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# CONSENSUS CASE DEFINITIONS FOR CONDITIONS IDENTIFIED BY NEWBORN SCREENING PUBLIC HEALTH SURVEILLANCE

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## BACKGROUND

- Case definitions for Public Health Surveillance Newborn Screening were developed through expert workgroups, under leadership from HRSA
- Presented to ACHDNC in May and September 2012

# IMPLEMENTATION

- NewSTEPs has incorporated the Case Definitions into a National Repository
- NewSTEPs is also assisting states to develop systems for implementation of case definitions at state level

# SURVEILLANCE VS. CLINICAL CASE DEFINITION

- Surveillance case definitions are intended to establish uniform criteria for *disease reporting*
- NOT intended for use as
  - criteria for establishing clinical diagnoses
  - determining the standard of care necessary for a particular patient
  - setting guidelines for quality assurance
  - providing standards for reimbursement
  - initiating public health actions



EXAMPLE: CYSTIC FIBROSIS



## EXAMPLE IN CYSTIC FIBROSIS

- Newborn with abnormal newborn screen:
  - Immunoreactive trypsinogen (IRT) 105 ng/mL (normal range < 60 ng/mL)
  - NBS DNA analysis revealed F508/R117H, 7T/9T
- Abnormal NBS called out to pediatrician
  - Referred to CF Center for Sweat Test
  - Sweat test results: 32mmol/L (diagnostic > 60mmol/L)

## DIAGNOSTIC DIFFERENCES

- Baby seen by Dr. Smith: Baby likely has CF. Follow monthly and repeat sweat test; tell family baby has CF.
- Baby seen by Dr. Jones: Baby has CRMS (Cystic Fibrosis Related Metabolic Syndrome). Not CF, we should follow this baby every 6 months to see if baby develops CF symptoms
- Baby seen by Dr. Garcia: Baby is fine, no CF, no CRMS. No diagnosis, baby does not need to be seen.

# HOW SHOULD PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS COUNT THAT INFANT?

- Clinicians treat the patient as they believe is best for the baby and the family
- Public Health Surveillance needs to count babies systematically, not based on clinical opinion





## APPLICATION OF THE CASE DEFINITIONS TO THIS CASE

- Infant would be considered to have CRMS
- Not CF based on information provided
- Programs are encourage to assess diagnosis at 1 year of age

## WHY HAVE SURVEILLANCE CASE DEFINITIONS?

- In order to:
  - accurately monitor the trends of reported diseases,
  - detect their unusual occurrences
  - define a uniform population in order to allow for the evaluation of intervention.
- Usefulness depends on uniformity, simplicity and timeliness
- Necessary as we combine data from multiple sources, for a state/region comparisons, or comparisons over time



# DEVELOPMENT OF THE CASE DEFINITIONS



# INITIATION OF THE PROCESS

- June 2011 HRSA convened gatherings of subject matter experts from the Regional Genetics Collaboratives
  - Hematologists
  - Metabolic Geneticists
  - Pulmonologists
  - Immunologists
  - Endocrinologists
- Discuss potential case definition models
  - Quantitative, tier, diagnostic

## RESOURCES THAT INFORMED THE PROCESS

- Mountain States Regional Genetics Collaborative Disease-Specific Care Plans
- Region 4 Stork Data System
- California Metabolic Group case definitions
- New York and Mid-Atlantic Collaborative clinical guidelines
- American College of Medical Genetics and Genomics ACTION Sheets consensus-based guidelines
- CDC 4-States Pilot project

## SEVERAL MODELS CONSIDERED

- Tiered model: tier definitions based on certainty of definitions, based on the extent of the diagnostic workup and accompanying results.
- Quantitative model: points would be assigned based on diagnostic test criteria and the interpretation of those results based upon a predetermined scale.
- Diagnostic models: based on previously published regional or state NBS projects

## MEETINGS AND FEEDBACK

- Face-to-face (June 2011 All, Feb 2012 Metabolic)
- E-mails and conference calls (2012 – 2014)
- Case definitions sent to HRSA Regional Collaboratives (RCs), spring 2012
  - Areas of duplication
  - Additional criteria identified
- Presented to ACHDNC – May 2012 (Dr. Cindy Hinton)
- July 2012
  - Meeting of representatives from 35 NBS state programs and clinical representatives
  - Assess feasibility of applying NBS case definitions
- Presented to ACHDNC – September 2012 (Mr. Jelili Ojodu)

# PILOTING THE CASE DEFINITIONS

- NewSTEPs piloted the definitions with ten state NBS programs in 2013.
- Data were collected using REDCap (a secure web based application).
- Retrospective data from past 2 years (maximum of 10 cases/disorder)
- Definitions underwent revision based on user feedback



# PRODUCT

- Case Definition Tables for most of the initial RUSP Conditions (26/29)
- Classification tables are posted at [www.newsteps.org](http://www.newsteps.org)

