

Case Definitions For Public Health Surveillance

This thesis concerns case definitions for work-related stress; that is, the criteria used for the identification of a person as presenting a case. It has its focus on case definitions used as the basis for measurement in two related domains in the British context: large-scale nationally representative workforce surveys and personal injury litigation. Together, these contribute to informing policy and practice on tackling the challenge to occupational health presented by work-related stress. The thesis begins by placing the subject matter in its applied context through a consideration of research and policy imperatives for the development of case definitions for work-related stress. This is followed by a series of studies that employ a systematic review methodology and qualitative methodologies including template analysis and content analysis to explore the use, consequences and development of case definitions used in the two domains of interest. Relationships between both sets of case definitions are explored and implications for research, policy and practice considered. The studies culminate with a critical discourse analytic investigation into the media representation of the case definition used in personal injury litigation for work-related stress and its possible contribution to informing activities on tackling and defining work-related stress. The final chapter brings together the results and conclusions from preceding chapters. It considers some

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possible ways forward in the study of case definitions for work-related stress that might contribute to improvements in the occupational health of the nation's workforce.

The September 11 attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon have highlighted the threat of terrorism. Now, other attacks--biological and chemical, have an increased likelihood. Government agencies, public and private corporations, and the general public are all working to increase our preparedness. Programs to enhance communication and coordination of many community entities in emergency situations are required. Public Health Issues in Disaster Preparedness: Focus on Bioterrorism provides recommendations that are detailed and experienced-based.

"This text presents an organized approach to planning, developing, and implementing public health surveillance systems. It has a broad scope, discussing legal and ethical issues as well as technical problems"--Jacket cover.

This field manual is intended to help health professionals and public health coordinators working in emergency situations prevent, detect and control the major communicable diseases encountered by affected populations. The manual is the result of collaboration among a number of WHO departments and several external partner agencies in reviewing existing guidelines on communicable disease control and adapting them to emergency situations. The manual deals with the fundamental principles of communicable disease control in emergencies, which are: Rapid assessment to identify

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the communicable disease threats faced by the emergency-affected population, including those with epidemic potential, and define the health status of the population by conducting a rapid assessment; Prevention to prevent communicable disease by maintaining a healthy physical environment and good general living conditions; Surveillance to set up or strengthen disease surveillance system with an early warning mechanism to ensure the early reporting of cases to monitor disease trends, and to facilitate prompt detection and response to outbreaks; outbreak control to ensure outbreaks are rapidly detected and controlled through adequate preparedness (i.e. stockpiles, standard treatment protocols and staff training) and rapid response (i.e. confirmation, investigation and implementation of control measures); and disease management to diagnose and treat cases promptly with trained staff using effective treatment and standard protocols at all health facilities.

Essentials of Infectious Disease Epidemiology is devoted specifically to the methods required to study infectious disease making the perfect introduction to the field for undergraduate and introductory masters-level public health students. It will provide students with the requisite skills to conduct, evaluate, and understand the field of infectious disease epidemiology.

A case definition is set of uniform criteria used to define a disease for public health surveillance. Case definitions enable public health to classify and count cases consistently across reporting jurisdictions, and should not be used by healthcare providers to determine how to

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meet an individual patient's health needs. While the list of reportable conditions varies by state, the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) has recommended that state health departments report cases of selected diseases to CDC's National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS). Every year, case definitions are updated using CSTE's Position Statements. They provide uniform criteria of nationally notifiable infectious and non-infectious conditions for reporting purposes.

Authoritative and comprehensive, this is the leading text and professional resource on using geographic information systems (GIS) to analyze and address public health problems. Basic GIS concepts and tools are explained, including ways to access and manage spatial databases. The book presents state-of-the-art methods for mapping and analyzing data on population, health events, risk factors, and health services, and for incorporating geographical knowledge into planning and policy. Numerous maps, diagrams, and real-world applications are featured. The companion Web page provides lab exercises with data that can be downloaded for individual or course use. New to This Edition

- *Incorporates major technological advances, such as Internet-based mapping systems and the rise of data from cell phones and other GPS-enabled devices.

- *Chapter on health disparities. *Expanded coverage of public participation GIS. *Companion Web page

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has all-new content. *Goes beyond the United States to encompass an international focus.

