



WEBINAR SERIES

NHA HQIC Learning Cohort – Getting Started with NHSN

Join the NHA HQIC team in partnership with Margaret Drake, MT (ASCP), CIC – HAI State Infection Preventionist with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services to explore the use of the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) for collecting and submitting an organization's healthcare-associated infection (HAI) information.

- This program will be presented in a hybrid format with self-learning requested to be done prior to the live education.
- This program will be most useful if the learner has a NHSN login and Secure Access Management Services (SAMS) Grid Card (this process can take up to four weeks).
- This program will be formatted for beginning users.

Dates: **Tuesday, April 27, 2021**

Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

Tuesday, June 1, 2021

Time: **12:00 – 1:00 pm CDT for each date**

Speaker

- Margaret Drake, MT (ASCP), CIC – HAI State Infection Preventionist with NE DHHS
Margaret obtained her undergraduate medical technology degree from Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She is certified by the American Association of Clinical Pathologists and Certified in Infection Control. Margaret has worked in the medical field since 1981, first in the laboratory for 25 years and for the past 11 years in Infection Prevention. She is part of the Nebraska Infection Control Assessment and Prevention (ICAP) team. She has a strong background in surveillance for healthcare associated infections and the National Hospital Safety Network (NHSN). She is the administrator of the State of Nebraska NHSN users group. She has been the Healthcare Associated Infections Infection Preventionist for the Nebraska Department of Public Health-Epidemiology Unit since 2015.

Program Overview

The NHSN Learning Collaborative will allow organizations that have not used NHSN in the past, or those that have used NHSN minimally and are interested in the benefits and usability of the NHSN program, to begin that journey with support of an expert as well as others moving into this program. The program will allow new users to ask questions of the subject matter expert or peer organizations working through the same process.

Join us for a supportive learning collaborative designed to promote an understanding of NHSN and help make the transition to NHSN an efficient and effective process.

Learning Objectives

- 1) Describe general NHSN surveillance rules and functions
- 2) Navigate NHSN website and available resources
- 3) Submit NHSN event-specific data
- 4) Utilize NHSN reporting application

Target Audience

New users to NHSN – or – NHSN users that want to expand use of NHSN for additional HAI topics.

Agenda and Homework – Please review the online NHSN self-paced interactive trainings noted for each date *prior* to the meeting it is noted under.

[Patient Safety Component \(PSC\) Training | NHSN | CDC](#)

April 27, 2021 – Kick-Off Meeting – Provide an overview of the program, look at NHSN website and resources, answer questions prior to getting started.

May 4, 2021 – Device-Associated Infections – Review the resources and data entry for device-associated infections with Q&A. [Introduction \(cdc.gov\)](#)

May 11, 2021 – Procedure-Associated Infections – Review the resources and data entry for procedure associated infections with Q&A. [Introduction \(cdc.gov\)](#)

May 25, 2021 – MRSA and CDI – Review the resources and data entry for MRSA and CDI infections with Q&A. [Main Page \(cdc.gov\)](#)

June 1, 2021 – Wrap-Up Meeting – Follow-up on anything outstanding, answer any new questions, assess needs for additional support.

Registration Deadline April 19, 2021

This learning collaborative is complimentary to NHA HQIC enrolled hospitals.

Please send the following information via email to Dana Steiner at dsteiner@nebraskahospitals.org or Janet Endorf-Olson at jendorfolson@nebraskahospitals.org.

- 1) Name
- 2) Role
- 3) Organization
- 4) Whether you currently have an NHSN account
- 5) How much you currently utilize NHSN

ZOOM connection information will be sent following registration.

Contact Information

For any additional questions or concerns please contact:

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