



TN NHCN User Call

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Tuesday January 21, 2025

Agenda

- **Respiratory Illness Update**
 - Ashley Gambrell, MPH
- **NHSN Update**
 - Vicky Lindsey, RN, CIC
- **TN TRAIN Update**
 - Ashley Gambrell, MPH
- **Dialysis Simulation**
 - Josh Key, RN
- **CLABSI & CAUTI Webinar**
 - Vicky Lindsey, RN, CIC

TDH NHSN Team

- **Ashley Gambrell, MPH**
 - **Senior NHSN Epidemiologist**
- **Vicky Lindsey, AAS, RN, CIC**
 - **Senior NHSN Public Health Nurse Consultant**
 - **Lead Technological Assistance**
 - **Infection Prevention and Control Specialist**
- **Marissa Turner, MPH**
 - **Assistant NHSN Epidemiologist**
- **Alex Kurutz, MPH**
 - **Dialysis Epidemiologist**
- **Jordan Morris, MPH**
 - **Assistant NHSN Epidemiologist**

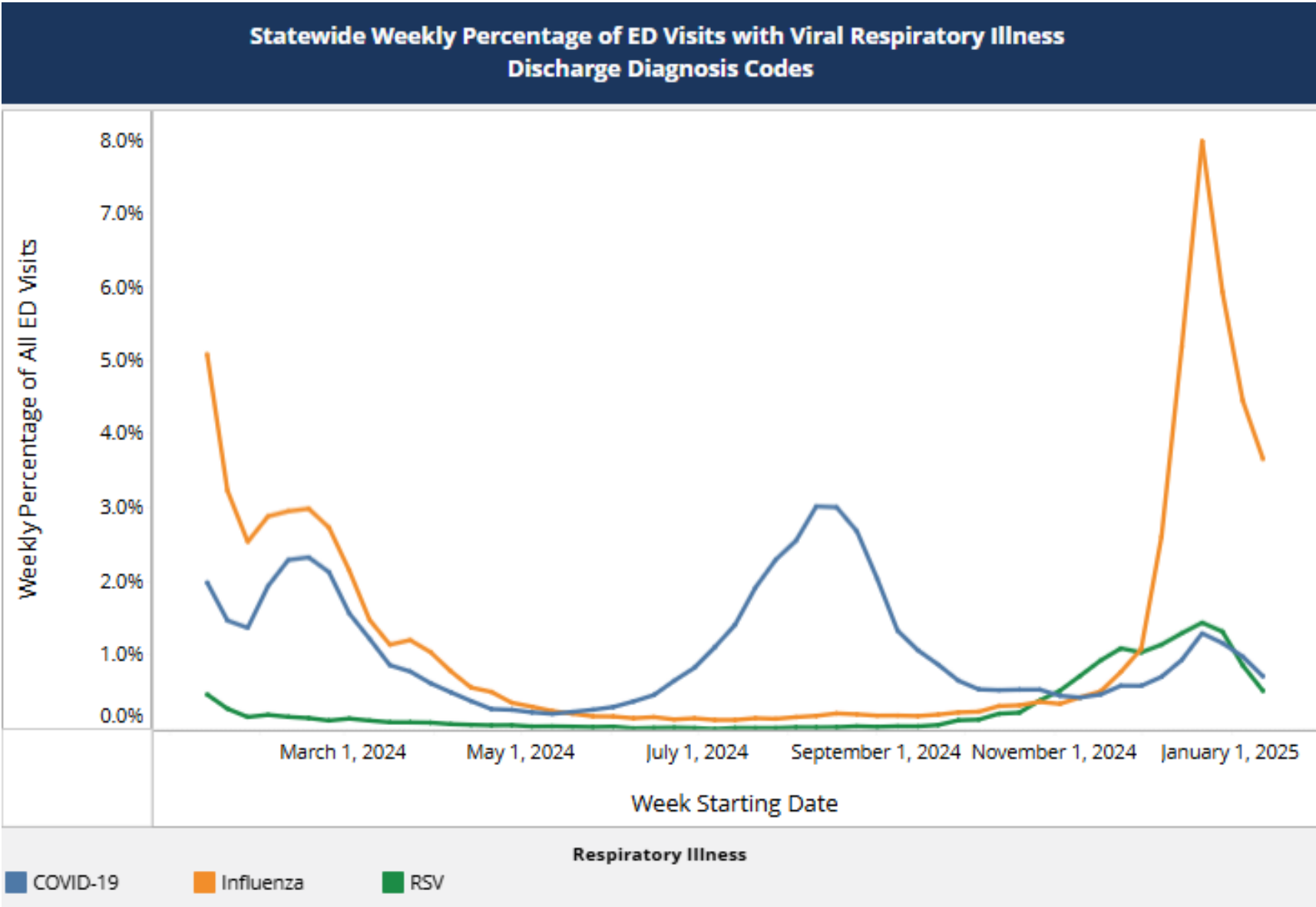
Respiratory Illness Update



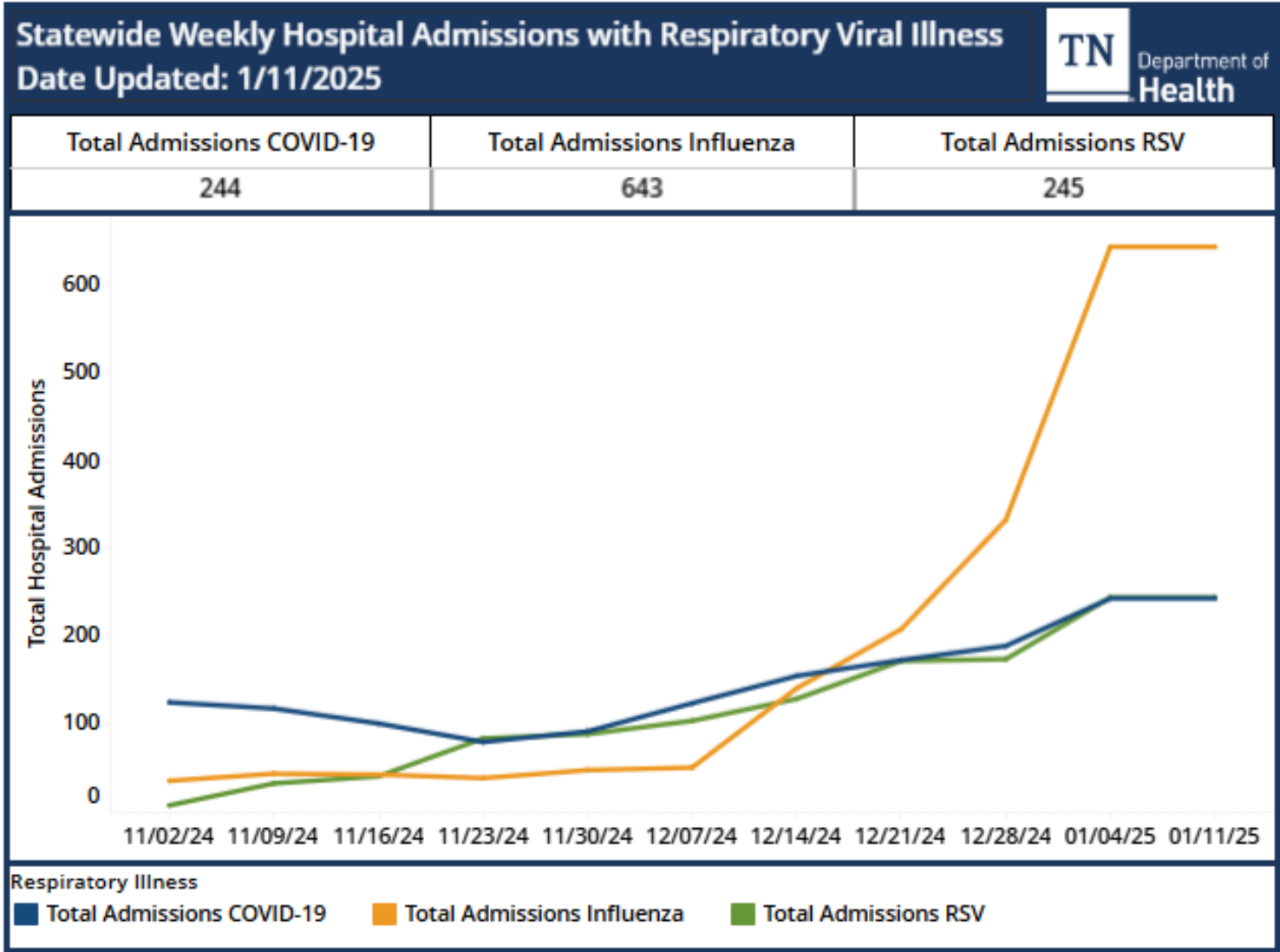
COVID-19 Trends in TN & US

- **Tennessee**
 - Emergency Department increased ▲
 - Hospitalizations increased ▲
- **United States**
 - Wastewater levels increased ▲
 - Emergency department visits increased ▲
 - Hospitalizations increased ▲
 - Deaths increased ▲

