

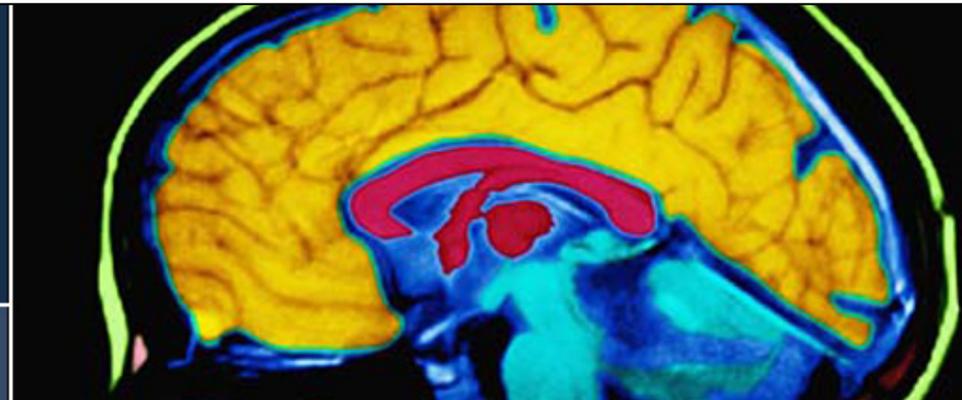


National Institute of  
Neurological Disorders  
and Stroke



# **NINDS Common Data Element (CDE) Project – Investigator Presentation Series**

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# Welcome to the NINDS CDE PROJECT

## What is the CDE Project?

- NINDS initiated the development of Common Data Elements (CDEs) as part of a project to develop data standards for funded clinical research in neuroscience.
- The CDEs are content standards that can be applied to various data collection models and are intended to be **dynamic** and **may evolve** over time.
- CDEs are **not** a database.



# What are the goals of the CDE Project?

- Develop **common definitions** and **standardize** case report forms (CRF) and other instruments
- Help investigators conduct clinical research through the development of these uniform formats by which clinical data can be **systematically collected, analyzed** and **shared** across the research community



## What is a CDE?

- Standardized question and potential answers
- Allows for consistent collection and sharing of data
- Semantic value (the CDE name) with clear definitions and permissible values

### Example:

- CDE name: "Birth head circumference value"
- Definition: "Circumferential measurement of the head at the ..."
- Data Type: "Numeric Values"
- Input Restrictions: "Free-form Entry"

## Case Report Form:

Prenatal and Perinatal History	
[Study Name/ID pre-filled]	Site Name: _____
	Subject ID: _____

- 1) Birth weight: \_\_\_ pounds and \_\_\_ ounces OR \_\_\_\_\_ grams
- 2) Birth length: \_\_\_\_\_  centimeters  inches  meters  feet
- 3) Birth head circumference:   centimeters  inches
- 4) Gestational age value: \_\_\_\_\_ weeks \_\_\_\_\_ days

## CDE Details:

CDE ID	CDE Name	Variable Name	Definition / Description	Question Text	Data Type	Instructions	References	Population	Classification (e.g., Core)	Version #	Version Date	Aliases for Variable Name	CRF Module / Guideline	Sub-Domain	Domain	Previous Title	Input Restrictions
C12940	Birth head circumference value	BthHeadCircumVal	Circumferential measurement of the head at the widest point taken at birth - the distance from above the eyebrows and ears and around the back of the head	Birth head circumference	Numeric Values	Record the head circumference of the participant/subject in centimeters. If another unit of measure is preferred, it can be used, however the final data should be converted to centimeters. This is a pediatric-specific element.	Pryor H and Thelander H. (1968). Abnormally small head size and intellect in children J Pediatr. 73:593-598.	Pediatric	Supplemental	3.0	7/24/2013	Aliases for variable name not defined	Prenatal and Perinatal History	General Health History	Participant/Subject History and Family History	Birth head circumference value	Free-Form Entry



## What are the objectives of the CDE Project?

- Identify CDEs used in clinical research
  - (age, gender, race, etc.)
- Present data elements in a standard format available to all
- Identify common definitions
  - (including permissible values, range checks, etc.)
- Standardize CRFs and other instruments
- Provide information to researchers for clinical data collection and sharing



# Motivation & Overall impact of the NINDS CDE Project

## Motivation

Trials were costing too much: no one believed in re-use of CRFs

Trials were taking too long and costing too much to get up and going

Data quality varied, no standards

Data collection was not consistent

Comparisons of data between studies was not possible

## Impact

- Reduce time/cost to develop data collection tools
- Reduce study start-up time and cost of overall trial
- Improve data quality
- Facilitate collection of data
- Facilitate data sharing/comparisons between studies and meta-analyses



## NINDS CDE Disease Areas – over 11,000 CDEs & 575 Instruments

### General CDEs

Epilepsy\*

Headache

Mitochondrial disorders\*

Movement disorders

- Parkinson's disease
- Huntington's disease

Multiple sclerosis

Spinal cord injury (SCI)\*

Stroke\*

Traumatic brain injury\*

\* Pediatric Specific Recommendations

Neuromuscular disorders\*

- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Friedreich's ataxia
- Muscular dystrophies
  - Congenital, Duchenne/Becker, Facioscapulohumeral, Myotonic*
- Myasthenia gravis
- Spinal muscular atrophy

