

Privacy Impact Assessment Form

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Status

Form Number

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Question

Answer

1 OPDIV:

2 PIA Unique Identifier:

2a Name:

3 The subject of this PIA is which of the following?

- General Support System (GSS)
 Major Application
 Minor Application (stand-alone)
 Minor Application (child)
 Electronic Information Collection
 Unknown

3a Identify the Enterprise Performance Lifecycle Phase of the system.

3b Is this a FISMA-Reportable system?

- Yes
 No

4 Does the system include a Website or online application available to and for the use of the general public?

- Yes
 No

5 Identify the operator.

- Agency
 Contractor

6 Point of Contact (POC):

POC Title
 POC Name
 POC Organization
 POC Email
 POC Phone

7 Is this a new or existing system?

- New
 Existing

8 Does the system have Security Authorization (SA)?

- Yes
 No

8a Date of Security Authorization

11 Describe the purpose of the system.

The National Outbreak Reporting System (NORS) supports outbreak reporting by partners in state, local, and territorial public health agencies. The system provides State and local health departments in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and territories, the ability to enter data about enteric disease outbreaks caused by food, water, animal contact, person-to-person contact, and the environment.

12 Describe the type of information the system will collect, maintain (store), or share. (Subsequent questions will identify if this information is PII and ask about the specific data elements.)

Through NORS, CDC collects reports of enteric disease outbreaks caused by bacterial, viral, parasitic, chemical, toxin, and unknown agents, as well as waterborne outbreaks of non-enteric disease. Outbreaks are reported to CDC using NORS, which collects information such as date and location of the outbreak, the number of people who became ill and their symptoms, and the pathogen that caused the outbreak.

13 Provide an overview of the system and describe the information it will collect, maintain (store), or share, either permanently or temporarily.

The National Outbreak Reporting System (NORS) is a web-based platform used by local, state, and territorial health departments in the United States to report all waterborne and food borne disease outbreaks and enteric disease outbreaks transmitted by contact with environmental sources, infected persons or animals, or unknown modes of transmission to CDC. NORS launched in 2009 following a four-year effort to design and develop the electronic system. This system is not used by members of the general public to report an outbreak; the general public is advised to contact their state or local health department.

NORS captures aggregate information about an outbreak. This includes information about the mode of transmission, implicated foods, symptoms, etc. The data from outbreak investigations are checked for accuracy and analyzed by CDC to provide information about national outbreak trends and learning lessons for preventing future outbreaks. No sensitive or personally identifiable information is captured or stored.

14 Does the system collect, maintain, use or share PII?

Yes

No

General Comments

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