

# NHSN Dialysis Component Resources

**National Healthcare Safety Network  
Dialysis Resources**

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# Objectives

- Discuss the various NHSN Dialysis Component resources available for NHSN users including the Dialysis webpage, dialysis surveillance forms, NHSN interface resources, and training resources.

# The Dialysis Webpage

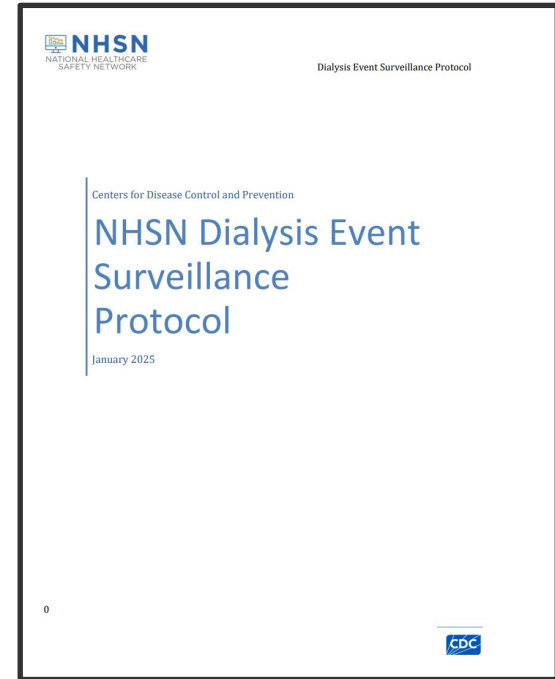
The Dialysis webpage provides links to numerous resources such as:

- Dialysis Event Manual
- Dialysis Event Protocol
- Forms
  - Dialysis Event form
  - Monthly Reporting Plan
  - Denominator form
- Tables of Instruction
- Annual NHSN Dialysis Surveillance Training
- Office Hours Trainings

<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/dialysis/event/index.html>

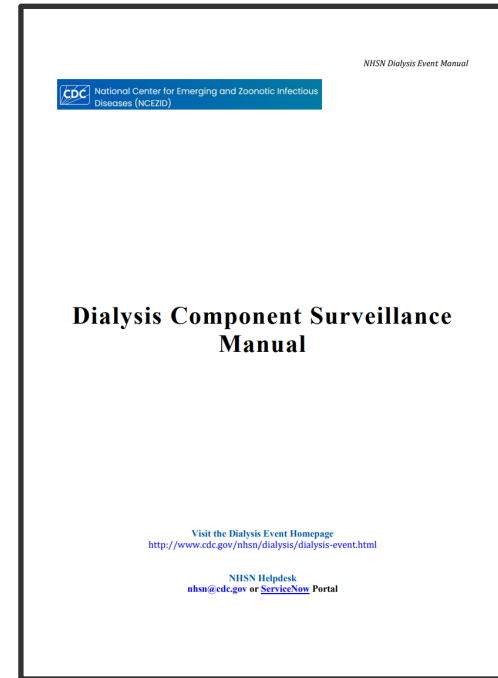
# Dialysis Event Protocol

- Each month outpatients who receive hemodialysis at a facility are monitored for three National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)-defined dialysis events.
- The Dialysis Event Surveillance Protocol discusses reporting requirements for the three event types (BSI, IV antimicrobial starts, and Pus, Redness and Increased Swelling).
- Users should utilize the most current version of the Dialysis Event Protocol, located on our web page, to understand each event type, the reporting requirements, and reporting instructions associated with them.



# Dialysis Event Manual

- The Dialysis Component Surveillance Manual provides the definitions and instructions to identify dialysis events and reporting to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Dialysis Component Surveillance.
- NHSN participants should consistently use the definitions and instructions in the manual for reporting.
- The Dialysis Component Surveillance Manual also includes links to numerous reporting forms and surveys.



# Dialysis Surveillance Forms

- Available on the dialysis webpage are the most current versions of the:
  - **Outpatient Dialysis Center Survey** – This survey is utilized to collect the actual practices of each center and is used for public health research.
  - **Dialysis Event Form** – The Dialysis Event form is the method in which facilities report dialysis events (BSI, IV antimicrobial starts, Pus, Redness, or Increased Swelling) each month.
  - **Monthly Reporting Plan (MRP)** – The MRP is used to indicate that you plan to collect Dialysis Event and corresponding summary/denominator data.
  - **Denominator form** - For each vascular access type, facilities use this form to report the number of outpatients, including transient patients, who received in-center hemodialysis in their facility on the first two working days of the month.

# Commonly Used NHSN User Interface Resources

- The below resources are the ones we most often receive questions about.
  - **Changing Your Email Address in NHSN and SAMS** – this document provides the step-by-step instructions to update your email in the NHSN application and with SAMS.
  - **Updating Your Facility CCN in NHSN** – To comply with CMS QIP, each facility must enter their CCN into the NHSN application. This resource provides the instructions to do so.
  - **Reassigning the Facility Administrator Role** – This is an online interactive form to reassign the Facility Administrator Role in the event the previous facility administrator is no longer with the facility.

## Training Resources

- Dialysis Component training resources are available to help you keep up-to-date with changes to NHSN, our forms, policies and procedures.
- The Dialysis Team publishes to our webpage:
  - **Monthly Office Hours** with a variety of topics of interest to NHSN users;
  - **Year-End Training** which provides information on the new year's upcoming changes in forms;
  - **Annual Dialysis Event Surveillance Training** which is used by many facilities as an annual requirement.



# Thank you!

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