

Shop Talk For Data Submission into the NHSN COVID-19 Module

The ****NEW**** Point of Care Testing Requirement & Data Quality 101



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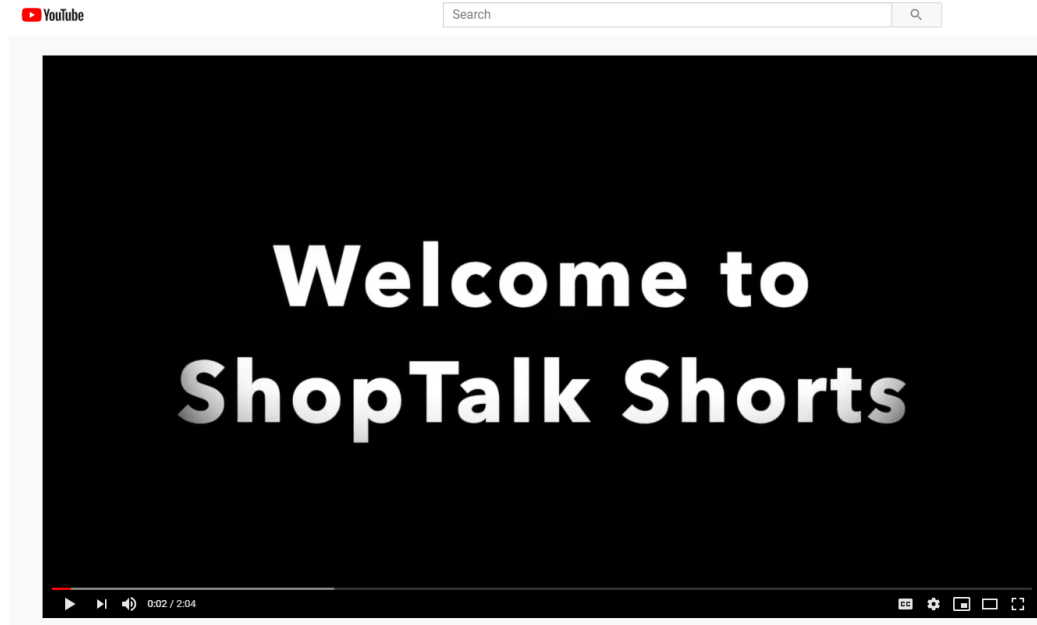
Topics:

- Level-3 Upgrade Update
- Point Of Care Testing (POCT)
- Data Quality Tips
- Confer Rights to Alliant Quality
- Q & A/ Office Hours /FAQs

Ground Rules

- Please mute your microphone
- Put questions in **Q & A**, *not chat*.
- Contact either Amy or me after the Webex for one-on-one assistance at Marilee.Johnson@AlliantHealth.org or Amy.Ward@AlliantHealth.org

Shop Talk Shorts You Tube Channel



<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXWmxni-xNHspWHhLlIraqcLGzXZPIjIF>

Shop Talk Shorts FAQs



I am new and no one at my facility has access to NHSN. How do I get access?

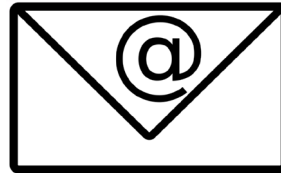


Check my data on the CMS website?



We want **YOU** to add users to your NHSN account!

Add users and rights to our NHSN account?



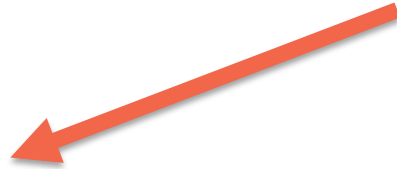
Change Your Email Address in NHSN

And many more...

Got Level 3? Check to see if you lost your invitation...



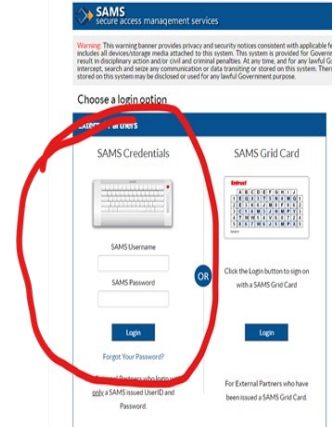
TRY THIS!



