**CANCER REGISTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**May 12, 2025**

**Attendees Affiliation**

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| Robin Yabroff (*Chairperson*) | American Cancer Society |
| Clement Adebamowo | University of MD/School of Medicine |
| Norma Kanarek | Johns Hopkins School of Public Health (Retired)  |
| Clifford Mitchell | MDH/Environmental Health Bureau |
| **MDH Staff** |
| Benjamin Leo | MDH/PHPA/CCPC/MCR |
| Diana Tsuji | MDH/PHPA/CCPC |
| Afaq Ahmad | MDH/PHPA/CCPC/MCR |
| Jennifer Hayes | MDH/PHPA/CCPC/MCR |
| Delores Rich | MDH/PHPA/CCPC/MCR |
| **Myriddian Staff** |
| Vijay Medithi | Myriddian, LLC |
| Jason Myers | Myriddian, LLC |
| Carol Carlson | Myriddian, LLC |

**Call to Order/Introductions**

* All attendees introduced themselves and shared their respective affiliations.
* The committee welcomed Diana Tsuji, Program Manager for the Maryland Department of Health (MDH) Surveillance and Evaluation Unit.

**Approval of Minutes (02/10/2025**)

* The minutes from February 10, 2025 were approved.

**Maryland Cancer Registry (MCR) Updates**

* National Cancer Registrars Week Recognition (Governor’s Citation)
	+ April 7-11, 2025, marked the 29th annual observance of National Cancer Registrars Week. The national recognition provided the MCR an opportunity to acknowledge the unwavering dedication to high-quality cancer data and the essential role cancer registrars (Oncology Data Specialists) play in capturing the information that underpins cancer research, prevention, and treatment initiatives.
	+ A formal letter of recognition and a Governor’s Citation were presented in appreciation of their invaluable contributions.
* Deficient Facilities Update
	+ The MCR continues to make substantial progress in addressing delays in reporting among delinquent facilities, and the MCR also continues to actively collaborate with facilities to ensure timely case submissions.
	+ The number of delinquent cases has been reduced to the lowest level in the MCR’s recent history, reflecting significant improvements in both reporting compliance and workflow efficiency at the facility and central registry levels.
	+ The MCR has 100% of 2023 cases reported, marking the most successful performance to-date for both the 12-month and 24-month data submission benchmarks.
	+ The MCR’s vendor, Myriddian, has continued to work closely with delinquent facilities and has implemented a robust infrastructure to promote sustained compliance and reduce the risk of future delinquencies.

**Myriddian Updates**

* Myriddian presented data on the data collection process, including percent case completeness by quarter, incidence counts by quarter, and death certificate only cases by diagnosis year.
* Myriddian discussed some data quality review and correction processes.
* Myriddian discussed ePath processing using eMaRC Lite.

**Closing Remarks/Next Meeting:**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 9:30 a.m.