Shop Talk For Long-Term Care Facilities: Updates to CMS NHSN Reporting Requirements, COVID-19 and Respiratory Viruses Updates, NHSN Updates and Live Q&A

Welcome!

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Agenda

- CMS NHSN Reporting Requirements Update
- COVID-19 and Respiratory Viruses Updates
- NHSN Q4 Review
- NHSN Respiratory Pathogens Reporting
- Alliant Health and NHSN updates
- Live questions and answers

CMS NHSN Reporting Requirements Update

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Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF) Acute Respiratory Illness Data Reporting

- CMS **proposes** replacing the current COVID-19 reporting standards for LTCFs that sunset on December 31, 2024.

- Beginning on January 1, 2025, the new standard could require facilities to electronically report information about COVID-19, influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/calendar-year-cy-2025

NHSN COVID-19 LTCF Reporting Requirements

NHSN Reporting Requirement	NHSN Reporting Deadline
COVID-19 Vaccine: HCP Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Cumulative Vaccination Summary for Long-Term Care Facilities Recommendation to utilize the Person-Level COVID-19 Vaccination Form and select the "view reporting summary and submit" to these data.	Reporting week is Monday through Sunday. **Data must be submitted to NHSN once every reporting week for the week corresponding to the reporting week.** Report consistently each week.
RPV: Residents Weekly Respiratory Pathogens and Vaccination Summary for Residents of Long-Term Care Facilities **Required elements include questions pertaining to COVID-19 vaccination, cases, and hospitalizations:** 1., 2.a., 3.a., 3.a.i., 4.a., 4.a.i.	**Report once every week before Sunday at 11:59 p.m. (UTC).**
Influenza Vaccination Summary for Healthcare Personnel Facilities must report annual HCP influenza vaccination summary data through the NHSN Healthcare Personnel Safety Component for the reporting period of October 1, 2024, through March 31, 2025.	**Report once for influenza season (October 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025) by May 15, 2025, at 11:59 p.m. (UTC).**

https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/weekly-covid-vac/index.html

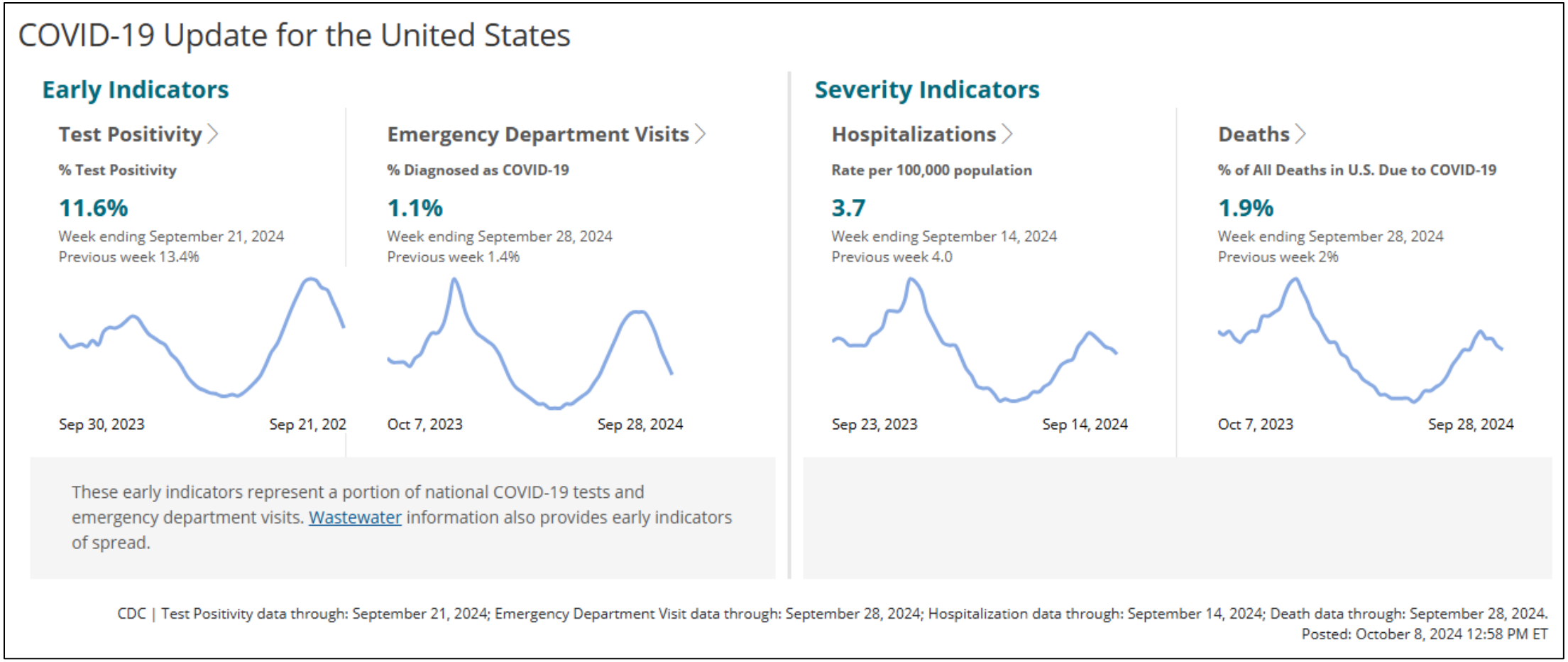
CMS Reporting Requirements

Reminder: Facilities can contact CMS with questions about reporting requirements.

- Weekly reporting requirement questions: DNH_TriageTeam@cms.hhs.gov
- Quality reporting program questions: SNFQualityQuestions@cms.hhs.gov

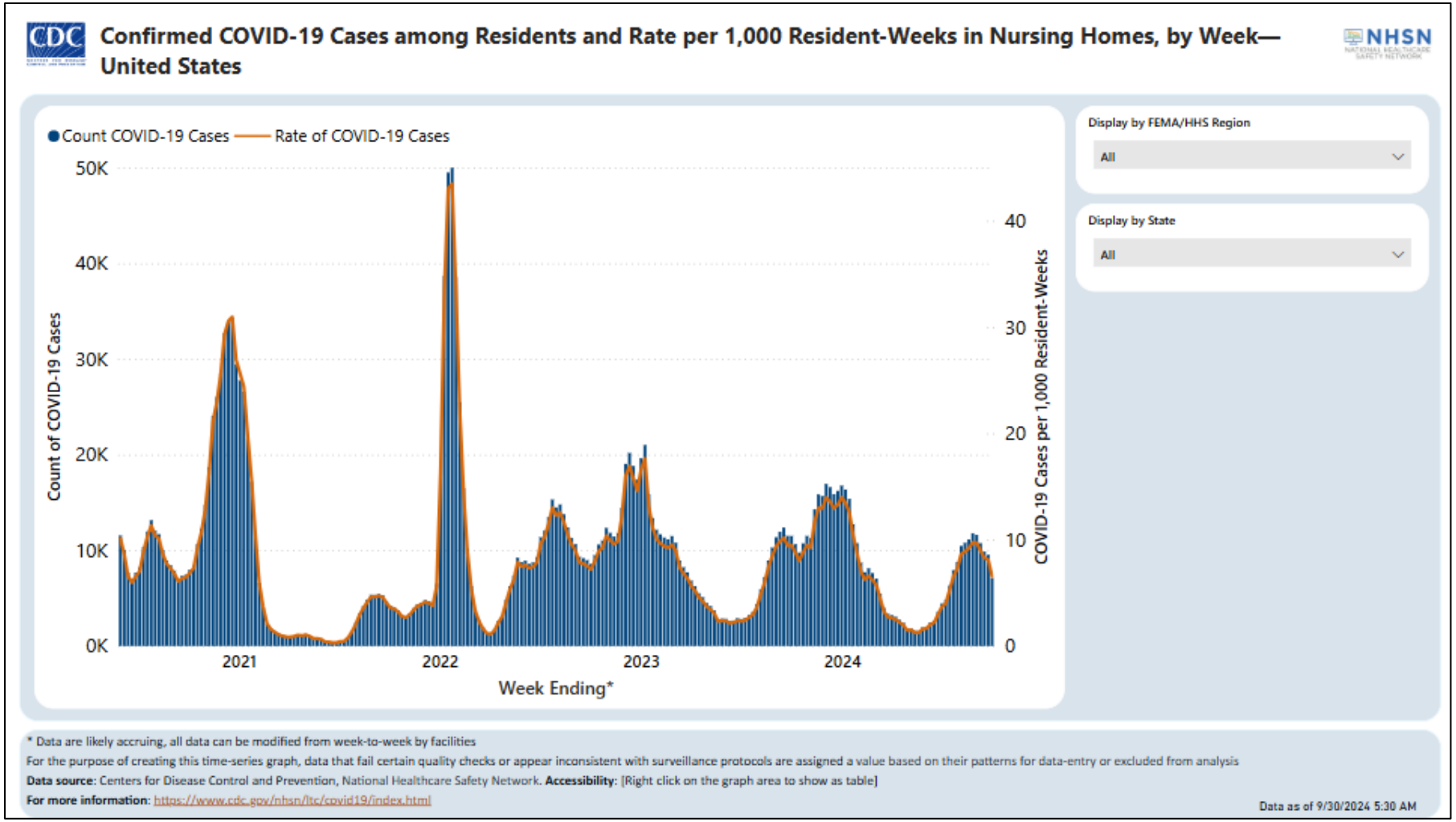
COVID-19 and Respiratory Viruses Updates

COVID-19 Update for the United States



https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home

Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Among Residents in Nursing Homes



