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When policy makers are aware of registries potential role, things go faster. The example of the establishment of the Campania Region Arthroplasty Registry

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Introduction

The Italian Arthroplasty Registry (RIAP) project is funded by the Ministry of Health. From 2006 on, 18 Regions out of 21 were involved on a voluntary basis but, due to the lack of political support, some of them were forced to retire or unable to start data collection, thus undoing the important work already carried out by surgeons and epidemiologists. Currently, 12 Regions are collecting data, although completeness (no. of procedures registered/no. of procedures actually performed) is close to 100% only where law established a regional registry.

This paper aims to present the roadmap for the establishment of the Campania arthroplasty registry as a foundation to implement the regional health deficits recovery plan.

Methods

- 06/10/2016 Designation of the regional representative in the RIAP Steering Committee
- 18/10/2016 Technical coordination meeting between RIAP and the regional policy makers
- 30/11/2016 Commissioner resolution: all private and public hospitals are obliged to collect data of hip, knee and shoulder replacements. From 1/1/2017 onwards reimbursement will be granted only under data submission to the regional registry
- 15/12/2016 RIAP web application training day for 80 health operators
- 01/01/2017 Start of data collection

Results

On January 11, 2017, 34 hospitals (50%), 78 surgeons and 44 procedures were registered. 100% completeness is expected by 30/6.

Discussion/Conclusion

Policy makers' awareness about the registry as an essential tool for good clinical governance and appropriateness is crucial. If the regional law links reimbursement to data submission, high level of participation and completeness will be reached. Further actions are needed to check the quality of data collected.

<u>Notes</u>

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