

From: NHSN (CDC)
Sent: Wednesday, April 26, 2017 1:56 PM
To: ALL NHSN PATIENT SAFETY COMPONENT USERS
Subject: Important Information Regarding NHSN CLABSI SIRs



Dear NHSN Users,

During a recent analysis at CDC, the NHSN team discovered an error related to the development of the CLABSI models, under the 2015 baseline, for all facility types reporting CLABSI data via the NHSN Patient Safety Component. As a result of this error, the CLABSI models will be reconstructed. Until the new models becomes available, the following reports will continue to produce results based on the original, 2015 models:

- SIR – Acute Care Hospital CLAB Data
- SIR – Critical Access Hospitals CLAB Data
- SIR – Long Term Acute Care CLAB Data
- SIR – Inpatient Rehab Facilities CLAB Data
- SIR – CLAB Data for Hospital IQR
- SIR – CLAB Data for LTCHQR
- TAP Report – ACH and CAH CLAB Data
- TAP Report – LTACH CLAB Data

IMPORTANT: While these reports will produce results, we anticipate that the following information could change when the new models are implemented:

- numPred
- SIR
- 95% CI
- p-value

We encourage facilities to continue the use of these reports in order to check compliance with reporting requirements. We will provide an update once the new models have been developed, validated, and implemented. In addition, the SIRs calculated using the updated CLABSI models will be shared with CMS beginning with 2015Q1 data, using the state of the data at the time of each quarterly deadline.

We understand how much facilities depend on these data in their prevention activities, as well as for completion of CMS and state mandates. We deeply regret that this error occurred and apologize for the inconvenience this may cause. If you have questions, please send an email to NHSN@cdc.gov.

Sincerely,

The NHSN Team

