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DI Awarded NEMSIS Gold Compliance

On February 23, 2007, the National Emergency Medical Services Information System (NEMSIS) awarded Gold Level Software Compliance to Digital Innovation's Collector EMS Server v4.1 software, the highest level of compliance certified by NEMSIS. Certification further demonstrates DI's commitment to compile pre-hospital information from multiple agencies across a state or region to meet the needs of national reporting requirements while also using the information to assess, plan, coordinate, monitor and ensure consistent and optimal pre-hospital care within your area.



Gold Level Software Compliance is awarded to a software package when the fully implemented software has demonstrated the ability to receive, maintain and send the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration's (NHTSA) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Version 2.2.1 Data Set via an XML standard. As a NEMSIS Gold Compliant application, Collector EMS Server v4.1's web-based receiving module provides states and other regional authorities with the ability to cost-effectively receive and aggregate EMS data from any NEMSIS-compliant software package used by local EMS agencies.

DI is excited to provide our Gold compliant Collector EMS Server v4.1 software in stand-alone configurations or as a part of the DI Central Site System (DCS) suite of software solutions capable of linking pre-hospital and trauma registry information to integrate the entire "longitudinal" patient record across the continuum of care. For more information on DI's trauma and EMS registry solutions, please contact Tim Favazza at tfavazza@dicorp.com or 1-800-344-3668 x234.

NRCPR's Upcoming Initiative

Plans to update and enhance the NRCPR software in 2007 are underway. Software releases and new initiatives planned include Dashboard reports, NRCPR version 6.0 and the 2006 NRCPR Facility Data Set.

DI is currently implementing Dashboard reports which will provide various pictorial representations of data. The first release planned includes Dashboards consisting of aggregated data across all events within a central-site. Future plans include the release of comparative Dashboard reports. Once available, users will be able to conveniently access these reports from a central location on the NRCPR Website.

Scheduled for a March release, NRCPR version 6.0 will display the same look and feel as version 5.0 but will include the following updates:

- Updated data sets to accommodate AHA 2005 guideline changes
- Certification integrated within the user software, utilizing standard data collection screens
- Event-based record manager and ability to reassign an event to a different admission
- Integration of MET events with ARC and CPA events into a single record manager
- New and updated local reports

The 2006 Facility Data Set will be released in conjunction with version 6.0 and will be available online for NRCPR participants to enter census data for their facility. NRCPR staff can then develop comparative groups for quarterly participant reports as well as the new Dashboard reports.

AIS 2005 Coding System

In October 2006, the American Association of Automotive Medicine (AAAM) selected Digital Innovation (DI) as a strategic vendor partner for the Abbreviated Injury Scale (AIS) 2005 coding system. Owned by the AAAM, the AIS 2005 coding system will require a one-time license fee that will assist with the ongoing costs for maintaining, enhancing and updating AIS.

Licenses can be purchased by state or regional systems as well as by individual hospitals. Hospitals interested in purchasing AIS 2005 should check first for implementation plans within their state or region.

AIS is the leading scaling scoring system used as a standard across multiple injury assessment, prevention and research initiatives. Continued refinements have been made to the

AIS in collaboration with leading members of the clinical community specializing in injury treatment and prevention.

As the leading provider of trauma registry software, DI supports the AAAM in this initiative and is preparing to implement AIS 2005 into upcoming trauma system updates. For more information on how to acquire an AIS license, visit our website or send an e-mail to sales@dicorp.com.

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Welcome New Users

DI extends a warm welcome to those who have recently joined the DI family, and a heartfelt thank you to those who continue to expand their trauma program capabilities by implementing additional DI software products.

DI Report Writer & Tri-Code

- All Children's Hospital, FL
- North Carolina Baptist Hosp., NC
- Cape Fear Valley, NC
- St. Alphonsus, ID
- Columbus Regional, GA
- Memorial Regional Hosp., FL
- Regional West MC, NE
- Good Samaritan, NE
- Renown Regional MC, NV
- St Joseph Mercy Oakland, MI
- St. Joseph MC - West, MI
- Aspirus Wausau Hospital, WI
- Theda Clark MC, WI
- High Point Hospital, NC
- Moses H. Cone, NC
- Henry Ford Bi-County, MI
- Sunrise Hospital, NV
- Holston Valley, TN
- New Hanover, NC
- Pitt County Memorial, NC
- Carolinas Healthcare, NC

