

| THOR NDIIS Demonstration Questions and Answers |   |
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| Q  | Is a lot number required to enter immunizations into THOR NDIIS?  |
| A  | No, but highly recommended. Lot numbers can be used to track cases in the event of a vaccine recall.  |
| Q  | How do we enter cases without a lot number?   |
| A  | Generic vaccines are available in the facility's inventory.   |
| Q  | Are Mantoux's in the system?  |
| A  | No.   |
| Q  | Can hospitals run reports from THOR NDIIS?  |
| A  | BCBS can run reports on request. Some reports   |
| Q  | Can information from THOR NDIIS be pulled off and submitted to CMS?   |
| A  | No.   |
| Q  | When does a birth record go into THOR NDIIS?  |
| A  | This has been in place since the mid 1990s.   |
| Q  | How do we get a provider # for THOR NDIIS?  |
| A  | Contact Molly Sander, Immunization Surveillance Coordinator at the North Dakota Department of Health, e-mail <a href="mailto:msander@state.nd.us">msander@state.nd.us</a> .   |
| Q  | How do we register to use THOR NDIIS?   |
| A  | You can begin the registration process by emailing Molly Sander at <a href="mailto:msander@state.nd.us">msander@state.nd.us</a> . After expressing interest in becoming a registered user it takes 2 days to 2 weeks to be up and running. Each individual planning to use THOR NDIIS needs to be registered. If you already have a provider number, an online application can be accessed to add additional users. |
| Q  | Can there be multiple users from one location? Does each person need to have a password?  |
| A  | Yes. Each person with access to THOR NDIIS needs a user name and password. To obtain a user name and password contact Molly Sander at <a href="mailto:msander@state.nd.us">msander@state.nd.us</a> .  |
| Q  | Can you only access THOR NDIIS by individuals or can a hospital have a number for access?   |
| A  | Each individual needs a separate username and password.   |
| Q  | Is there a test case available to demonstrate to others?  |
| A  | No, but this is certainly something to consider.  |
| Q  | Can we backload information?  |
| A  | Yes, enter each one or check with BCBS to see if there is a way to dump information in.   |
| Q  | Are nursing homes using THOR NDIIS to track immunizations?  |
| A  | Yes, the number of nursing homes interested in using THOR NDIIS has increased since the demonstration began this month.   |
| Q  | Will there be a possibility that as we look at individual records we can see where immunizations were given on the printed Certificate of Immunization?   |
| A  | I will check into that.   |
| Q  | Is an immunization "key" available?   |
| A  | Yes, it's available on request. Please route your requests through Jean Roland at North Dakota Health Care Review, e-mail <a href="mailto:jroland@ndqio.sdps.org">jroland@ndqio.sdps.org</a> .  |

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| <b>Q</b> | Do clinics use it?  |
| <b>A</b> | Yes. Although the process for entering information varies from clinic to clinic.  |
| <b>Q</b> | When do you want us to begin entering adult immunizations?  |
| <b>A</b> | Entering adult immunizations into THOR NDIIS is not mandatory but is seen as the best mode available in North Dakota for collecting, tracking, and sharing immunization information.  |
| <b>Q</b> | If we already have user access do we need to renew it?  |
| <b>A</b> | It would have to be checked into on an individual basis.  |
| <b>Q</b> | When will tracking immunizations become a state law?  |
| <b>A</b> | There is no indication it will become state law any time soon, although it is state law in other states such as Michigan.   |
| <b>Q</b> | Can THOR NDIIS be accessed as view only?  |
| <b>A</b> | Yes.  |
| <b>Q</b> | How do we get THOR NDIIS software?  |
| <b>A</b> | THOR NDIIS is web-based. Contact Molly Sander at <a href="mailto:msander@state.nd.us">msander@state.nd.us</a> .   |
| <b>Q</b> | What about hepatitis immunizations?   |
| <b>A</b> | Yes, we recommend hepatitis immunizations be entered into THOR NDIIS. It's of value for tracking and retrieving immunization histories for college entrance, employment requirements, etc. The same is true for meningococcal vaccinations. |
| <b>Q</b> | Are birth dose hepatitis B vaccines entered in THOR NDIIS?  |
| <b>A</b> | Yes, by the state.  |
| <b>Q</b> | For influenza, a yearly shot, do we enter it each year?   |
| <b>A</b> | There's not as much value in using THOR NDIIS for influenza immunizations as there is for pneumococcal immunizations, but it may be used for both.  |
| <b>Q</b> | Entering pneumococcal and influenza vaccinations into CART or a vendor tool is already done at most hospitals. This would be double entry.  |
| <b>A</b> | THOR NDIIS is in the process of becoming HL7 compliant. We predict this will be complete by the end of the year. At that time data can be transferred from THOR NDIIS into your current tracking system and vice versa.                     |