

Summary of Revisions
in the
National Electronic Telecommunications System for Surveillance (NETSS)
RECORD LAYOUT FOR TRANSMISSION OF STD MORBIDITY DATA
Effective as of January 2018

All modifications to Version 5 (January 2018) of the NETSS record layout for transmission of STD morbidity data are denoted by 'M' (M=Modified (2018)) in the column labeled "**N/M".

Assignment of New Event Code

As of January 2018, a new event code has been assigned for the data element, EVENT or DIAGNOSIS. The code is:

10320 = Syphilis, unknown duration or late

NOTE: Cases previously assigned to event code 10314 (Late latent syphilis) should be mapped to event code 10320. Cases previously assigned to event code 10319 (Syphilis, late with clinical manifestations) should be mapped to event code 10320 and the data element LATE CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS should be coded as 1 = Yes, Verified or 2 = Yes, Likely, based on criteria described in CSTE syphilis case definition.

Retirement of Event Codes

As of January 2018, two codes will be retired for the data element, EVENT or DIAGNOSIS. The retired codes are:

10314 = Late latent syphilis

10319 = Syphilis, late with clinical manifestations (including late benign syphilis and cardiovascular syphilis)

Renamed Event Code

As of January 2018, an event code has been renamed for the data element, EVENT or DIAGNOSIS. The renamed code is:

10313 = Syphilis, early non-primary non-secondary

NOTE: No changes have been made to the case definition; therefore, all cases meeting the case definition of "Early latent syphilis" that were coded as event code 10313 should continue to be coded as event code 10313.

Retirement of a Data Element

As of January 2018, one data element has been retired. The retired data element is:

NEUROLOGICAL INVOLVEMENT (column 95). Values for this data element should be set to 9. This data element has been superseded by the NEUROLOGIC MANIFESTATIONS data element located in column 192

Addition of New Data Elements

As of January 2018, six new data elements have been added. The added data elements are:

NEUROLOGIC MANIFESTATIONS (column 192); Required for syphilis

OCULAR MANIFESTATIONS (column 193); Required for syphilis

OTIC MANIFESTATIONS (column 194); Required for syphilis

LATE CLINICAL MANIFESTATIONS (column 195); Required for syphilis

SEXUAL ORIENTATION (column 196); Optional chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and chancroid

GENDER IDENTITY (column 197); Optional chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and chancroid

CASE SAMPLE (column 198); Optional chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and chancroid

Revision to Coding Guidance

As of January 2016, coding guidance has been revised for a number of data elements.

To increase comparability across jurisdictions the following guidance has been provided for coding of EVENT DATE, DATETYPE, WEEK:

The date provided in EVENT DATE should most closely approximate the date of disease onset (incidence) and should be based on the following hierarchy:

- Date of disease onset
- Date of diagnosis (proxy: Date of laboratory specimen collection)
- Date of laboratory result
- Date of first report to public (community) health system
- State or *MMWR* report date

When date of diagnosis or date of laboratory result are not readily available, but date of laboratory specimen collection date is available, date of laboratory specimen collection should be considered a proxy for date of diagnosis and should be used to assign EVENT DATE.

If date of laboratory specimen collection is used to assign EVENT DATE, date of diagnosis should be selected as the value for DATETYPE.

The date in the data element EVENT DATE should be used to assign the data element WEEK.

To align with current CSTE case definitions, the case classification of "suspect" has been removed from the description of the following EVENT CODES:

10273 = Chancroid

10280 = Gonorrhea

10313 = Syphilis, early non-primary non-secondary

10320 = Syphilis, unknown duration or late

To align with current CSTE case definitions, the case classification of “suspect” and “probable” have been removed from the description of the following EVENT CODE:

10274=*Chlamydia trachomatis* infection

The embedded links to websites have been updated in the descriptions of the data elements STATE and CASE STATUS.

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Effective as of January 2018

All modifications to Version 5 (January 2018) of the NETSS record layout for transmission of Congenital Syphilis morbidity data are denoted by 'M' (M=Modified (2018)) in the column labeled "*N/M".

Revision to Value Set

As of January 2016, the value set for the data element SURVSTAG (column 287) in the Congenital Syphilis Case Record has been updated:

- 1 = Primary
- 2 = Secondary
- 3 = Early Non-Primary, Non-Secondary (previously referred to as Early Latent)
- 4 = Unknown Duration or Late (previously referred to as Late or Late Latent)
- 8 = Other
- 9 = Unknown

NOTE: At this time, the hard copy congenital syphilis case report form will not be updated to reflect this revision. If you are reporting a congenital syphilis case via hardcopy, please use the value set above.

Revision to Coding Guidance

As of January 2016, coding guidance has been revised for a one data element.

The data element *WEEK* should be assigned using the date in the data element EVENT DATE.