier In confidence	2. Age at Time of Event: or _____ Date of Birth:	3. Sex <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	4. Weight ____ lbs or ____ kgs

B. ADVERSE EVENT OR PRODUCT PROBLEM

1. Adverse Event and/or Product Problem (e.g., defects/malfunctions)

2. Outcomes Attributed to Adverse Event (Check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/> Death: _____ (mo/day/yr)	<input type="checkbox"/> Disability
<input type="checkbox"/> Life-threatening	<input type="checkbox"/> Congenital Anomaly
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitalization - initial or prolonged	<input type="checkbox"/> Required Intervention to Prevent Permanent Impairment/Damage
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

3. Date of Event (mo/day/year)

4. Date of This Report (mo/day/year)

5. Describe Event or Problem

C. SUSPECT MEDICATION(S)

1. Name (Give labeled strength & mfr/labeler, if known)

#1 _____

#2 _____

2. Dose, Frequency & Route Used

#1 _____

#2 _____

3. Therapy Dates (if unknown, give duration from/to (or best estimate))

#1 _____

#2 _____

4. Diagnosis for Use (Indication)

#1 _____

#2 _____

5. Event Abated After Use Stopped or Dose Reduced?

#1 Yes No Doesn't Apply

#2 Yes No Doesn't Apply

6. Lot # (if known)

#1 _____

#2 _____

7. Exp. Date (if known)

#1 _____

#2 _____

8. Event Reappeared After Reintroduction?

#1 Yes No Doesn't Apply

#2 Yes No Doesn't Apply

9. NDC# (For product problems only)

#1 _____

#2 _____

10. Concomitant Medical Products and Therapy Dates (Exclude treatment of event)

D. SUSPECT MEDICAL DEVICE

1. Brand Name

BACK INK

Biological Product Deviation Report

C1. Blood Products/Components

Total Number of Units: _____

** RN = Reverse Notification


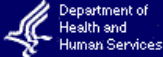
Unit #	Collection Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Product Code	Disposition	Notification (Y, N, RN**)
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CBER - Notification Process for Transfusion Related Fatalities and Donation Related Deaths - Microsoft Internet Explorer

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Address <http://www.fda.gov/cber/transfusion.htm> Go Links

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Notification Process for Transfusion Related Fatalities and Donation Related Deaths

Initial notification of transfusion related fatalities and donation related deaths may be made to FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. One of the following options may be used:

Voice- **301-827-6220**
mail:
E- fatalities2@cber.fda.gov
mail:
Fax: **301-827-6748**

Follow-up contact by CBER will be made as soon as possible to obtain more detailed information. This does not replace the 7-day written report regarding the fatality and all related information that is required by 21 CFR 606.170(b).

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MERS-TM Event Discovery Report (worksheet) Transfusion Service

Instructions: Use this worksheet to collect event discovery/occurrence information, and then enter it into the online database.

Section A – Discovery Information

1. Report date: _____ mo./ _____ day/ _____ year
2. Discovery date: _____ mo./ _____ day/ _____ year
3. Day of discovery: Weekday Weekend/Holiday
4. Discovery time: 12-4 AM 4-8 AM 8-12 Noon 12-4 PM 4-8 PM 8-12 Mid.
5. Discoverer's job description: Clerk House staff MD/DO MLT MT RN LVN / LPN Other
 Supervisor QA/QC Discoverer's name: _____
6. Where in the institution was the event discovered?
 Trans. Serv. OR ER ICU L&D Clinic Hosp. Ward Other Location Code _____

7. Describe briefly the event you discovered.

Additional testing Pt. sample recollected Other

Section B – Occurrence Information

1. Date the initial antecedent event occurred:

_____ mo./ _____ day/ _____ year

2. Time initial antecedent occurred:

12-4 AM 4-8 AM 8-12 Noon
 12-4 PM 4-8 PM 8-12 Mid.

3. Day initial antecedent occurred:

Weekday Weekend/Holiday

4. Person involved: Clerk House staff MD/DO MLT MT RN LVN/LPN Other Supervisor QA/QC

Person involved: _____

5. Where in the process did the initial antecedent (occurrence) event first occur?

Product Check-In Patient/Product Request Order Entry Sample Collection Sample Handling
 Sample Testing Product Storage Product Selection Product Manipulation Available for Issue
 Product Issue Product Administration Miscellaneous

6. Where in the institution did the initial antecedent (occurrence) event occur?

Trans. Serv. OR ER ICU L&D Clinic Hosp. Ward Other Location Code _____

7. Product Issued? Yes No

8. Product Administered? Yes No

Report Accession Number _____ Sub-site code (if applicable) _____

NHSN Patient Safety Component


- Procedure-Associated Module
 - Transfusion-related adverse event
 - Numerator data = Patient data, transfusion reaction data (e.g., incompatibility; under transfusion; TRALI), risk factors
 - Denominator data = Relevant information on each blood product transfusion (type of product, origin, dates, etc.)

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Facility: NHSNTEST (ID 10000) is following PS component



Add Event

Mandatory fields marked with *


Fields required for record completion marked with **

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Patient Information

Facility ID*:	<input type="text" value="NHSNTEST (ID 10000)"/>	Event #:	<input type="text" value="226"/>
Patient ID*:	<input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="Find"/>	<input type="button" value="Find Events for Patient"/>	
Social Security #:	<input type="text"/>	Secondary ID:	<input type="text"/>
Last Name:	<input type="text"/>	First Name:	<input type="text"/>
Middle Name:	<input type="text"/>	Date of Birth*:	<input type="text"/> 
Gender*:	<input type="text"/>	Date of Event*:	<input type="text"/> 

Event Information

Event Type*:	<input type="text" value="TRALI - TRANSFUSION REACTION ACUTE LUNG INJURY"/>	Date of Event*:	<input type="text"/> 
Post-procedure:	<input type="text"/>		

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Event Information

Event Type*: **TRALI - TRANSFUSION REACTION ACUTE LUNG INJURY** Date of Event*:

Post-procedure: **Y - Yes**

NHSN Procedure Code*: **TRNSF - TRANSFUSION**

ICD-9-CM Code:

Procedure Date*: *Event is not Linked*

Location: CDC Location:

Date Admitted to Facility:

Risk Factors

Event Details

Pathogens Identified: **Y - Yes** If Yes, specify below ->

Pathogens

Pathogen 1: **ACBA - Acinetobacter baumannii** *9 drugs required

Drug	Result
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<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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Patient Information

Facility ID*: Procedure #:

Patient ID*:

Social Security #: Secondary ID:

Last Name: First Name:

Middle Name:

Gender*: Date of Birth*:

Procedure Information

NHSN Procedure Code*:

ICD-9-CM Code:

Procedure Date*: *Procedure is not Linked*

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Procedure Date*:  Procedure is not Linked

Procedure Details

Outpatient: Duration (Hrs:Mins)*: :

Wound Class*: General Anesthesia*:

ASA Class*:

Emergency: Trauma*: Endoscope*:

Surgeon Code*: Multiple Procedures:

Custom Fields

TRANSFUSN TYPE:

Comments

Issues to Consider

- Are the data readily available?
 - Data sources (numerator/denominator)
 - Data collectors
- Which adverse events?
 - Sentinel or common
- What patient population(s)?
 - All or sample

Issues to Consider

- Confidentiality needed?
- Voluntary or mandatory reporting?
- Link to other systems?
 - Data sharing agreements
 - Database management
 - Analysis
- Resources