

NHSN v6.6.1 (April 2012) Release Notes ALL COMPONENTS

Change	Description
Updates to Patient Safety Component – Dialysis Event reporting	<p>Several changes to Dialysis Event reporting have been made, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated baseline rates • Updated analysis output options <p>Additional information will be provided to facilities participating in Dialysis Event reporting via a separate blast email.</p>
Updates to Biovigilance Component – Hemovigilance Module	<p>Several changes to the Hemovigilance Module have been made, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New business rules to assist in entering case definition criteria and location of attribution • Updated adverse reaction form to allow entry of Codabar and ISBT codes in a single record • Additional updates to the incident and adverse reaction forms <p>Additional information will be provided to facilities participating in the Biovigilance Component via a separate blast email.</p>
Patient Safety Component – new analysis output option for SSI data being sent to CMS	<p>A new analysis output option called “SIR – Complex 30-Day SSI Data for CMS IPPS” has been created. This output option will display data that is being submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) by NHSN on behalf of facilities participating in the Inpatient Quality Reporting Program.</p> <p>To run this output option, generate new datasets and then navigate the analysis output option folder structure to Advanced, then Summary Level Data, then CDC-Defined Output. More information about this output option (and other output options related to CMS IPPS reporting) will be available on the NHSN website at www.cdc.gov/nhsn/library.html.</p>
Patient Safety Component - required updates for inpatient rehabilitation locations in acute care facilities	<p>In a subset of acute care facilities with inpatient rehabilitation locations, these units are separately licensed, CMS-designated Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRF) that are reimbursed at higher rates by CMS. These locations can be identified by the presence of an ‘R’ or a ‘T’ in the third position of their location-specific CMS Certification Number (CCN).</p> <p>Facilities with inpatient rehabilitation locations that are designated as IRFs by CMS must create or update these locations within NHSN’s location manager and enter a location-specific survey if they are participating in the IRF Prospective Payment System’s Quality Reporting Program.</p> <p>Additional information about creating or updating an inpatient rehabilitation location to designate it as a CMS-designated IRF follows this table. This information will also be available on the NHSN website at http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/IRF/irf-welcome.html.</p>