



## Tennessee Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Reporting Requirements for Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA)

Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infections have been increasing in the community and healthcare facilities. MRSA infections can be severe and life threatening and are expensive. In the state of Tennessee, cases of invasive MRSA have been reportable to the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) since July 2004. Beginning July 1, 2010, certain facilities were asked to also report MRSA-positive blood cultures for inpatients facility-wide and for emergency departments. As of July 2012, all hospitals (with the exception of critical access hospitals), regardless of average daily census (ADC), will be asked to report these events. Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities are required to report beginning January 2015. Monthly reporting of numerator and denominator data is ongoing in each location type unless otherwise specified. For details on reporting requirements, please see the information provided below.

<b>Who needs to report?</b>	<p>Beginning July 1, 2012:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All hospitals, regardless of ADC (<i>critical access hospitals excluded</i>)</li> <li>Long-term acute care facilities (LTACs) (have been reporting since July 1, 2010)</li> </ul> <p>Beginning January 1, 2015:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities</li> </ul>
<b>What is reported?</b>	<p><i>Numerator Data</i></p> <p>All non-duplicate MRSA-positive blood cultures (Laboratory-identified (LabID) events) as defined in CDC/NHSN Multidrug-Resistant Organism (MDRO) protocol. Non-duplicate is defined as no previous positive within the last 14 days at the reporting facility.</p> <p><i>Monthly Denominator Data</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patient days</li> <li>Number of admissions</li> <li>Number of emergency department encounters</li> </ul>
<b>Which units are included?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facility-wide, inpatient (FACWIDEIN)</li> <li>Emergency department</li> </ul>
<b>How is it reported?</b>	Using the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) web application
<b>For more information:</b>	
Contact the Tennessee Department of Health, Communicable and Environmental Disease Services, Healthcare-Associated Infections program at (615) 741-7247.	
<b>NHSN MDRO Module</b>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/mdro_cdad.html">http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/mdro_cdad.html</a>
<b>MDRO NHSN Protocol</b>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/pscManual/12pscMDRO_CDADcurrent.pdf">http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/pscManual/12pscMDRO_CDADcurrent.pdf</a>
<b>MDRO NHSN Protocol Training</b>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/wc_mdرو_labID.html">http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/wc_mdرو_labID.html</a>
<b>MDRO Forms – Numerator</b>	<a href="http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.128_LabIDEvent_BLANK.pdf">http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.128_LabIDEvent_BLANK.pdf</a> Specimen Body Site/System code: CARD; Specimen Source code: BLDSPC