



To All NHSN Facilities Performing SSI Surveillance,

In our ongoing effort to make available the most accurate operative procedure code information, we have made corrections to the 2017 NHSN operative procedure codes. The corrections **apply only to operative procedures performed on or after January 1, 2017.**

The operative procedure code documents have been updated and are posted on the NHSN SSI webpage in the Supporting Materials section. The updated documents can be readily identified by the 06-2017 date on the first tab and/or in the document header.

The compendium of the corrections is attached to this emailed and includes the following information:

- Type of code (ICD-10-PCS or CPT)
- Code category
- Individual procedure code
- Specific correction made

Several of the corrections are not substantive -- such as correcting a procedure code category abbreviation VHSY to VHYS, adding a missing code description and adding code status to the Summary Document.

The corrections apply to procedures dated **January 1, 2017** and later. If any of the procedure codes listed in the compendium are included in your facility's data, you will need to make corrections – this means that you may need to edit or remove the NHSN record(s) associated with any of the corrected codes. **Your corrections can be made after the v8.7 deployment which is anticipated on June 17, 2017.**

Instructions for identifying and editing a procedure record that contains one of the corrected codes:

Step		Action
1.	Review Monthly Reporting Plan (MRP) • Does your MRP include any of the procedure categories listed in the compendium?	If Yes – Identify the procedure record(s) in your data that includes the procedure code listed in the compendium. If No – No action required.
2.	Identify the correction that was made to the procedure code • Was the procedure code included in your data?	If Yes – Edit & save the record OR Remove the procedure record from your data. If No – No action required.
3.	Generate a new dataset • If any record(s) was edited or removed.	Make sure changes are saved and new dataset is generate.

Corrections outlined only apply to 2017 operative procedures. Facilities should take ongoing steps to ensure that the correct operative procedures are reported per their facility's Monthly Reporting Plan.

It is always our goal at NHSN to provide information in a timely manner and we apologize for any inconvenience that these corrections may cause. We thank you for your corporation in making the necessary corrections to your operative procedure data and your continued partnership in accurate surgical site surveillance.

