

NHSN v13.0.3 Release Notes

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Changes to ALL Components	
Facility Information	<p>On the Facility Enrollment page, the following forms have been updated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facility Contact Information - 57.300 - BV - Acute Care Facility Survey - 57.306 - BV - Non-Acute Care Facility Survey - 57.400 - Outpatient Procedure Facility Survey - 57.500 - Outpatient Dialysis Center Practices Survey - 57.507 - Home Dialysis Center Practices Survey
SOGI Removal	<p>NHSN is making the following changes to data collection across all components (see specifics for each component listed below) in compliance with Executive Order 14168, “Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government”:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement “Sex” as a data collection field - Implement “Female (F)” and “Male (M)” as the only response options for the “Sex” field - Remove all fields labeled as any other sex categories and all fields related to gender/gender identity <p>This impacts the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - User Interface (UI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Define/Confer Rights - CSV Import/Export <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Facility Export has been disabled until further notice. o Updated Patient CSV Import - CDA Submission - Data Analysis and Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Updated the variable label PDFs for the Modify Screen

Changes to Biovigilance Component (BV)	
SOGI Removal	<p>Adverse Reaction – The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added “Sex” field as a required value. - Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”. - Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”. <p>Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line Listings - Filters tab - Display Variables tab - Sort Variables tab - Display Options tab

Changes to Biovigilance Component (BV)	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Export <p>Previously reported values other than Female or Male will display as BLANK in the reports.</p> <p>Any references in ICD-10 Codes to “Gender”/”Gender Identity” have been removed from the vocabulary.</p> <p>All error messages have been updated to reflect “Sex” instead of “Gender”.</p> <p>Survey - The annual survey(s) have been updated to reflect “Sex” instead of “Gender”. All references to “Gender”/”Gender Identity” have been removed from the survey(s).</p>

Changes to Dialysis Component (DIAL)	
Survey	<p>The Outpatient Dialysis Center Practices Survey (57.500) has been updated including revision to questions for clarity, removal of unneeded questions, and addition of COVID-19 vaccine to the vaccine questions.</p> <p>The Home Dialysis Center Practices Survey (57.507) has been updated including revised questions for clarity, removal of unnecessary questions, addition of COVID-19 to vaccine questions, and reformat of survey into sections for ease of completion.</p>
Influenza	<p>NHSN is no longer collecting patient influenza vaccination data. Therefore, the option to select patient influenza vaccination has been removed from the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Monthly Reporting Plan - Summary Data - Event – Users can find existing events associated with flu vaccination data, but they will not be able to add an event. <p>This change is for both groups and facilities.</p>
SOGI Removal	<p>Event - The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added “Sex” field as a required value. - Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”. - Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”. <p>CDA Submission – Users should continue to submit CDAs as usual for CLIP Event (R2-D2.1) and DIAL Event (R3-D4).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Required data field currently labeled as “Gender” will be relabeled in the NHSN application as “Sex”. - Any data that are not “Female” or “Male” values will be set to “Not-reported” - Previously reported values of O, U, UN will be mapped to (N)ot-Reported - “Not-reported” values will display as BLANK in the NHSN application

Changes to Dialysis Component (DIAL)

	<p>Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line Listings - Filters tab - Display Variables tab - Sort Variables tab - Display Options tab <p>Previously reported values other than Female or Male will display as BLANK in the reports.</p> <p>All error messages have been updated to reflect “Sex” instead of “Gender”.</p>
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Changes to Healthcare Personnel Safety Component (HPS)

SOGI Removal	<p>HCW, Lab Test, Proxy/Treat, Exposure, Person-Level HCP - The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added “Sex” field as a required value. - Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”. - Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”. <p>CSV Import/Export has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed columns – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added the column “Sex” as a required field - Valid values for Sex are “F” or “M” - Previously reported values other than “F” or “M” will display as blank in the export. <p>Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line Listings - Filters tab - Display Variables tab - Sort Variables tab - Display Options tab <p>Previously reported values other than Female or Male will display as BLANK in the reports.</p> <p>All error messages have been updated to reflect “Sex” instead of “Gender”.</p>
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Changes to Long Term Care Component (LTC)

Rights	<p>The menu text has changed on the Confer/Define Rights screen to reference Respiratory Pathogens and Vaccination instead of COVID-19 only.</p>
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Changes to Long Term Care Component (LTC)

SOGI Removal	<p>Resident, Staff, Event, POC, Person-Level Resident, and Person-Level Staff - The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added “Sex” field as a required value. - Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”. - Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”. - <p>Language was updated on the POC Test Result Reporting UI for Pregnancy status. All error messages or warnings will reflect the new label, Pregnancy Status.</p> <p>CSV Import/Export, C19/LTCPOC API has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed columns – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added the column “Sex” as a required field - Valid values for Sex are “F” or “M” - Previously reported values other than “F” or “M” will display as blank in the export. <p>CDA Submission – Users should continue to submit CDAs as usual for LabID Event (R1-D1)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Required data field currently labeled as “Gender” will be relabeled in the NHSN application as “Sex”. - Any data that are not “Female” or “Male” values will be set to “Not-reported” - Previously reported values of O, U, UN will be mapped to (N)ot-Reported - “Not-reported” values will display as BLANK in the NHSN application <p>Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line Listings - Filters tab - Display Variables tab - Sort Variables tab - Display Options tab <p>Previously reported values other than Female or Male will display as BLANK in the reports.</p> <p>All error messages have been updated to reflect “Sex” instead of “Gender”.</p>
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Changes to Medication Safety Component (MS)