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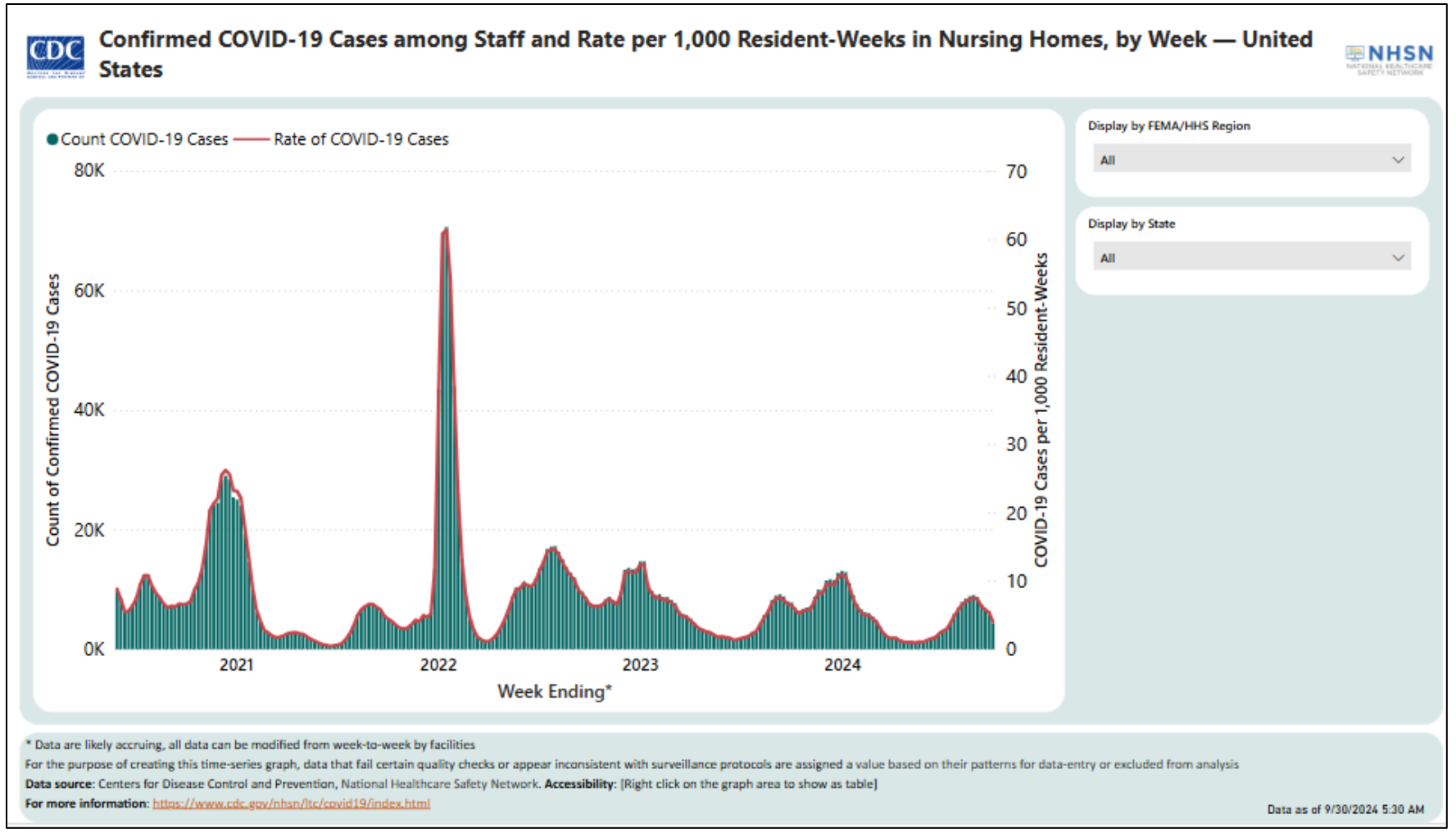
Confirmed COVID-19 Cases Among Staff in Nursing Homes



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CDC Respiratory Illnesses Data Channel

OCTOBER 4, 2024 ESPAÑOL

Respiratory Illnesses Data Channel

This site is updated on Fridays. *New data will be added throughout the fall.*

WHAT TO KNOW

- As of October 4, 2024, the amount of acute respiratory illness causing people to seek healthcare is low nationally.
- COVID-19 activity is declining in most areas. Seasonal influenza is low nationally.
- Signs of increased RSV activity have been detected in the southeastern U.S. including Florida, particularly in young children.

https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/data/index.html

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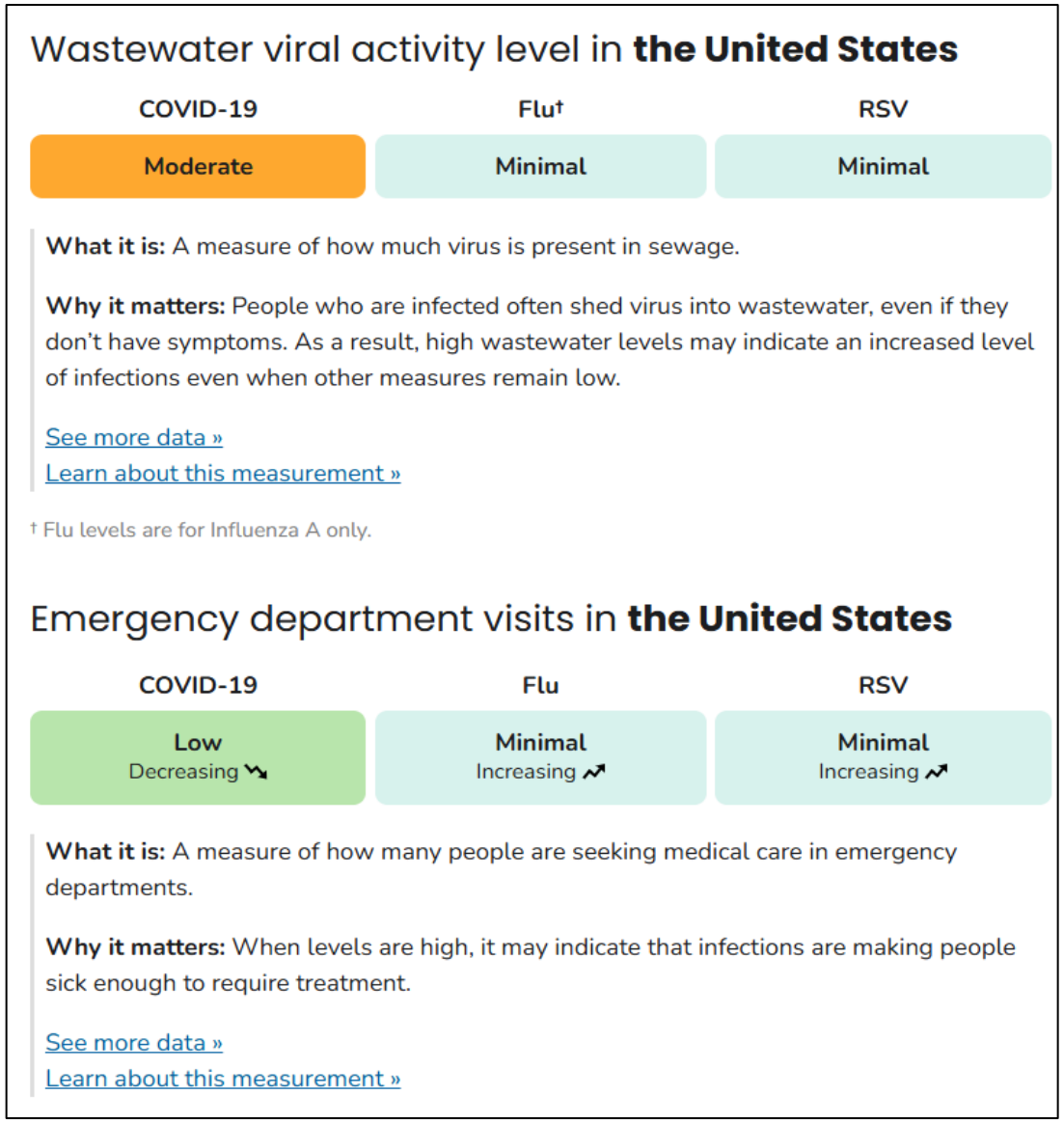

Wastewater viral activity level in **the United States**

COVID-19	Flu†	RSV
Moderate	Minimal	Minimal

What it is: A measure of how much virus is present in sewage.

Why it matters: People who are infected often shed virus into wastewater, even if they don't have symptoms. As a result, high wastewater levels may indicate an increased level of infections even when other measures remain low.

See more data »
Learn about this measurement »

† Flu levels are for Influenza A only.

Emergency department visits in **the United States**

COVID-19	Flu	RSV
Low Decreasing ↘	**Minimal** Increasing ↗	**Minimal** Increasing ↗

What it is: A measure of how many people are seeking medical care in emergency departments.

Why it matters: When levels are high, it may indicate that infections are making people sick enough to require treatment.

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Learn about this measurement »

https://www.cdc.gov/respiratory-viruses/data/index.html

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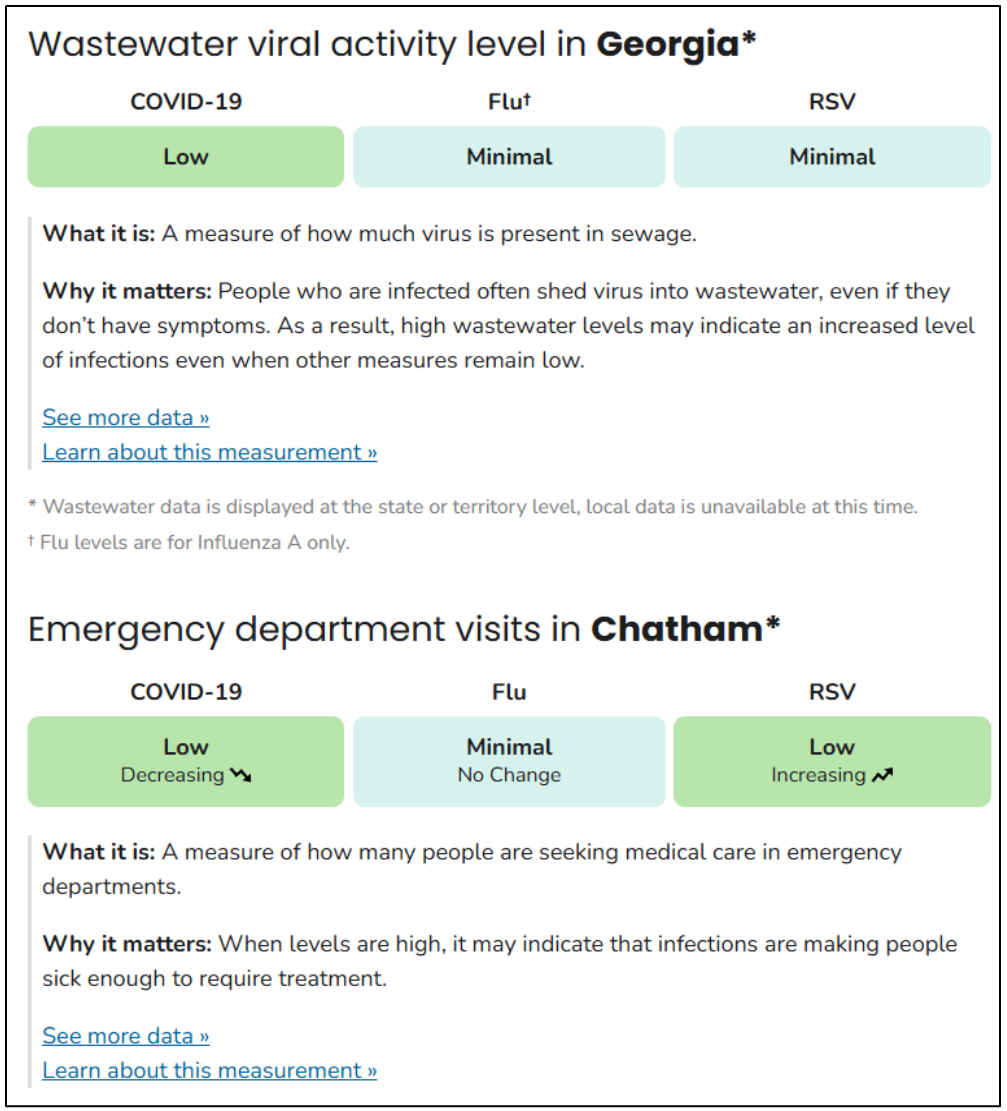

Wastewater viral activity level in **Georgia***

COVID-19	Flu†	RSV
Low	Minimal	Minimal

What it is: A measure of how much virus is present in sewage.

