

**Clinical Data Work Group**  
**Highlights**  
**September 2, 2008**

**Present:** Jim Martin, Ken Gerlach, Larry Derrick, Barry Gordon, Bruce Riddle, Roman Tsyvine, Kate Hamilton, Liora Alschuler, Brett Marquard

**NAACCR staff:** Lori Havener

- I. The August 2008 meeting highlights were approved.
- II. Major Milestones - Ken reviewed the major milestones updated from last month's meeting. Barry stated that he would have a better estimate of the timeline, regarding the pilot alpha software development/deployment, after the training session.
- III. Cost/Benefit table - Jim presented the cost-benefit document. There was discussion about the challenges to educate the NAACCR membership and the different levels of interoperability knowledge. Barry mentioned the current Volume II record layout issue of expanding the text fields and whether this is going to be a problem for central registry systems. The IT committee is working to address this issue. This may not be an issue in the future if we move towards CDA implementation.
- IV. Status of CDA IG and Transform software – Brett reported that the updated implementation guidelines, sample files, CDA file transforms, generate narrative transform and the schematron tool have been posted to SharePoint.
- V. Training sessions – Liora presented the outline for the training sessions: brief introduction of the project; review the implementation guidelines as a tool and how to use it as a reference guide; introduction to the new tools (schematron, generate narrative transform, flat file -> CDA and CDA -> flat file transforms). The members present on today's call will be attending the earlier session.
- VI. State Requestor Data Items – Kate has set-up constraints in the implementation guide for state requestor items. Ken will work on tobacco history and family history of cancer for the dummy data.
- VII. Report to the Board – Ken recommended that the WG review the HL7 CDA Pilot Project Protocol (posted on SharePoint) prior to our next call.
- VIII. The next meeting is October 7, 2008 at 3:30 pm (ET).