

CDC/CMS Required Nursing Facility Reporting

CMS has provided information and training regarding its requirements for nursing facility COVID reporting to the CDC. The NHSN LTCF Component consists of four pathways: Resident Impact and Facility Capacity, Staff and Personnel Impact, Supplies and PPE, Ventilator Capacity and Supplies.

Specifically, NFs are required to report counts of residents and staff with SUSPECTED and Positive COVID – 19, counts of deaths with SUSPECTED and Positive COVID -19 related deaths, staffing shortages, status of PPE supplies, and ventilator capacity and supplies. The module does not collect staff or resident-level personal information.

NFs are required to be actively enrolled in NHSN but CMS warns against re-enrolling a previously enrolled facility. When completing the enrollment process, facilities will gain same-day access. Daily reporting is encouraged, but retrospective reporting of the prior day is acceptable. At a minimum, reporting is expected once per week on the same day. Facilities can submit information manually, or upload CSV files. This data will be available to CMS and state authorities.

The first training on [Enrollment Steps](#) was held today following yesterday's Overview Training. Members have reported difficulty in accessing the trainings but they will be repeated next week as well. Required data elements include:

Resident Impact and Facility Capacity ([Instructions](#))

- Admissions admitted or readmitted who were previously hospitalized and treated for COVID-19
- Residents with new laboratory positive COVID-19
- Residents with new suspected COVID-19
- Total Deaths – residents who have died in the facility or another location
- Suspected or confirmed COVID – 19 deaths who died in the facility or another location
- Bed Capacity
- Current Census
- Access to COVID testing while resident is in the facility and type of laboratory used

LTCF: Staff and Personnel Impact ([Instructions](#))

- Staff and facility personnel with new laboratory positive COVID-19
- Staff and facility personnel with new suspected COVID-19 who are being managed as if they have it
- Staff and facility personnel with new suspected or laboratory positive COVID-19 who died
- YES/NO responses to whether there is a staffing shortage of nursing staff, clinical staff, nursing aides, or other staff.

Supplies and Personal Protective Equipment ([Instructions](#))

- Whether there is 1) any supply and 2) enough for one week of N95 masks, surgical masks, eye protection, gowns, gloves, alcohol based hand sanitizer

Ventilator Capacity ([Instructions](#))

- Number of mechanical ventilators in facility
- Number of mechanical ventilators in used for residents with suspected or positive COVID-19
- Ventilator supplies – if any, and if enough for one week

Other Resources

- [Facility Guide to Module](#)
- [Uploading Files](#)
- Excel Templates
 - [Resident Impact and Facility Capacity Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Staff and Personnel Impact Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Supplies and Personal Protective Equipment Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Ventilator Capacity and Supplies Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
- **Group Guides (for more than one facility)**
 - [Group Guide to Using the COVID-19 Module pdf icon\[PDF – 450 KB\]](#)
 - [Groups and Supergroups – Viewing and Uploading COVID-19 CSV Data Files pdf icon\[PDF – 850 KB\]](#)
 - Group Level CSV File Templates
 - [Resident Impact and Facility Capacity Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Staff and Personnel Impact Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Supplies and Personal Protective Equipment Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)
 - [Ventilator Capacity and Supplies Template excel icon\[CSV – 1 KB\]](#)