CODING TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (CTC) AGENDA
AWCBC ALL COMMITTEES MEETING
Virtual – May 15-16, 2024

CTC MEMBERS
<u>Co-Chairs</u>: Diane Baker (NB); Veronica Marshall (AB)
<u>Voting Members</u>: Carrie Sonier (NB); Samantha Bohnet (NT); Sean Swenarchuk (MB);
                    Mario Tan*(ON); Nash Boateng*(ON); John Slykhuis*(SK); Leanne Buckler*(NU)
<u>Non-Voting Members</u>: Erica Lawseth (RETIRING IN MAY)*(NS); Keanney Tam*(SK)
New Members

CTC TERMS OF REFERENCE
Review each year prior to the meeting. (Sent to the CTC to review on March 25, 2024)

2023 CODING EXERCISE
Review jurisdictional scores and scores by variable. Advise of recommendations for the coding manual.

2024 CODING EXERCISE
Decide on the number of samples to request. Select the dates (to request samples by, start date, end date, the date the evaluation report will be distributed by). Ask for a volunteer (not a CTC member) to be the Lead Coder Contact for the jurisdictional coder contact meeting.

2023 PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY CODING EXERCISE
Give summary of recommendations/changes that were made to the coding manual.

2024 PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY CODING EXERCISE
At the 2023 NWISP Meeting, jurisdictions expressed the value in keeping the psychological injury coding exercise separate from the national calibration exercise. We looked into whether it could be a separate graded exercise. It is not possible with current AOC since two coding exercises cannot be in progress at the same time. This exercise will become a graded exercise when there is a new AOC. After the 2023 Psychological Injury Coding Exercise Answer Key was sent out, the CTC was asked to begin making general comments about the results. The CTC will review the cover page that goes out with this exercise and update it to reflect this. This exercise is currently completed to provide feedback for the CTC and the problem areas are indicated on the answer key (as sections of the coding manual the CTC will review).

Feedback Requested:
Coding Psychological Injuries

Why is your feedback being requested?

At the NWISP Meeting in May 2023, it was decided six psychological scenarios would be sent to the jurisdictions in November, the same as we've done the last four years, to ensure scenarios are coded consistently across all jurisdictions.

Information about this psychological scenario coding exercise:

The scenarios will not be graded. The answers will not be shared nationally. The answers will let the Coding Technical Committee know if further explanations are required in the Coding Manual.

The coders can complete this exercise individually or as a group.

The answers could be new codes created in January 2019 or codes that existed prior to that, whichever codes capture the scenarios.

The Answer Key will be sent to you after the completion date.

AOC CODER TRAINING MAINTENANCE
Ongoing. We will update content as necessary.
Is there a volunteer CTC member who would like to complete/go through the AOC Coder Training Modules this year?

ONGOING REVIEW OF RESOLVED ISSUES TO DETERMINE VALIDITY OF DATA
Advise how many and which issues were updated in 2023.

STEP-BY-STEP CTC CO-CHAIR PROCEDURES
Diane will step down as CTC Chair prior to the 2025 NWISP Meeting, to be replaced by Carrie Sonier.
Step-by-step CTC co-chair procedures are being created. Diane will provide training for Veronica and Carrie on CTC Chair duties for coding exercises, etc.

DEVELOP LONG-TERM PLAN TO UPDATE / RETIRE / ADD / EVALUATE CODE USAGE
3.0 of the workplan (To reflect current realities of coding)
Creating new codes would require NWISP Committee approval.
In the past, the CTC was asked to avoid creating new codes because it can be difficult for jurisdictions to have the new codes added to their internal coding systems.
We have mostly been adding includes lists to current codes, and a couple of times updating code titles.
We have recommended new codes with the NWISP Committee's approval (e.g., COVID-19, psychological injury + physical injury, etc.)
The U.S. version of the Coding Manual has a note that their coding structure has undergone extensive review. They have many specific codes we don't have.
If the NWISP Committee agrees, thoughts on a jurisdictional scan for coders regarding what they are coding all the time that goes into an n.e.c. code, etc.?
We could then review for possible new codes (or code title changes, etc.)
As one example, if we are seeing something all the time that doesn't have a specific code, it may be helpful to Prevention to know exactly what happened.
If the NWISP Committee approves new codes, this could be our first step in the plan.

TOP 3 FOR CTC AND WORKPLAN FOR THEM (Processes and Timelines)
1) Coding Exercise. 2) Psychological Injury Coding Exercise. 3) Issue Management (new issues).