Provides a compilation of materials describing research conducted by NIOSH on CTD's in the workplace. The best known occupational CTD is carpal tunnel syndrome, which is caused by compression of the median nerve within the carpal tunnel of the wrist. This bibliography includes complete or partial copies of NIOSH and non-NIOSH references on CTD. Also contains a comprehensive bibliography of NIOSH documents on CTD as well as a brief listing of non-NIOSH references (journal articles, book chapters, testimony, grant and contract reports, and more).

A comprehensive guide to the theory, research and practice of violence risk management The Wiley Handbook of What Works in Violence Risk Management: Theory, Research and Practice offers a comprehensive guide to the theory, research and practice of violence risk management. With contributions from a panel of noted international experts, the book explores the most recent advances to the theoretical understanding, assessment and management of violent behavior. Designed to be an accessible resource, the highly readable chapters address common issues associated with violent behavior such as alcohol misuse and the less common issues for example offenders with intellectual disabilities. Written for both those new to

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the field and professionals with years of experience, the book offers a wide-ranging review of who commit acts of violence, their prevalence in society and the most recent explanations for their behavior. The contributors explore various assessment approaches and highlight specialized risk assessment instruments. The Handbook provides the latest evidence on effective treatment and risk management and includes a number of well-established and effective treatment interventions for violent offenders. This important book: Contains an authoritative and comprehensive guide to the topic Includes contributions from an international panel of experts Offers information on violence risk formulation Reveals the most recent techniques in violence risk assessment Explains what works in violence intervention Reviews specialty clinical assessments Written for clinicians and other professionals in the field of violence prevention and assessment, *The Wiley Handbook of What Works in Violence Risk Management* is unique in its approach because it offers a comprehensive review of the topic rather than like other books on the market that take a narrower view.

Under the direction of new lead editors, Leiyu Shi and James A. Johnson, the new Third Edition of *Public Health Administration: Principles for Population-Based Management* examines the many events, advances, and challenges in the United

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States and the world since the publication of the prior edition of the book. With contributions from experts in areas ranging from workforce to community-based prevention to emergency preparedness, this timely and thorough revision offers detailed, comprehensive coverage of current, relevant issues for students as well as practicing public health administrators. This edition also addresses new perspectives of evidence-based public health, systems thinking, accountable care organizations, social entrepreneurship, integrated information management, disaster preparedness and response, and social media. New to this Edition: * New team of seasoned co-editors, Leiyu Shi and James A. Johnson. * Streamlined chapters with new chapter objectives and discussion questions to enhance the classroom experience for students. * New chapters on public health policy, social determinants of health, public health systems research, social marketing, social entrepreneurship for public health, and global health. * New student Navigate Companion Website with interactive learning materials to engage students in learning. Instructor Resources: Instructor Manual, PowerPoint, Test Bank Student Resources: Companion Website

The thoroughly revised and updated Third Edition of the acclaimed *Modern Epidemiology* reflects both the conceptual development of this evolving science

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and the increasingly focal role that epidemiology plays in dealing with public health and medical problems. Coauthored by three leading epidemiologists, with sixteen additional contributors, this Third Edition is the most comprehensive and cohesive text on the principles and methods of epidemiologic research. The book covers a broad range of concepts and methods, such as basic measures of disease frequency and associations, study design, field methods, threats to validity, and assessing precision. It also covers advanced topics in data analysis such as Bayesian analysis, bias analysis, and hierarchical regression. Chapters examine specific areas of research such as disease surveillance, ecologic studies, social epidemiology, infectious disease epidemiology, genetic and molecular epidemiology, nutritional epidemiology, environmental epidemiology, reproductive epidemiology, and clinical epidemiology.

This reference gives full coverage of traditional public health responsibilities--assessing the burden of disease, preventing and controlling health threats, and developing policies and constituencies to improve health--in a contemporary framework that fully reflects the ongoing transition from a public to a population health perspective. Public Health Administration covers the basics of administration, including organizational design law, human resources, budgeting and financing, marketing, and

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communications; discusses newly defined and emerging areas, such as health information management, geographic information systems, performance measurement and improvement, ethics, leadership, and community partnerships; expert contributors draw on first hand experience and leading-edge research, assembling the information required for effective managerial decision-making. This volume blows apart the myths about who gets AIDS and shows how these myths are driven by moral and political pressures. It argues that the story of HIV has been distorted by UNAIDS and AIDS activists in order to support the myth of high potential risk of HIV epidemics spreading into the general population.