Syndromic Surveillance



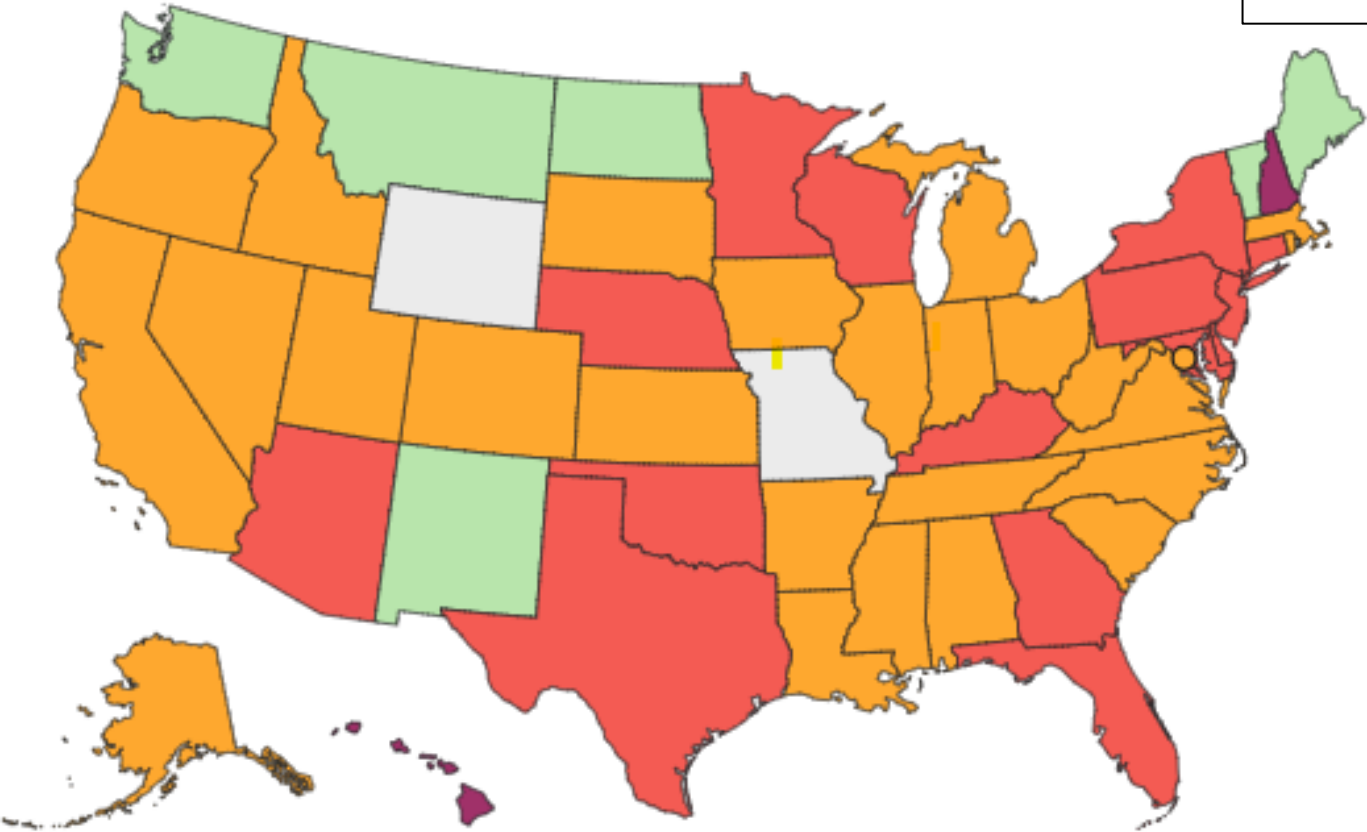
Syndromic Surveillance



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Bottom Line

Nationally,
**Respiratory
Illness**
causing people to
seek healthcare is



Territories

- AS
- GU
- PR
- VI

Acute Respiratory Illness



Additional Resources

- **TDH Resources**

- [TDH Respiratory Viral Illness Webpage](#)
- [TDH Influenza Information](#)

- **CDC Resources**

- [Protect yourself from COVID-19, Flu, and RSV](#)
- [Respiratory Illnesses Data Channel](#)
- [Infection Control: Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 \(SARS-CoV-2\)](#)
- [Interim Guidance for Managing Healthcare personnel with SARS-CoV-2 Infection or Exposure to SARS-CoV-2](#)



NHSN Updates

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Hospital Data Reporting –Annual Reporters

