Clinical Data Work Group Highlights June 2, 2009

Present: Jim Martin, Ken Gerlach, Dave Campbell, Larry Derrick, Barry Gordon, Bruce Riddle, Sanjeev Baral, Chris Rogers

NAACCR staff: Lori Havener

- I. The May 2009 meeting highlights were approved.
- II. Status report from vendors
 - a. Chris reported that they have been working on getting state-specific fields added to the translation. Ken inquired whether the Alschuler team had configured the transform so that it included the California state-specific components. Chris is not aware of anything and Barry confirmed that while the Alschuler team gave some guidance the California state-specific data items were not included in the transform software. This will not impact the Virginia implementation.
 - b. Larry reported that he has received the updated files to replace last week's data files and has not done anything with those yet. He is still testing but has not come across anything new. Larry will finish the testing and write up a report on his findings and any ideas as to what needs to be done from here with the programs, conversions and testing. Jim reported that he will work with Larry to prepare for the NAACCR meeting and the Report to the Board.
 - c. Ken and Sanjeev have discussed how to streamline and standardize the transformation of state-specific data for multiple states within the transform software. Ken will send Lori a draft they have proposed to post to SharePoint.
- III. Major Milestones the timeline was reviewed with no updates to the major milestones.
- IV. Report to the Board Jim and Ken presented an overview of the outline going over the writing assignments. Members will complete their sections and send them to Lori to integrate in to the document.
- V. NAACCR Annual Conference Presentations Jim reported that he has developed an outline and is working on the presentation. He will share it with the WG for review prior to the conference. Ken reported that he has finished the first draft of his presentation and it is posted to SharePoint for review and comment. Barry reported that he has developed an outline and will write the presentation soon.
- VI. The next meeting is July 7, 2009 at 3:30 pm (ET).