Why it matters: People who are infected often shed virus into wastewater, even if they don't have symptoms. As a result, high wastewater levels may indicate an increased level of infections even when other measures remain low.

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* Wastewater data is displayed at the state or territory level, local data is unavailable at this time.

† Flu levels are for Influenza A only.

Emergency department visits in **Chatham***

COVID-19	Flu	RSV
Low Decreasing ↘	Minimal No Change	Low Increasing ↗

What it is: A measure of how many people are seeking medical care in emergency departments.

Why it matters: When levels are high, it may indicate that infections are making people sick enough to require treatment.

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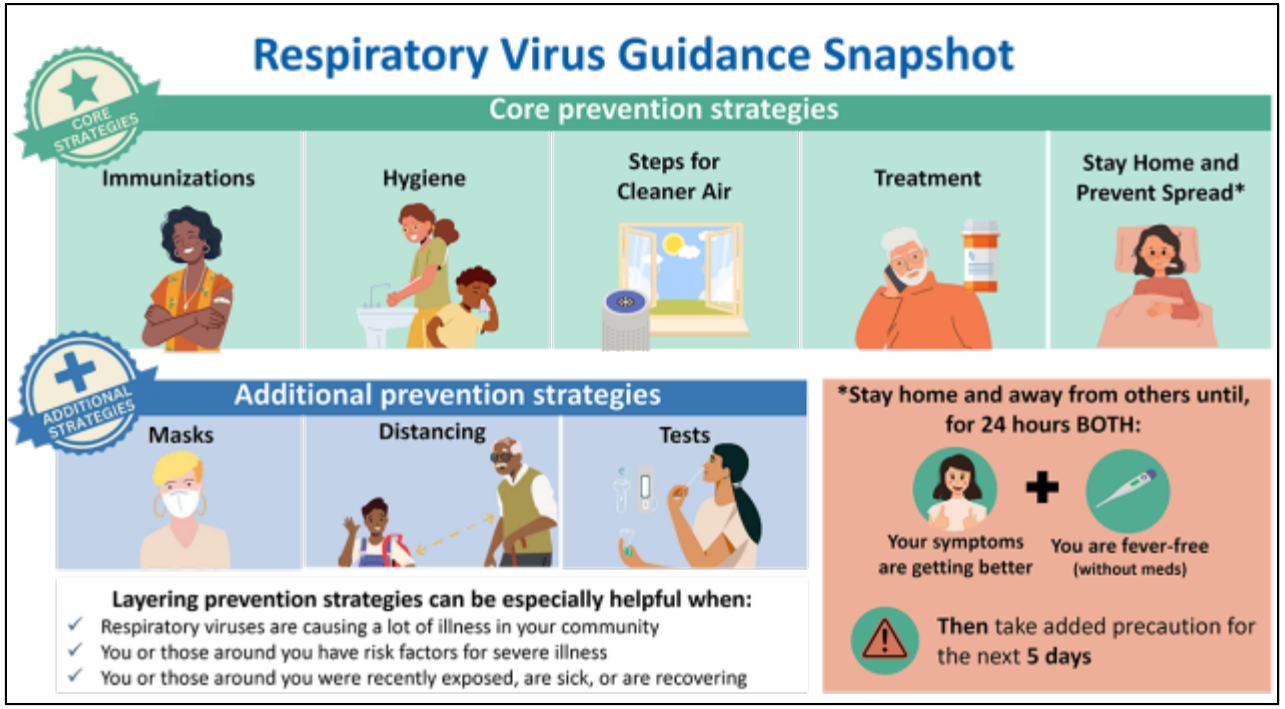
CDC Respiratory Virus Recommendations

- Stay up-to-date with vaccinations to protect against serious illness, hospitalization, and death. This includes flu, COVID-19, and RSV if eligible.
- Practicing good hygiene by covering coughs and sneezes, washing or sanitizing hands often, and cleaning frequently touched surfaces.
- Taking steps to clean the air, such as bringing in more fresh outside air, purifying indoor air, or gathering outdoors.



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Stay Up-to-Date With COVID-19 Vaccines

- CDC recommends that everyone ages six months and older receive a 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

- It is especially important to get your 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine if you are 65 and older, are at high risk for severe COVID-19, or have never received a COVID-19 vaccine.

Vaccine	Recommended for:
2024–2025 Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine	Everyone ages 6 months and older
2024–2025 Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine	Everyone ages 6 months and older
2024–2025 Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine	Everyone ages 12 years and older

https://www.cdc.gov/covid/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html

Updated 2024-2025 Flu Vaccine Recommendation

- CDC recommends that everyone 6 months of age and older receive an updated 2024-2025 flu vaccine to reduce the risk of influenza.

- Providers are encouraged to begin their influenza vaccination planning efforts now and to vaccinate patients as indicated once 2024-2025 influenza vaccines become available.

- September and October remain the best times for most people to get vaccinated.

https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2024/s-t0627-vaccine-recommendations.html

NHSN Reporting Period Q4 (September 30, 2024 – December 29, 2024)

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NHSN Reporting Period Q4

From September 30, 2024 – December 29, 2024

For this reporting quarter, individuals are considered up-to-date with their COVID-19 vaccines for NHSN surveillance if they meet the following criteria:

- Received a 2024-2025 updated COVID-19 vaccine

OR

- Received a 2023-2024 COVID-19 vaccine within the past two months

CDC Up To Date Guidance

NHSN Reporting Period Q4

- Under the new recommendations, most individuals will NOT be up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccines until they receive the 2024-2025 updated COVID-19 vaccine.

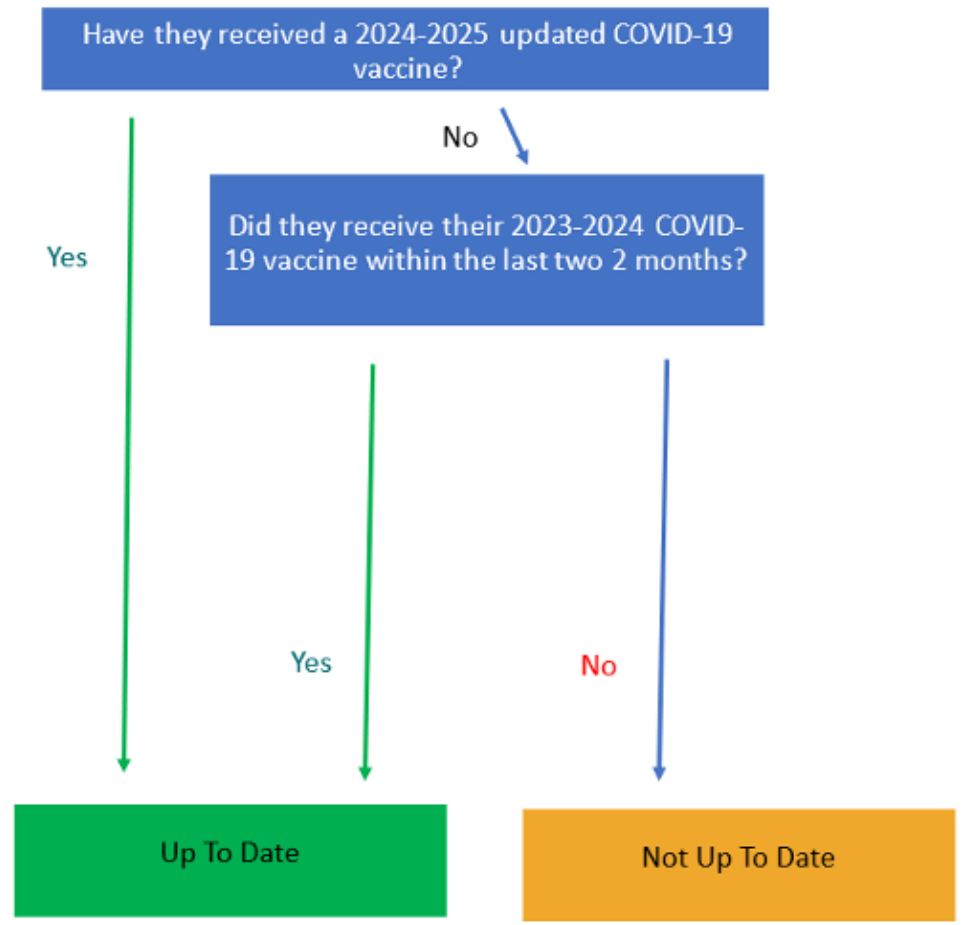
- Individuals will become up-to-date as they receive the 2024-2025 updated COVID-19 vaccine the fall/winter.

- Facilities should report zero (0) up-to-date beginning 9/30/2024 until any individuals receive the 2024-2025 updated COVID-19 vaccine.

CDC Up To Date Guidance

Up-To-Date With COVID-19 Vaccines Decision Tree

Appendix 1a: Up to Date with COVID-19 vaccines during the surveillance period of Quarter 4 of 2024 (September 30, 2024 – through December 29, 2024) for question 2a



CDC Up To Date

Influenza and RSV Vaccination: Key Terms

Reporting Period: 2024-2025 Influenza/Respiratory Virus Season (July 2024–June 2025)

The following definitions apply when reporting data through the **NHSN Respiratory Pathogens Vaccination Modules and the LTCF COVID-19/Respiratory Pathogen Module (specifically, the Influenza/RSV optional tab)** for the reporting period of the 2024-2025 influenza season.

Influenza:

Count individuals as vaccinated with this season's annual influenza vaccine if they received updated 2024-2025 influenza vaccine any time from when it first became available after July 2024.

(For more information, please refer to: CDC Recommends Updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 and Flu Vaccines for Fall/Winter Virus Season | CDC Online Newsroom | CDC)

RSV:

Count individuals as vaccinated with RSV vaccine if they received a dose of RSV vaccine any time from when it first became available in August 2023.