"For adults and adolescents (i.e., persons aged >13 years), the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection classification system and the surveillance case definitions for HIV infection and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) have been revised and combined into a single case definition for HIV infection. In addition, the HIV infection case definition for children aged

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More than 2 decades have passed since the 1990-1991 conflict in the Persian Gulf. During the intervening years, many Gulf War veterans have experienced various unexplained symptoms that many associate with service in the gulf region, but no specific exposure has been definitively associated with symptoms. Numerous researchers have described the pattern of signs and

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symptoms found in deployed Gulf War veterans and noted that they report unexplained symptoms at higher rates than nondeployed veterans or veterans deployed elsewhere during the same period. Gulf War veterans have consistently shown a higher level of morbidity than the nondeployed, in some cases with severe and debilitating consequences. However, efforts to define a unique illness or syndrome in Gulf War veterans have failed, as have attempts to develop a uniformly accepted case definition. Chronic Multisymptom Illness in Gulf War Veterans is a comprehensive review of the available scientific and medical literature regarding symptoms for chronic multisymptom illness (CMI) among the 1991 Gulf War Veterans. This report evaluates and summarizes the literature in an effort to identify appropriate terminology to use in referring to CMI in Gulf War Veterans. While the report does not recommend one specific case definition over another, Chronic Multisymptom Illness in Gulf War Veterans does recommend the consideration of two case definitions on the basis of their concordance with the evidence and their ability to identify specific symptoms commonly reported by Gulf War veterans. This report recommends that the Department of Veterans Affairs use the term Gulf War illness rather than CMI. The report recommends that that the Department of Veterans Affairs, to the extent possible, systematically assess existing data to identify additional features of Gulf War illness, such as onset, duration, severity, frequency of symptoms, and exclusionary criteria to produce a more robust case definition.

Clinical Mycology offers a comprehensive review of this

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discipline. Organized by types of fungi, this volume covers microbiologic, epidemiologic and demographic aspects of fungal infections as well as diagnostic, clinical, therapeutic, and preventive approaches. Special patient populations are also detailed.

"Traumatic brain injury (TBI) remains a public health challenge as it causes considerable long-term disability and mortality, creating an important economic burden for society. Accurate and timely assessments of the TBI burden provide evidence to justify the allocation of healthcare resources and to evaluate injury-mitigating interventions. Unfortunately, current approaches to measuring the burden of incident cases have poor accuracy and are resource-intensive, limiting their applicability. In addition, incident TBI only contributes part of the overall injury burden since recurrent TBI (rTBI) occurs frequently. These repetitive injuries significantly amplify the overall TBI burden by worsening the disability of affected individuals. Despite their important contribution to the overall TBI burden, recurrent injuries are poorly understood and have not been comprehensively described in the general population. Given these important knowledge gaps regarding the measurement and control of the TBI burden, TBI has been called a "silent epidemic". The goal of this thesis, composed of three manuscripts, is to improve the methods used to conduct TBI surveillance for incident and recurrent cases, such that the injury burden can be accurately and comprehensively assessed using readily available data sources, thereby also improving the quality of TBI epidemiological

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research. In Manuscript 1, administrative health data from a 25% random sample of Montreal residents from 2000 to 2014 were used to conduct a hierarchical Bayesian latent class analysis. Using these methods, the measurement error-adjusted TBI incidence and the accuracy (sensitivity/specificity) was estimated for widely used TBI case definitions based on the International Classification of Diseases, or on head radiologic examinations, covering the full injury spectrum in children, adults, and the elderly. The latent class approach allowed this analysis to be conducted without the need to define a gold standard definition for TBI, which is not available. In Manuscript 2, a systematic search was conducted of MEDLINE, EMBASE, and the references of included studies until January 16, 2017, for general population observational studies reporting rTBI risk or risk factors. Estimates were not meta-analyzed due to significant methodologic heterogeneity between studies, which was evaluated using meta-regression. In Manuscript 3, methodological limitations on rTBI surveillance identified in Manuscript 2 were addressed. Bayesian latent class models were developed using the same study population and data source as in Manuscript 1 to estimate the measurement error-adjusted rTBI incidence within 1 year of an index injury, and the accuracy of widely used TBI case definitions. This thesis demonstrates that accurate TBI surveillance of incident cases is possible with resource-friendly administrative health data, provided that methods are used to account for inherent measurement error. Furthermore, this thesis emphasizes that rTBI, which has previously been largely