- **As a reminder, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) will require the following facility types to report Hospital Respiratory Data (HRD) to NHSN on a once-annual basis beginning in January 2025:**
 - **Freestanding inpatient rehabilitation facilities (including Medicaid-Only Rehabilitation Hospitals)**
 - **Freestanding inpatient psychiatric facilities (including Medicaid-Only Psychiatric Hospitals)**
 - **CMS-certified inpatient rehabilitation facility units (IRF within a hospital; distinct part units)**
 - **CMS-certified inpatient psychiatric facility units (IPF within a hospital; distinct part units)**

Annual Facility Survey Forms

- Please see the links below to access a blank copy of each of the three annual facility surveys for the Patient Safety Component.
 - Acute Care Hospital Survey:
https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.103_pshospsurv_blank.pdf
 - Long Term Acute Care (LTAC) Hospital Survey:
https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.150_LTACFacSurv_BLANK.pdf
 - Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility (IRF) Survey:
https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.151_REHABFacSurv_BLANK.pdf

Annual Facility Survey Forms

- Annual facility surveys can be found by looking under your facility's list of alerts and selecting the 2024 Survey or by using the left navigation banner and selecting "Add" found in the "Surveys" tab.

Within each blank form, a link to the table of instructions is included, which provides guidance for each question on the survey (as per screenshot below).

The screenshot shows the header of the NHSN Patient Safety Component—Annual Hospital Survey form. On the left is the NHSN logo (National Healthcare Safety Network). On the right, it states 'Form Approved OMB No. 0920-0666 Exp. Date: 12/31/2027' and provides the URL 'www.cdc.gov/nhsn'. The title 'Patient Safety Component—Annual Hospital Survey' is centered. Below the title, it says 'Instructions for this form are available at: http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/instr/57_103-TOI.pdf'. A red arrow points from this text to a red-bordered box labeled 'Instructions'.

- A guidance document on how to add an annual survey can be found on the NHSN webpage at <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/surveys/add-survey-508.pdf>

Annual Facility Survey Forms

- **The 2024 Patient Safety Annual Facility Survey will introduce two new sections: Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) Practices and Prevention Practices.**
- **Facilities will have the option to temporarily save an incomplete survey.**
- **The annual Survey Data are used for calculating SIRS. Ensuring survey data is entered correctly is essential for reflecting accurate facility SIRS.**

Questionnaire on Blood Culture Media Bottles

- The CDC is asking NHSN users to reply to a questionnaire to assess the potential impact on hospitals due to the disruption to the supply of BD BACTEC™ blood culture media bottles.
- The questionnaire has been available since December 14, 2024, in the NHSN application and highly encouraged you to complete the questionnaire.



TN TRAIN & Annual NHSN Training

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TN TRAIN & NHSN Annual Training

- **Our Annual Training series is back for 2025!**
 - Webinars covering Patient Safety Manual and relevant changes
 - Case-based Training
- **Our first webinar today will cover CLABSI and CAUTI.**
 - Schedule of webinars & case training at the end of webinar
- **The Case-based Training has been submitted to Georgia Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours.**
 - Georgia Nurses Association is accredited as an approver of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.
- **This means we need to host the training a little differently than years prior**

TN TRAIN

- [TN TRAIN Homepage](#)

- To participate in the Case-Based Training you will need an account!

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If you suspect you have a TRAIN account but don't remember your login name and password, please contact TN_TRAIN.Support@tn.gov for assistance. You only need one TRAIN account to access multiple TRAIN sites.



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Dialysis Simulation

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Emergency Preparedness

Nashville Flyer



Scan here to register!



*The entire program is FREE +
7.25 CEUs offered + lunch
provided!*

Hemodialysis Infection Prevention Simulation

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at no cost!**



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About the Simulation:

The purpose of this project is to provide CDC guidance on infection prevention covering topics such as CVC, AVF/AVG, environmental disinfection, patient safety, and MORE! Each session will have a classroom style presentation and hands on simulation experiences!

Details for Attendees:

- **Audience:** Hemodialysis Nurses, Technicians, and Infection Preventionists
- **Date:** Tuesday, February 11th, 2025
- **Location:** TN State Library & Archives
1001 Rep. John Lewis Way N
Nashville, TN 37219
- **Time:** 8:30 am - 4:00 pm, light breakfast, snacks and lunch provided

*This activity has been submitted to Georgia Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours. Georgia Nurses Association is accredited as an approver of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation

**For more information email:
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Next NHSN User Call

- **Tuesday February 18, 2025**
 - 10am CT / 11am ET
- **NHSN Related**
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- **AU/AR Module**
 - Christopher.Evans@tn.gov
- **Infection Prevention**
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