

Epi Info™ 7: A Users Workshop – Data Collection Strategies (AM Session)*

Sunday, June 9, 2013 – 9:00am – 12:30pm

Epi Info™ is a public domain suite of software tools designed for the global community of public health practitioners and researchers. It provides for easy data entry form and database construction, a customized data entry experience, and data analyses with epidemiologic statistics, maps, and graphs for public health professionals who may lack an information technology background. Epi Info™ is used for outbreak investigations; for developing small to mid-sized disease surveillance systems; as analysis, visualization, and reporting (AVR) components of larger systems; and in the continuing education in the science of epidemiology and public health analytic methods at schools of public health around the world.

This workshop will provide an overview of the data collection aspects of Epi Info™. Participants will learn how to quickly design data collection forms using the Epi Info™ Form Designer and explore various options for collecting data using these forms. They will gain access to the CSTE Web Survey site and learn how to publish their Epi Info™ forms onto this site to collect data over the web. Participants will also learn how to load Epi Info™ forms onto mobile phones and tablets. These presentations will be followed by interactive learning opportunities conducted in small groups. Group exercises will consist of hands-on use of these tools to solve challenges in simulated scenarios based on community health assessments and an emergency response.

Participants are requested to bring their own laptops running Microsoft Windows (XP or above) with capability to connect to the conference's wireless Internet.

Learning Objectives:

- Understand how to develop data collection forms in Epi Info™ 7.
- Understand how to publish data collection forms on CSTE's website and download responses.
- Understand how to use Epi Info™ data collection forms on tablets and smartphones.
- Identify the appropriate Epi Info™ data collection tool for a given scenario.
- Get specific Epi Info™ questions answered by an Epi Info™ expert.

Facilitators

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