

### CLABSI HAI Measure

The CLABSI HAI measure assesses the rate of laboratory-confirmed cases of central line-associated bloodstream infection among **all** adult, pediatric and neonatal intensive care unit (ICU) patients.

- Data collection begins with 1/1/11 events for the FY 2013 payment determination.

### The Reporting Program CLABSI Requirements

Hospitals must be enrolled in the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) and use the CLABSI protocol to submit data elements needed to calculate the CLABSI measure.

- Hospitals with a signed the Notice of Participation indicating they participate in the Reporting Program do not need to sign a new Notice of Participation.
- **All** hospitals participating in the Reporting Program are required to:
  - Submit quarterly data if a hospital has an ICU, in which there were central line days.
  - Submit quarterly data if a hospital has an ICU, in which there were zero central line days.
  - Submit the required notice if a hospital does not have ICU beds.  
**NHSN enrollment is not required for hospitals that do not have ICU beds.** The required notification form, timing and where to submit will be announced as decisions are finalized. (effective 11/3/2010)

### NHSN Required Training \*

- Overview of NHSN
- CLABSI Protocol
- Enrollment
- Facility Start-up

*\*Existing NHSN hospitals are not required to revisit trainings already completed.*

### NHSN Enrollment Steps

- Review and Accept Rules of Behavior and Register the Facility
- Obtain Digital Certificate
- Complete Enrollment Forms
- Print, sign and return Consent Form

### NHSN Agreement to Participate and Consent

Lists the purposes, eligibility, requirements and confidentiality protections of NHSN participation and requires attestation of understanding via signature.

- Signatures of the Primary Contact(s) and a member of the hospital's chief executive leadership are required.
- During NHSN Enrollment, a link to the consent document will be emailed to the hospital for signature.
- For **existing** NHSN hospitals, a new consent document will be available for signature in December 2010. The new consent signature provides authority for NHSN to share data with CMS for the Reporting Program payment determination.

### NHSN Best Practices

#### CDC strongly recommends:

- Multiple users complete the required NHSN training
- Multiple users have access to the NHSN tool
- Monthly data submission

**Note:** User authentication is required for each user to access the NHSN tool. For additional information, please refer to the NHSN Training web site listed below.

#### QUESTIONS?

Direct questions regarding the CMS Quality Reporting Program requirements to, [hrpqiosc@iaqio.sdps.org](mailto:hrpqiosc@iaqio.sdps.org)

Direct questions regarding NHSN training, enrollment and submission to, [NHSN@cdc.gov](mailto:NHSN@cdc.gov) (CDC has indicated a response will be provided in 3 to 5 business days.)

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES!

##### Join NHSN

<http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/cms-welcome.html>

##### NHSN Training

[http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/cms-ipps-rule\\_training.html](http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/cms-ipps-rule_training.html)

##### QualityNet Web Site

<http://qualitynet.org>