
Understanding your TAP Report

Section I: Facility Data

EXAMPLE DATA:

HAI	Unit/Type	Observed	Predicted	SIR	95% CI	Interpretation
CAUTI	LTACH	40	27.9	1.43	1.04, 1.93	SIG H
CLABSI	LTACH	1	4.5	0.22	0.01, 1.09	NOT SIG
VAE	LTACH	8	4.8	1.65	0.77, 3.14	NOT SIG
LabID	CDI	24	42.9	0.56	0.37, 0.82	SIG L

HAI and Unit/Type

Facilities participating in CMS Quality Reporting programs are required to report certain types of healthcare-associated infections and events via NHSN. These HAI include:

- Catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI) from all long term acute care hospital (LTACH) locations
- Central line-associated bloodstream infections (CLABSI) from all LTACH locations
- Ventilator Associated Events (VAE) from all LTACH locations
- Laboratory-identified (LabID) *Clostridium difficile* (CDI) and methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)

Observed

This is the number of infections your facility reported during the time period.

Predicted

This is the number of infections that was predicted for your facility by NHSN using the new 2015 baseline data.

95% CI

The 95% confidence interval (CI) is a range of values in which the true SIR is thought to lie. If the confidence interval contains the value 1, then the SIR is not significant—meaning the observed number of infections is not significantly different from the predicted number.

SIR

The standardized infection ratio (SIR) is the ratio of your observed and predicted infections. An SIR greater than 1 indicates your facility reported more infections than predicted, while an SIR less than 1 indicates your facility reported fewer infections than predicted.

Interpretation

This is the interpretation of the 95% confidence interval

- **SIG L** indicates the number of observed infections was significantly lower than the number predicted.
- **SIG H** indicates the number of observed infections was significantly higher than the number predicted.
- NOT SIG indicates the number of observed infections was not significantly different from the number predicted.
- No SIR indicates the number of predicted infections was less than 1 and no SIR could be calculated.
- N/A indicates your facility does not report this HAI or from this location. It might also be an error in conferring rights.

Section II: Comparison and Cost Data

EXAMPLE DATA:

Comparison Data				Cost Data
HHS Goal	NNTP for HHS Goal	Georgia Rank	Georgia LTACH SIR	Estimated Cost per Event
0.75	20	1 of 14	1.44	\$603 - \$1,189
0.50	-	14 of 14	1.13	\$30,919 - \$65,245
0.75	5	5 of 7	1.01	\$11,897 - \$25,072
0.70	-	6 of 6	0.66	\$9,118 - \$13,574

[HHS Goal](#)

The 2020 Health and Human Services (HHS) sets target goals for reduction of HAI for the National Action Plan to Prevent Health Care-Associated Infections: Road Map to Elimination. These goals are:

- 50% reduction in CLABSI and MRSA
- 30% reduction in CDI
- 25% reduction in CAUTI and VAE

[NNTP for HHS Goal](#)

The number of infections needed to be prevented (NNTP) is the number of infections your facility would need to prevent in order to reach the HHS goals. $NNTP = \text{observed} - (\text{predicted} * \text{HHS goal})$

[Georgia Rank](#)

Facilities are ranked by the NNTP. Facilities with the highest NNTP will rank highest, with 1 being the highest. This is not meant to be an indicator of quality or performance, but rather an indicator of where to prioritize infection prevention activities.

[Georgia SIR](#)

This is the state SIR calculated using the total observed and predicted infections.

[Estimated Cost per Event](#)

Cost data are presented as a range of attributable costs per case adjusted to 2012 dollars.

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