

## **NEMSIS Version 3 Implementation Meeting**

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Workgroup: Devising an Approach to Minor Revisions

## Work Group Questions:

1. What constitutes a "Minor Revision" and a "Critical Patch"?

(State/agency resource burdens associated with NEMSIS revisions require that our criteria take into account actual client implementation costs)

(Current attributes for a "minor revision" are unclear..."no change to underlying XML structure"?)

Strategies:

- 1. This sub-committee started a list of types of changes that would affect a NEMSIS version. Our goal is to put each type of change into a singular structure for what constitutes a major, minor revision and critical patch.
- 2. Provide real examples (XML structure, critical patch, minor release) and a total picture of how the changes affects the outputs to each end user.
- 3. Provide an appropriate schedule when the changes will occur. We need a schedule, not three different schedules.

Example of Possible Changes:

- Change pattern of a field (ex. Possible ICD-10 codes)
- New element
- New value (i.e., picklists)
- Deprecate element
- Deprecate value



- Change definition verbiage (or comments) of an element (data dictionary)
- Change Schematron definition
- Correct misspellings
- Suggested list changes
- Change the type of field (national, state, local)
- Change usage of field (mandatory, optional, etc.)
- Change the type of field (1:1 to 1:M)
- Change groupings (ex. eAirway)
- 2. What could be a schedule for minor revisions?
  - a. This group recommends that minor revisions go on a "regular" schedule
    it allows for vendors, providers, etc. to better "plan" for it
- 3. What revision-related resources could be provided to minimize the impact of a minor revision? The group ran out of time to address with specifics.
- 4. Make sure to account for in-user/provider experience for each potential change (or type of change). The group ran out of time to address with specifics.
- 5. If a state has the guideline/law that they should be collecting data at the highest NEMSIS level/standard, what does that mean? The highest major or minor (or critical) version? The group ran out of time to address with specifics.