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ignored in the general population, is an important contributor to the overall TBI burden. However, the literature on rTBI epidemiology and surveillance in the general population is scarce and has several methodological limitations. In addition, this thesis addresses these limitations by providing the tools necessary to conduct rTBI surveillance accurately and feasibly with administrative health data. The improvement in incident TBI and rTBI surveillance methods provided in this thesis also allows epidemiological researchers to accurately identify incident TBI and rTBI cases in administrative health data. In doing so, such researchers can provide higher quality evidence with valid inferences on the impact of interventions that mitigate the TBI burden. All of this information together provides a louder voice to the once silent TBI epidemic"--

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entrepreneurship, integrated information management, disaster preparedness and response, and social media. Section A. Introduction to surveillance and the New Zealand system -- Section B. EpiSurv manual version 3.0 -- Section C. Instructions for using case report forms and case definitions.

The Encyclopedia of Epidemiology presents state-of-the-art information from the field of epidemiology in a less technical and accessible style and format. With more than 600 entries, no single reference provides as comprehensive a resource in as focused and appropriate manner. The entries cover every major facet of epidemiology, from risk ratios to case-control studies to mediating and moderating variables, and much more. Relevant topics from related fields such as biostatistics and health economics are also included.

A refreshing new text that gives students a solid grounding in the principles, practices, and skills essential to successful public health administration. With this text you get full coverage of traditional public health responsibilities -- assessing the burden of disease, preventing and controlling health threats, and developing policies and constituencies to improve health -- in a contemporary framework that fully reflects the ongoing transition from a public to a population health perspective. Each chapter ends with chapter reviews to reinforce major points; examples throughout the text demonstrate important major concepts; a real-life case study illustrates the application of leadership in public health.

Public Health Surveillance (PHS) is of primary

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importance in this era of emerging health threats like Ebola, MERS-CoV, influenza, natural and man-made disasters, and non-communicable diseases.

Transforming Public Health Surveillance is a forward-looking, topical, and up-to-date overview of the issues and solutions facing PHS. It describes the realities of the gaps and impediments to efficient and effective PHS, while presenting a vision for its possibilities and promises in the 21st century. The book gives a roadmap to the goal of public health information being available, when it is needed and where it is needed. Led by Professor Scott McNabb, a leader in the field, an international team of the top-notch public health experts from academia, government, and non-governmental organizations provides the most complete and current update on this core area of public health practice in a decade in 32 chapters. This includes the key roles PHS plays in achieving the global health security agenda and health equity. The authors provide a global perspective for students and professionals in public health. Seven scenarios lay out an aid to understand the context for the lessons of the book, and a comprehensive glossary, questions, bullet points, and learning objectives make this book an excellent tool in the classroom.

Discusses the history, nature, and symptoms of AIDS, describes how it can be treated and prevented, and includes information about actual cases

Provides a coherent and comprehensive account of the theory and practice of real-time human disease outbreak detection, explicitly recognizing the revolution in practices of infection control and public health

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surveillance. Reviews the current mathematical, statistical, and computer science systems for early detection of disease outbreaks Provides extensive coverage of existing surveillance data Discusses experimental methods for data measurement and evaluation Addresses engineering and practical implementation of effective early detection systems Includes real case studies

While an ever-present and familiar toxin, carbon monoxide (CO) remains the number one poison in our environment. This silent killer is responsible for over 2,000 deaths a year in the United States alone. The public and healthcare communities need quality information about the many risks presented by carbon monoxide exposure. Edited by a leading expert in the field, *Carbon Monoxide Poisoning* delineates the successful means to prevent, identify, and manage the effects of CO poisoning. This volume explores new information on CO toxicity, including rehabilitation, the dissemination of information to the public, litigation involving CO poisoning, economic loss assessment, and firefighting. A series of chapters detail the risk of CO poisoning from kitchen ranges, recreational vehicles, and power boats. Expert contributors survey diagnostic procedures and devices, incorporating advances in brain SPECT imaging and non-invasive pulse-oximetry. The book includes chapters that specifically address the pros and cons of hyperbaric oxygen therapy and thoroughly review the physiological effects of acute and long term exposure to CO, as well as the neurocognitive and neurobehavioral sequelae. Whether you are a healthcare

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professional who treats CO poisoning, a lawyer involved in litigation for loss of life or property due to CO poisoning, or an engineer developing a well-insulated structure with sufficient ventilation; you will face the challenges raised by CO toxicology. Offering the only comprehensive reference on the subject, this multi-faceted guide takes an innovative look at how we can identify, treat, and prevent harmful exposure to carbon monoxide.

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