

Q&A Session: Back to The Future
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 July 7, 2022

#	Question	Answer
1.	Can you please put up the quiz 1 answers for 3-5 please	1c, 2False, 3d, 4b, 5a
2.	Is there an explanation why the digital STORE manual is not updated in real time as changes happen? The current system of issuing errata makes it easy to miss changes even with the newsletter.	Please address the Commission on Cancer with this question. We are not able to answer for them.
3.	Working on pulling path reports selected by surveyor for std 5.1 today - but not seeing in the instructions that we also need to pull registry abstract?	I would double check with your surveyor since it newer.
4.	Are there any plans to make INTENT of surgery a standard data item (curative versus palliative versus other)?	The standard-setters determine data collection criteria. We are not able to answer for them.
5.	If a surgical resection (such as hemicolectomy) is done for other reasons, and cancer is incidentally found, is a synoptic required for that op report?	Yes, as the surgery was a curative procedure for cancer.
6.	Does this mean there will continue to be annual NCDB call for data in 2023? There has been rumors that the call for data 2022 was the last one?	We contacted CoC. They said that at this point they have <i>not decided there will not be a call for data.</i>
7.	Are we still responsible for reporting the previous measures annually for NAPBC since those measures are no longer supported?	NAPBC and CoC are entirely different accreditations so what changes in one, may not necessarily change in another accreditation. I know NAPBC is changing all their standards, I suspect that those measures will be removed/adjusted/replaced for Breast. You can always contact NAPBC.

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8.	I thought a plan for implementation was needed in 2022 not compliance until 2023?	The phase in standard says the plan must be documented in 2022. At least 70% compliance in 2023 and 80% compliance in 2024.
9.	Just a comment RE: RCRS and Call for Data - there was a Q&A document that the NCDB put out after presenting at NCRA 6/3/21. Under the Call for Data section, #9, the NCDB does state once they're certain hospitals can submit data for all sites monthly and can certify newly submitted cohorts as being complete, we will discontinue the Call for Data. Unclear if 2021 will be final call for data. - I think there was some assumption that once NCDB got going, call for data would go away. But it seems NCDB was not quite saying that, that it would continue to be evaluated. Just a thought!	Thank you! We checked with CoC and it does not look like a decision has been made regarding Call for Data for this year.
10.	If a hospital is a CoC accredited program, will insurance companies including Medicaid or Medicare pay a higher reimbursement rate on medical claims?	I do not believe it has an impact with government payments, but often can be used with negotiating with health insurance providers as a preferred hospital etc.

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