CDC recommends the following individuals receive the RSV vaccine:

- Everyone ages 75 and older
- People ages 60–74 who are at increased risk of severe RSV, meaning they have certain chronic medical conditions (such as lung or heart disease) or they live in nursing homes

(For more information, please refer to: CDC Updates RSV Vaccination Recommendation for Adults | CDC Online Newsroom | CDC)

UpTo Date Guidance Influenza RSV 112023_508 (cdc.gov)

Reviewing Q4 Up-to-Date Definitions Polling Questions

Polling Question #1

James is a resident at Giant Peach Nursing Home. In July 2024, he received one dose of the 2023-2024 COVID-19 vaccine and then the 2024-2025 COVID-19 in October 2024.

Is James considered up-to-date?

A. Yes
B. No
C. Not sure

Answer

A. Yes

James IS considered up-to-date.

Where to document?

James should be counted in **Question #2a (up-to-date)** because he received the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

Polling Question #2

Andy is a resident at Buzz Lightyear Health and Rehab. He has declined all COVID-19 vaccines and states he will "never get one."

Is Andy considered up-to-date?

A. Yes
B. No
C. Not sure

Answer

B. No

Andy is NOT considered up-to-date.

Andy should NOT be counted in **Question #2a** because he declined to receive the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

Polling Question #3

Mary is a health care worker at Hocus Pocus Nursing Home. She reported a medical contraindication that prevented her from receiving the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

Is Mary considered up-to-date?

A. Yes
B. No
C. Not sure

Answer

B. No

Mary is NOT considered up-to-date.

Where to document?

Mary should be counted in **Question #3.1 (medical contraindication)** because she has a medical contraindication that prevents her from receiving the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

Polling Question #4

Elsa is a resident at Let It Go Nursing & Rehab Center. She refused all previous COVID-19 vaccines but decided to receive the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.
Is Elsa considered up-to-date?

A. Yes
B. No
C. Not sure

Answer

A. Yes

Elsa IS considered up-to-date.

Where to document?
Elsa should be counted in **Question #2a (up-to-date)** because she received the updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine.

NHSN Respiratory Pathogens Reporting

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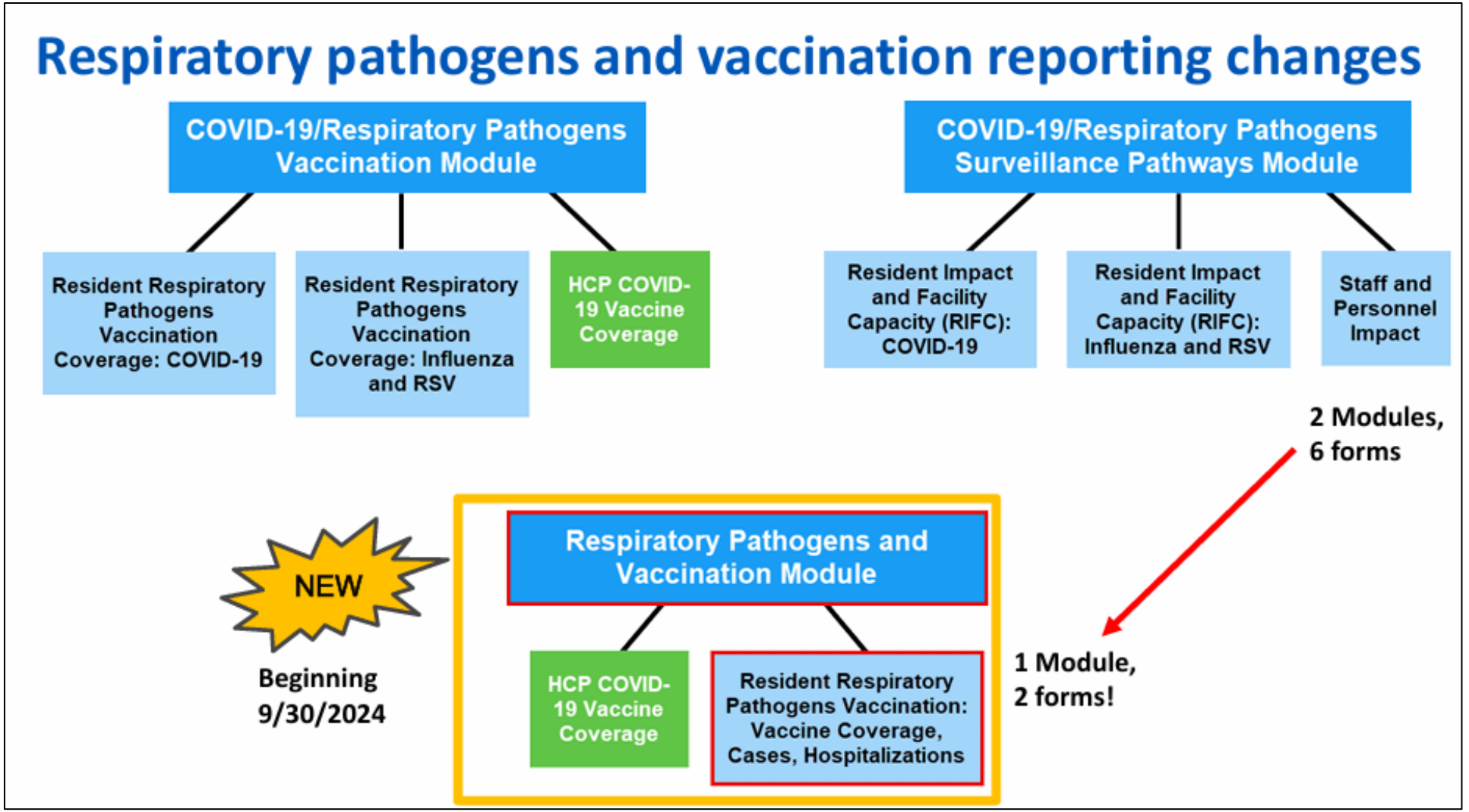


Person Level Reporting for LTCF (cdc.gov)

NHSN RPV Module

Simplification of LTC reporting

- **Removed:**
  - Staff Pathway (including positive tests among staff)
  - Total resident deaths
  - Resident COVID-19 deaths
  - Total beds
  - Resident census
  - Resident medical contraindications, declinations, and other/unknown vaccination statuses for COVID-19, flu, and RSV vaccination

- **Reduced reporting from 2 modules with 6 forms to 1 module with 2 forms!**
  - Remaining weekly forms:
    - Residents: vaccination, cases, and hospitalizations
    - HCP: COVID-19 vaccination

- All data are reported once per reporting week (Monday – Sunday)

Person Level Reporting for LTCF (cdc.gov)

NHSN RPV Module

Simplification of the Resident Weekly RPV Summary Form

- Beginning September 30, 2024, facilities report resident case and hospitalization data on a combined summary form with vaccination questions for respiratory pathogens
- **COVID-19** cases, hospitalizations, and vaccination reporting is **mandatory**
- **Influenza and RSV** cases, hospitalizations, and vaccination reporting remain **optional**
- For LTC Resident reporting, questions regarding medical contraindications, declinations, and unknown vaccination status were removed

Person Level Reporting for LTCF (cdc.gov)

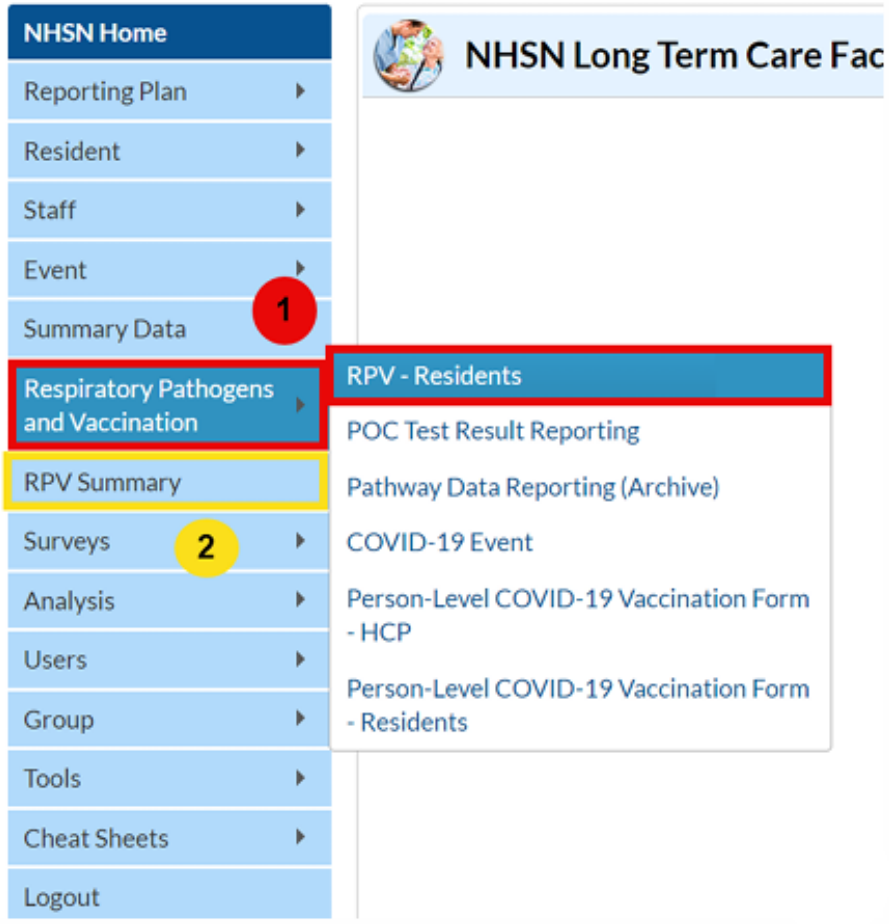
NHSN RPV Module

How to access the resident summary form

The RPV form can be accessed in two ways:

