



Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists

CSTE Regional NSSP Syndromic Surveillance Data Sharing Workshop

South and East HHS Regions 3, 4, 6

Facility/Location

Please note that the workshop location has changed to the following:

Atlanta Marriott Northeast/Emory Area
(formerly Marriott Atlanta Century Center)
2000 Century Blvd NE
Atlanta, GA 30345

The meeting will commence in the hotel's **Peachtree Meeting Room**, and breakouts will be held in both the **Peachtree Meeting Room** as well as the **Dogwood Meeting Room**.

Purpose

Strengthen public health agency capacity for syndromic surveillance (SyS) and enhance situational awareness using real-time electronic health data from emergency department (ED) settings through interjurisdictional data sharing and surveillance practice collaborations.

Workshop Objectives

By the end of this meeting, participants will have...

1. Enhance syndromic surveillance skills to better support agency activities for opioid crisis response
2. Examined and shared best practices in SyS analytic methods and NSSP tool use
3. Developed action steps for establishing or strengthening interjurisdictional data sharing
4. Fostered collaborations among the peer network of surveillance professionals

Preparation Tasks

- Respond to surveillance system information assessment
- Share data with workshop group using the AMC
 - See quick start guide on Basecamp
- Provide answers to legal questions about data sharing on Basecamp
- Review reference materials on Basecamp
 - Syndrome classifier definitions
 - Syndrome definition guidance document



Agenda and Schedule

Day 1: Tuesday, April 30th – Discovering the Value of Data Sharing

- 8:30 AM** **Participant arrival and set-up**
For one hour before the start of the workshop, participants should arrive to connect devices to the facility WiFi, set-up data sharing for the workshop, and take an on-line syndromic surveillance skills inventory.
- 9:30 AM** **Welcome and introductions**
Workshop kicks-off promptly with a warm-up and welcoming remarks from CSTE and NSSP leadership.
- 10:00 AM** **Orientation and overview**
A review of the workshop course to orient participants toward a shared set of objectives and confirm expectations.
- 10:15 AM** **Sharing activity – Part 1: Classifier evaluations**
Guided collaborations in breakout groups to evaluate four opioid crisis related syndrome classifiers using BioSense Platform tools. By the end of this session, each group will produce an evaluated classifier for use by all other groups in Part 2.
- 1:00 PM** **Lunch break**
After each breakout group debriefs their Part 1 work, participants break for lunch and refreshment.
- 2:00 PM** **Sharing activity – Part 2: Analytics and visualizations**
Breakout collaborations continue to develop ESSENCE products for visualizing analyses of the four syndrome classifiers evaluated in Part 1. By the end of this session, each group will produce a minimum of two products (e.g., myESSENCE Alerts or Dashboards) to share with all workshop colloques.
- 4:00 PM** **Sharing activity – Part 3: Application and use**
Drawing from experience and breakout group discussions, we work either in breakout groups or as a full group to devise ways that insights gained from the surveillance products might be applied for action; e.g., prevention, interventions, or resource allocation.
- 5:15 PM** **Day 1 Summary & Day 2 Preview**
Workshop facilitation team recap the accomplishments of Day 1, check-in with participant satisfaction, and preview Day 2.

- 5:30 PM Adjourn**
Workshop adjourns for the day to reconvene at 9:00 AM on May 1st.
- 7:00 PM Organized Dinner – Food Terminal**
An optional dinner for workshop participants and sponsors to socialize in a casual setting. Please arrange for own transportation and use per diem allowance for meal expenses.

Day 2: Wednesday, May 1st – Appreciate Data Sharing Value with Collaborations

- 9:00 AM Reconvene**
Review agenda and schedule for the day and reflect on lessons learned and ideas for post-workshop collaborations.
- 9:30 AM Appreciate data sharing value**
Identify and document participant perceptions of the value proposition for SyS data sharing.
- 10:00 AM Data sharing readiness, barriers and solutions**
Review the state of participant readiness for data sharing, and discuss solutions to overcoming barriers; e.g., legal, motivational, etc.
- 11:00 AM Action planning**
Formulate and prioritize mini-projects for participants to collaborate on post-workshop in self-organized groups.
- 12:15 PM Workshop summary and conclusion**
Workshop facilitation team recap Workshop accomplishments and next steps, and participants and sponsors share parting thoughts.
- 1:00 PM Conclude workshop**
Workshop ends. Participants may stay for lunch or take their lunch with them. All are asked to complete a post-workshop skills assessment no later than Thursday, May 2nd, 2019.