

NHSN Healthcare Personnel Influenza Summary Reporting

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Preparing for NHSN Influenza reporting and Annual Survey



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NHSN Influenza Reporting

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Report annual HCP influenza vaccination summary data through the NHSN Healthcare Personnel Safety (HPS) Component for the 2024-2025 influenza season

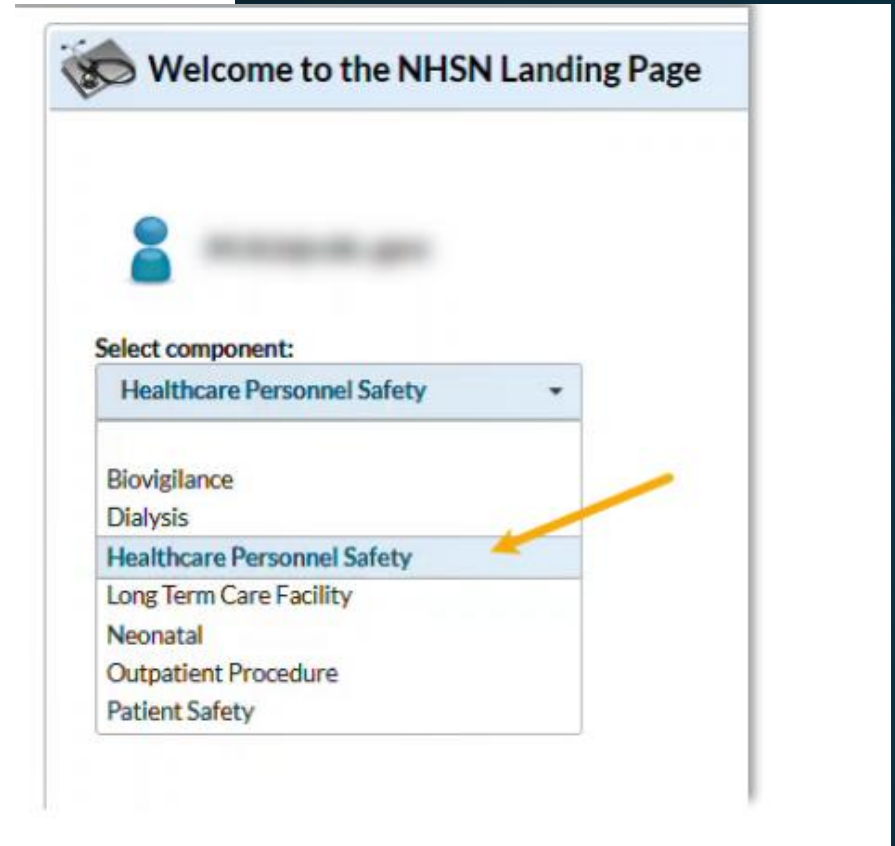
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Component for the 2024-2025 influenza season



WHERE TO REPORT

Facilities must activate the Healthcare Personnel Safety (HPS) Component in NHSN to report annual HCP Influenza vaccination summary data.

- Do NOT de -activate any other components (e.g., the Long - term Care Facility Component)

Your Facility Administrator (FA) must have SAMS Level 3 reporting access to activate the HPS Component.

- Only the NHSN FA can activate a new component



WHEN TO REPORT

The reporting period for the 2024-2025 influenza season is from October 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025

- Facilities that are required to report data by CMS must submit one report covering the entire influenza season
- The deadline to report the annual HCP influenza vaccination summary data through the NHSN HPS Component is May 15, 2025



GETTING STARTED IN THE HPS COMPONENT

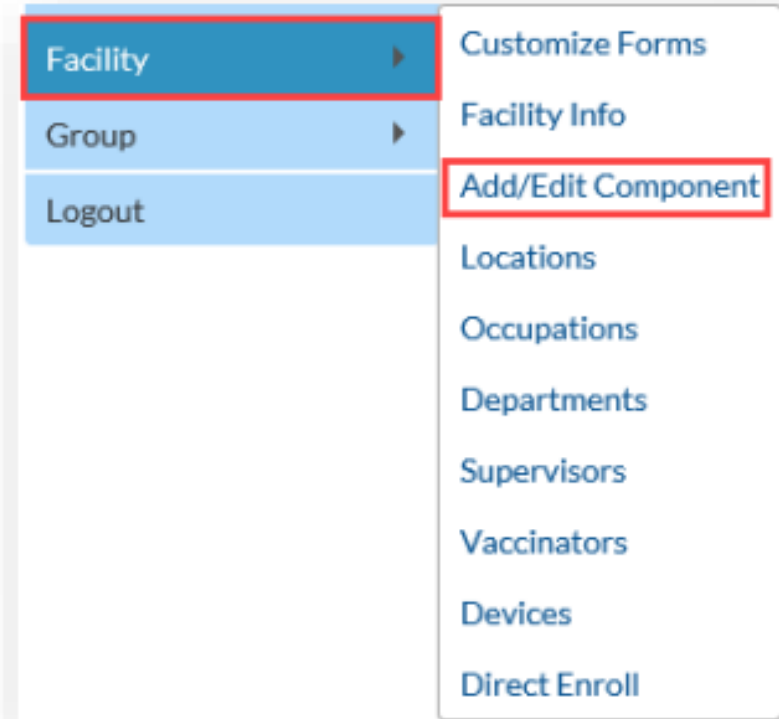
- How to see if your facility already activated the HPS Component
 - Navigate to Facility > Add/Edit Component

