

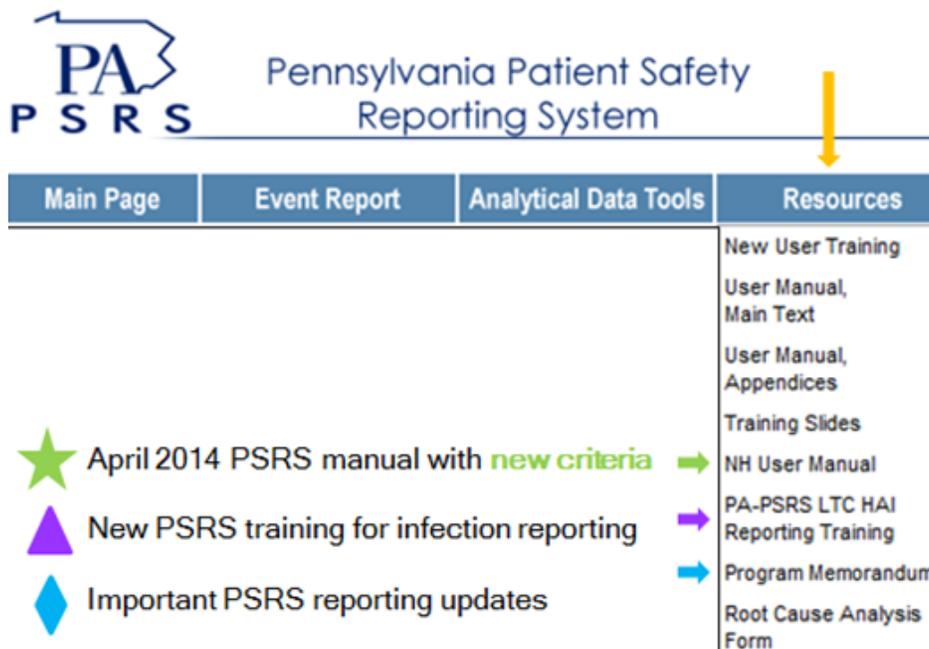
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Department of Health Updates

New Nursing Home Infection Criteria - April 1, 2014

The Pennsylvania Patient Safety Reporting System (PA-PSRS) nursing home (NH) user manual dated April 1, 2014 contains the new criteria to be followed when reporting healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) into PSRS. The list of reportable criteria begins on page 34 of the NH user manual.

The location of the new NH user manual, HAI reporting training and program memorandums are identified in the screen shot.




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Pennsylvania Patient Safety Reporting System

Main Page	Event Report	Analytical Data Tools	Resources
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New User Training User Manual, Main Text User Manual, Appendices Training Slides NH User Manual PA-PSRS LTC HAI Reporting Training Program Memorandum Root Cause Analysis Form

- ★ April 2014 PSRS manual with **new criteria** →
- ▲ New PSRS training for infection reporting →
- ◆ Important PSRS reporting updates →

Communications and Reporting

Nursing homes were required to begin using the updated infection reporting criteria on April 1, 2014. Nursing homes are responsible for reviewing all communications from the Patient Safety Authority and the Department of Health regarding infection reporting in PA-PSRS. Please be sure to review this material in its entirety.

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Department of Health Updates (continued)

Roles and Responsibilities of PSRS Users

PSRS users are categorized into three roles; facility system manager (FSM), PA-PSRS user and read-only PA-PSRS user. It is important to keep the users up-to-date to ensure a lapse in reporting does not occur.

The FSM is responsible for creating, editing and removing user IDs and passwords for other users in the facility, as well as creating, editing and removing care areas for the facility.

The PA-PSRS user is responsible for submitting and amending infection reports and utilization data and analyzing data from the system. A facility may designate more than one individual to serve in this role.

A read-only PA-PSRS user has access to view and print reports and analyze the data, but does not have access to submit infection reports.

A facility may have one person that serves as both the FSM and the PA-PSRS user, or the facility may designate a different person for each role.

Reminders for Collecting and Counting Utilization Data

In addition to collecting reports of infections, each nursing home is required to collect and report utilization data. Utilization data includes the number of resident days as well as the number of urinary catheter and central line days, including dialysis-line days, from each separate care area. Blank forms are available under the resource tab in PA-PSRS to assist with this process.

- Utilization data is to be counted by care area at the same time every day.
- The time of day for utilization data to be collected is decided by the facility.
- Do not rely on billing data to identify resident days. If an admission and discharge occur on the same day, it would result in two residents being counted for the same bed on the same day, causing an inflated number of resident days.
- The daily numbers for resident days, catheter days and central line days are totaled by care area at the end of each month and reported into PA-PSRS.

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Resources and Information

**Patient Safety Reporting System (PSRS)
Help Desk Contact Information**

The PA-PSRS help desk continues to be available for any clinical questions related to patient/infection reports, infection criteria or the PA-PSRS system.

The PSRS help desk may be accessed by telephone at 866-316-1070
or by email at support_papsrs@pa.gov.

Infection Control Plans

Although facilities are no longer required to submit updates to their infection control plan to the Department, facilities are expected to keep these plans updated to reflect current practices and include the components required by Act 52.

Questions related to the infection control plan may be directed to the Healthcare Associated Infection Prevention office at 717-425-5422.

Websites

www.oneandonlycampaign.org

www.health.state.pa.us

www.patientsafetyauthority.org

www.phc4.org

www.apic.org

www.shea-online.org

www.jcaho.org

www.osha.gov

www.cms.gov