CRISP
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to Improve Patient Care in Maryland*

Use Case Description: Cancer Registry Reporting

Overview

Cancer registrars have various reporting requirements to satisfy both state mandates and accreditation requirements. At the state level, all newly diagnosed cancer patients are required to be reported to the registry. On a national level, the American College of Surgeons (ACoS)/Commission on Cancer (CoC) accreditation program requires ongoing reporting of the diagnosis, treatment, and outcomes data[1] over a patient's lifetime that contributes to organization-specific performance and quality benchmark reports.[2] The CRISP portal will serve as an additional vehicle to locate patient health information required for reporting purposes to maintain accreditation.

Permitted Purpose Category

For quality assessment and improvement activities, including care coordination; defined in HIPAA as a subset of health care operations activities (permitted purpose #3)

Technical Design

Hospitals cancer registrars will utilize the existing CRISP Portal technology.

Use Case Descriptions

The use case begins with a cancer registrar identifying a cancer patient being treated at their organization, prompting them to report treatment related event to the American College of Surgeons.

The registrar would then query the patient in the CRISP portal by providing at a minimum last name and date of birth. Allowable uses of the portal by cancer registrars would include:

1. Identification of disease status, if possible
2. Identification of follow-up healthcare services received by cancer patient
3. Availability of radiology and lab reports in a central location
4. Verification/ identification of current addresses which results in a reduction in "lost" patients.
5. Verification of demographic information

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[1] For specific follow-up details, see pg 97 of http://www.facs.org/cancer/coc/cocprogramstandards2012.pdf
[2] Comparison Benchmark Reports, ACoS/CoC; http://www.facs.org/cancer/coc/benefitsofcoc.html

6. Ability to download information into hospital EMR
7. Use documented information to assist with preparing a quality abstract for submission to the state and National Cancer Data Base (NCDB)
8. Other clinical information as deemed appropriate for reporting purposes

Opt Out Applicability

Any patient that opts out of CRISP will be opted out from cancer registrar from accessing their health information.

Eligible Participants

The CRISP portal would be available for use by all hospital designated Cancer Registrar managers or team members (job titles vary by location). All users must be verified by the hospital identified point of contact and must complete required steps to gain access to the system.

Approval

This Use Case Policy has been approved by the Clinical Advisory Board.

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