Reporting COVID-19 Data to NHSN

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Dear NHSN Users:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC’s) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) continues to support the nation’s COVID-19 response. Please know that submitting data via the NHSN application’s COVID-19 Module fulfills the reporting request for “Capacity and Utilization Data” detailed in Secretary Azar’s letter and FAQs dated April 10, 2020 (see attached). Hospitals already reporting COVID-19 data to NHSN should continue to do so. Note “Testing Data” is not to be submitted to NHSN. Questions about reporting COVID-19 data to NHSN should be directed to NHSN@cdc.gov with subject line “COVID-19 Module.” Questions about lab test reporting should be directed to ecevent405@cdc.gov with subject line “COVID-19 Lab Reporting.”

NHSN’s COVID-19 Module makes it possible for health departments, hospital associations, health systems, and IT vendors to upload COVID-19 data on behalf of hospitals in their NHSN groups. More information on this technical feature can be found in this guide on the NHSN COVID-19 Module web page.

Facility-level data collected through NHSN as part of the COVID-19 Module are being made available to a broader set of Federal, state, and local agency data users than data typically collected by NHSN. Specifically, COVID-19 data at the state, county, territory, and facility level submitted to NHSN will continue to be used for public health emergency response activities by CDC’s emergency COVID-19 response, by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services’ (HHS’) COVID-19 tracking system maintained in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Preparedness and Response as part of the National Response Coordination Center at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and by the White House Coronavirus Task Force.

Thank you!

The NHSN Team