

OBJECTIVES

- 1) To attempt to describe what has happened...
- 2) To describe factors that increase the vulnerability of our profession ...
- 3) To discuss what can be done in the future





Change (not always for the good)

 Individuals will make decisions based on the expectation that the gains for a proposed course of action will exceed the losses associated with that action or behavior change

- A person may tolerate a less than optimal situation or behavior if the alternative is expected to yield a worse outcome
- It is a "risk-reward analysis" that underlies personal, economic, societal and behavioral decision; a comparative process



AJCC

Commission on Cancer

NPCR/SEER ...

- ❖In the beginning we waited... and waited.
- ❖ Webinars were started...
- Confusion mounted

- After months (years) of delay...
- Software vendors finally were given an incomplete file layout and data fields.
 - CR Star
 - GenEdits Plus were provided at a sharepoint
 - According to hospital IT policy... this is an unauthorized area and "we" cannot grant access.
 - Access needs to be granted from IT Security.
 - The HEAT Ticket is STILL OPEN

- GenEdits could NOT be downloaded from the site to any Registry computer.
- Abstractors were basically working blind.
 - Abstracting --- back to basics.
 - Keeping a note pad on every case they abstracted / "completed"
 - Make sure documentation is clear & sufficient to be able to TNM later
 - Morphology
 - KISS
 - No combination codes...
 - Morphology, combined with site = TNM (new)

RADIATION

- NEW Required fields
 - Information from our version of ARIA does not match
 - Physician documentation does not match
 - KEEP IT BASIC
 - Focus on the primary radiation treatment

- At times, behavior change is fear-driven and externally motivated
- Unless external motivation influences internal motivation, the change is temporary
- Feedback is best in an open atmosphere
- Demonstrate objectivity; direct and concrete
- Feedback should be in the context of concern
- Find effective and do-able consequences with FOLLOW-THRU

- Commission on Cancer
- ☐ Unrealistic Expectations
 - □ Time
 - □ RQRS was still on its mandatory schedule in order to meet Standard 5.2
 - ☐ Unable to communicate with the College
 - ☐ Phone numbers of individuals no longer listed
 - ☐ Complete re-abstracting of ALL 2018 RQRS cases



EDITS are up and running...

- Ran FCDS & NCDB Edits on the cases that were "abstracted"
 - WHAT?!?!?
 - Called vendor for explanation / interpretation of edits
 - Related to abstractors what edits really meant.



 Represent the internal and external experiences and activities that enable individuals to move from stage to stage

 It is the CONSCIOUSNESS-RAISING of the client and NOT the techniques of the therapist that represent a process of change.

Change - Manuals

 TWO BROAD TYPES OF PROCESSES INVOLVED IN INTENTIONAL BEHAVIOR CHANGE:

- Cognitive and experiential processes involving thinking and feeling
- Action-oriented processes involving:
 - Behavioral commitment
 - Actions to create or break a habit

- Behavioral processes of change:
 - Self-liberation:
 - Supportive environment
 - AJCC 8th Ed Manual
 - Manual has NOT been purchased.
 - Contains too many pages of ERRATA
 - Wait for final printing

- CTR AJCC 8th Ed HACKS
 - EPIC EMR has the TNM
 - Physicians do not know how to stage using the 8th Ed.
 - Downloaded the Staging Forms (520 pages)
 - Waiting on magical E-book

- Training staff
 - 2018 is in itself a training year
 - QC is completely arbitrary
 - PTSD from Webinars
 - Webinars are contradicting each other
 - Time required for staff meetings / training sessions
 - My QC physician is about to go on strike.

- 5 areas of functioning:
 - Current life situation (including mental status)
 - Beliefs and attitudes

- Interpersonal relationships
- Social systems
- Enduring personal characteristics

- PLAN OF ACTION
 - Called a secret sub-committe
 - Explained to ADMIN / VP of patient services what was happening.
 - "No governing body can be that incompetent"
 - 2018 Data will be very late
 - Going to attempt to start 2019 data



The Burden Basket: Medicine of Self Reliance

- The message is to pull from your own inner-strength and to become self-reliant.
- By trusting in yourself to find your own answers and letting go of your burdens, you can conquer the world.

