

# NHSN v14.0.1 Release Notes

## January 24, 2026

Changes to ALL Components	
<b>Enrollment</b>	<p>The most recent forms/PDFs have been updated on the Enrollment application for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patient Annual Survey (ACH, LTAC, IRF)</li> <li>• Biovigilance Annual Survey</li> <li>• Outpatient Dialysis</li> <li>• Home Dialysis</li> <li>• Facility Contact Information</li> </ul>

Changes to Dialysis Component (DIAL)	
<b>Analysis and Reporting</b>	<p><b>Home Dialysis Center Practices Survey:</b> The Line Listing has been updated with the survey changes needed for 2026 as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Added the following variables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• numRaceMENA</li> <li>• ipPrevOth</li> <li>• ipPrevOthSfy</li> <li>• infPrevKnowHire</li> <li>• infPrevKnowAnnual</li> <li>• infPrevKnowMultiple</li> <li>• infPrevKnowYear</li> <li>• infPrevKnowNew</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Will no longer populate the following variables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• numMultiracial</li> <li>• infPrevKnowAssess</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Reporting Plan</b>	<p>Going forward, location is a required selection under the Monthly Reporting Plan's Event section for Dialysis.</p>
<b>Survey</b>	<p><b>Outpatient Dialysis Center Practices Survey:</b> The survey has been updated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• revision and version numbers</li> <li>• deleted question #3</li> <li>• rephrased question #11 for clarity</li> <li>• included COVID vaccine as an option to questions #27, #34, 42, and #49</li> <li>• options of Other and None were flipped so that None is the last option on question 60b i</li> <li>• rephrased question #62 and options for clarity</li> </ul>
<b>CDA Implementation</b>	<p>The capability to submit the vascular access type, Catheter-Graft Hybrid, via CDA will now be available effective 1/1/2026.</p>

## Changes to Long Term Care Component (LTC)

<b>Resident</b>	<p><b>Person Level COVID-19 Vaccination Form:</b> Dose 11 was added to the form along with the corresponding fields for date, manufacturer, vaccine NDC number, vaccine lot number, and vaccine expiration date. The vaccine, 2025-2026 COVID-19, will be added as an acceptable manufacturer. This impacts the UI and CSV Import/Export for Facility and Group.</p>
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## Changes to Outpatient Procedure Component (OP)

<b>Codes</b>	<p>CMS has updated 3 CPT codes for effective 1/1/2026. This includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delete KPRO - 27445</li> <li>• Add PRST - 55868, 55869</li> </ul>
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## Changes to Patient Safety Component (PS)

<b>Event</b>	<p><b>'Patients &lt;= 1 year old' Business Rule Update:</b> Currently, the business rule for patients &lt;= 1 year of age will capture age specific events in patients &lt; 2 years of age. This is not the intent of the surveillance definitions for patients &lt;= 1 year of age. The business rule will be changed to patients &lt;= 365 days of age effective 1/1/2026 and forward. This will impact CDA as well.</p> <p><b>Revise Birthweight Rules for BSI Events:</b> The business rule to capture BSI events in neonates will be updated to allow neonates with birthweight &gt;= 150 grams and &lt;= 7000 grams to be effective for events dated 1/1/2026 and forward.</p> <p>The business rules have been updated for Superficial Incisional SSI and Deep Incisional SSI criteria.</p>
<b>Analysis and Reporting</b>	<p><b>2022 HAI Rebaseline:</b> The following reports are now available with the 2022 risk adjustment models:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Line Listing -Procedures Excluded from SSI SIR (2022 Rebaseline)</li> <li>• Line Listing – All Procedures (2022 Rebaseline)</li> <li>• Central Line SUR, 2022 Rebaseline</li> <li>• SIR - PEDIATRIC ALL HOPD SSI DATA (2022 Rebaseline)</li> <li>• SIR - PEDIATRIC ALL HOPD SSI DATA BY SURGEON (2022 Rebaseline)</li> <li>• Line Listing - All SSI Events (2022 Rebaseline)</li> </ul> <p><b>Annual Surveys:</b> The following reports were updated to accommodate the changes made for the Patient Safety Annual Surveys (ACH, IRF,LTAC) for January 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Line Listing – Hospital Survey</li> <li>• Line Listing - Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Annual Survey</li> <li>• Line Listing - Long-term Acute Care Facility Survey</li> </ul>
<b>Antimicrobial Use and Antimicrobial Resistance</b>	<p><b>2026 AR Option Pathogen Update:</b> The following three pathogens will be removed from AR Option reporting for 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candida duobushaemulonii</li> <li>• Candida haemulonii</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Candida stellatoidea</li></ul> <p>This impacts the UI and CDA.</p> <p><b>2026 Update to the AR Option specimen sources:</b> The AR Option specimen sources were updated for 2026 AR Option reporting. This includes a maintenance addition for one current specimen category. In addition, we are adding Skin, Soft Tissue, Wound, Musculoskeletal Specimens to list of eligible AR Option specimens. This requires updating the de-duplication logic. This impacts the UI and CDA.</p>
<b>Import/Export</b>	<p><b>RPS Pilot Only:</b> The CSV Import/Export feature was updated to accommodate the added third selection of "Not Available/Missing" to the Sex field response options. Valid values for the Sex field in the CSV file are "Female", "Male", or "N".</p>