<b>METABOLIC DISORDERS</b>		
<b>Organic Acid Disorders</b>	GA1: Glutaric acidemia type I	MMA without homocystinuria
	IVA: Isovaleric acidemia	PROP: Propionic Acidemia
	3-MCC: 3-methylcrotonyl-CoA carboxylase deficiency	MCD: Holocarboxylase synthase deficiency
	MMA with homocystinuria	
<b>Fatty Acid Disorders</b>	CUD: Carnitine uptake defect	TFP: Trifunctional Protein Deficiency
	MCAD: Medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency	VLCAD: Very long-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency
	LCHAD: Long-chain L-3 hydroxyacyl-CoA dehydrogenase deficiency (included in definition of TFP)	
<b>Amino Acid Disorders</b>	ASA: Argininosuccinic aciduria	MSUD: Maple syrup urine disease
	CIT: Citrullinemia, type I	PKU: Classic phenylketonuria
	HCY: Homocystinuria (CBS Deficiency)	TYR-1: Tyrosinemia, type I
<b>ENDOCRINE DISORDERS</b>		<b>OTHER DISORDERS</b>
CH: Primary congenital hypothyroidism		BIO: Biotinidase deficiency
CAH: Congenital adrenal hyperplasia		CF: Cystic fibrosis
<b>HEMOGLOBINOPATHIES</b>		
S/S: S,S disease (Sickle cell anemia)		S/ $\beta$ 0Th: S, $\beta$ beta-thalassemia (not on RUSP)
S/ $\beta$ +Th: S, $\beta$ beta-thalassemia		S/C: S,C disease
<b>DISORDERS W/DEFINITIONS UNDER DEVELOPMENT</b>		
HEAR: Early Hearing Loss		CCHD: Critical Congenital Heart Disease
SCID: Severe Combined Immune Deficiency		HMG: 3-Hydroxy-3-methylglutaric Acidurimia
$\beta$ KT: $\beta$ -Ketothiolase deficiency		Pompe Disorder
MPS-I: Mucopolysaccharidosis type I		X-ALD: X-Linked Adrenoleukodystrophy

MCAD	Classification	Urine Organics or <i>acylglycines</i>	Plasma Acylcarnitines	Mutation analysis	Functional Studies
	Definite	Untested or unknown	Untested or unknown	2 known disease causing variants in the same gene (Allele 1 – variant known to be disease causing and Allele 2 – variant known to be disease causing)	Untested or unknown
	Definite	Untested or unknown	Untested or unknown	Untested or unknown	Functional fibroblast or Enzyme analysis consistent with MCAD
	Definite	Elevated <i>hexanoylglycine</i>	Elevated: -C8 and -C8>C10 and -C8 >C6 and -C6 and -C10	Untested or unknown	Untested or unknown
	Definite	Untested or unknown	Elevated: -C8 and -C8>C10 and -C8 >C6 and -C6 and -C10	2 variants of uncertain significance in the same gene - predicted to be pathogenic [Allele 1 - variant of unknown significance (predicted to be pathogenic) and Allele 2 – variant of unknown significance (predicted to be pathogenic)]	Untested or unknown
	Probable	Untested or unknown	Elevated C8 on repeat testing	1 known disease causing variant and 1 variants of uncertain significance in the same gene (Allele 1 - variant known to be disease causing and Allele 2 - variant of unknown significance)	Untested or unknown
	Probable	Elevated <i>hexanoylglycine</i>	Elevated C8 on repeat testing	1 known disease causing variant (Allele 1 - variant known to be disease causing)	Untested or unknown
	Probable	Untested or unknown	Elevated C8 on repeat testing	2 variants of uncertain significance in the same gene (Allele 1 - variant of unknown significance and Allele 2 – variant of unknown significance)	Untested or unknown
	Possible	Elevated <i>hexanoylglycine</i>	Elevated C8 on repeat testing	No variants found	Untested or unknown
	Possible	Elevated <i>hexanoylglycine</i>	Untested or unknown	2 variants of uncertain significance in the same gene (Allele 1 - variant of unknown significance and Allele 2 – variant of unknown significance)	Untested or unknown
	Possible	Elevated <i>Hexanoylglycine</i>	Untested or unknown	No variants found	Untested or unknown
	Possible	Untested or unknown	Elevated C8 on repeat testing	No variants found	Untested or unknown
Possible or Carrier	Untested or unknown	Elevated C8	1 known disease causing variant (Allele 1 - variant known to be disease causing)	Untested or unknown	
Possible or Carrier	Elevated <i>Hexanoylglycine</i>	Normal	1 known disease causing variant (Allele 1 - variant known to be disease causing)	Untested or unknown	



# APPLICATION OF CASE DEFINITIONS



# National Data Repository for Newborn Screening



**Purpose:** Provide tools to state newborn screening systems to adequately evaluate, analyze, and benchmark the performance of their tests and the quality of their newborn screening programs

## DATA COLLECTION AT THE STATE LEVEL: NEWSTEPS

- Over 4000 cases have been entered by 20 state newborn screening programs
- Data collection:
  - Basic demographic data
  - NBS processes (timeliness, missed cases)
  - Case specific information



# TOOLS TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF CASE DEFINITIONS

- Data import template
- Toolkit
  - Worksheets
  - Tables
  - Letter of introduction to specialists



Available at [www.newsteps.org](http://www.newsteps.org)

## EVALUATION AND EVOLUTION OF CASE DEFINITIONS

- aggregate data will be shared with the clinical expert teams to assess if the case definitions have performed as anticipated, utilizing measures of data quality, representativeness, and stability.
- comparison of cases reported to NewSTEPs using the case definitions will be compared to and expected frequencies of cases, and through comparison to frequencies reported to clinical registries.
- case definitions will be reviewed every 3 years and modifications to the case definitions will be made, as needed.
- case definitions for new disorders will be developed as they are added to the RUSP.



## NEXT STEPS

- Manuscript to be submitted to MMWR following ACHDNC discussion
- Continuing to encourage state participation in data collection
- Utilizing data to calculate frequency of disorders, identify opportunities for improvement

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