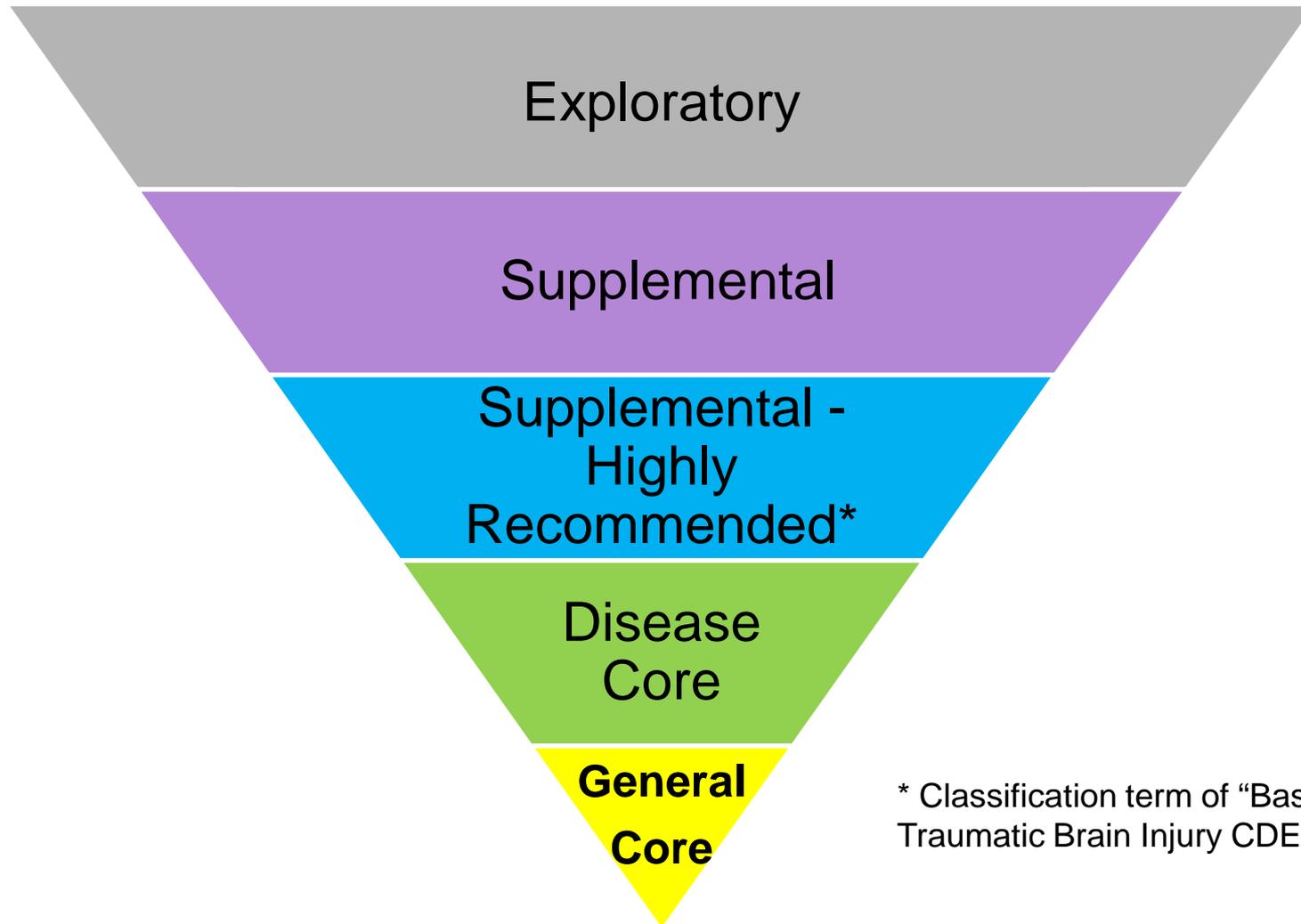
*Cerebral palsy (in development)*

*Subarachnoid hemorrhage (in development)*

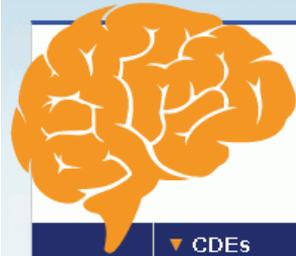
*Chiari & Syringomyelia (in development)*



# CDE Terminology – Classifications



\* Classification term of “Basic” used for  
Traumatic Brain Injury CDEs



# NINDS Common Data Elements

Harmonizing Information. Streamlining Research.

▼ CDEs

▼ Tools

▼ Learn

## Streamline Your Neuroscience Clinical Research

using content standards that enable clinical investigators to systematically collect, analyze, and share data across the research community.

The NINDS strongly encourages researchers who receive funding from the Institute to ensure their data collection is compatible with these common data elements (CDEs). [Learn more about the CDE Project.](#)



### Launch Your Own Studies Faster

- ▶ Case report form modules
- ▶ Standardized data element definitions
- ▶ Instrument recommendations



### Incorporate CDEs Into Systems

- ▶ Search for current CDEs
- ▶ Download CDE metadata
- ▶ Download Case Report Forms



### Learn About the CDE Project

- ▶ Project overview and background
- ▶ Meetings and Presentations
- ▶ Collaboration with developers around the world

CDEs Now Available	CDEs Under Review	CDEs in Development
General (CDEs that cross diseases)		
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis		
Epilepsy		
Friedreich's Ataxia		
Headache		
Huntington's Disease		
Mitochondrial Disease <i>NEW!</i>		
Multiple Sclerosis		
Neuromuscular Diseases		





## NINDS Vision for CDEs

- NINDS-funded trials use CDEs or be CDE-compatible – it is part of FOA and Terms of Award
- All types of clinical research can use part of the CDEs
  - Observational clinical studies can be linked to trial datasets
  - All human subject grantees are asked to consider using CDEs
- Clinical research progress will be accelerated
  - New investigators can build on consensus data elements
  - Start-up of multi-center and international clinical research efforts will be facilitated