Components Followed

Follow/ Followed	Component	Activated	Deactivated	Agreement Accepted	View Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biovigilance				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dialysis				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Healthcare Personnel Safety	08/09/2012		Y	View Agreement
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Long Term Care Facility	08/09/2012		Y	View Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication Safety (pilot facilities only)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neonatal				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outpatient Procedure				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Patient Safety				

Activating the HPS Component

- Activating the HPS component is necessary for facilities that are not currently enrolled in this component
- Only a NHSN Facility Administrator can activate a new component
- Facility Administrators will log in to the HPS component and navigate to
Facility > Add/Edit Component



Activating the HPS Component (cont.)

- Scroll to “Components followed” and check the box next to Healthcare Personnel Safety.
- An alert will pop-up indicating you must first define the primary contact for this component.

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Dynamic Forms
Logout

Zip Code *: 29405
Phone *: 184-350-1747
Fax: *

Facility: Y
Facility type *: LTC-SKILLNURS - Skilled Nursing Facility

Was this facility operational in the year prior to NHSN enrollment (i.e., last year)? *: ☒ Yes ☐ No
Will this facility report COVID data separately for one (or more) facility-within-facility using the Before making a selection, please review the facility-within-facility guidance ☐

Facility-within-facility Description: Facility-within-facility refers to units/ floors/ wings of a hos these units/ floors/ wings are housed. These units/ floors/ wings have the same CCN and the sa facility scenarios for COVID-19 hospital data.

IHS Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ No
Status: A - Active

Warning

You must define the Primary Contact for this component before you can start following it. Go to the Contact Data section of the page to enter the Primary Contact Information. Note: You will be required to complete a survey for the most recently completed calendar year if Healthcare Personnel Exposure reporting is selected on your monthly plan. Please print the survey from the Print Survey Form link next to the component.

OK

Components Followed

Follow/ Followed	Component	Activated	Deactivated	Agreement Accepted	View Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Biovigilance				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dialysis				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Healthcare Personnel Safety				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Long Term Care Facility	05/08/2023		Y	View Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medication Safety (pilot facilities only)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neonatal				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Outpatient Procedure				
<input type="checkbox"/>	Patient Safety				

Activating the HPS Component (cont.)

- Select “OK” and enter the contact information on the next page for your HPS primary contact.
- Note this can be an existing NHSN user.

The screenshot shows a web-based form titled "Edit Record" with a status bar at the top indicating "Yes" is selected. The form has two radio buttons at the top: "Use Existing NHSN User" (selected) and "Create new NHSN User". Below these are several input fields for user and contact information. The "Contact Type" field is set to "HCP - Healthcare Personnel Primary Contact". The form includes fields for Username, Password, Verify Password, First Name, Last Name, Middle Name, Phone, Email, Title, Address Line 1, Address Line 2, Address Line 3, City, State (a dropdown menu), Zip Code, Zip Code Ext, Fax, and Pager Number. A link "Click to copy mailing address from the facility" is located between the Title and Address Line 1 fields. At the bottom right, there are "Submit" and "Cancel" buttons.

Yes No

Edit Record

☒ Use Existing NHSN User ☐ Create new NHSN User

Existing NHSN User Email

Username *

Password *

Verify Password *

Contact Type HCP - Healthcare Personnel Primary Contact

First Name *

Last Name *

Middle Name

Phone * Ext:

Email *

Title

[Click to copy mailing address from the facility](#)

Address Line 1 *

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

City *

State *

Zip Code * Zip Code Ext:

Fax

Pager Number

Submit Cancel

Activating the HPS Component (cont.)

- After submitting and updating this information, your FA must return to the NHSN homepage and log into the HPS Component to accept the agreement to participate and consent.
- Make sure to scroll all the way to the bottom of the page and click the “Accept” checkbox.

The screenshot displays the NHSN Healthcare Personnel Safety Component Home Page. On the left, a 'Select component:' dropdown menu is open, showing options: Healthcare Personnel Safety (selected), Biovigilance, Dialysis, Healthcare Personnel Safety, Long Term Care Facility, Medication Safety (pilot facilities only), Neonatal, Outpatient Procedure, and Patient Safety. A blue arrow points from the 'Healthcare Personnel Safety' option in the dropdown to the main content area. The main content area shows the 'NHSN Healthcare Personnel Safety Component Home Page' with the title 'Agreement to Participate and Consent'. Below the title, it says 'Page 1 of 3' and 'Tracking #: 17318'. The text describes the purpose of the NHSN and the data collection process. At the bottom, there is a table with columns: Component, Contact Type, Contact Name, Phone Number, Email, and Accept. The table has two rows: 'Long Term Care Facility' and 'Healthcare Personnel Safety'. The 'Accept' column for the 'Healthcare Personnel Safety' row has a red box around the 'Accept' checkbox, which is highlighted by a red arrow.

