

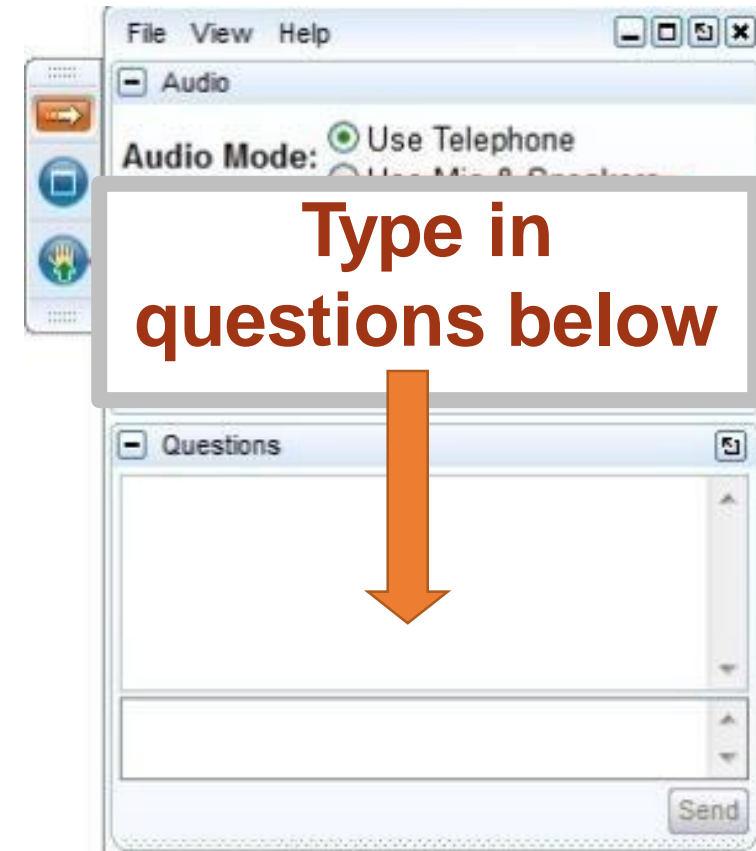


CT HMIS Changes in Response to COVID-19

Tuesday, May 12, 2020

House Keeping

- Attendees are muted
- Please type any questions you have into the Questions Box
- We are recording this webinar and will send out the link to everyone who registered at a later date.



Speakers

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COVID-19 and Tracking Data

Why collect this data?

Immediate Benefits:

- Allow providers to quickly enter and view test results
- Shows alerts for positive or pending results
- Tracks symptoms and onset to manage need for isolation protocol
- Provides ability to manage isolation and quarantine locations
- Collaborate with local health districts for test results data

Long-Term Benefits:

- Enable analysis of any disparities
- Centralize and facilitate client COVID-19 management
- Provide overview of how COVID-19 affected our community

Data

Overview

- COVID-19 data can be collected for clients with open enrollments in *any program* (ES, PSH, PATH, VI-SPDAT, etc.)
- The current clients in hotels have been imported into HMIS
- New clients or any changes to current clients entered on Smartsheets will be imported into HMIS at regular intervals until the hoteling is over
- Use HMIS to enter all COVID symptom and test data

Use of Smartsheets

- Department of Housing (DOH) is requesting that users continue to update Smartsheets to indicate **exit dates and exit destinations** and any **new hotel clients** until the hoteling period is over
- If the client was already in a hotel as of 5/11, you will see their data in the COVID-19 program and can start entering symptom/test data

HMIS Privacy and Security Standards

The HMIS Privacy and Security Standards offer a basis for disclosure of COVID-19 status (§ 4.1.3)

Threats to Health or Safety

A provider may share a participant's COVID-19 status under applicable law and standards of ethical conduct if: 1) the provider believes in good faith that the **disclosure is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health or safety of an individual or the public**; and 2) **the information is shared with a person reasonably able to prevent or lessen the threat**. Note that the threat to health or safety can be a threat to any individual or the public in general. **Under current emergency circumstances, disclosing COVID-19 status to anyone offering services to a client meets this standard**. Disclosing information about other individuals possibly exposed to COVID-19 is also permissible under this authority to either the exposed individuals; to anyone who can offer health care, protection, or assistance to an exposed individual; or to anyone who can lessen the threat of COVID-19 to themselves, to others or to the public.

