

How to Share Your NHSN Data with Superior Health Quality Alliance

Thank you for joining Superior Health Quality Alliance's (Superior Health) Nursing Home Quality Improvement Collaborative. We are excited to work with your organization on improving the care and services you are providing to those persons you serve and your staff. We also realize everyone is overwhelmed right now, so Superior Health will be using a system you're already engaged in, the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) to access your data. When you confer rights to Superior Health, we can access current infection surveillance data to support your organization, and other nursing homes throughout the region, with performance improvement strategies and required reporting. By completing the steps for conferring rights to Superior Health, as outlined below, we will be able to access the data you are already submitting for COVID-19 and other health acquired infections (HAIs).

Conferring rights must be completed by the NHSN facility administrator.

How will your data be used?

Superior Health's analysts and team members will look at NHSN data to identify areas of concern and measure progress of prevention efforts and elimination of healthcare-associated infections.

It is important for you to note:

- We will not share your individual data with anyone but the NHSN facility administrator for your organization. Any reports we generate will include aggregate nursing home data so you can see how you compare with your peers.
- We will not ask for access to identifiable resident data.
- A nursing home in the group will only see their data and will not have access to other group member's data.

Will our data be safe if we confer rights to Superior Health?

Yes, Superior Health is a covered entity and safeguards all data under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) privacy standards. We will not disclose or release data without your consent other than for the stated purposes above. Superior Health will ensure your data is kept confidential.

How do we confer rights in NHSN to Superior Health?

The following steps provide instructions on how to join the Superior Health Group under the Long Term Care Facility Component in NHSN.

Step 1: Log in to NHSN


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Choose a login option


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Step 1a: Click on NHSN Reporting



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






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My Applications

National Healthcare Safety Network System

- NHSN Reporting *
- NHSN Enrollment *

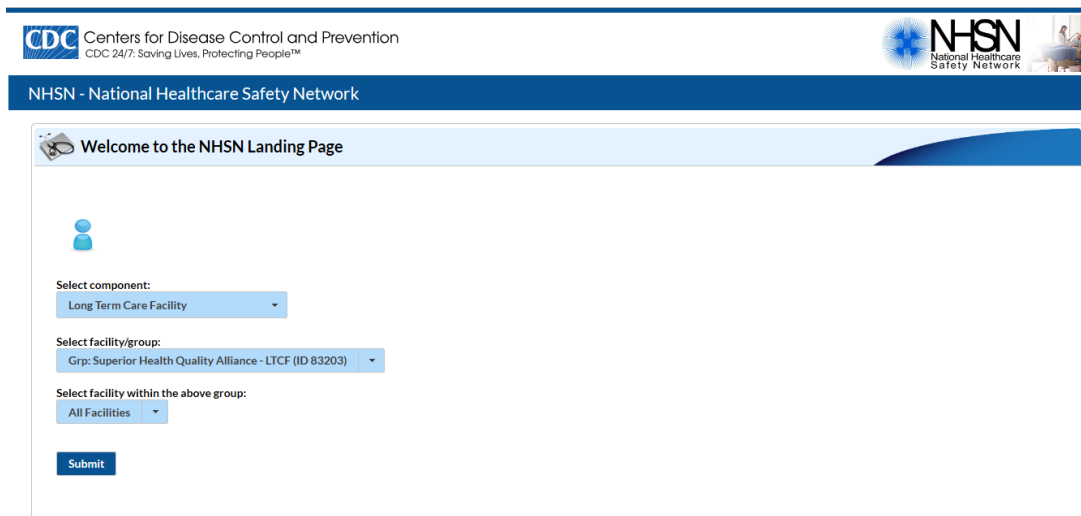
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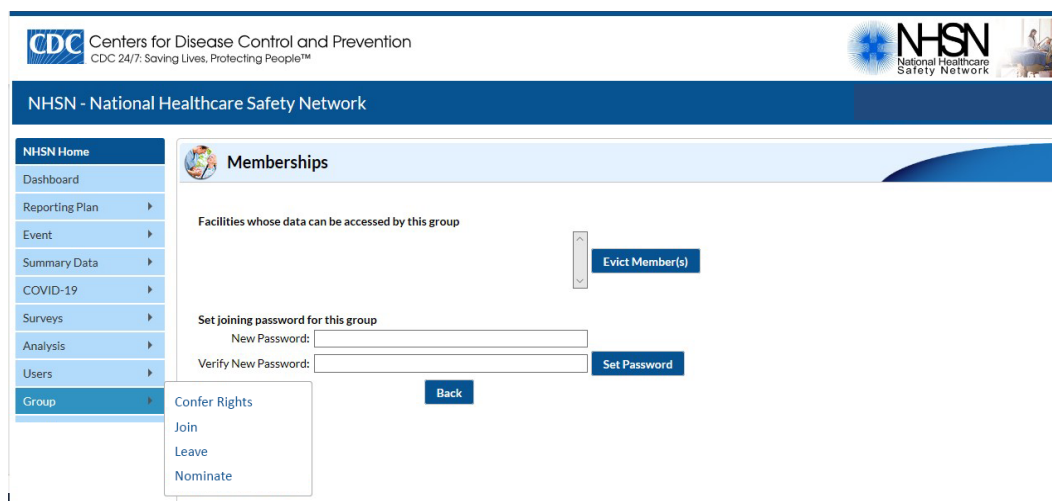
Step 1b: Click Submit