<https://transfer1.cdc.gov/w/NdDtY2NOaj6CVDyu>

OR

<https://sft1-sams.cdc.gov/Proofing/Upload/upload.aspx>



Do You Have this Link?



CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDC 24/7: Saving Lives. Protecting People™

SEARCH

SAMS
secure access management services

Menu

- My Profile
- Logout

Links

- SAMS User Guide
- SAMS User FAQ
- Identity Verification Overview

My Applications

NHSN Long Term Care Reporting

- NHSN LTC Reporting
- NHSN LTC Enrollment

SAMS Internal Groups

- [ID Proofing Document Upload](#)

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SAMS Help Desk
Monday-Friday
8:00AM to 6:00PM EST
Excluding U.S. Federal Holidays
877-681-2901
samshelp@cdc.gov



If yes, you can upload your data.

Point of Care Testing Reporting Tool

- **November 20th** is the mandatory reporting date
- All point of care testing results, both **positives** and **negatives** for staff and residents must be submitted within 24 hours into NHSN.

References:

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/covid19/litcf/poc-testing-training-508.pdf>

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/covid19/litcf/57.155-p.pdf>

Point of Care Testing Reporting Tool

Help! I don't have access to submit my staff Covid-19 POC testing data in NHSN!

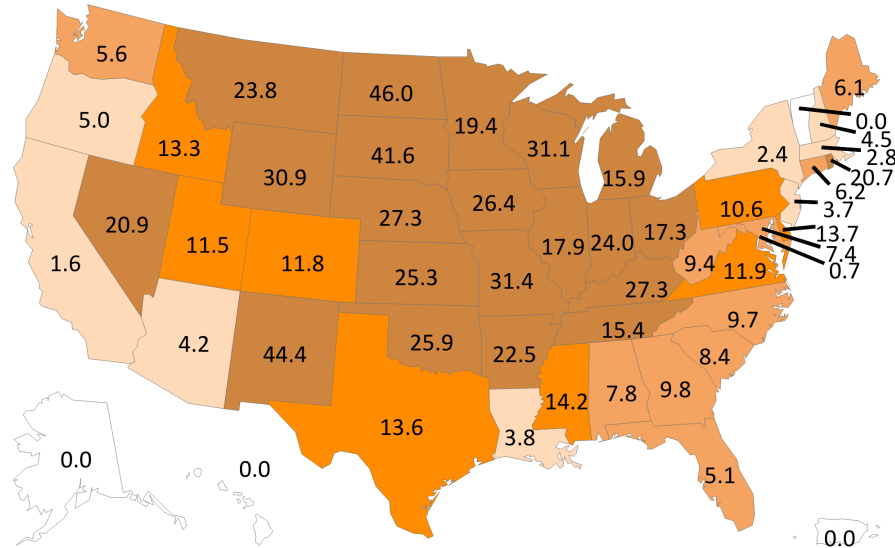
Solution: The NHSN facility administrator must assign "Staff Rights" to your user profile.

Question

We don't use the POC testing machine. We contract out our surveillance testing. Do we have to report the positive and negative results in the Point of Care Test Reporting Tool in NHSN?

Answer: No. A facility only reports the positive & negative test results into the POCT Reporting Tool in NHSN if the tests are performed **in the facility**. *(You must report positive cases in the Covid-19 module and to the Health Department.)*

Skilled Nursing Facilities, Confirmed Resident Cases per 1,000 Resident-Weeks, by CCN, Inferred Data, 02NOV20-08NOV20 (N = 13,025)



