

2008 Web Conference Series Course Descriptions

Title: Collaborative Staging: Stay on Top of the Latest Changes

Date: January 15, 2008

Time: 2:00pm (ET); 1:00pm (CT); 11:00am (PT)

This program will provide a basic understanding of the rationale behind the changes in Collaborative Staging (CS) Version 01.04.00. It will guide participants through the changes to accommodate staging in the neoadjuvant therapy setting for many sites and will highlight many of the clarifications instituted to improve the accuracy of coding the various collaborative staging fields.

Title: Ready, Set, Go! Preparing for Survey from the Surveyor's Perspective

Date: January 22, 2008

Time: 10:00am (ET); 9:00am (CT); 7:00am (PT)

The focus of this program is to help cancer programs prepare for a Commission on Cancer (CoC) survey through a review of requirements, best practices, and helpful hints to meet or exceed the expectations of the surveyor and the CoC.

Title: Tip Time: Strategies for Successful SAR Completion

Date: February 12, 2008

Time: 10:00am (ET); 9:00am (CT); 7:00am (PT)

The Survey Application Record (SAR) is an important tool to gather information describing the activity and services in CoC-approved cancer programs. Summary information generated from SAR data will be displayed and discussed so that the program can compare and contrast its services and activities and learn about best practices that can be adapted for use in the local setting. Tips on how to complete the various tables and screens in the SAR will reinforce to participants the importance of recording complete and accurate information.

Title: Navigating and Interpreting the NCDB Survival Reports

Date: February 26, 2008

Time: 2:00pm (ET); 1:00pm (CT); 11:00am (PT)

This program provides an introduction for users needing to navigate the reports, interpret the computed and displayed results, and understand the limitations of the information. A brief review of survival calculation methodology is included.

Title: Overcoming Barriers to Implementation of TQM/CQI

Date: March 11, 2008

Time: 10:00am (ET); 9:00am (CT); 7:00am (PT)

An overview of the barriers to health delivery system quality mechanisms and approaches for maximizing quality control in health care organizations. This presentation will include concepts and practices for quality assessment, control, and improvement in the cancer program.

Title: Resolving Issues of Case Eligibility

Date: May 6, 2008

Time: 10:00am (ET); 9:00am (CT); 7:00am (PT)

This program will review the relationships among Class of Case, Date of First Contact, Date of Initial Diagnosis, reportability, and related issues of case eligibility. Together, these issues are central to case accounting in CoC accredited facilities; yet they elicit an assortment of registrar questions.

Title: Comparative Reporting: Quality of Care Measures for Breast and Colorectal Cancers

Date: June 24, 2008

Time: 2:00pm (ET); 1:00pm (CT); 11:00am (PT)

This program will provide an overview of the National Quality Forum quality of care measures for breast and colorectal cancers as background to the implementation and evolution of the CoC's e-QuIP and CP³R reports will be provided. Current initiatives of the CoC to expand and improve comparative performance "report cards" to its accredited programs will be discussed.

Title: Get Ready! Preparing for the NCDB Call for Data

Date: August 12, 2008

Time: 10:00am (ET); 9:00am (CT); 7:00am (PT)

This program will describe the requirements for the upcoming NCDB Call for Data, pre-editing procedures, the submission process, and feedback provided for submitted NCDB data. It will also address re-submissions, Standards 3.6 and 3.7 survey expectations for surveys conducted in 2008 and 2009, and how to avoid massive last-minute data-cleaning.