

EDN Work Group Meeting Agenda
Thursday 03/8/2012, 10 am (PDT), 1 pm (EST)

Call-in number: 1-800-250-2600
Participant code: 706794

1. Roll Call

Meghan Weems (CDC)
Adam Palmer (MD)-R
Jason Cummins (TN)-TB
Eric Cleghorn (NY)-R
Phil Lowenthal (CA)-TB
Marisa Ramos (CA)-R
Jose Zabala (FL)-TB
Daniel Wenger (CDC)
Sam Householder (TX)-R
Blain Mamo (MN)-R
Maureen Murphy (OH)-TB

Minutes-Phil Lowenthal

2. Need for a new EDN co-chair to represent TB

-Ayesha Bashir is no longer working with the Arizona Dept. of Health
-volunteers or nominations to fill this position (until September)?

Maureen Murphy (OH) volunteered to be the EDN TB co-chair until Sept 2012

3. Review or Follow up on items from previous calls

- a. Request for family name or mother and father's names included on immigrant data sheet for minors with TB waivers (LA County)
- b. Displaying multiple Class B conditions (B1 and B3) on electronic form (MN)
- c. Build a mechanism to request record transfers within EDN, such as an internal messaging alert (MN)
- d. Questions about submitting TB waivers, direct these to Kai Young (multiple states)
- e. Request that screening status summary for 2nd migrants be displayed on the "migration report" section rather than just on the Update Address section? (NC)

Daniel is keeping these on the "to do" list for changes/updates to the EDN system. Currently, there is no timeline for completion of these items.

4. EDN Update (Meghan)

For next release (April, 2012)

- Nebraska locals are coming on to the system and some in Michigan.
- An interim pdf form (separate document) will be added to the bottom of vaccinations

- Hansen's disease will be added to the system. Only ~10 users of this function nationally
- Daniel will send an announcement when new variables are added to EDN so that state/local users can add these to any data management/analysis programs they are using

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- Kendra Cuffe is no longer working with the EDN program at DGMQ. Please re-direct any requests for her to Meghan until a new person has been identified to fill her position
- Reports: no new report requests. A report to track inter-jurisdictional (subsequent migrations) is being planned so that users can search records that used to belong to them
- Request was made to add date of arrival field to the TB follow-up data so that users don't have to download DS-2054 and the EDN worksheet data and then merge the two files together
- Send any NTIP-related questions to Kai Young. General EDN TB questions should continue to be directed to Meghan

4. EDN User Issues

a. From what date does the TB waiver evaluation criteria start counting, from the time of arrival or from the time of the notification? What do we do when we have a transfer whose time of arrival is well before the notification date, but the evaluation is completed in more than 90 days because they were transferred by another jurisdiction? How do we evaluate our 30 and 90 days criteria?

- Meghan indicated that this is an NTIP question that should be directed to Kai Young
- Jason noted that NTIP will likely use whatever is entered for the evaluation dates (initiated, completed) and then attribute a delay in initiating or completing an evaluation to the last jurisdiction where a record is assigned
- Marge sent Phil a copy of the draft proposal for inter-jurisdictional transfers for immigrant arrivals in the EDN system
- Phil will complete a draft of this protocol and circulate it to the EDN workgroup for comment before the next workgroup meeting

b. Is there is any way that at the State level (headquarters) we can be notified when a county in our jurisdiction is submitting a record in EDN? Can there be a notification system that allows you to click on a link and then you are automatically connected to the record?

- Meghan said that this will be an important addition to the system but that no timeframe has been set for this yet.

c. Is EDN aware of a State Department pilot project which may change the system for documenting information on incoming refugees? There is potential for loss of information that currently is being received by states that rely on EDN.

State Dept wants to transition to a paperless system where paper med evaluation forms are replaced with an electronic message, potentially with different variables than those currently being used in a summary printout. Potential for loss of info. It is expected that the EDN team will have to handle data entry until the system can be worked out. This change is expected to primarily affect records for immigrant arrivals. Timeframe for this change is uncertain, but the

decision has been made by the State Dept. EDN users are encouraged to voice their concerns about this change to CDC reps and to anyone else who may have an impact in this decision.

d. Re-evaluate EDN Helpdesk's role or protocol in transferring records between states.

-We have experienced CDC changing the jurisdiction of records without telling us that the record is being removed. We had an issue where another state looked in EDN, saw that a record they needed was assigned to Idaho and called CDC to get the jurisdiction changed rather than calling our office to get it changed. We only found out about because then the state program called asking for more records and we no longer had access to the EDN record to get information. CDC had never called us about the jurisdiction transfer nor did they ask the state to call us first to see about getting the record changed.

Both departing and receiving states need to be notified. Meghan defers to Nikea. She'll talk with Nikea about the policy for transferring records by the EDN helpdesk.

e. EDN Access to Outside Providers

-There is a large TB clinic in Boise that is not a local public health department--- it's a Federally Qualified Health Center, with which we have multiple contracts in place for various services, but right now, we cannot get them access to EDN due to CDC policy. There really should be something in place so we can designate which agencies have access in our state (with justification, of course).

As of now only State and local health department personnel can gain access to EDN. No plans to change or expand this in the near future. FQHCs were explained and suggested that EDN may want to consider adding them as users since they must meet government standards to operate and they are different from regular primary care physicians. In some states, TB care is being handed over to physicians outside of the health dept. and FQHCs are also providing refugee health assessments.

f. Continued request for SMC forms to be attached to records in EDN.

This request is on the list of items to do for EDN. The priority level is in question.

g. Any future plans for other health outcomes to be reported in EDN? This possibility was discussed very early on in the development of EDN.

Hansen's disease (next release), Class A STD's (timeline unknown), refugee health module (timeline unknown-no plans for the near future)

5. Other

Next meeting: May 10, 2012 @1:00 EST