

Knowledge 911 on NEMSIS V3

- 1) NEMSIS
 - a) National Emergency Medical Services Information System
 - b) Works with state data managers to create national standards for data reporting of EMS events
 - c) These national standards are changing, and V3 is a significant overhaul of the previous NEMSIS V2
 - d) Allows agencies, states and NEMSIS to collect a wider range of data, allowing for better quality data
 - e) We at ZOLL wanted to take a few moments to give you information about what it is, how you could be preparing for it now, and where to look for ongoing resources
- 2) What is new for version 3?
 - a) It's bigger! There are 578 elements which is 153 additional/new elements over version 2
 - b) There are 127 Required National Elements in version 3 vs 67 in version 2
 - c) This increase in elements means States are collecting more data, and there will be better quality data and increased alignment with the healthcare world/hospital data
 - d) Other components of V3 include
 - i) Standardized Code Sets (i.e., ICD 10)
 - ii) Logic Validation
 - iii) Increased automation
 - iv) Key performance measures
- 3) What can you do now to prepare?
 - a) First, understand your state's transition schedule.
 - i) You want to know when your state will be accepting Version 3 data
 - ii) You also need to know when they are going to stop accepting the current Version 2 data
 - iii) Use this information to determine your appropriate implementation tools and timeline
 - iv) This information can be found on the NEMSIS website at <http://www.nemsis.org/supportV3/stateProgressReports>
 - v) At this site you can access a map, select your state and find the information that you need
 - b) Second, build a team who will be responsible for NEMSIS V3 implementation.
 - i) Some key players for this team would include:
 - (1) your ePCR Administrator
 - (a) most of the changes that will be occurring are going to affect ePCR administration
 - (2) a clinical expert
 - (a) to provide medical expertise and ensure you are collecting the correct data in the right places
 - (3) and if your organization's State EMS Data expert is different than your ePCR Administrator, they should be involved
 - (a) as they most likely understand the state reporting requirements

- ii) This team should:
 - (1) Review and understand what data your state is going to collect
 - (2) Review NEMSIS site
(<http://www.nemsis.org/supportV3/stateProgressReports/index.html>) to see if your state data dictionary is posted; if not contact your state data manager for a copy of the finalized data dictionary
 - (3) Check if your state will be using Standard NEMSIS V3 or adding additional custom fields
 - (4) Review what is new and what has changed to determine what new fields will be added and what new values could be added to your pick lists.
- c) Finally, determine if a Training Plan is needed for End Users
 - i) as simple as an e-mail describing new fields and lists
 - ii) as complex as a full in-service training
 - iii) depends upon your organization and the answers to the questions above
- 4) Where to watch for further information:
 - a) The NEMSIS.org website
 - b) Your state data manager will continue to have updated information
 - i) make sure you are on their email list serve if they have one
 - c) ZOLL will continue to provide resources going forward
 - i) especially in regards to the way these changes pertain to our products and releases
 - ii) Watch for further Knowledge 911 videos as implementation of gets closer
 - (1) If you haven't already subscribed, do so using the form at the end of this video
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