Outcomes

- Methodist Dallas, TX
- Children's Hospital, ON
- Moses H. Cone, NC
- JPS Health Network, TX
- New Hanover, NC
- Cape Fear Valley, NC
- Thomason Hospital, TX
- St. Michael's Hospital, ON
- Northwestern Memorial, IL
- Harris Methodist Fort Worth, TX
- Aspirus Wausau Hospital, WI

NTRACS

- St. Joseph Mercy Oakland, MI
- St. Joseph MC - West, MI
- Owensboro Medical Ctr., KY
- Henry Ford Bi-County, MI

Collector

- Eastern Maine, ME
- Northwestern Memorial, IL
- Children's Hospital, NE
- East Cooper Community, SC
- Children's Hospital Austin, TX

Software add-ons Modules

- New Hanover, NC - Tablet
- New Jersey Dept. of Health, NJ - Web Collector



NTDB 2007 Call For Data

The 2007 National Trauma Data Bank (NTDB) Call for Data (CDD) has been announced. As of the March 3rd registration deadline, an estimated 300 Collector and NTRACS users are expected to participate in the CFD, including submissions from more than 30 customized registry systems.

DI's Application Development, Client Services and Data Services departments have been working to streamline the submission process for Collector users. The new process will significantly improve the quality of data submitted by NTDB participants and the ability to quickly resolve any NTDB issues. Updated submission software and documentation will be distributed to Collector users by the first week of April. This will provide participants with a full month to complete and send their submission to the NTDB by the initial submission deadline of May 4th.

Please refer to the following contact list for participation information and submission assistance.

Collector participants - email ntdbsubmit@dicorp.com or call 800-344-3668 x237.

NTRACS participants - email ntracssupport@dicorp.com or call 800-435-3590, option 1.

DI Partnership with ACS/NTDB Continues

DI and the American College of Surgeons (ACS) have established an agreement for DI to provide data management and support services for the NTDB. Under this exclusive arrangement, DI provides technology, software development, and operational support of the NTDB while working in close collaboration with the ACS and its NTDB team. The operational support of the NTDB is in addition to the client support DI already provides to Collector and NTRACS users who submit to the data bank.

13th Annual DI Users Conference: Here we come San Antonio, TX!

October 23, 2007: Pre-conference

October 24-25, 2007: Conference

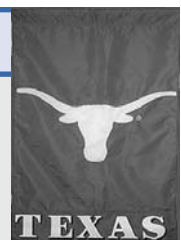
Why make changes to a good thing? To make it better! That's DI's line of thought and the 2007 DI Users Conference is no exception. Incorporating suggestions from previous evaluations and other user feedback, the DI Conference planning team is putting together an agenda and format packed with valuable industry and registry information.

In addition to a new conference format, the conference will be held a day earlier in the week. Plans have been finalized to host the 13th annual DI Users Conference at the Historic Menger Hotel in San Antonio, TX. Built in 1895, the Menger offers modern conveniences and close access to the Alamo, Rivercenter Mall, River Walk and IMAX Theater, at a very reasonable price. Since the conference ends on Thursday, Friday would be a great day to relax and enjoy this historic and fun-filled city.

With more than 200 attendees, including registry users from various countries, the DI Users Conference provides the unique opportunity to network with other professionals working in the field of trauma. Many users have created valuable professional and personal friendships throughout their experience at this annual event.

DI has been approved to award continuing education hours by the Maryland Nurses Association which is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. CEU requirements may be satisfied by successfully completing Conference objectives.

So grab your cowboy boots and start preparing for the 13th Annual Users conference! Agenda and registration information will be coming soon.



NOTE: The 2007 Conference is being held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

2006 Users Conference Recap

With the clear skies and steamy temperatures of Orlando, FL, DI's 12th Annual Users Conference welcomed attendees from 36 states and three countries. DI's continued growth was made apparent by the record number of 200 registered users for the two-day event and nearly 75 pre-conference attendees.

Additional pre-conference training sessions were offered to train users on the basics of the Collector, NTRACS and Outcomes software. Several new training workshops and topics were also added to the full conference agenda. Thursday's workshops focused primarily on report writing and Friday's offerings included a variety of topic specific workshops and lab sessions.