Component	Contact Type	Contact Name	Phone Number	Email	Accept
Long Term Care Facility	Long Term Care Facility Primary Contact	Heather			
Healthcare Personnel Safety	Facility Administrator	Heather			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

HCP CATEGORIES

- Employee HCP: Staff on facility payroll
- Non-Employee HCP: Licensed independent practitioners
(physicians, advanced practice nurses, and physician assistants)
- Non-Employee HCP: Adult students/trainees and volunteers
- HCP must be physically present in the facility for at least 1 working day between October 1 through March 31

Healthcare Personnel Influenza Vaccination Summary

Page 1 of 2
*required for saving, ^conditionally required for saving

Record the number of healthcare personnel (HCP) for each category below for the influenza season being tracked.

*Facility ID#:		^Location:		
*Vaccination type: Influenza	*Influenza subtype ^a : <input type="checkbox"/> Seasonal	*Influenza Season ^b :		Date Last Modified: __/__/__
		Employee HCP	Non-Employee HCP	
		*Employees (staff on facility payroll)	*Licensed independent practitioners: Physicians, advanced practice nurses, & physician assistants	*Adult students/trainees & volunteers
				Other Contract Personnel

HCP CATEGORIES

- Employees (staff on facility payroll) [Required]
 - Defined as all persons that receive a direct paycheck from the healthcare facility (i.e., on the facility's payroll), regardless of clinical responsibility or patient contact

HCP Categories: Non-Employee HCP: Licensed Independent Practitioners

- **Licensed Independent Practitioners [Required]**
 - - Defined as physicians (MD, DO); advanced practice nurses; and physician assistants only who are affiliated with the healthcare facility, but are not directly employed by it (i.e., they do not receive a paycheck from the facility), regardless of clinical responsibility or patient contact. Post-residency fellows are also included in this category.



HCP Categories: Non-Employee HCP: Adult Students/Trainees and Volunteers

- **Adult students/trainees and volunteers
[Required]**
 - - Defined as adult students/trainees and volunteers: medical, nursing, or other health professional students, interns, medical residents, or volunteers aged 18 or older that are affiliated with the healthcare facility, but are not directly employed by it (i.e., they do not receive a paycheck from the facility), regardless of clinical responsibility or patient contact



HCP Categories: Non-Employee HCP: Other Contract Personnel

- **Other contract personnel [Optional]**
 - Defined as persons providing care, treatment, or services at the facility through a contract
 - There are several types of personnel who provide direct care and non-direct services. Examples include:
 - Dialysis technicians
 - Occupational therapists
 - Admitting staff
 - Pharmacists
 - Refer to Appendix A of the HCP Influenza Vaccination Summary [Protocol for suggested list of contract personnel: Combined Protocol for HCP January 2024 \(cdc.gov\)](#)



Influenza Vaccination Summary

Form Questions (cont.)

- **Question #2 - HCP who received an influenza vaccination at this healthcare facility since influenza vaccine became available this season**
- **Question #3 - HCP who provided a written report or documentation of influenza vaccination outside this healthcare facility since influenza vaccine became available this season**
 - Acceptable forms of documentation include:
 - A signed statement or form, or an electronic form or e-mail from a healthcare worker (HCW) indicating when and where he/she received the influenza vaccine
 - A note, receipt, vaccination card, etc. from the outside vaccinating entity stating that the HCW received the influenza vaccine at that location
 - Verbal statements are not acceptable

Influenza Vaccination Summary

Form Questions (cont.)

- **Question #4 - HCP who have a medical contraindication to the influenza vaccine**
 - For this module, for inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV), accepted contraindications include:
 - (1) severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) after a previous vaccine dose or to a vaccine component, including egg protein; or
 - (2) history of Guillain-Barré Syndrome within 6 weeks after a previous influenza vaccination.
 - HCP who have a medical contraindication to live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV) other than the medical contraindications listed above, should be offered IIV by their facility, if available
 - Documentation is not required for reporting a medical contraindication (verbal statements are acceptable)

Influenza Vaccination Summary Form Questions (cont.)

