

# Demo Exercise: LabID Event SIR

## Description:

The LabID Event SIR is available for both *C. difficile* Infection (CDI) and MRSA bacteremia LabID Events. This exercise will provide an introduction to the CDI SIR. Working through this exercise will allow you to practice creating and modifying an SIR table, as well as show you how to interpret specific statistics provided in the output.

You should be familiar with the calculation and interpretation of an SIR and its statistics (p-value and 95% confidence interval). Information on these topics can be found here:

**NHSN Newsletter: Your Guide to the Standardized Infection Ratio:**

[http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/Newsletters/NHSN\\_NL\\_OCT\\_2010SE\\_final.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/Newsletters/NHSN_NL_OCT_2010SE_final.pdf)

## Example:

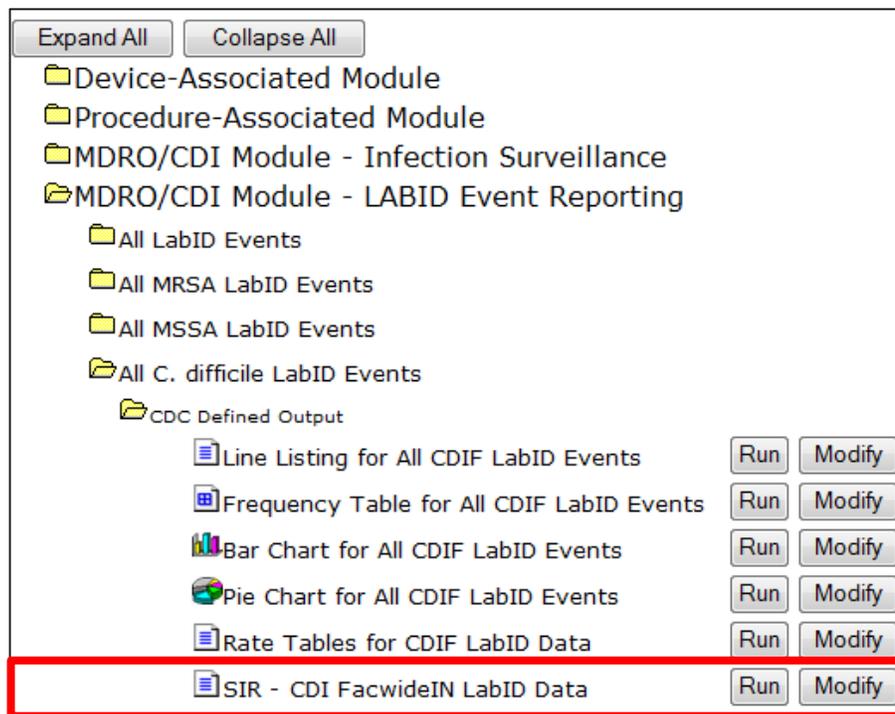
Your hospital administrators have asked you to provide a statistical measure comparing your facility's CDI experience to the national CDI benchmark for the last two quarters of 2012. You are expected to interpret these statistics for your administrators, including the tests for statistical significance.

### Answer the following questions:

1. What is your facility's CDI SIR for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2012?
2. For the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2012, do the p-value and 95% confidence interval indicate that the number of observed incident healthcare facility-onset *C. difficile* infections in your facility is significantly different from the number expected?

## Creating an SIR Table:

To locate the CDI SIR table output option in NHSN, click on the Analysis > Output Options from the left navigation bar. You will then find the SIR table under MDRO/CDI Module-LabID Event Reporting > All *C. difficile* LabID Events> CDC Defined Output> SIR- CDI FacwideIN LabID Data. Select 'Modify' next to the output option.



## Modification Page:

### Analysis SIR

Analysis Data Set: LABID\_RatesCDIF Export Analysis Data Set

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**Modify Attributes of the Output:**

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Output Type: **SIR**

Output Name:

Output Title:

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**Select output format:**

Output Format:

Use Variable Labels

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**Select a time period or Leave Blank for Cumulative Time Period:**

Date Variable	Beginning	Ending	<span>Clear Time Period</span>
<input type="text" value="summaryYQ"/>	<input type="text" value="2012Q3"/>	<input type="text" value="2012Q4"/>	

Enter Date variable/Time period at the time you click the Run button

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**Specify Other Selection Criteria:**

[Show Criteria](#) [Column +](#) [Row +](#) [Clear Criteria](#)



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**Other Options:** [Print Variable Reference List](#)

Group by:

Run Save As Reset Back Export Output Data Set

The option to use more descriptive variable labels was selected (recommended).

Select the time period of interest using SummaryYQ, since we have particular quarters of interest (2012 Q3 and Q4).

In order to produce an SIR for each quarter, select summaryYQ for the Group By option. If you wanted to produce a single SIR that summarized your data from *both* quarters, you could leave this option blank.

**\*For more information about how to edit the modifications page, please see the following Quick Reference Guides:**

How to filter output by additional criteria: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PS-Analysis-resources/PDF/SelectionCriteria.pdf>  
How to filter data by time period: <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PS-Analysis-resources/PDF/FilterTimePeriod.pdf>