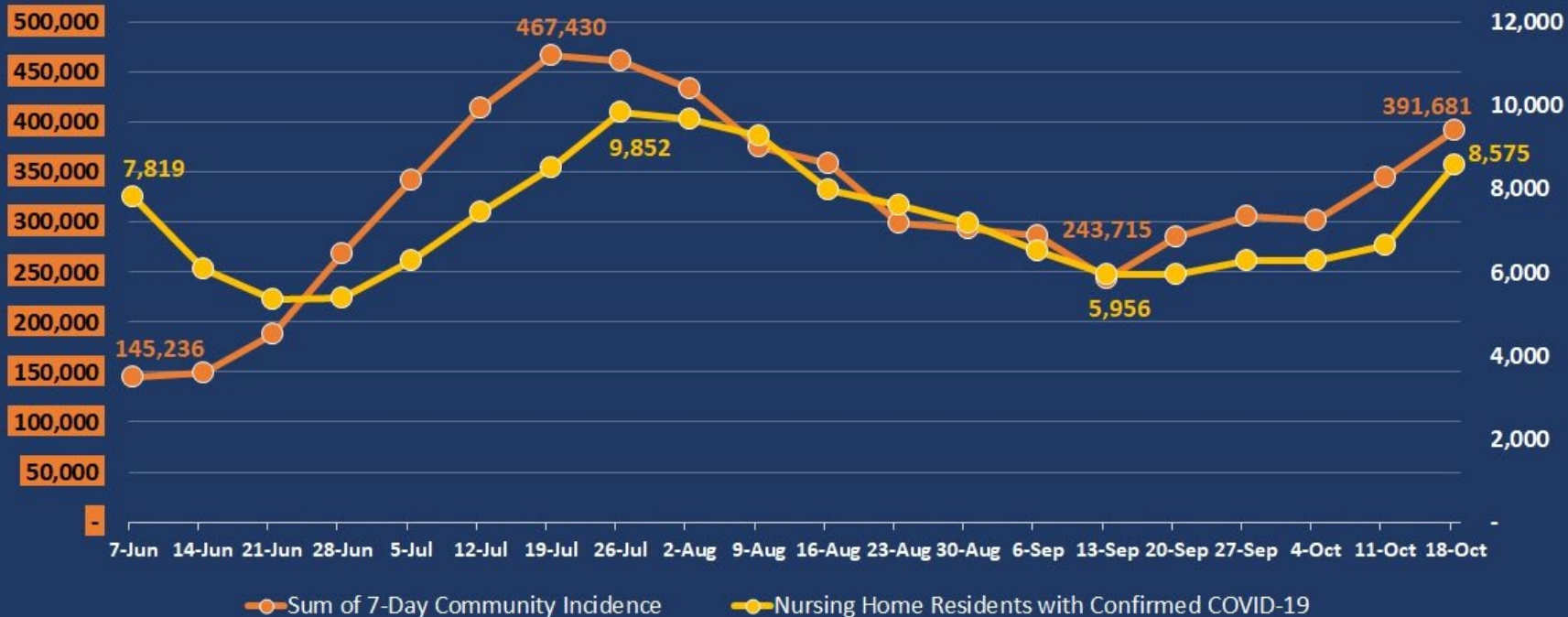
KY-27.3
 TN-15.4
 GA-9.8
 NC-9.7
 AL-7.8
 FL-5.1
 LA-3.8

Inferred Data:

For the purpose of best epidemiological understanding, data that fail quality checks or appear inconsistent with surveillance protocols are assigned a value based on their patterns of data-entry or excluded from analysis.

Data as of 11/09/2020 5:30 AM

Community Spread is Linked to Cases in Nursing Homes



Sources: Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), May 31 – October 18 on Nursing Home COVID Cases and Johns Hopkins on COVID Cases in General Population

Source: [ACHA Website](https://www.acha.org/)

<https://www.ahcancal.org/News-and-Communications/Press-Releases/Pages/UPDATED-Nursing-Homes-See-Major-Spike-In-New-COVID-Cases-Due-To-Community-Spread.aspx>

Did *Your* Data Pass QA on data.cms.gov?

State	Unique facilities# Not Passing QA \geq 1 week	Last week # not Passing QA or not submitting
Florida	229/688	30
Georgia	131/280	29
Louisiana	99/277	30
Alabama	65/ 228	3
North Carolina	111/424	31
Kentucky	59/273	23
Tennessee	61/316	18

Thru Week ending
10/26/20 CMS
 website:

<https://data.cms.gov/Special-Programs-Initiatives-COVID-19-Nursing-Home/COVID-19-Nursing-Home-Dataset/s2uc-8wxp/data>

Review Your NHSN Data **Each** Week

NHSN Home

- Alerts
- Dashboard
- Reporting Plan
- Resident
- Event
- Summary Data
- COVID-19
- Import/Export
- Surveys
- Analysis
- Users
- Facility
- Group
- Logout

COVID-19

Click a cell to begin entering data on the day for which counts are reported.

28 June 2020 - 08 August 2020

Record Complete Record Incomplete

28	29	30	Jul 01	02	03	04
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	Aug 01
02	03	04	05	06	07	08

Resident
Staff
Supplies
Ventilator

Resident
Staff
Supplies
Ventilator

Upload CSV... Download CSV Template... Export CSV...

