
Resolutions from the Trauma Registries Symposium – held in Brisbane 4 November 2016

The trauma symposium highlighted the importance of trauma registries to patient care exploring what is being done with trauma data that is collected. The program also investigated linking data from other agencies and how data collection can influence the best outcome for patients and trauma services. At the end of the day three resolutions were formulated. These resolutions have been reviewed and approved by the Trauma Committee at the Committee meeting on 15 February 2017 and endorsed by the Professional Development and Standards Board. It is expected that the resolutions/premise will be helpful when communicating with government departments and other agencies, the effectiveness of trauma registries. It was considered that the term 'Data Warehouse' (as opposed to 'trauma registry') is more acceptable and comprehensible to government and external bodies.

PREMISE An Australian trauma clinical data warehouse is essential for monitoring and improving Australian trauma care.

1. **Advocate public policy support and funding** in all jurisdictions to facilitate collection of a minimum trauma dataset at a jurisdiction level, and submission at a national level, to the Australian Trauma Registry
2. **Mandate** the inclusion of the Bi-national Minimum Trauma Dataset and jurisdiction relevant dataset items in **all** trauma registries
3. **Include** Trauma clinical data warehouse items in the Model Resource Criteria, as used in the Australasian Trauma Verification program – a program used to assess delivery of trauma care in Australia and New Zealand.