

# NHSN Group TAP Reports - CDI

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## Description

CDC's Targeted Assessment for Prevention (TAP) strategy uses a metric known as the Cumulative Attributable Difference (CAD) to help facilities identify and rank locations and target those areas with the greatest need for improvement. The CAD is the number of infections that must be prevented to achieve a HAI reduction goal. TAP Reports can be generated within NHSN for CLABSI, CAUTI, CDI LabID, and MRSA Bacteremia LabID data. The ranking is established using the overall Hospital CAD (highest to lowest). TAP Reports can help to prioritize the facilities where the greatest prevention impact could be achieved.

This quick reference guide will describe how a group can generate a TAP report for CDI LabID data within NHSN. It will also explain how to interpret the TAP report output for group users. For more information about the TAP Strategy, please visit: <http://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/tap.html>.

## Generate a CDI TAP Report

1. Select Analysis on the NHSN home screen. After generating data sets, you can select "Reports" from the dropdown menu that opens. Expand the "Targeted Assessment for Prevention (TAP) Reports" folder. The TAP reports are organized by facility type. Expand the folder for the facility type relevant to your analysis to see the available TAP Report options.

The screenshot displays the NHSN Patient Safety interface. On the left, the 'NHSN Home' sidebar has the 'Analysis' menu item highlighted. A blue arrow points to the 'Reports' option in the dropdown menu, which is labeled with a box containing the number '1'. The main content area shows the 'Analysis Reports' section. A blue arrow points to the 'Targeted Assessment for Prevention (TAP) Reports' folder, which is labeled with a box containing the number '2'. The TAP Reports folder is expanded, showing sub-folders for 'Acute Care Hospitals (ACHs) and Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs)', 'Long Term Acute Care Hospitals (LTACs)', and 'Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs)'.

2. Choose to either **Run** or **Modify** the FACWIDEIN CDI LabID TAP Report for Acute Care Hospitals (ACH) and Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) or Long Term Acute Care Hospitals (LTACs), or the IRF CDI LabID TAP Report for Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities (IRFs). Please note: ACH and CAH TAP Reports contain both Acute Care and Critical Access Hospital (CAH) data, and exclude data reported from CMS-certified IRF units.
  - a. Click **Run** to create a TAP Report that is inclusive of all data reported to NHSN and available in the analysis datasets.
  - b. Click **Modify** to customize the TAP Report.
    - i. It is recommended that users check the box above Title/Format titled “Show descriptive variable names.” Not only will this show more descriptive variable names while modifying a TAP report, but it will also create more descriptive column headers in the tables created.

- ii. Use the Title/Format tab to change the name of the Report generated or to change the format (HTML, PDF, CSV, and RTF). **TIP:** If the format is changed to PDF or RTF, change the orientation of the report to Landscape to allow all columns to fit on a single page.
- iii. Use the Time Period tab to modify the date variable by months, quarters, half-years, or year.
- iv. Display Options. Choose the source value of the SIR goal. The SIR goal can be a custom/value or the user can use the HHS Goal or MRSA National SIR. These are available in the source drop down menu. If a custom value is used, remember that the multiplier must be <1.

## Example TAP Report Output – CDI

The following table is an example of a MRSA TAP report generated by a Group with three member hospitals for the calendar year 2021. The footnotes provided with each table define the data that appear in the derived columns. Please see page 3 and 4 for an example interpretation of both tables.

**Table 1 of the LabID CDI Group TAP Report**

**National Healthcare Safety Network**  
**TAP Report for FACWIDEIN CDI LabID data for Acute Care and Critical Access Hospitals (2015 Baseline)**  
**Totals for all Facilities in Group**  
**Cumulative Attributable Difference (CAD) Multiplier: Custom Value = 0.5**

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 As of: December 22, 2023 at 6:41 PM  
 Date Range: BS2\_CDI\_TAP summaryYr 2021 to 2021

Number of Facilities	Number of Beds	Patient Days	COHCFA Prevalence Rate	CDIF Facility Incident HO LabID Event Count	Number Predicted	Excess Infections	SIR	SIR Test
3	395	51400	0.00	13	18.046	3.980	0.720	

1. This report includes facility-wide inpatient data from acute care hospitals for 2015 and forward.
  2. Use the line list and frequency table output options to view location specific data. For instructions visit Output/Report Option types on the Analysis Quick Reference Guides page; <http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ps-analysis-resources/reference-guides.html>
  3. Facility Rank = Priority ranking for Targeted Assessment of Prevention by CAD in descending order
  4. COHCFA PREVALENCE RATE = Community-onset healthcare facility-associated CDI prevalence rate per 100 admissions
  5. CAD = Observed - Predicted\*SIR Goal
  6. SIR is set to '.' when predicted number of events is <1.0. SIR TEST = 'SIG' means SIR > SIR Goal significantly
- Source of aggregate data: 2015 NHSN CDI Data  
 Data contained in this report were last generated on December 22, 2023 at 1:27 PM to include data beginning January 2021 through December 2021 .