Data Quality in NHSN

*Is data plausible
based on census?*

1. **Download** your data each week in NHSN to double check for errors
2. 2 data submissions in a row >10 [20,15]
3. 3 data submissions that are consecutive or sequential [2,2,2][1,2,3,]

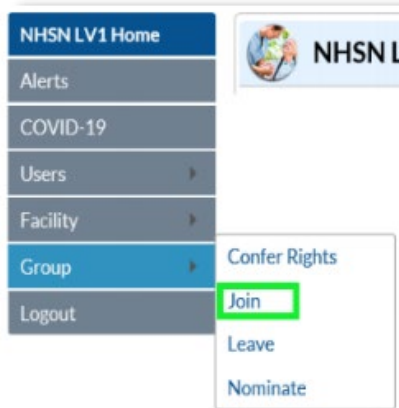
TIP: Data is uploaded to the CMS website on Sunday night....and available to view 11 days later on Thursday.

**Join Alliant Quality's
Group in NHSN**

Join & Confer Rights to Alliant Quality

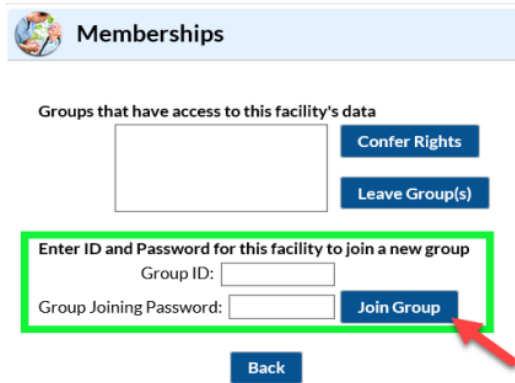
Group Name: Alliant Quality-LTC

Group ID: 83378 Joining Password: Alliant20!



NHSN LV1 Home

- Alerts
- COVID-19
- Users >
- Facility >
- Group > **Confer Rights**
 - Join**
 - Leave
 - Nominate
- Logout



Memberships

Groups that have access to this facility's data

Confer Rights

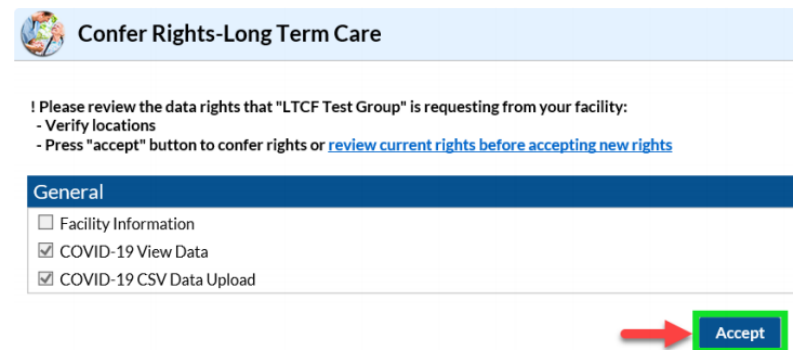
Leave Group(s)

Enter ID and Password for this facility to join a new group

Group ID:

Group Joining Password: **Join Group**

Back



Confer Rights-Long Term Care

! Please review the data rights that "LTCF Test Group" is requesting from your facility:
- Verify locations
- Press "accept" button to confer rights or [review current rights before accepting new rights](#)

