

MDCH SHARP NHSN USERS CONFERENCE CALL

Wednesday, February 27, 2013

Thank you to those who were able to join our monthly NHSN users' conference call. If you were unable to participate on this call, we hope that you will be able to participate next month. Any healthcare facility is welcome to participate in these calls, whether they are sharing NHSN data with us or not. These conference calls are voluntary. Registration and name/facility identification are **not** required to participate.

Our monthly conference calls will be held on the 4th Wednesday each month at 10:00 a.m.

Call-in number: 877-336-1831

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Suggestions for agenda items and discussion during the conference calls are always welcome! Please contact Judy at weberj4@michigan.gov, or Allie at murada@michigan.gov, to add items to the agenda.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM CONFERENCE CALL

Welcome & Introductions

Judy welcomed participants on the call and indicated that she and Allie were the only two SHARP staff on the call; however, both Jennie Finks and Bryan Buckley also indicated that they were on the call from their respective locations. Participants were reminded to put their phones on mute or to press *6. Judy indicated that participants would be able to take their phones off mute during the discussion of the case studies.

Brief Updates and Reminders

Update on SHARP Reports

Allie reminded the group that the 2012 Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 surveillance reports were posted on the www.michigan.gov/hai website. The data for Quarter 3 have been pulled, and this report is now in process. The data pull corresponded with the February 15 CMS reporting deadline. The 2011-2012 Semi-Annual Report is still in its final editing stages, and the 76 corresponding individual hospitals reports are in process. Allie announced that she is working on an in-depth CAUTI analysis of participating hospitals and is presenting this information at the MPHA Epidemiology Conference on April 12. She also is working on region-specific SIR calculations for a poster at the MSIPC spring conference on May 9-10.

Allie passed along the note that VAP analysis on historical data is down on NHSN. This should hopefully be fixed soon so we'll be able to go back to view 2012 and older VAP

data (*Note: Allie received an email from CDC indicating that this has been fixed and will work after datasets are regenerated later Wednesday afternoon*).

Facility Surveys

Acute care hospitals and LTACs can now complete their **annual facility survey for 2012** which can be found under the Patient Safety Component within NHSN. When going into NHSN, you should see an alert and link that will take you to the annual facility survey. If not, you can find your facility's annual survey under "Survey" on the navigation bar.

There are also surveys to be completed under the Healthcare Personnel Safety Component, depending upon modules in which your facility is participating. If your facility is only participating in the Healthcare Personnel Vaccination Module of this Component, the Seasonal Survey on Influenza Vaccination Programs for Healthcare Personnel is **optional** for this 2012/13 flu season, per statement in NHSN v7.1 (February 2013) Release Notes from CDC. If you/your facility are participating in the Healthcare Personnel Exposure Module(s) under the Healthcare Personnel Safety Component, you **must complete** a separate survey for this module. There will be an alert to such when you enter this module within NHSN.

Copies of the Healthcare Personnel Safety Module Surveys are attached to the Feb 27th conference meeting room. Any questions regarding the surveys can be directed to Judy or Allie in the SHARP Unit at 517-353-8165, or via email.

Note: Facilities will not be able to add monthly reporting plans and data for 2013 until their 2012 annual facility survey is completed.

Note also that the "Vaccination Module" within the Patient Safety Component, listed in the Monthly Reporting Plan, is not the module that is mandated by CMS. There has been some confusion about this module vs. the Healthcare Personnel Vaccination Module within the Healthcare Personnel Safety Module. The former "Vaccination Module" is intended for patients, and the latter is intended for healthcare personnel.

Conferring Rights

Facility-wide MRSA and *C. difficile* LabID event reporting became mandatory for acute care hospitals on January 1, 2013. With this mandate, hospitals now need to include all inpatient units within their facility in NHSN. (Enter all locations under "Facility" and then "Location" on the navigation bar of the Patient Safety Component.) If new locations are added that were not included previously, hospitals must again re-confer rights to MDCH-SHARP in order for us to see their facility's data in these new locations. To confer rights, go to "Group" on the navigation bar, then drop down to "Confer Rights". On the screen that opens, highlight MDCH_SHARP in the box to identify the group to which you want to confer rights, then click on "Confer Rights" in the box next to it. A new screen will then show the template of conferred rights desired by SHARP. You do not need to add or change anything on this screen. Simply go to the bottom of the screen and click on the "Accept" button. You have now conferred rights to the SHARP Unit to

all previous and any newly added locations within your facility. Questions regarding this can again be directed to Judy or Allie in the SHARP Unit.

Release of NHSN v7.1

On February 17, CDC sent out an email announcing the release of their newest version of NHSN. Attached to this email is a list of changes that have occurred with the new release. IPs should carefully review these changes as they will impact definitions within the various modules within NHSN. This document has been posted to the Feb 27th conference call meeting room.

Case Studies

Judy and Allie presented 5 case studies developed by CDC, several of which included new 2013 revised infection definitions. These 5 case studies are attached to these minutes. Additional case studies will be presented during the next monthly NHSN conference call.

Next Conference Call

The next monthly conference call is scheduled for Wednesday, March 27 at 10:00 a.m. Please join us if you can.