- **Question #5 - HCP who declined to receive the influenza vaccine**
 - Documentation is not required for reporting declinations (verbal statements are acceptable)
- **Question #6 - HCP with unknown vaccination status (or criteria not met for above-mentioned categories)**

Log into SAMS

- You can access the activity home page by clicking <https://SAMS.cdc.gov>
- Enter your SAMS username and password
- Enter SAMS grid card numbers/MF Token

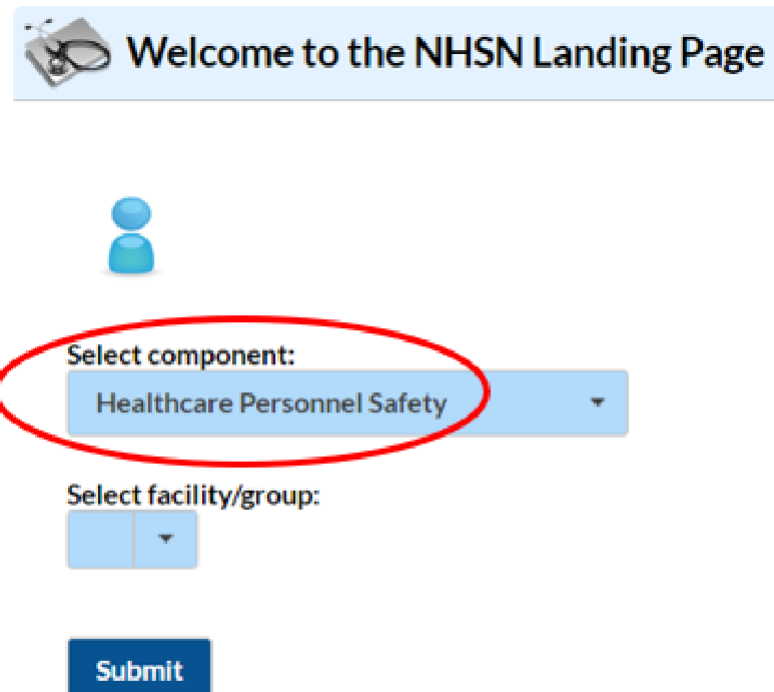
Choose a login option

The screenshot displays the SAMS login interface. It is divided into two primary sections: 'External Partners' on the left and 'HHS Staff' on the right. The 'External Partners' section, which is highlighted with a red border, is titled 'SAMS Multi-factor Login'. It features an illustration of a grid card and a smartphone. Below the illustration are input fields for 'SAMS Username' and 'SAMS Password', followed by a blue 'Login' button. A link for 'Forgot SAMS Password?' is located at the bottom of this section. The 'HHS Staff' section is divided into two sub-sections: 'PIV Login' and 'AMS One Time Password'. The 'PIV Login' sub-section includes an illustration of a PIV card, instructions to 'Click the Login button to sign on with a HHS PIV Card.', a blue 'Login' button, and a note for 'all HHS staff including Operating Divisions (CDC, NIH, FDA, etc.)'. The 'AMS One Time Password' sub-section includes an illustration of a smartphone displaying an OTP, a link for 'How to use OTP', a blue 'Login' button, and a note for 'all HHS staff including Operating Divisions (CDC, NIH, FDA, etc.) with a One Time Password.'. A vertical line with a blue circle containing the word 'OR' separates the two sub-sections in the HHS Staff area.

- For assistance with SAMS, contact the SAMS Help Desk at: 1-877-681-2901 or samshelp@cdc.gov

NHSN Landing Page

- Select the HCP Safety Component



A screenshot of the NHSN Landing Page. At the top, a light blue banner contains a stethoscope icon and the text "Welcome to the NHSN Landing Page". Below this is a blue user icon. The main form area has two dropdown menus. The first is labeled "Select component:" and has "Healthcare Personnel Safety" selected; this entire section is circled in red. The second is labeled "Select facility/group:" and is currently empty. At the bottom is a dark blue "Submit" button.

Welcome to the NHSN Landing Page

Select component:
Healthcare Personnel Safety ▼

Select facility/group:
▼

Submit

HPS Component Home Page

NHSN - National Healthcare Safety Network

NHSN Home

- Alerts
- Reporting Plan ▶
- HCW ▶
- Lab Test ▶
- Exposure ▶
- Prophy/Treat ▶
- Import/Export ▶
- Vaccination Summary ▶
- Surveys ▶
- Analysis ▶
- Users ▶
- Facility ▶
- Group ▶
- Logout

NHSN Healthcare Personnel Safety Component Home Page

Action Items

COMPLETE THESE ITEMS

Confer Rights
Not Accepted

ALERTS

Alert Type	Count
Incomplete Treatment Dates	2
Missing Summary Data	1
Missing Weekly Summary Data	18
Report No Events	33

HCP Influenza Vaccination Summary Data

- Click “Vaccination Summary” then “Annual Vaccination Flu Summary”
- Select “Add”
- Click “Continue”

The screenshot shows the NHSN Home interface. On the left is a navigation menu with the following items: NHSN Home, Alerts, Reporting Plan, HCW, Lab Test, Exposure, Prophy/Treat, Import/Export, Vaccination Summary, Surveys, and Analysis. The 'Vaccination Summary' item is highlighted with a blue bar and a yellow circle with the number '1' next to it. A sub-menu is open for 'Vaccination Summary', showing 'Annual Vaccination Flu Summary' and 'Weekly Flu Vaccination Summary'. The 'Annual Vaccination Flu Summary' item is highlighted with a blue bar and a yellow circle with the number '2' next to it. A sub-menu is open for 'Annual Vaccination Flu Summary', showing 'Add', 'Find', and 'Incomplete'. The 'Add' item is highlighted with a blue bar and a yellow circle with the number '3' next to it. On the right side of the interface, there is a header 'Add Summary Data' with a magnifying glass icon. Below this header, there is a dropdown menu labeled 'Summary Data Type:' with 'Influenza Vaccination Summary' selected. Below the dropdown menu, there are two buttons: 'Continue' and 'Back'. The 'Continue' button is highlighted with a yellow circle with the number '4' next to it.