1. Respiratory Pathogens and Vaccination tab
    - RPV – Residents

2. RPV Summary tab



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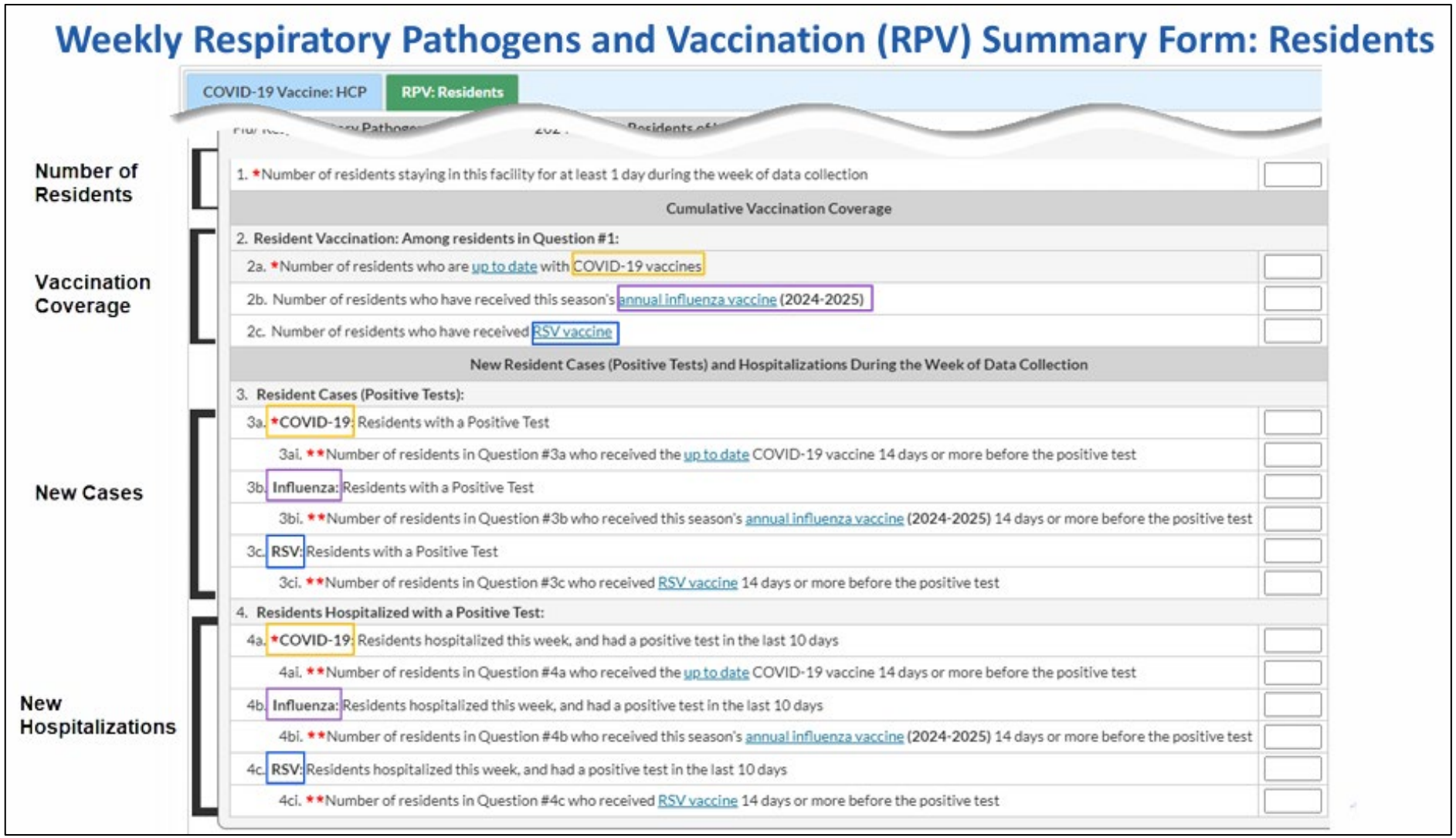


Weekly Respiratory Pathogens and Vaccination (RPV) Summary Form: Residents

COVID-19 Vaccine: HCP | RPV: Residents

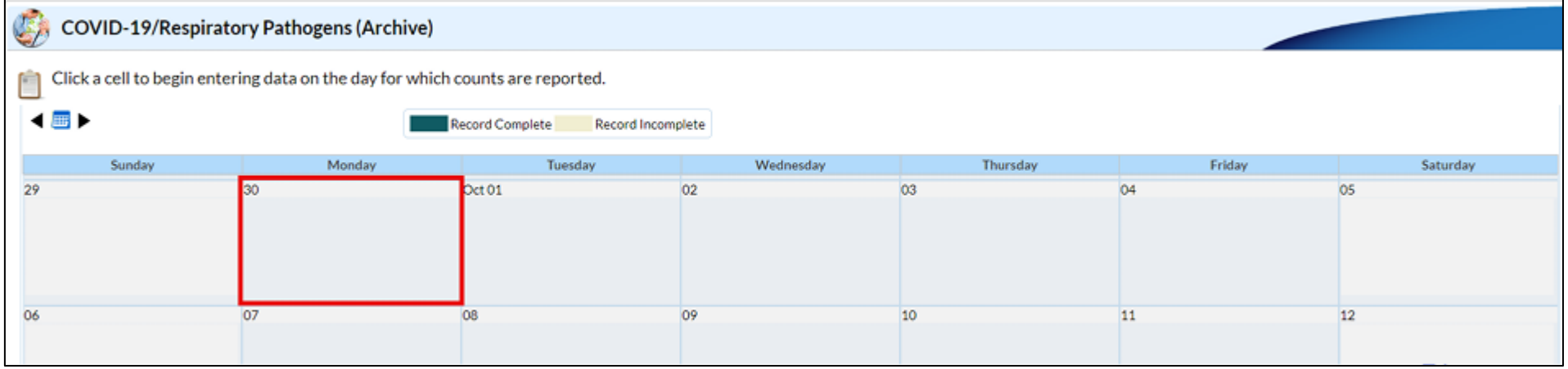
Number of Residents	1. *Number of residents staying in this facility for at least 1 day during the week of data collection	
	Cumulative Vaccination Coverage	
Vaccination Coverage	2. **Resident Vaccination: Among residents in Question #1:**	
	2a. *Number of residents who are up to date with COVID-19 vaccines	
	2b. Number of residents who have received this season's annual influenza vaccine (2024-2025)	
	2c. Number of residents who have received RSV vaccine	
	New Resident Cases (Positive Tests) and Hospitalizations During the Week of Data Collection	
New Cases	3. **Resident Cases (Positive Tests):**	
	3a. *COVID-19: Residents with a Positive Test	
	3ai. **Number of residents in Question #3a who received the up to date COVID-19 vaccine 14 days or more before the positive test	
	3b. Influenza: Residents with a Positive Test	
	3bi. **Number of residents in Question #3b who received this season's annual influenza vaccine (2024-2025) 14 days or more before the positive test	
	3c. RSV: Residents with a Positive Test	
	3ci. **Number of residents in Question #3c who received RSV vaccine 14 days or more before the positive test	
New Hospitalizations	4. **Residents Hospitalized with a Positive Test:**	
	4a. *COVID-19: Residents hospitalized this week, and had a positive test in the last 10 days	
	4ai. **Number of residents in Question #4a who received the up to date COVID-19 vaccine 14 days or more before the positive test	
	4b. Influenza: Residents hospitalized this week, and had a positive test in the last 10 days	
	4bi. **Number of residents in Question #4b who received this season's annual influenza vaccine (2024-2025) 14 days or more before the positive test	
	4c. RSV: Residents hospitalized this week, and had a positive test in the last 10 days	
	4ci. **Number of residents in Question #4c who received RSV vaccine 14 days or more before the positive test	

Person Level Reporting for LTCF (cdc.gov)

NHSN RPV Module

What about the Surveillance Pathways?

- Because resident case and hospitalization data will be reported in the Weekly RPV Form beginning 9/30/24:
  - The pathways will be disabled for dates **AFTER** 9/29/24
  - Users can add and edit data for dates **PRIOR** to 9/30/24
  - Beginning 1/6/25, the pathways will be view only for all dates



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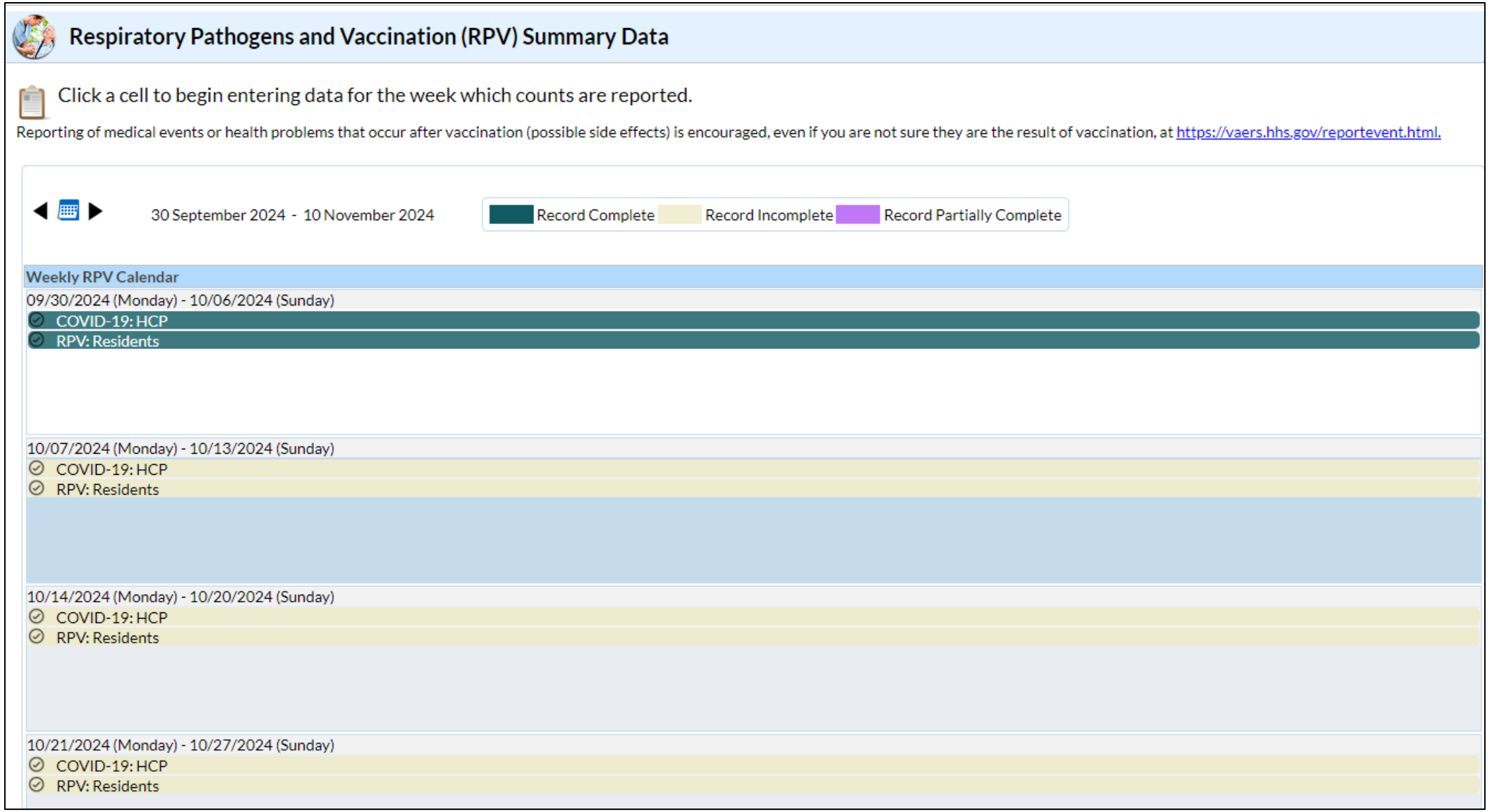

Person Level Reporting for LTCF (cdc.gov)

Printable Form for Residents RPV

- Download the physical form from the "COVID19/Respiratory Vaccination" webpage
- Located under "Data Collection Forms and Instructions"

LTCF | COVID-19/Respiratory Pathogens Vaccination |NHSN | CDC

Data Collection Forms and Instructions

COVID-19 Vaccination Data Collections Forms

Note: All data collection forms are print-only.

Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Summary Form for Residents at L

Table of Instructions [PDF – 327 KB] – June 2023

Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Summary Form for Healthcare Pe

Table of Instructions [PDF – 349 KB] – June 2023

Influenza/RSV Vaccination Data Collection Form

NHSN
NATIONAL HEALTHCARE SAFETY NETWORK

Form Approved
OMB No. 0920-0666
Exp. Date: 12/31/2026
www.cdc.gov/nhsn

Weekly Respiratory Pathogen and Vaccination Summary for Residents of Long-Term Care Facilities (CDC 57.218, Rev10)

1 page *required for saving

Facility ID#:	
Week of data collection (Monday – Sunday): __/__/____ – __/__/____	Date Last Modified: __/__/____
Flu/ Respiratory Virus Season: **YYYY-YYYY**	
1. * Number of residents staying in this facility for at least 1 day during the week of data collection	
Cumulative Vaccination Coverage	
2. Resident Vaccination: Among residents in Question #1:	
2a. *Number of residents who are up to date with COVID-19 vaccines	
2b. Number of residents who have received this season's annual influenza vaccine **(YYYY-YYYY)**	
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https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/optional-reporting-of-influenza-and-rsv-508.pdf

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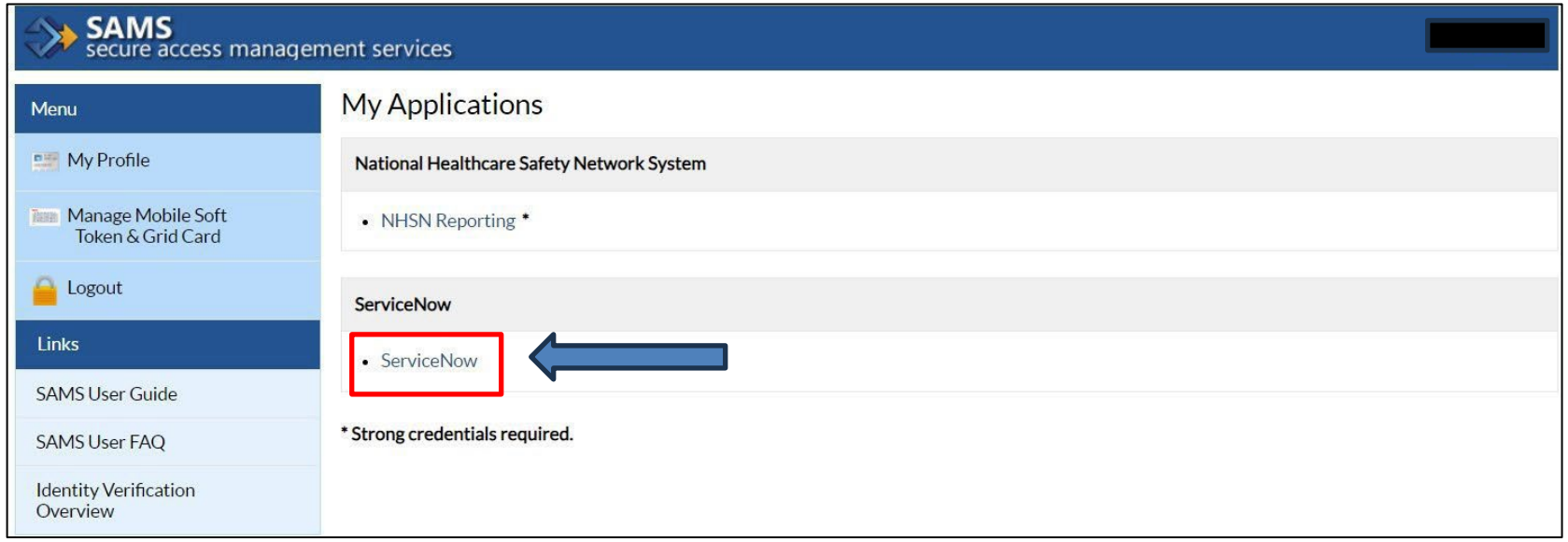
Tickets requiring CDA support and AUR test files should continue to be emailed to nhsnCDA@cdc.gov until further notice. If you are unable to access ServiceNow, you can still email the NHSN Help Desk at nhsn@cdc.gov.



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Alliant Health Solutions and NHSN Updates

In Case You Missed It

Last month's September Shop Talk:

Updates/Upcoming NHSN trainings, HCP Vaccination Flu Summary Reporting, and NHSN Optional Reporting of Influenza and RSV Vaccination for LTC Residents

- Slides
- Webinar Recording

2024 NHSN Annual Training

Dear NHSN Users,

The "2024 NHSN Virtual Post-Acute Care Annual Training: Long-term Care Component, Dialysis Component, and Healthcare Personnel Safety (Vaccination) Component Surveillance and Analytics" slide decks are now available on the NHSN website!

PLEASE NOTE: Due to an issue with our video hosting platform, video recordings from the 2024 Post-Acute Care Annual Training will be posted to the website at a later date. Please continue to check the websites for updates. Communication will be sent once they are available.

You can view presentation slides on:

- The Impact of NHSN's COVID-19 Surveillance for Post-Acute Care
- RTI Pilot Project: The Importance of Respiratory Pathogen Reporting
- QIN/QIO Assistance with Reporting
- Unveiling Insights: The Journey of NHSN of Data in Public Health
- Current Hot Topics in Infection Prevention and Control in Long-term Care
- Antibiotic Stewardship Core elements
- Long-term Care Antibiotic Use Surveillance
- NHSN Dialysis Event Surveillance
- Dialysis Component Analysis and Report Options
- Understanding SIR Scoring
- Conducting External Validation
- Reporting COVID-19 Vaccination Data for Patients and Healthcare Personnel in Dialysis Facilities
- Navigating NHSN Resources
- NHSN Demonstration: LTCF Component Healthcare-associated Infection (HAI) Reporting & Resources

All slide PDFs, and CE information are located on the Continuing Education > NHSN Post-Acute Care (PAC) Annual training page at: https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/training/pac-annual-training.html Click the 2024 PAC NHSN Training – Videos and Slides button to view.

Any questions about the webinar series can be addressed at the NHSN Helpdesk via https://servicedesk.cdc.gov/nhsncsp or send an email to NHSNTrain@cdc.gov.

Thank you!

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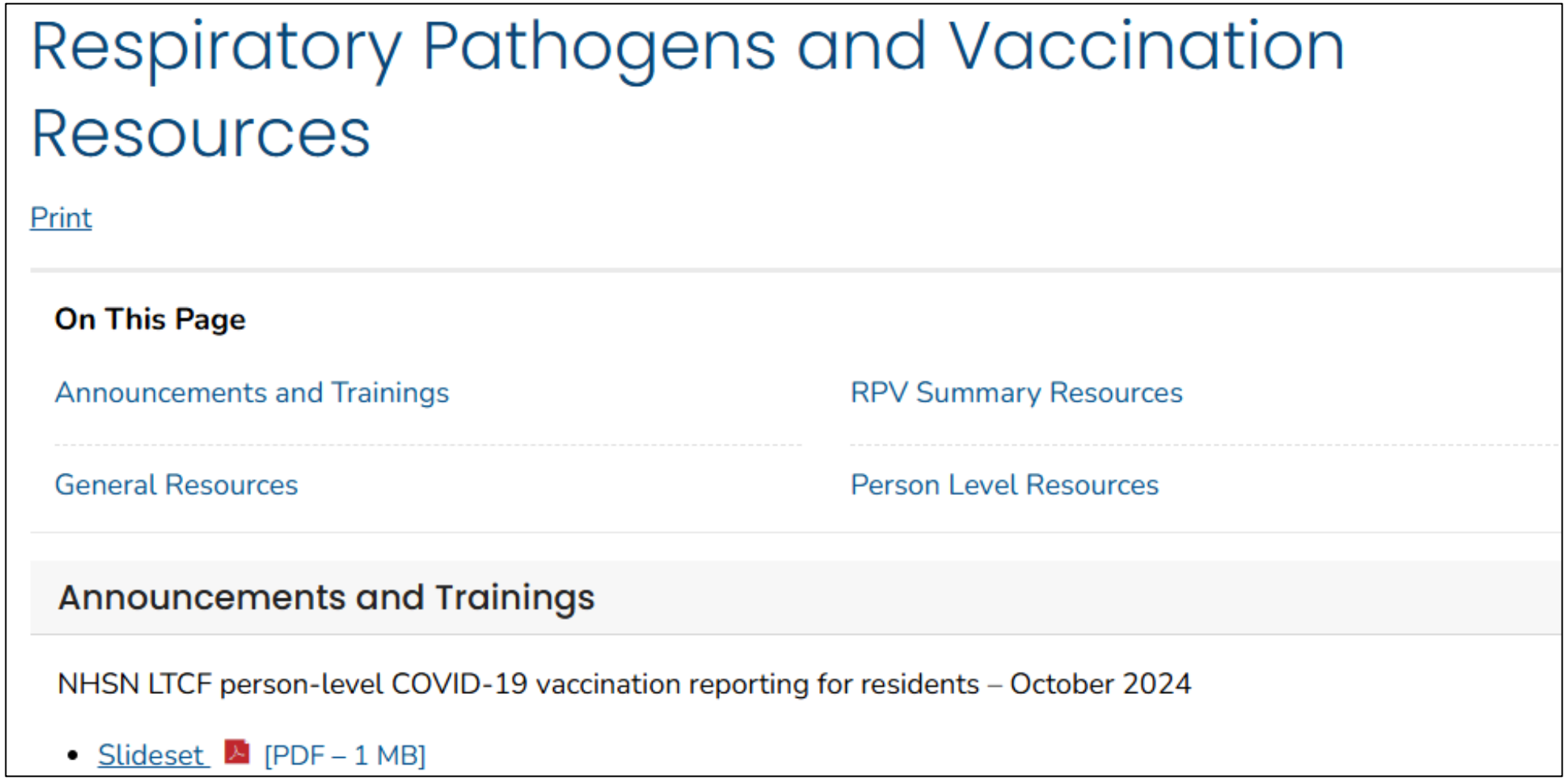

