

AFFILIATE REPORT

May 1, 2013

KEY ACTIVITIES

- ELR workgroup: survey on what diseases should automatically close in CalREDIE was completed. Summary report with recommendations to be distributed once approved by CD and STD Controllers. A webinar is scheduled for June 6, 2013 at 1:00 to 2:30 p.m. to provide an overview of ELR and the procedures for auto-importing, closing and reporting of lab results
- Standardizing HIV reporting and data use: Language for amending H&S code has been drafted. A letter was sent to stakeholders to obtain their input on the proposed language for H&S code. The HOAC draft bill worksheet is being completed. Recommendations to be presented to CD Committee in August.
- Infection Control in Ambulatory Care Settings: the workgroup has finished recommendations for appropriate infection control procedures in ambulatory care settings. Recommendations have been distributed to CD Controllers for approval. Report to be given at June 20, CD Committee.
- Streamlining CD Investigation forms and follow-up: the workgroup has completed review of the various CD investigation forms. A joint meeting will be scheduled with representatives from CDER, Infectious Disease and IZ to discuss recommendations for streamlining CD investigations.
- Cocci workgroup recommendations. Based on input from Allermed labs, the group elected to hold on sending a letter to FDA. The company anticipates that the product will go to market in the next six months. The potential public health implications of the cocci skin test will be discussed at the June 20, CD Committee Meeting. Antonino Catanzaro, MD, President of the Cocci Study Group sent a letter urging the FDA to waive the user fee (see attached letter).
- Collaborative workgroup with CCLAD, CTCA, CASTDC and CAPHLD is developing a position statement on having treatment of TB, STD, and other selected communicable diseases as an essential health benefit.
- A workgroup was formed to review and update the Enteric Disease Matrix. A revised matrix will be distributed once it is finalized. The changes in regulations that were previously recommended are still pending.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

- Fall Conference: October 29, 2013 at the California Endowment, Los Angeles, CA.