Data Entry Screen

- The asterisks indicate required columns that must be completed
- Use the “Comments” box to enter any additional information
- Click “Save” to save the record

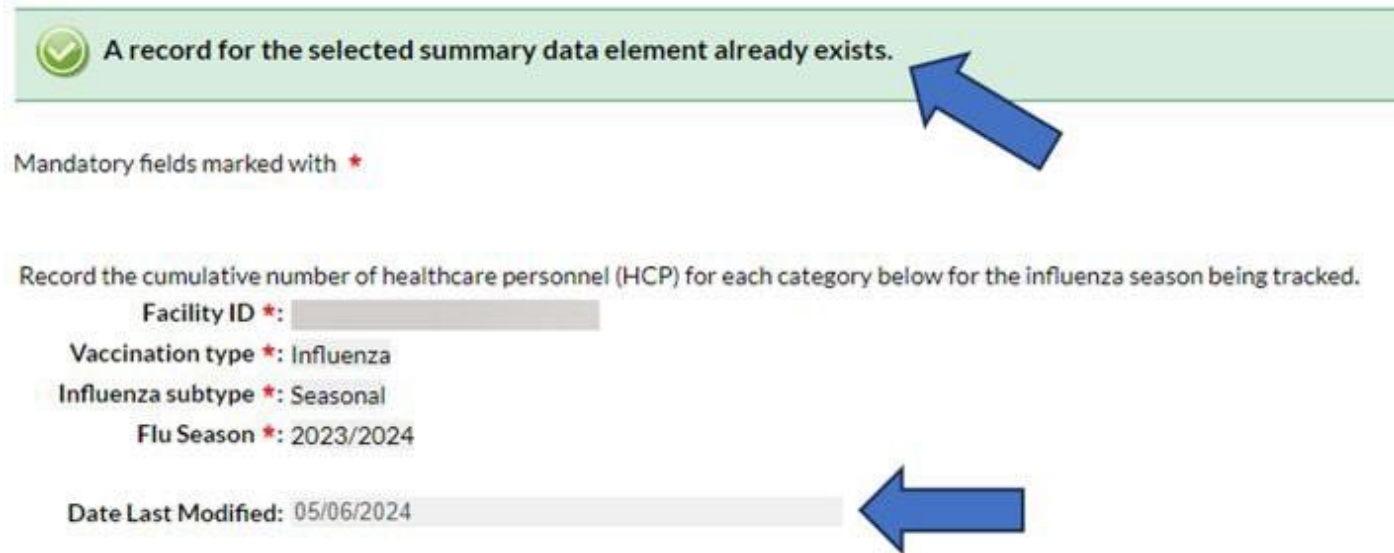
HCP categories	Employee HCP	Non-Employee HCP		
	Employees (staff on facility payroll) *	Licensed independent practitioners: Physicians, advanced practice nurses, & physician assistants *	Adult students/ trainees & volunteers *	Other Contract Personnel
1. Number of HCP who worked at this healthcare facility for at least 1 day between October 1 and March 31	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2. Number of HCP who received an influenza vaccine at this healthcare facility since influenza vaccine became available this season	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3. Number of HCP who provided a written report or documentation of influenza vaccination outside this healthcare facility since influenza vaccine became available this season	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
4. Number of HCP who have a medical contraindication to the influenza vaccine	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5. Number of HCP who declined to receive the influenza vaccine	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
6. Number of HCP with unknown vaccination status (or criteria not met for questions 2-5 above)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Custom Fields

Comments

Editing HCP Influenza Vaccination Data

- For each update of the data after the initial entry, a message will indicate that a record of the summary data already exists
- The “Date Last Modified” shows when the data were last entered
- Click the “Edit” button at the bottom of the screen to modify existing data
- After making edits, save the updated data by clicking the “Save” button at the bottom of the screen



A green banner at the top of the form contains a green checkmark icon and the text: "A record for the selected summary data element already exists." A blue arrow points from the right towards this message.

Mandatory fields marked with *

Record the cumulative number of healthcare personnel (HCP) for each category below for the influenza season being tracked.