In addition to Thursday's report writing sessions, users had the opportunity to hear from two speakers. Dr. John Kutcher, CEO of DI, presented DI's Trauma Roadmap that outlined new products and services planned for release. Dr. John Fildes, Chair of the ACS Committee on Trauma, presented his vision of the trauma registry future.

Guest speaker presentations are included each year to provide users with the opportunity to learn from peer experiences and to gain insight into new industry trends. DI appreciates the contributions of our three additional presenters: Dr. Steve Bowman, WA State DOH; Melanie Gertner, MIEMSS; and Kathi Ayers, Sharp Memorial Hospital, San Diego.

To facilitate networking opportunities, DI once again held our traditional Thursday Night Networking event. Planned as an outdoor event on the patio overlooking the pool and palm trees, attendees had to move indoors when Florida's sunshine turned to rain. Those who attended enjoyed some great conversation and a chance to relax before heading out for evening activities.

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2006 Conference Pictures



Upcoming Web Training Sessions

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Collector:

<i>Collector Concepts</i>	Tuesday, 10th
<i>Collector Report Writing</i>	Friday, 13th

Outcomes:

<i>Outcomes Concepts</i>	Tuesday, 17th
<i>Outcomes Configuration</i>	Thursday, 19th
<i>Outcomes Adv. Report Writing</i>	Tuesday, 24th

NTRACS:

<i>NTRACS Concepts</i>	Monday, 16th
<i>Using NTRACS Data</i>	Friday, 20th
<i>NTRACS DI Report Writer</i>	Wednesday, 18th

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Collector:

<i>Collector Concepts</i>	Tuesday, 1st
<i>Collector Report Writing</i>	Wednesday, 9th

Outcomes:

<i>Outcomes Configuration</i>	Monday, 14th
<i>Outcomes Adv. Report Writing</i>	Friday, 25th
<i>Outcomes Concepts</i>	Wednesday, 30th

NTRACS:

<i>NTRACS Concepts</i>	Monday, 18th
<i>Using NTRACS Data</i>	Friday, 21st
<i>NTRACS DI Report Writer</i>	Thursday, 10th

Scheduled training dates are also posted on-line at www.dicorp.com



NEW! *NTRACS DI Report Writer Training Sessions*

DI is now offering a DI Report Writer training session for NTRACS users. The first training will be held on **March 29, 2007 at 1:00 Eastern Time.**

NTRACS DI Report Writer training sessions will focus on:

- Basic Queries
- Data Table Reports
- Basic Statistics Reports
- DBF Export
- Gathers
- Coded Variables
- Graphing Data

And much more...

DI offers a variety of training options for all of our software products including web-training, training at DI's Maryland facility and on-site training. For information on these training sessions or to schedule a training, contact DI at sales@dicorp.com or 800-344-3668 x227 or visit us on-line at www.dicorp.com.



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DI's Product Support Staff Answers Commonly Asked Trauma Registry Questions



Step-by-Step Instructions for Gathers and Statistical Reporting in the DI Report Writer

Creating Gathers

Gathers are a quick way to get the number of records associated with each value for a particular data element. To create a gather, open the DI Report Writer and follow the directions below:

1. Click Gather/Add.
2. Click Data Element and select the data element to Gather (The gather spec can be saved at this point; enter a name and click Save).
3. Click Use.
4. Click Count to select the range of records.
5. Click OK. A count of records matching each gather specifications will be displayed.

* Gathers can be used with numerous statistical reports to produce output in various formats including charts and graphs.

(Fields often gathered include: Admitting Service, Admitting Physician, Referring Hospital and Discharge Destination).

Using Gathers to Create Statistics Reports

Gathers can also be used with a Statistics report to generate statistics other than a count. For example, to create a statistical report for Total Hospital LOS for an Admitting Service, follow the steps below:

1. Create a Gather for Admitting Service.
2. Choose Add a New Statistics Report and click Add.
3. Click the Stat field to open the Report Statistics editor and select CNT (Count Subset for the Statistic) from the drop down menu. In the Description field, enter Total # of Patients.
5. Click OK and then click Add.
6. In the Statistic field, select SUM; for the Date Element button select Hospital Days and click OK.
7. The Statistics report can be saved at this point by entering a name and clicking Save.
8. Click Use.
9. Click the Gather button on the Run Report screen, select a gather (Admitting Service) and click Run.
10. Select the range of records and click OK.