General

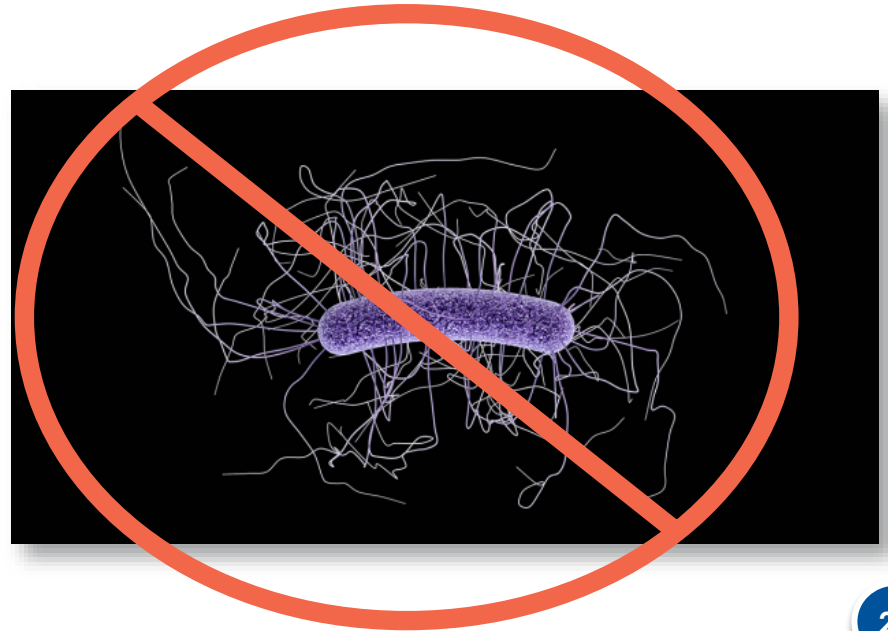
- Facility Information
- COVID-19 View Data
- COVID-19 CSV Data Upload

Accept

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/covid19/ltcf/join-grp-508.pdf>

Reducing *C. difficile* in Health Care

The Goal: “Zero” *C. diff* Infections



Surveillance & Tracking *C. diff* in NHSN

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/cdiff-mrsa/index.html>

Instructions for data submission:

https://www.alliantquality.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Alliant_C.difficile_Reporting_Instructions_NHSN_12SOW-AHSQIN-QIO-TO1NH-20-87_508-1.pdf

Possible Good News....

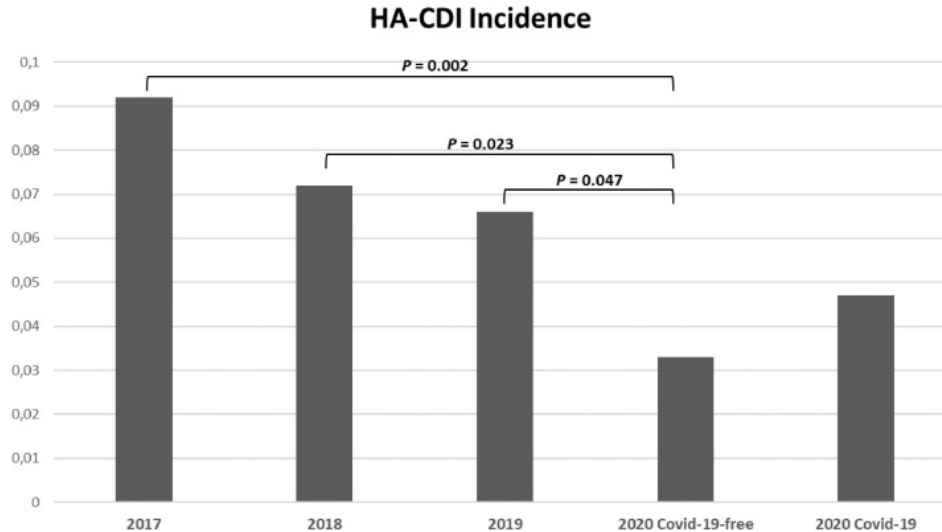







Fig 1. Data from medical departments between March, 1 and June, 30, 2020. During 2020 Covid-19-free departments shown lower incidence of HA-CDI compared to the previously years (* = $P < .05$). Covid-19 departments shown higher HA-CDI incidence than Covid-19-free departments of the same year (not significant).

[https://www.ajicjournal.org/article/S0196-6553\(20\)30891-9/fulltext](https://www.ajicjournal.org/article/S0196-6553(20)30891-9/fulltext)

Have You Completed the CMS Targeted COVID-19 Training?