Facility ID *:

Vaccination type *: Influenza

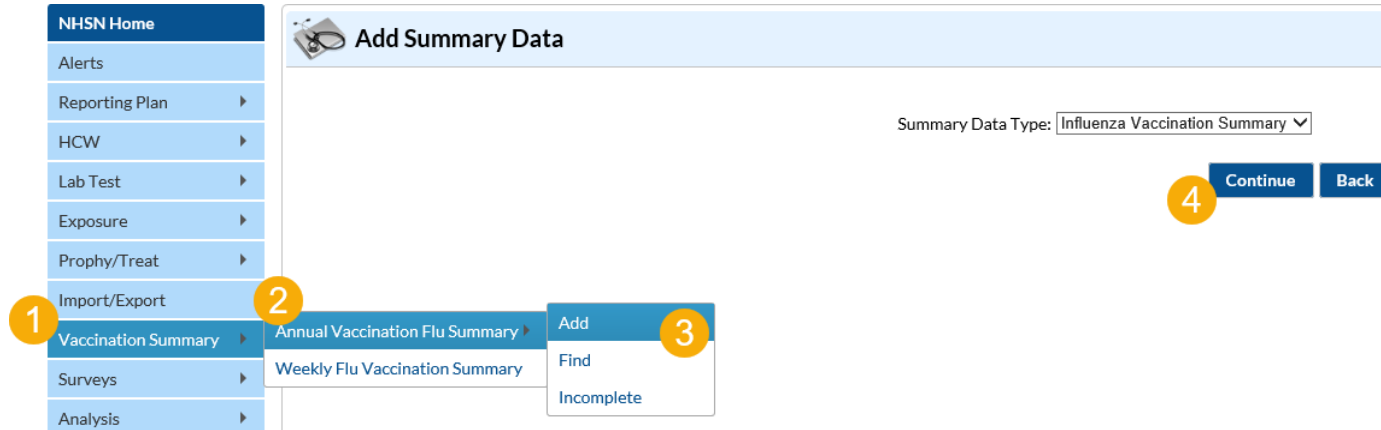
Influenza subtype *: Seasonal

Flu Season *: 2023/2024

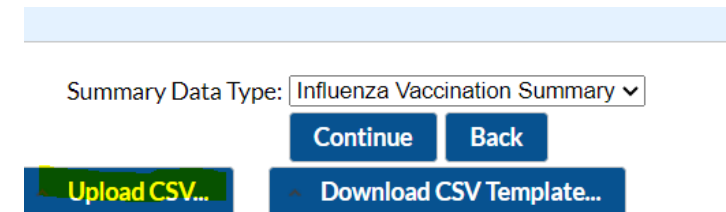
Date Last Modified: 05/06/2024

A blue arrow points from the right towards the "Date Last Modified" field.

Data Entry Using .CSV File Upload



- Facilities can use this same pathway and click "upload CSV"
- CSV template files and instructions are found on our webpage: [HCP Flu Vaccination | HPS | NHSN | CDC](#)
- Under the headings 'CSV Data Import' and 'Annual Healthcare Personnel Flu Vaccination Data'



Generating HCP Influenza Vaccination Summary

Data

- Go to “Analysis” and select “Generate Data Sets”
- Select time period for analysis
- Select “OK” when webpage message appears on the screen

 **Generate Data Sets (Healthcare Personnel Safety)**

Reporting Data Sets

 Include data for the following time period:

Beginning	Ending
08/2024	mm/yyyy

Clear Time Period

Generate Reporting Data Sets

Last Generated:
May 30, 2024 12:37 PM
to include data beginning 01/2024 and ending 05/2024

Warning

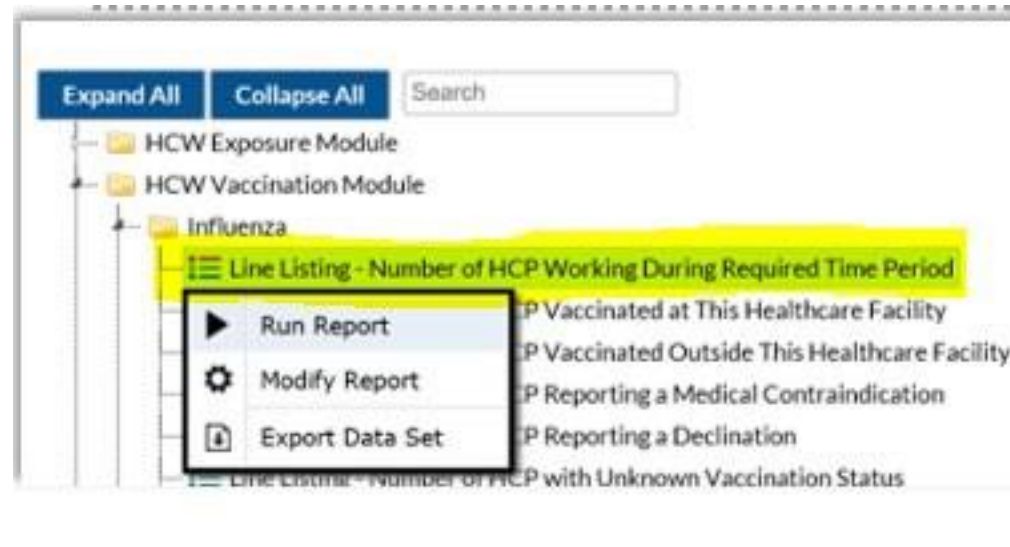
The current data sets will be updated. Are you sure you want to continue?