Survey	<p>The Medication Safety Component Annual Hospital Survey (57.701) has been updated including revision to questions for clarity, removal of unneeded questions, and addition of questions related to glycemic control.</p>
SOGI Removal	<p>Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Line Listings - Filters tab - Display Variables tab - Sort Variables tab

Changes to Medication Safety Component (MS)

- Display Options tab
- Previously reported values other than Female or Male will display as BLANK in the reports.

Changes to Outpatient Procedure Component (OP)

Enrollment

Digital Consent Status - Users in the OP Component can now accept NHSN terms of agreement during logon after enrollment. The PDF consent form is visible in the application with the option for the user to provide digital consent. Users can also select to view the agreement form on the Facility Information page.

SOGI Removal

Event, Procedure, Patient - The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:

- Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth”
- Added “Sex” field as a required value.
- Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”.
- Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”.

Procedures CSV Import has been updated as follows:

- Removed columns – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth”
- Added the column “Sex” as a required field
- Valid values for Sex are “F” or “M”

Data Analysis and Reporting has been updated to reflect adding “Sex” as a field option and removing “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, and “Sex at Birth”. Female or Male are the only options for selection. The following were impacted:

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Changes to Patient Safety Component (PS)

Analysis and Reporting

AR Option Pathogens – The AR Option eligible pathogens have been expanded for 2025 reporting including Group A streptococcus, Candida genus and additional Candida species.

AU Option Drugs - The following three drug ingredients should be available for view:

- CEFENMET - Cefepime/Enmetazobactam
- CEFTOMED - Ceftobiprole medocaril
- PIVMEC - Pivmecillinam

Annual Surveys – Hosp, IRF, LTAC

- Existing report is being renamed: Line Listing - Hospital Survey (2023 and later)
- A new report is being created: Line Listing - Hospital Survey (2024 and later)
- Existing report is being renamed Line Listing - IRF Survey (2023 and later)

Changes to Patient Safety Component (PS)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new report is being created Line Listing IRF Survey (2024 and later) • Existing report is being renamed: Line Listing - Long-term Acute Care Facility Survey (2023 and later) • A new report is being created: Line Listing - Long-term Acute Care Facility Survey (2024 and later)
Annual Surveys	<p>Partial Annual Survey NEW Business Rule The partial survey for the upcoming survey year should be available to the facility if:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) If the facility checks the check box for the question “Facility was not operational in this survey year” in the most recent survey available AND 2) The facility has not submitted any Monthly Reporting Plans for the most recent survey year AND 3) The facility has submitted Monthly Reporting Plans for the upcoming survey year. <p>This new business rule applies to the HOSP, LTACH, and IRF PS Annual Surveys. This business rule does not apply to mini-IRF surveys.</p> <p>“Facility not operational check box” on HOSP, LTAC and IRF Surveys</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The text has been changed on the surveys, dated 2024 and moving forward, to allow for the year to be dynamic in the following statement: “Facility was not operational in the calendar year”. 2. The check box for this question will no longer display to those facilities that already have MRPs for the previous year. In this case, a statement will display as follows: “The checkbox is disabled due to Monthly Reporting Plans submitted for the previous year.”
Blood Culture Shortage	<p>The data collection of the blood culture shortage questionnaire will be disabled in the NHSN application starting 02/28/2025.</p>
SOGI Removal	<p>Alerts are now showing “Sex” as a column header instead of “Gender”.</p> <p>Event/Procedure - The Add/Edit functionality as has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed fields – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added “Sex” field as a required value. - Dropdown values are “F – Female” and “M – Male”. - Upon viewing, BLANK represents historical data previously submitted as anything other than “Female” or “Male”. - <p>Procedures, Respiratory Pathogens Surveillance CSV Import has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Removed columns – “Gender”, “Gender Identity”, “Sex at Birth” - Added the column “Sex” as a required field - Valid values for Sex are “F” or “M” <p>CDA Submission – Users should continue to submit CDAs as usual for AR Event (R3), BSI Event (R4-D1), CLIP Event (R2-D2.1), LabID Event (R2-D2.1), Procedures (R2-D1.1), SSI Event (R4-D1), UTI Event (R4-D1), and VAE (R4-D1).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Required data field currently labeled as “Gender” will be relabeled in the NHSN application as “Sex”. - Any data that are not “Female” or “Male” values will be set to “Not-reported” - Previously reported values of O, U, UN will be mapped to (N)ot-Reported - “Not-reported” values will display as BLANK in the NHSN application

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