Minnesota Hospitals Daily Data Request Update

DATE: Friday, August 7, 2020

TO: Hospital Data Collection Teams

SUBJECT: TeleTracking Updates

Happy Friday!

Updates from the SEOC Hospital Data Team

Thank you very much for getting your submissions into **MNTrac by 12noon**! Thanks to our Health Systems who have begun to upload your batch reports directly into MNTrac. Processes are being streamlined and process improvements are proving effective – we have a well-oiled machine running here!!

HUGE thanks for addressing errors! We are seeing HUGE improvements across the state! Minnesota is ROCKIN'!

MDH MNTrac website updated with tons of info

As mentioned on our Tuesday session, we are updating our MNTrac webpage to include all pertinent information for you to have readily available: https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/ep/coalitions/mntrac.html. You will find our data dictionary, FAQ, memos, and other pertinent info. We will inform you of any updates to the site as well as to the documents.

News from TeleTracking/HHS

We have NOT heard back from TeleTracking regarding an update import template. At this point we are all still using the current template. **Please continue with the template we have on MNTrac (dated 7/28).**

PPE Reporting Frequency Change

According to the newly updated guidance from HHS dated July 29, 2020 data elements 26 – 32 (all PPE elements) are only required to be submitted three times a week (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday).

Effective Monday, August 10, 2020, hospitals can begin to submit their PPE data three times a week. Please note that if you have an established and streamlined process in place to capture this information and do not wish to disrupt the process – stay the course. For our state reporting purposes, we will use data submitted on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Upcoming changes – hot off the press!

Our team found "Pre-Release Information" posted on TeleTracking regarding changes being released on Thursday August 13th at 7am EST. We are in the process of actively awaiting additional feedback on these changes. As soon as we get more information we will update you all. Our vendor, ImageTrend, has also been informed and they are awaiting additional information as well in efforts to move forward with development and provide an updated template.

Emails from TeleTracking

If you get emails and are unsure why you are getting it or have questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our hospital data team via email: health.hpp@state.mn.us. We aren't always aware and don't have control of emails sent to hospitals, therefore, Angie Koch will review and provide further clarification.

Tuesday Live Hospital Q&A Sessions

Thanks to all who attended. FYI – we have fixed the incoming/outgoing beep notifications – sorry for the inconvenience. As promised, I will ensure to have updates and tips at the front end of the call and then use the remainder of time to address any specific questions or clarifications you need.

Please join us weekly on Tuesday afternoons from 2:30-3:30 to receive updates on data collection/reporting efforts, hear tips or tricks for ease of reporting, and the opportunity to ask any questions you may have about our COVID-19 data reporting efforts.

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4. Click "Join Now".
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Thank you again! We are here to support you and we are ALL in this together!!

Please do not hesitate to reach out to you Regional Health Care Preparedness Coordinators or email the MDH Hospital Data team at health.hpp@state.mn.us