



DATE: November 12, 2020

TO: Texas Skilled Nursing, Long-Term Care, and Intermediate Care Facilities (SNF/LTCF/ICF)

SUBJECT: State Reporting Requirements for Facilities Currently Reporting COVID-19 Laboratory Data to the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

Beginning November 14, 2020, SNF/LTCF/ICF facilities who are currently submitting COVID-19 laboratory data into to NHSN should discontinue their direct reporting to DSHS NEDSS. Reporting through NHSN will fulfill the state reporting requirement for facilities actively entering into NHSN. It is important to note that facilities must continue to comply with their [local health authority](#) directive for reporting.

Any SNF/LTCF/ICF facilities who are NOT reporting to NHSN must continue to report to DSHS NEDSS.

Thank you for your cooperation. Questions may be emailed to COVID-19ELR@dshs.texas.gov.