Respiratory Pathogens and Vaccination Resources

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General Resources

Person Level Resources

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NHSN LTCF person-level COVID-19 vaccination reporting for residents – October 2024

- Slideset [PDF – 1 MB]

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NHSN Updates

General Resources

- UTC Guidance Document [PDF – 269 KB] – July 2024
- Influenza/RSV: Understanding Key Terms and Recommendations [PDF – 729 KB] – September 2024
- COVID-19: Understanding Key Terms and Up to Date Vaccination [PDF – 1 MB] – September 2024
- How to Edit Email Addresses in SAMS and NHSN Facilities [PDF – 500 KB] – December 2020
- Change LTC Facility Type [PDF – 300 KB] – May 2020
- Add a User in NHSN [PDF – 800 KB] – October 2020
- Re-assign NHSN Facility Administrator [PDF – 500 KB] – October 2020
- Join a Group and Accept the Confer Rights Template [PDF – 400 KB]
- ADD and EDIT Facility CMS Certification Number (CCN) within NHSN [PDF – 1 MB] – April 2020
- Join a Group and Accept the Confer Rights Template [PDF – 400 KB]
- Health Department Guide to Using the COVID-19 Module [PDF – 420 KB]
- Guidance for use of COVID-19 Module Data by NHSN Health Department Groups [PDF – 150 KB] – November 2020

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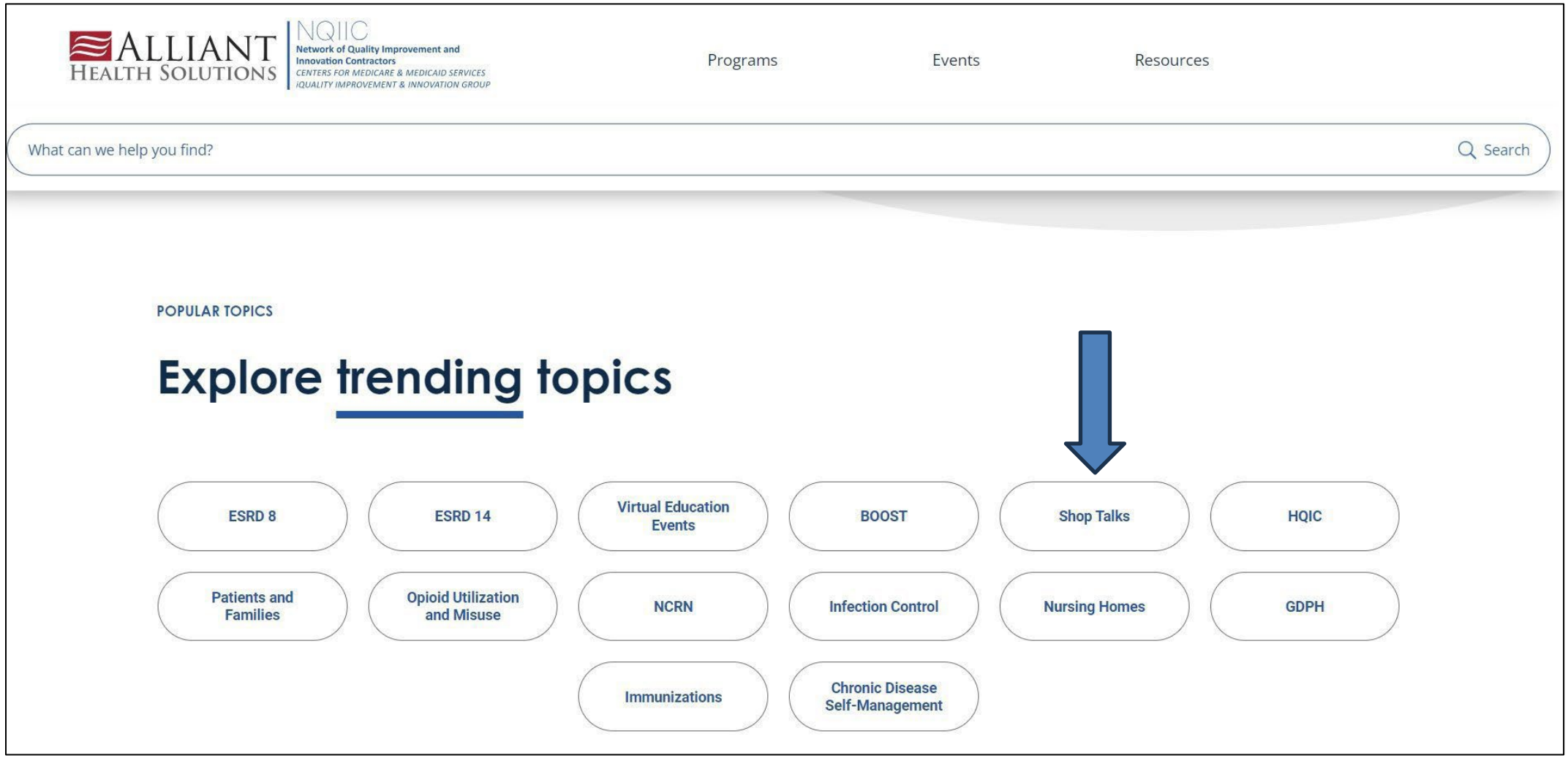

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Shop Talks & Quickinars

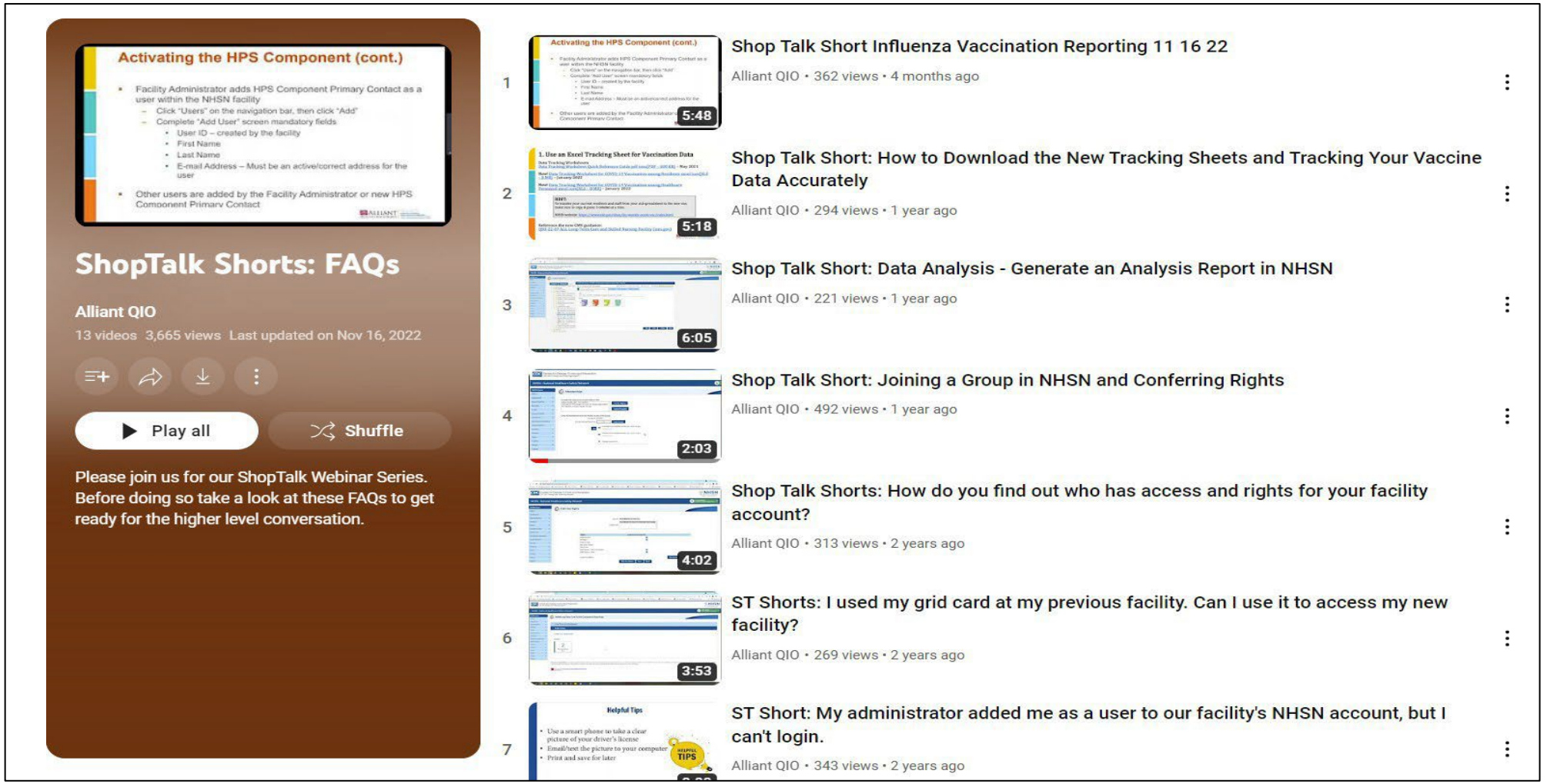
A shop talk is a webinar hosted by Alliant to share information and resources.

Updates and support for surveillance, tracking and infection prevention in nursing homes using National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN). This WebEx is focused on submitting COVID-19 data but may include other components such as C. Diff, UTIs and hand hygiene.

Click here to access the Shop Talk Shorts FAQs and video playlist.

Click here to access the NHSN Weekly COVID-19 Vaccine Summary – Do Not Report Zeros resource.

Shop Talk and Shop Talk Shorts YouTube Channel



https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXWmxni-xNHspWHhLllrqcLGlzXZPljlF

New Shop Talk Shorts

- Shop Talk Short: How to setup mobile soft token

- Shop Talk Short: How to reinstall Entrust soft token on a new device

NHSN E-Newsletters

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New Training Resources for NHSN Administrators

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Dear NHSN Administrators,

We are delighted to announce the launch of our latest training resources tailored specifically for you. Our comprehensive set of training videos has been meticulously designed to guide you through various administrator tasks, step-by-step.

To ensure easy access, we have provided the link to the NHSN Administrators Training webpage below:

[Link: NHSN Administrators Training] NHSN Administrator Training | NHSN (cdc.gov)

These training videos cover essential topics such as:

- Adding a User to a Facility

- Enrolling a Facility in NHSN

- Deactivating and Activating a User in a Facility

- Reassigning the Facility Administrator in a Facility

- Adding a Component to a Facility

We encourage you to bookmark this page for future reference and share it with your team to facilitate seamless learning and skill development.