OK

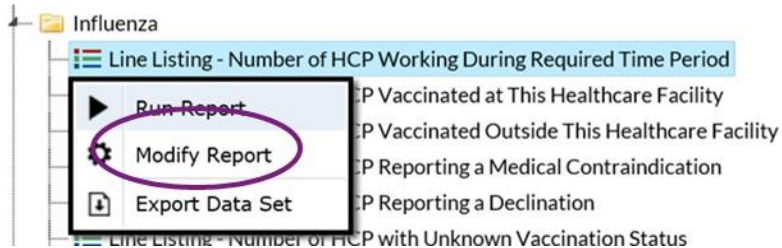
Cancel

HCP Influenza Vaccination Summary Data Analysis: Output Options

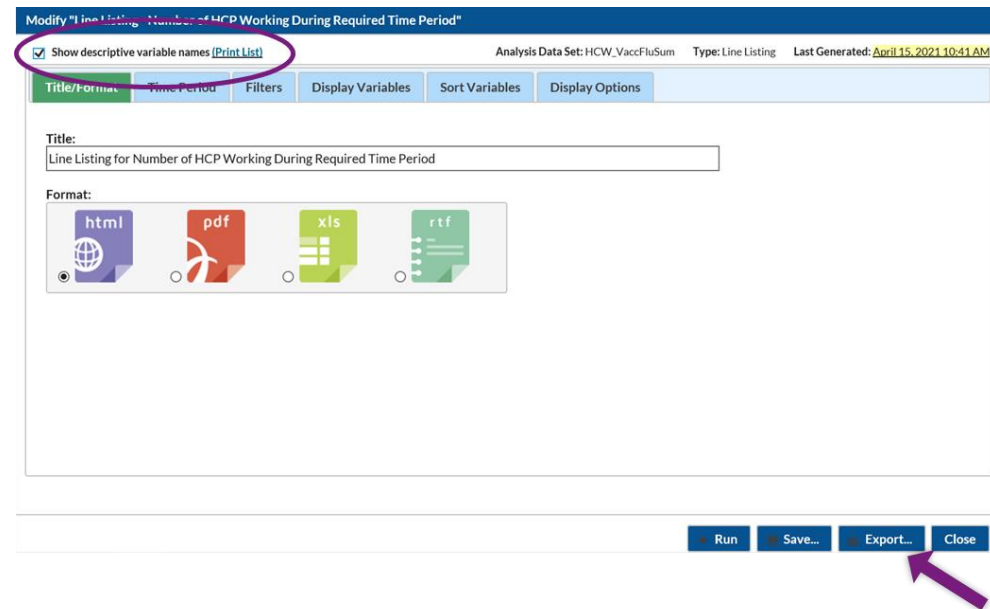
- Go to “Analysis” and “Reports”
- Click on “HCW Vaccination Module,” “Influenza,” and then "Line Listing-Number of HCP Working During Required Time Period"
- Click on “Run Report” to view the default output



Modifying HCP Influenza Vaccination Summary Data Output



- To modify the default analysis output, click “Modify Report” on the report you wish to modify
- Can export dataset and change output title and format
- Can use variable labels when viewing output



Data Verification in NHSN

- Run a CMS Line Listing Report using instructions located here: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/hps-manual/vaccination/verification-hcp-flu-data.pdf>



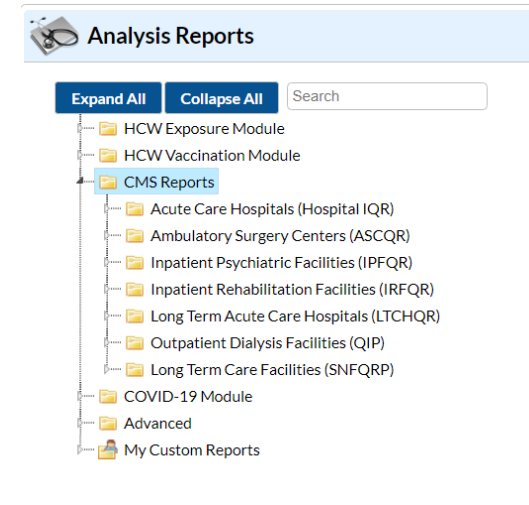
Submission of Healthcare Personnel (HCP) Influenza Vaccination Summary Data in NHSN

Several facilities have contacted NHSN to request assistance with verifying their facility's HCP influenza vaccination summary data. While data verification is important for all facilities, those required to submit data to CMS should be particularly mindful: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/cms/cms-reporting-requirements.pdf>. We have outlined some guidance to help facilities check their HCP vaccination data.

Data Submission and Verification in NHSN

A facility should enter and save their HCP influenza vaccination summary data into NHSN. Please note that NHSN does not provide a confirmation e-mail to facilities once they have submitted their data.

