



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3727.131 Stroke registry database.

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(A)(1) In an effort to improve the quality of care for patients affected by stroke, the department of health shall establish and maintain a process for the collection, transmission, compilation, and oversight of data related to stroke care. Such data shall be collected, transmitted, compiled, and overseen in a manner prescribed by the director of health.

As part of the process and except as provided in division (A)(2) of this section, the department shall establish or utilize a stroke registry database to store information, statistics, and other data on stroke care, including information, statistics, and data that align with nationally recognized treatment guidelines and performance measures.

(2) If the department established or utilized, prior to the effective date of this section, a stroke registry database that meets the requirements of this section, then both of the following apply:

(a) Division (A)(1) of this section shall not be construed to require the department to establish or utilize another such database.

(b) The department shall maintain both the process and stroke registry database described in this section, including in the event federal moneys are no longer available to support the process or database.

(B) Not later than six months after the effective date of this section, the director of health shall adopt rules as necessary to implement this section, including rules specifying all of the following:

(1) The information, statistics, and other data to be collected, which shall do both of the following:

(a) Align with stroke consensus metrics developed and approved by both of the following: (i) The United States centers for disease control and prevention; (ii) Accreditation organizations that are approved by the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services and that certify stroke



centers.

(b) Include at a minimum both of the following:

(i) Data that is consistent with nationally recognized treatment guidelines for patients with confirmed stroke;

(ii) In the case of mechanical endovascular thrombectomy, data regarding the treatment's processes, complications, and outcomes, including data required by national certifying organizations.

(2) The manner in which the information, statistics, and other data are to be collected;

(3) The manner in which the information, statistics, and other data are to be transmitted for inclusion in the stroke registry database.

(C) When adopting rules as described in division (B) of this section, all of the following apply:

(1) The director of health shall do all of the following:

(a) Consider nationally recognized stroke care performance measures;

(b) Designate an electronic platform for the collection and transmission of data.

When designating the platform, the director shall consider nationally recognized stroke data platforms.

(c) In an effort to avoid duplication and redundancy, coordinate, to every extent possible, with hospitals recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code and national voluntary health organizations involved in stroke quality improvement.

(2) The director of health may specify that, of the information, statistics, or other data that is collected, only samples are to be transmitted for inclusion in the stroke registry database.



(3) The rules shall be adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) Except as provided in division (D)(2) of this section, each hospital that is recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as a comprehensive stroke center, thrombectomy-capable stroke center, or primary stroke center shall do both of the following:

(a) Collect the information, statistics, and other data specified by the director in rules adopted under division (B) of this section;

(b) Transmit the information, statistics, and other data for inclusion in the stroke registry database.

A hospital may contract with a third-party organization for the collection and transmission of the information, statistics, and other data. If a hospital contracts with a third-party organization, the organization shall collect and transmit such information, statistics, and other data for inclusion in the stroke registry database.

(2) The data described in division (B)(1)(b)(ii) of this section shall be collected and transmitted only by a hospital that is recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as a thrombectomy-capable stroke center.

(3) In the case of a hospital that is recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code as an acute stroke ready hospital, the collection and transmission of the data described in division (B) of this section is encouraged.

(E) The information, statistics, or other data collected or transmitted as required or encouraged by this section shall not identify or tend to identify any particular patient.

(F) The department may establish an oversight committee to advise and monitor the department in implementing this section and to assist the department in developing short- and long-term goals for the stroke registry database.

If established, the membership of the committee shall consist of individuals with expertise or experience in data collection, data management, or stroke care, including both of the following:



- (1) Individuals representing organizations advocating on behalf of those with stroke or cardiovascular conditions;

- (2) Individuals representing hospitals recognized by the department under section 3727.13 of the Revised Code.