| Component Test? | Test? | When? | Metric? | Source of data? | Decision testing supports? |
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| Hardware | •Usability •Durability •Reliability | Life of DSS, but mainly during development | Yes/no test for durability, reliability, and usability. | Hardware test results Manufactures results Other tests Durability testing in all environments | Whether hardware is reliable under any conditions |
| Communications | •Reliability •Throughput •Speed •Interoperability •Security | Life of DSS, external environments are constantly changing | •Bandwidth •Bits per milliseconds •Yes/no for if CBNAIR is secure and interoperable | Smartbits Ping tests Other Networking and communication tools Hackers | Whether communications would be quick and reliable in any conditions. Also that the data is secure and interoperable. |
| Software | Processing TimeUser InterfaceUsability | Life of DSS, but mainly during development | •Time to process data •Survey answers | Usability surveyInterviewsMock training | Whether or not the software is user friendly under all conditions (in HAZMAT gear) and the processing time is sufficient. |
| Accuracy of Model | •Type of Agent •Treatment •COA | Life of DSS, continually improving on the model and updating COA | •Expert knowledge •Actual vs. predicted | •FEMA •NIH •Military •CDC •Mock training | Whether model accurately identifies the agent and provides an accurate COA. |
| The Overall System | Interoperability Overall Response time Effectiveness | Life of DSS, continually using the results to make improvements | •Accuracy improvement •Speed improvement | •With and without technology mock training sessions | Identifies DSS weaknesses and measures the overall quality and effectiveness. Also provides feed back in where improvements to CBNAIR should be made |