The screenshot shows the NHSN Landing Page. At the top, there are logos for the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) and NHSN (National Healthcare Safety Network). Below the logos is a blue header bar with the text "NHSN - National Healthcare Safety Network". The main content area is titled "Welcome to the NHSN Landing Page". It features a user profile icon and three dropdown menus: "Select component:" with "Long Term Care Facility" selected, "Select facility/group:" with "Grp: Superior Health Quality Alliance - LTCF (ID 83203)" selected, and "Select facility within the above group:" with "All Facilities" selected. A "Submit" button is located at the bottom of the form.

Step 2: Click on Group

NOTE: Only administrator-level users can see the Group menu (and its sub-options) to join and confer rights to groups on behalf of their facilities.



The screenshot shows the NHSN Memberships page. On the left is a sidebar menu with options: "NHSN Home", "Dashboard", "Reporting Plan", "Event", "Summary Data", "COVID-19", "Surveys", "Analysis", "Users", and "Group". The "Group" option is highlighted, and a dropdown menu is open showing "Confer Rights", "Join", "Leave", and "Nominate". The main content area is titled "Memberships" and contains a section "Facilities whose data can be accessed by this group" with an "Evict Member(s)" button. Below this is a "Set joining password for this group" section with "New Password:" and "Verify New Password:" input fields, a "Set Password" button, and a "Back" button.

Step 3: Click on Join

- Enter Group ID: **83203**
- Enter Group Password: **SHQAok2JOIN!**
NOTE: The Password is case sensitive.
- An alert will appear. Read the alert and click **OK**



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Welcome to the NHSN Landing Page

Select component:
Long Term Care Facility

Select facility/group:
Grp: Superior Health Quality Alliance - LTCF (ID 83203)

Select facility within the above group:
All Facilities

Facility Name	Facility ID	CCN	City	State
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
All Facilities	ALLORG			

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Submit

Step 4: Click On: Define Rights-Long Term Care

NOTE: Select all the boxes listed below and shown in the screenshot on the next page.

- General
 - Monthly Reporting Plan
 - Long Term Care Annual Facility Survey
 - Data Analysis
 - Facility Information
 - COVID-19 View Data
 - COVID-19 CSV Data Upload
- MDRO/CDI Events
 - ACINE – MDR-Acinetobacter
 - CDIF – C. difficile
 - CEPHRKLEB – CephR-Klebsiella
 - CRE-CRE (CRE-Ecoli, CRE-Enterobacter, CRE-Klebsiella)
 - MRSA – MRSA
 - MSSA – MSSA
 - VRE – VRE
- MCRO/CDI Process & Outcome Measures
 - Hand Hygiene
 - Gown and Gloves

Immediately after joining the Superior Health Group, you will see a screen listing the data Superior Health will have access to. At the bottom of the page, click **Save**.

Define Rights-Long Term Care

! Please select the rights that facilities joining "Superior Health Quality Alliance - LTCF" will confer

General

View Options

Resident

☐ With All Identifiers

☒ Without Any Identifiers

☐ With Specified Identifiers

☐ Gender ☐ DOB ☐ Ethnicity ☐ Race

☐ Medicare # ☐ Name ☐ SSN ☐ Resident ID

☒ Monthly Reporting Plan

☒ Long Term Care Annual Facility Survey

☒ Data Analysis

☒ Facility Information

☒ COVID-19 View Data

☒ COVID-19 CSV Data Upload

Infections and other Events (Does not include MDRO/CDI Module)

Includes Applicable Denominators and "No Events" Indicators

Month	Year	Month	Year	Event

MDRO/CDI Events

Includes Applicable Denominators and "No Events" Indicators

Month	Year	Month	Year	Location Type	Location	Other Location Requirements

Specific Organism Type:

☒ ACINE - MDR-Acinetobacter

☒ CDIF - C. difficile

☒ CEPHRKLEB - CephR-Klebsiella

☒ CRE - CRE (CRE-Ecoli, CRE-Enterobacter, CRE-Klebsiella)

☒ MRSA - MRSA

☒ MSSA - MSSA

☒ VRE - VRE

Event Type:

MDRO/CDI Process & Outcome Measures

Month	Year	Month	Year	Location Type	Location	Other Location Requirements

Process Measures

☒ Hand Hygiene

☒ Gown and Gloves

Confirm Administrative Privileges

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NOTE: If you are unable to confer rights using these steps, please see general instruction using the following Centers for Disease Control and Prevention resources:

- [Data Sharing in NHSN: Joining a Group and Accepting the Confer Rights Template](#)

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