Feedback

We want your feedback

- Submit any suggestions for improvement to the Release Bin
- <https://www.cthmis.com/releasebin/>

The screenshot shows the 'CTHMIS RELEASE BIN' web application. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the text 'CTHMIS RELEASE BIN'. Below the header, there is a light gray bar with the text 'VIEW ALL REQUESTS'. The main content area has a white background and contains the following text: 'For details on scoring and the process for each release bin request, see below.' followed by two links: '→ [Release Bin Score Sheet](#)' and '→ [Release Bin Process Overview.](#)'. Below this, there is a paragraph: 'The Release Bin Subcommittee has been working through a backlog of requests while HMIS underwent the data standards and version upgrades. As such, Nutmeg will be working on enhancements by project type to most efficiently complete the approved changes and improvements to the system. As projects are completed, the list will be updated to reflect their status.' Below the paragraph, there is a section titled 'CURRENT RELEASE BIN REQUESTS' with the text 'You must be logged in to view and add to the Release Bin'. There are two input fields: 'Username' and 'Password', both with a small '2' icon in the bottom right corner. Below the password field, there is a checkbox labeled 'Auto-login on future visits'. On the right side of the application, there is a dark blue sidebar with the text 'RELEASE BIN' and a list of menu items: 'Release Bin Menu', 'Submit a Request', 'View All Requests', and 'View My Requests'.

Demonstration

Enrollment Summary
Enroll Client in Housing (Minimal)

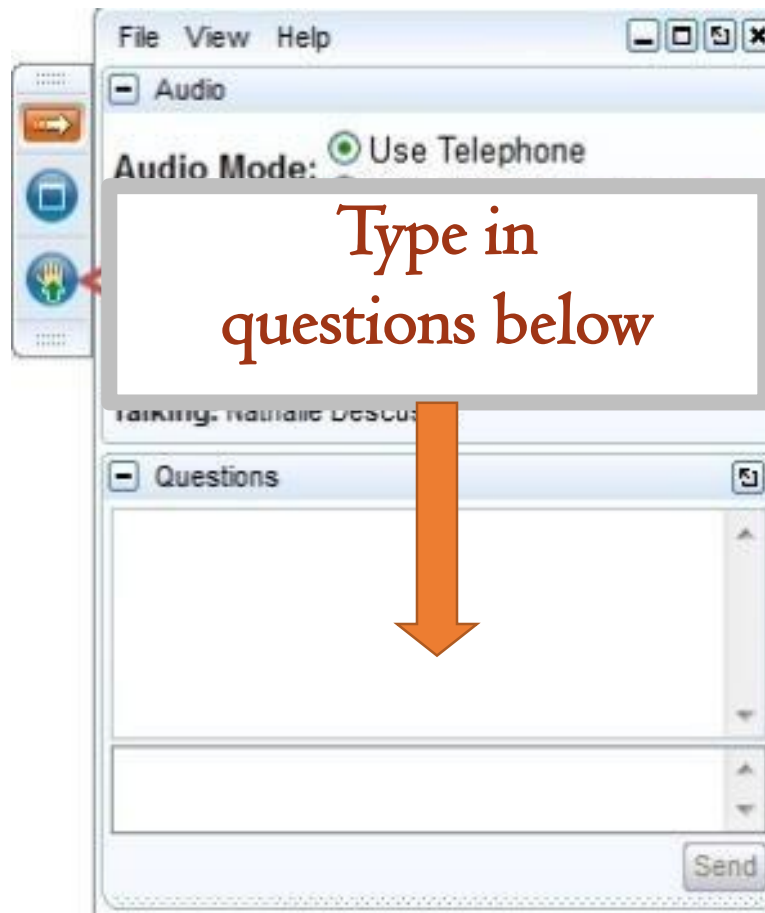
Filters

Open Enrollments for this organization only

Testing Date	COVID Testing Status	Testing Result Status	Testing Result Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5/8/2020	Yes	Pending Result	5/1/2020
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4/30/2020	Yes	Negative Result	5/8/2020
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5/1/2020	Yes	Positive Result	

ClientID	First Name	Last Name	Program Enrollments	Enrollment Start	Housing Location	Isolate/Quarantine	Testing Result Date	Latest Testing Status	COVID PROGRAM Exit Enrollment	Client Info	Covid-19 Info	Housing	Case Notes
245043	211newtest	211newtest	Covid Temporary Housing	4/16/2020	Best Western, Hartford	No Action Needed	4/1/2020	Negative Result	COVID PROGRAM Exit Enrollment	Client Info	Covid-19 Info	Housing	Case Notes
242126	211TestWF	211TestWF	6.2 - Emergency Shelter	4/21/2020	American Best Value Inn, Torrington	No Action Needed		Not Tested		Client Info	Covid-19 Info	Housing	Case Notes

Questions?



Additional Questions and Training Needs?

Contact training@cceh.org