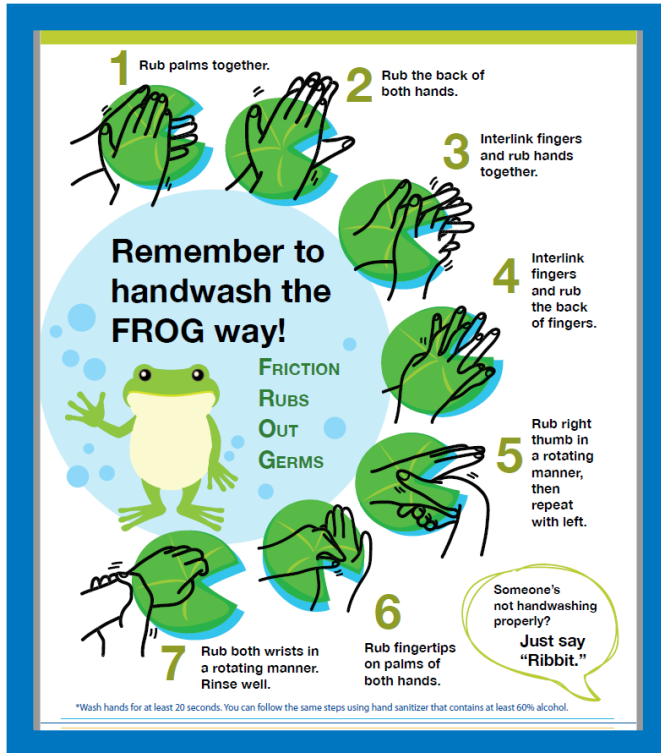
CMS Long Term Care Journal Volume II – Urinary Incontinence					
CMS Targeted COVID-19 Training for Frontline Nursing Home Staff					
CMS Targeted COVID-19 Training for Nursing Home Management					
Community Mental Health Centers Basic Training					
Complaint & Incident Intake for Long Term Care					

CMS Targeted COVID-19 Training for Nursing Home Management

This Targeted COVID-19 Training for Nursing Home Management is intended to provide administrative staff members with best practices for containing and preventing the spread of COVID-19 in nursing homes. This training will aid you in prioritizing resident and staff health during the COVID-19 pandemic.

<https://qsep.cms.gov/welcome.aspx>

New Hand Hygiene Poster & Badge



<https://www.alliantquality.org/topic/hand-hygiene/>

Mark Your Calendar

Shop Talk 3rd Thursdays at 2pm ET:

December 17th

<https://allianthealthgroup.webex.com/allianthealthgroup/onstage/g.php?MTID=ee09fb752f9304300d77930d46eaf1e2e>

January 21st

February 18th

Visit our website for More info:

<https://www.alliantquality.org/shop-talks/>



Thank You for Your Time!

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Feedback

Office Hours

We invite you to stay on the WebEx for a question-and-answer session. If you want to just listen, that is OK too. Please submit your questions into the Q & A box.

Questions?

- Please put your questions into the **Q & A**.



Question 1

We had a positive POC test in a resident with no symptoms or exposure. We are worried this is a false positive. What do we do next?

Answer: Results should be reported in NHSN in both the POCT pathway and COVID-19 resident pathway. We recommend you collaborate with your local health department to ensure confirmatory testing is complete. The resident should be placed in isolation. If the result is determined to be false positive, NHSN should be modified.

Question 2

When a staff member who works at facilities A and B tests positive at facility B, should both facility A and B report a confirmed COVID-19 case?

What if the staff member did not work at facility B in the previous 14 days and tested positive during the pre-entry screening process? Would Facility B still report a new confirmed case to NHSN since that staff has not been onsite or introducing risk into the facility?

Answer: If the employee has worked in both facilities yes, both would report. If the employee did not work at facility B in the previous 14 days and tested positive during the pre-entry screening process only A would report.

The case will be reported both in the POCT Reporting Tool and in COVID-19 Staff and Personnel Impact Pathway

Question 3

A contractor was screened (on entry to the facility **before** assisting patients/patient care area). The POCT result for Covid19 was positive. Will the facility report this case as a confirmed positive in NHSN? The contractor never worked in the facility. Only went through the screening.

Answer: Yes, for consistency, please report the positive count. It may be difficult in the long run to track down contractors--have they been in the building before or not.

Question-Bonus Brain Teaser

Regarding active COVID19 admission/readmission from another facility. If that readmission is a patient from an acute care stay – no matter the length of stay – the resident tests positive in acute care (but negative in your Center prior). I feel like I would count that under; confirmed resident with a new laboratory positive COVID19 test results (since acute care received that patient from us).

Answer: Actually No. The resident is not counted as a confirmed Covid-19 since the resident was tested at the hospital....You only count as a confirmed positive if your facility ordered the lab test. However, you would If the patient had signs and symptoms of COVID prior to the transfer, you are would count as **Suspected**. When the resident was readmitted, you would count the resident as “**Admissions, with COVID-19**”

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