## Table 2 of LabID CDI Group TAP Report

### National Healthcare Safety Network

### TAP Report for FACWIDEIN CDI LabID data for Acute Care and Critical Access Hospitals (2015 Baseline)


### Facilities Ranked by CAD 'Cumulative Attributable Difference'

### Cumulative Attributable Difference (CAD) Multiplier: Custom Value = 0.5

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Facility Rank	Facility Org ID	Facility Name	State	Type of Facility	Type of Affiliation	Number of Beds	Patient Days	COHCFA Prevalence Rate	CDIF Facility Incident HO LabID Event Count	Number Predicted	Facility CAD	SIR	SIR Test
1	10018	DHQP MEMORIAL HOSPITAL	GA	HOSP-GEN	U	150	31000	0.00	8	11.822	2.09	0.877	
2	10273	HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL	HI	HOSP-PSYCH		20	8400	0.00	2	1.164	1.42	1.718	
3	10401	DHQP MEMORIAL ANNEX	GA	HOSP-GEN	M	225	12000	0.00	3	5.080	0.47	0.593	

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3. Facility Rank = Priority ranking for Targeted Assessment of Prevention by CAD in descending order

4. COHCFA PREVALENCE RATE = Community-onset healthcare facility-associated CDI prevalence rate per 100 admissions

5. CAD = Observed - Predicted \* SIR Goal

6. SIR is set to '.' when predicted number of events is <1.0. SIR TEST = 'SIG' means SIR > SIR Goal significantly

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## Interpretation

- The header above each table describes what information has been included in the table. The second line of the header is a descriptive title for the table. The title names which hospital types are included in the report and what baselines data sets are used for the analysis. The third line of the header describes how the data has been arranged (Facilities Ranked by CAD). The fourth line displays the value for the SIR goal. For the TAP report in this example, Custom Value = 0.5 was used as the SIR goal. Lastly, the final line of the header helps users find out more about the CDC TAP Strategy. For more information about the TAP strategy, please visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/tap.html>.
- The footnote for each table includes the rules for interpreting the data, meanings for abbreviation used in the table, pathogen names, and the date data sets were last generated. For example, footnote #6 states, "The SIR is set to '.' when predicted number of events is <1.0." This would be helpful to know if an SIR value is not given in the table. Additionally, the formula for calculating the CAD can also be found in the footnotes.
- The **first table** in the group TAP Report output (see page 2) provides cumulative totals for all facilities in the group. The total number of facilities contributing to the cumulative results in each subsequent column in the table can be found in the very first column labeled, "Number of facilities". The column labeled "Number of Beds" gives the total number of beds for all the facilities in the group combined. Remember, CDI LabID data are collected and analyzed at the inpatient, facility-wide level; data in this report will not be displayed by location. All the subsequent columns follow this pattern of presenting a cumulative facility total for all the facilities in the group. The Group's CAD (Excess Infections) is 3.980 and the SIR is 0.720. The SIR Test indicates that the SIR is not significantly greater than the SIR Goal.

- The **second table** in the group TAP Report output (see page 3) titled, Facilities Ranked by CAD, provides a list of facilities ranked by facility CAD in descending order. The first column in the facility-level table provides a rank by facility CAD; a Facility Rank of 1 indicates that the facility had the highest CAD among all hospitals in the group.
  - Since CDI data is collected at the inpatient, facility-wide level, location specific information is not displayed in the table.
  - Looking at the data for the data DHQP Memorial Hospital, the facility CAD was 2.09, indicating that at least 3 infections would need to be prevented to meet the set HAI reduction goal (Custom Value = 0.5). The SIR for this hospital in 2021 was 0.677. The “SIR Test” column is blank, which indicates that the SIR is not significantly greater than the SIR Goal.

## Additional Resources:

- The Five “W”s of the Targeted Assessment for Prevention (TAP) Strategy:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/tap.html>
- Introduction to NHSN Analysis:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/training/2019/intro-nhsn-analysis-508.pdf>
- How to filter your data by time period:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/ps-analysis-resources/filtertimeperiod.pdf>
- How to filter your data on additional criteria:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/ps-analysis-resources/selectioncriteria.pdf>
- Analysis Quick Reference Guides:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PS-Analysis-resources/reference-guides.html>
- HHS Action Plan to Prevent Healthcare-associated Infections:  
<http://health.gov/hcq/prevent-hai.asp>
- HAI Progress Report:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/datastat/progress-report.html>

