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presents an interactive roundtable for decisionmakers

Assessing Syndromic Surveillance: Costs, Benefits, Future

Hall of the States Building, Room 333, 444 North Capitol St. NW, Washington, D.C.

October 19, 2007 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Moderator: Patrick W. Kelley, MD, DrPH
Director, Board on Global Health, Institute of Medicine

Syndromic surveillance systems are designed to provide early warning of a potential epidemic or bioterrorism event. Do they live up to this expectation? If so, at what cost? What is “situational awareness”? What is the value of “situational awareness”? Where do we go from here?

8:00 a.m. coffee

Welcome: Ralph Loren Erickson, MD, DrPH, Director, Global Emerging Infections Surveillance and Response System (GEIS), Department of Defense [8:30 – 8:35]

Opening remarks: Moderator [8:35 – 8:45]

Current systems, and opportunities for improvement [8:45 – 9:05]

Robert Pinner, MD, Director, Division of Emerging Infections and Surveillance Services (DEISS)
National Center for Preparedness, Detection, and Control of Infectious Diseases, CDC

Joseph Lombardo, MS, Director, Center for Excellence in Public Health Informatics
Applied Physics Laboratory, Johns Hopkins University

Open Discussion [9:05 – 9:45]

The user perspective [9:45 – 10:15]

Gregg Pane, MD, Director, Department of Health, District of Columbia

Kenneth Cox, MD, MPH, Director, Global Health Surveillance, Force Health Protection and Readiness Programs, Department of Defense

Gary Roselle, MD, Program Director for Infectious Diseases, Veterans Health Administration

Open Discussion [10:15 – 10:50]

Break [10:50 – 11:05]

Evaluating syndromic surveillance and situational awareness: Cost versus benefits [11:05 – 11:25]

Michael Stoto, PhD, Professor of Health Services Administration and Population Health
Georgetown University

Jean-Paul Chrétien, MD, PhD, Coordinator for Overseas Research Laboratories, Global Emerging Infections and Surveillance Program, Department of Defense

Targeted discussion on where we are and where to go from here [11:25 – 12:15]

Wrap-up and closing observations: Moderator [12:15 – 12:30]

Buffet lunch/networking

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