

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency California Department of Public Health



Center for Health Care Quality
Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Program

HAI Data Validation for Acute Care Hospitals to Improve HAI Surveillance FAQ's

- Q: I missed the validation training on June 20 is there a recording or another Webinar?
- A: You can access the recording under the tools and resources section. There are no additional training sessions but, you can attend an office hour session on June 27 at 10:00 in the morning or same time on July 5. See office hour zoom flyer via the Data Validation webpage (www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCQ/HAI/Pages/ACH_Internal_Data_Validation.aspx)
- Q: Where can I find the Validation Workbook? And when will it be available?
- **A:** The Validation Workbook is listed under tools and resources. You can access it any time after June 26, 2023.
- Q: How often does CDPH perform these validations?
- **A:** Data validation is a key component of a quality HAI surveillance program which is why CDPH provides periodic (annual) data validation support to acute care hospitals.
- Q: Is the HAI Validation Program different or separate from CALHEART?
- A: The purpose of CALHEART is to validate the data in NHSN and identify outliers whereas this validation project is to help hospitals assess completeness of surveillance and reporting (HAI case-finding for CDI, CLABSI, MRSA/VRE bloodstream infections and SSIs).
- Q: When is the deadline for submitting the validation results to the online survey tool?
- A: The deadline is September 14 for completing the validation and submitting the results. The link to the online survey tool for submitting results (Survey Monkey) is located under the tools and resources section.

Note: For additional questions regarding the validation process, please contact the HAI program by emailing: HAIProgram@cdph.ca.gov