Stay tuned! In the near future, you will also be able to access these videos directly within the NHSN application on the left navigation bar on the Cheat Sheet tab.

Thank you for your dedication to ensuring the efficiency and success of our NHSN community.

Best regards,

NHSN Team

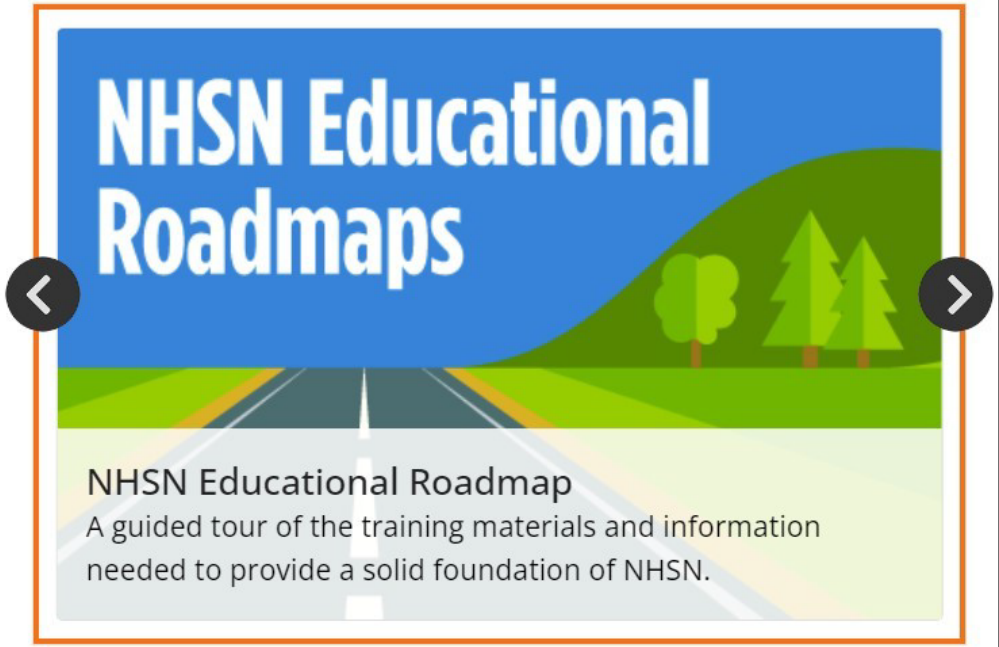
https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/training/admin-training/nhsn-admin-training.html

NHSN Training

Our mission is to offer learning opportunities in a variety of formats that enhance the knowledge and skills of NHSN facility- and group-level participants and their partners in order that they may effectively use the data obtained from the surveillance system to improve patient and healthcare personnel safety.

Objectives

- Convey NHSN data collection methods, submission requirements, and analysis options to participants so that they may acquire, submit, and disseminate high quality, actionable data.
- Prepare participants to use the NHSN reporting application accurately and efficiently.
- Enhance participants' and their partners' understanding of data quality and the value of adverse event monitoring.
- Encourage collaboration among participants and partners to improve the patient and healthcare personnel safety across the spectrum of care.



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Long-Term Care Facility Component Roadmap

Phase II: Modules/Protocols

Healthcare-associated Infections: Surveillance for Urinary Tract Infections

- Surveillance for UTI Module: Part I [Video – 24 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 1.1 MB]
- Surveillance for UTI Module: Part II [Video – 31 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 3.4 MB]
- UTI Protocol [PDF – 533 KB]

Laboratory-identified Event (LabID Event): Surveillance for CDI and MDROs in LTCF

- Surveillance for CDI in LTCFs: LabID Event Modules [Video – 30 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 1.1 MB]
- Surveillance for MDROs in LTCFs: LabID Event Modules [Video – 24 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 1.1 MB]
- LabID Event Protocol [PDF – 308 KB]

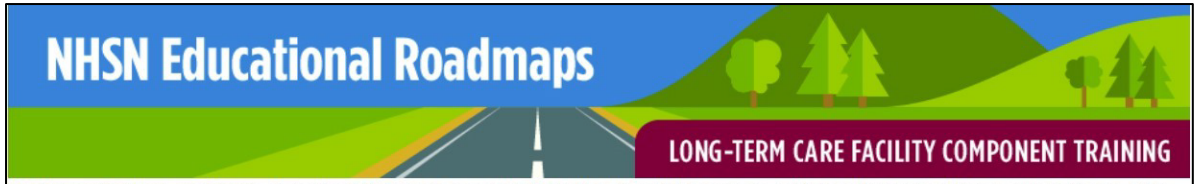
Prevention Process Measures: Hand Hygiene, Gloves and Gown Adherence

- LTCF Prevention Process Measures Module [Video – 27 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 2 MB]
- PPM Protocol [PDF – 308 KB]

Phase III: Analysis

Introduction to Analysis

- Data for Action: How can NHSN data be used to guide prevention efforts in LTCF? – March 2017 [Video – 43 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 4 MB]



Welcome to the Long-term Care Facility Component (LTC) Educational Roadmap. This roadmap has three (3) sections, LTC Foundation, Modules/Protocols and Analysis. For the best learning experience, start with the Long-term Care Foundation section and work your way down the list and complete each item. After you complete this section, select the LTC Modules/Protocols Training that best meets your practice needs followed by Analysis.

Phase I: Long-Term Care Foundation

Part I: NHSN Getting to Know NHSN and the Long-term Care Facility Component

- Infection Surveillance and Prevention in Long-term Care: A National Perspective [Video – 29 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 3 MB]
- Overview of Using NHSN to Track and Report Infections in LTCF [Video – 51 min]
  Slideset [PDF – 5 MB]

https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/training/roadmap/ltc-roadmap.html

Questions?

Thank You for Your Time!
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Nursing Home and Partnership for Community Health:
CMS 12th SOW GOALS

OPIOID UTILIZATION AND MISUSE

Promote opioid best practices

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Reduce opioid adverse drug events in all settings

PATIENT SAFETY

Reduce hospitalizations due to c. diff

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Reduce adverse drug events

•

Reduce facility acquired infections

CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT

Increase instances of adequately diagnosed and controlled hypertension

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Increase use of cardiac rehabilitation programs

•

Reduce instances of uncontrolled diabetes

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Identify patients at high-risk for kidney disease and improve outcomes

CARE COORDINATION

Convene community coalitions

•

Reduce avoidable readmissions, admissions to hospitals and preventable emergency department visits

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Identify and promote optimal care for super utilizers

COVID-19

Support nursing homes by establishing a safe visitor policy and cohort plan

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Provide virtual events to support infection control and prevention

•

Support nursing homes and community coalitions with emergency preparedness plans

IMMUNIZATION

Increase influenza, pneumococcal, and COVID-19 vaccination rates

TRAINING

Encourage completion of infection control and prevention trainings by front line clinical and management staff

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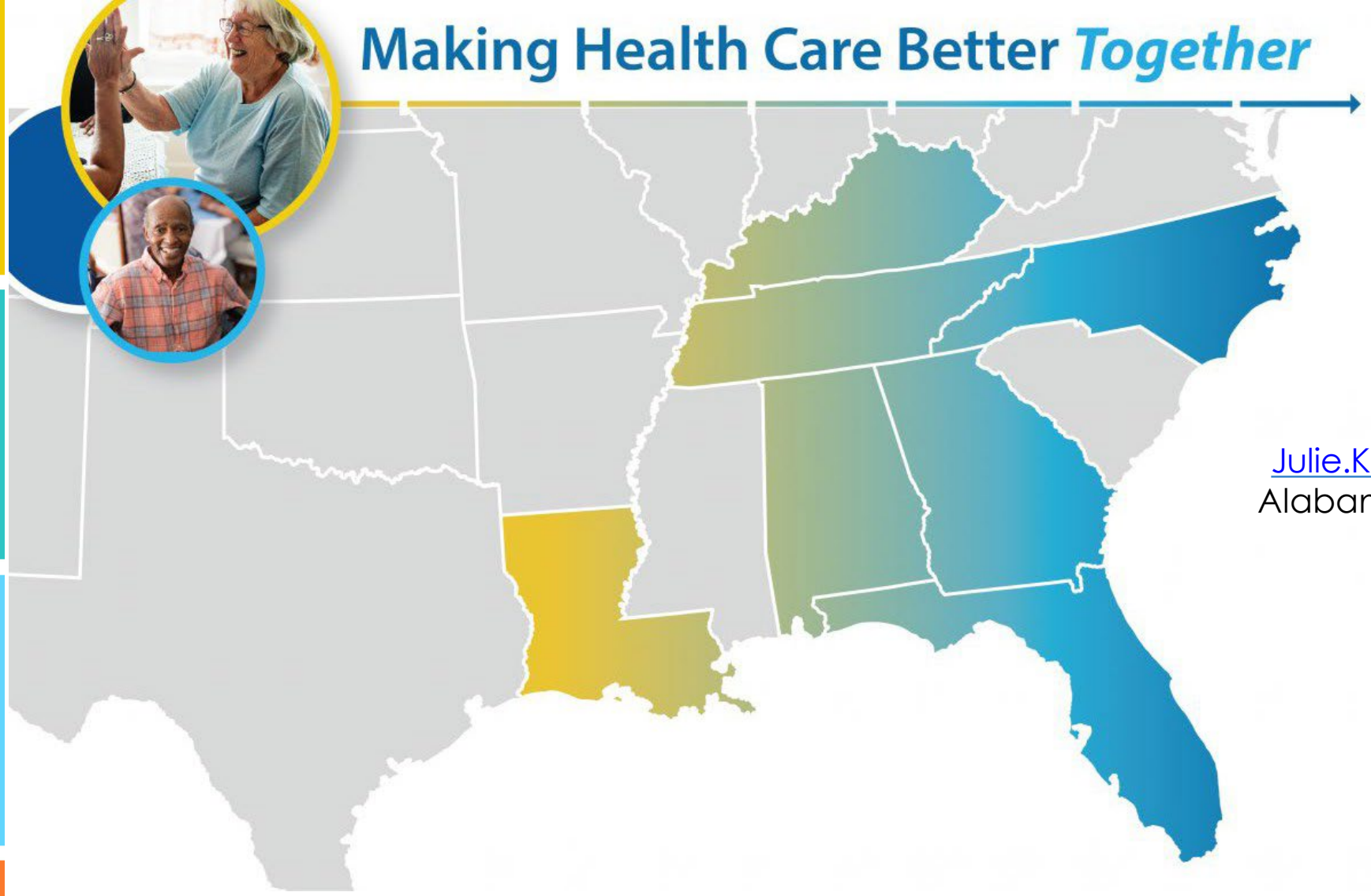

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