CDC assists with routinely verifying HCP influenza vaccination summary data during the first year of data reporting for a CMS program as a courtesy to facilities. After the first year, facilities should follow the steps below to verify data. Facilities should also maintain printed copies or screenshots of their data entry for their records.



National Healthcare Safety Network Line Listing for HCP Flu Vaccination Data for CMS IPPS

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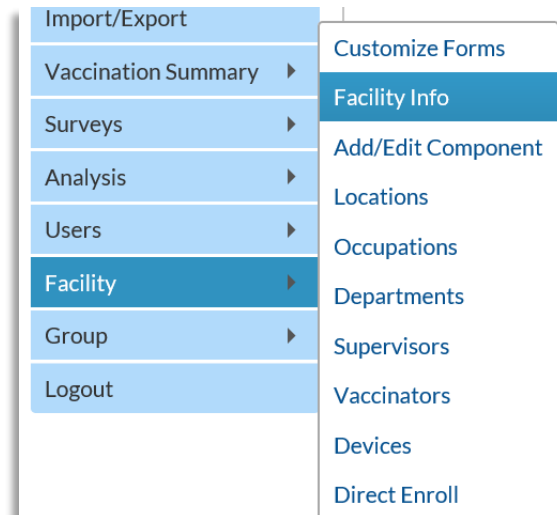
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		FLU	Employee	Employees	Influenza	0	0	0	100	100	100%	100	97%
		FLU	LIP	Licensed Independent Practitioners	Influenza	0	0	0	100	100	100%	100	97%
		FLU	studVol	Adult Students/Trainees and Volunteers	Influenza	0	0	0	50	50	100%	50	94%
		FLU	All	All Healthcare Workers	Influenza	0	0	0	250	250	100%	250	99%

Data Verification in NHSN

(cont.)

- Ensure that the correct facility CMS Certification Number (CCN) and CCN effective date have been entered into the “Facility Information” page of NHSN
 - Your CCN effective date = date your facility first received its CCN from CMS
- Ensure that your facility is enrolled as the correct facility type on the “Facility Information” page of NHSN
 - If your facility is not correctly enrolled, please contact NHSN-ServiceNow for assistance
- Please refer to the facility-specific slide set for your facility type for more details on how a facility can verify data

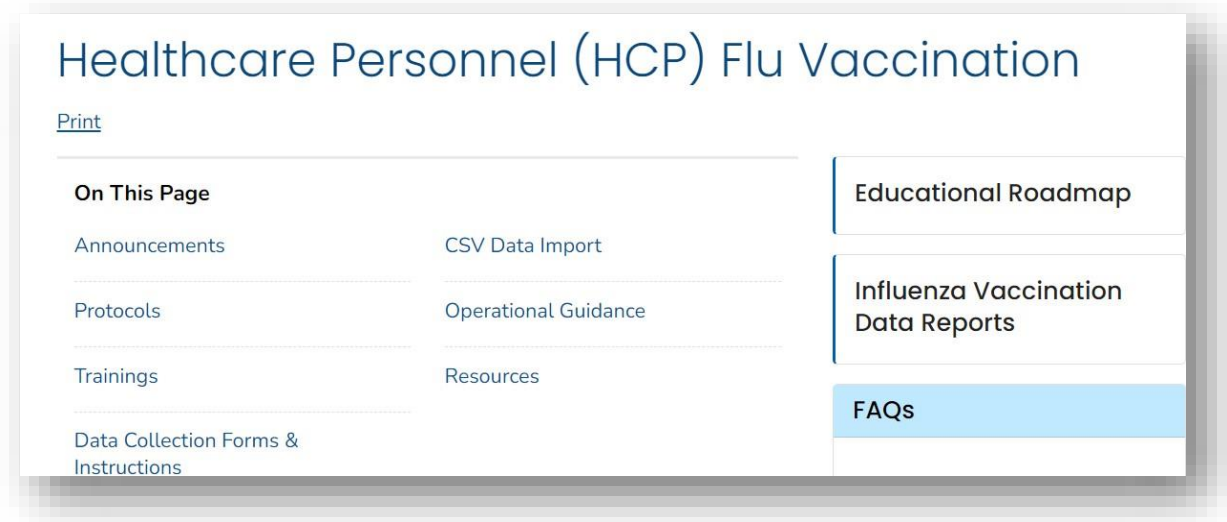


Resource: The NHSN Website

Visit <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/hps/vaccination/index.html>

Refer to materials under the “Annual Flu Summary” headings

- Data collection forms
- Tables of Instructions
- Training slides



Questions or Need Help?

Please use **NHSN-ServiceNow** to submit questions to the NHSN Help Desk. The new portal can be accessed [here](#) and should be used in place of nhsn@cdc.gov, nhsntrain@cdc.gov, and nhsndua@cdc.gov.

If you do not have a SAMS login, or are unable to access ServiceNow, can still e-mail the NHSN Help Desk at nhsn@cdc.gov.

For more information, contact CDC
1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)
TTY: 1-888-232-6348 www.cdc.gov

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