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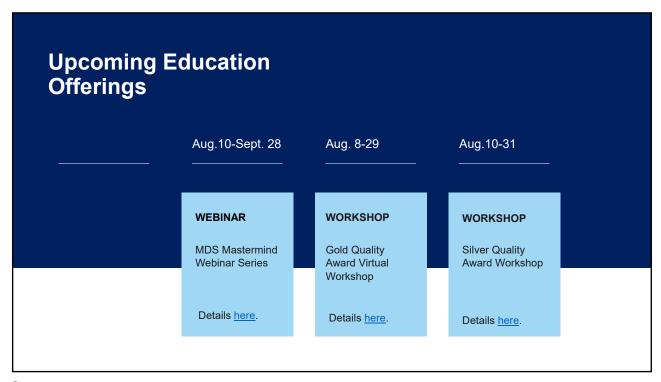
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A link to webinar recording will be posted here: ihca.org/regulatory-roundup/







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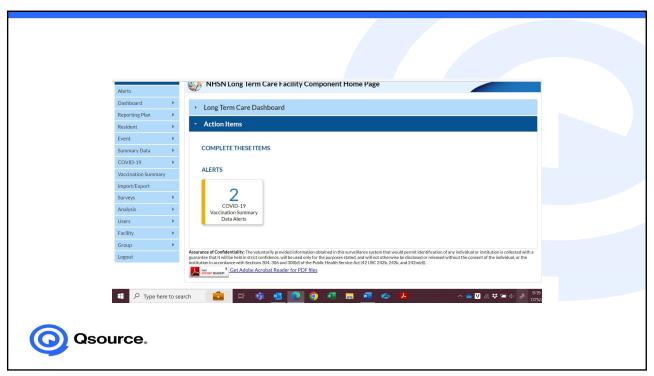


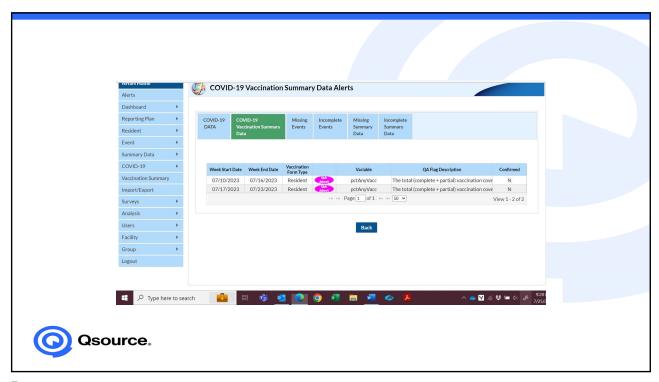
# Today's Agenda

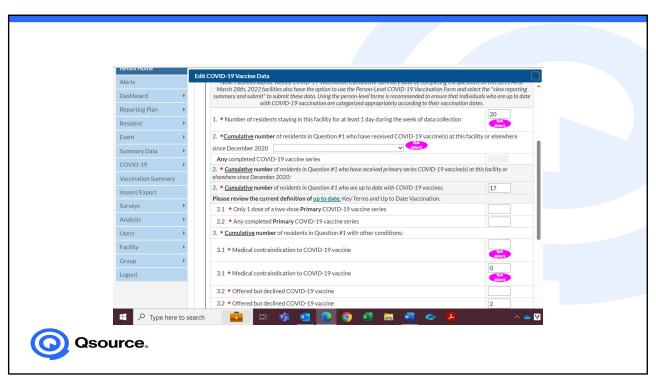
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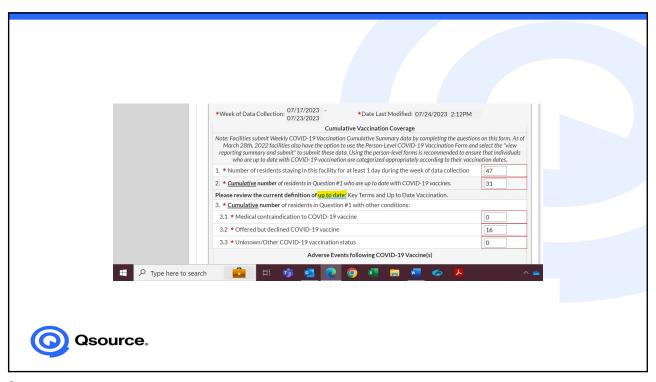
- Upcoming Education Katie Niehoff, Director of Education
- NHSN Update Teresa Hostettler, Lead QI Advisor
- Use of urine PCR to dx, Second bivalent booster, RSV vaccine - Dr. Shireesha Vuppalanchi, Medical Director
- Frequently asked question of the week Lori Davenport

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#### NHSN Clarifications —NHSN's Response

#### <u>Ticket Number</u> -----25A8

Resolution
This response was sent to NHSN user on 7/25/2023.

Hello ----- Thank you for your message.

We are aware of the issue with the quality assurance (QA) alerts that appear on the alerts screen in the NHSN application, and we are currently working to resolve it. It appears that the data quality alerts are now sometimes generating inaccurately for the Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Module for residents.

Please disregard these alerts, as the alerts are not impacting a facility's ability to enter, update, save, or analyze data. Additionally, please do not edit Weekly COVID-19 vaccination Module data from within the QA alerts screen.

Thank you, NHSN Vaccination Team



#### NHSN Email re: Deadline for Reporting

- Long-Term Acute Care Facilities (LTACs/LTCHs) that participate in the Long-Term Care Hospital Quality Reporting Program:
- 2023 Quarter 3 (January 1 March 31) CLABSI and CAUTI data (all bedded inpatient locations)
- 2023 Quarter 3 (January 1 March 31) C. difficile LabID Events (FacWidelN, all healthcare-onset, and community-onset)
- 2023 Quarter 1 (December 26, 2022 March 26, 2023) Weekly Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Vaccination Summary data
- Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) that participate in the Skilled Nursing Facility Quality Reporting Program:
- 2023 Quarter 1 (December 26, 2022 March 26, 2023) Weekly Healthcare Personnel COVID-19 Vaccination Summary data



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#### **Questions of the week**



- Are surveyors looking for the additional booster to be given during a survey or are they looking to see if education about the additional booster and related recommendations have been provided? – or both?
- Some providers have asked if they could set up a clinic with the flu shot clinic in the fall or will waiting cause compliance issues during a survey?

#### **Answers**



- Surveyors are directed to look at 5 resident and one staff member for immunization offering and education. The facility should be following the most current CDC guidance.
- A clinic with the flu shot clinic is acceptable unless they have many residents who want the booster now and should receive it earlier due to immunologic compromising conditions.

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### **CDC** current guidance



- Adults 65 or older may now get an additional bivalent booster dose at least four months after their last dose. Adults with immunocompromising conditions can get their additional booster at least two months after their last dose. – May 5, 2023
  - <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2023/s0419-covid-vaccines.html">https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2023/s0419-covid-vaccines.html</a>

#### Recommendations



- Inform your residents and staff of the option to receive another bivalent booster if 65 and older and/or adults with immunosuppressing conditions. – this is part of you infection prevention and control strategy
- Keep in mind new recommendations this fall for bivalent vaccine
- If an individual is 65 and older or has immunocompromising conditions and wants the vaccine ---- give it now or as soon as possible and do not wait.
- Educate and offer vaccines and keep your residents in SNF and AL in the know and up to date as vaccine recommendations change.

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## **Regulatory Roundup**



- No meeting next week August 3, 2023
- Next Regulatory Roundup August 10<sup>th</sup>



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