

Instructions for Completion of Pneumonia (PNEU) Form (CDC 57.111)

Data Field	Instructions for Data Collection
Facility ID	The NHSN-assigned facility ID will be auto entered by the computer.
Event #	Event ID number will be auto entered by the computer.
Patient ID	Required. Enter the alphanumeric patient ID number. This is the patient identifier assigned by the hospital and may consist of any combination of numbers and/or letters.
Social Security #	Optional. Enter the 9-digit numeric patient Social Security Number.
Secondary ID	Optional. Enter the alphanumeric ID number assigned by the facility.
Medicare #	Optional. Enter the patient's Medicare number.
Patient name	Optional. Enter the last, first, and middle name of the patient.
Sex	Required. Select "F-Female" or "M-Male".
Date of birth	Required. Record the date of the patient's birth using this format: MM/DD/YYYY.
Ethnicity	Optional. Specify if the patient is either Hispanic or Latino, or Not Hispanic or Not Latino; otherwise select Declined to respond Unknown NOTE: Select "Unknown" in the rare circumstance when the patient is non-communicative and/or access to this information is not available.
Race	Optional. Specify one or more of the choices below to identify the patient's race: American Indian or Alaska Native (1002-5) Asian (2028-9) Black or African American (2054-5) Middle Eastern or North African (2118-8) Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander (2076-8) White (2106-3) Declined to respond Unknown NOTE: Select "Unknown" in the rare circumstance when the patient is non-communicative and/or access to this information is not available.
Language	Optional. Specify the patient's preferred language from the NHSN abridged primary language list available at https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/NHSN-Abridged-Primary-Language-List.xlsx .

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Interpreter needed?	<p>Optional. Select YES if an interpreter is needed to communicate with the patient in their preferred language; otherwise, select NO.</p> <p>Declined to respond Unknown</p> <p>NOTE: Select “Unknown” in the rare circumstance when the patient in non-communicative and/or access to this information is not available.</p>
Event type	Required. PNEU.
Date of event	<p>Required. The date of event is the date when the <u>first</u> element used to meet the PNEU infection criterion occurred for the first time, during the Infection Window Period. Enter date of this event using this format: MM/DD/YYYY.</p> <p>Note: If a device has been pulled on the first day of the month in a location where there are no other device days in that month, and a device-associated infection develops after the device is pulled, attribute the infection to the previous month.</p>
Post-procedure PNEU	Optional. Check Y if this event occurred after an NHSN-defined procedure but before discharge from the facility; otherwise, check N.
Date of procedure	Conditionally required. If Post-procedure PNEU = Y, then enter the date the procedure was done.
NHSN procedure code	<p>Conditionally required. If Post-procedure PNEU = Y. Answer this question only if this patient developed the PNEU during the same admission as an operative procedure. Enter the appropriate NHSN procedure code.</p> <p>Note: A PNEU cannot be “linked” to an operative procedure unless that procedure has already been added to NHSN. If the procedure was previously added and the “Link to Procedure” button is clicked, the fields pertaining to the operation will be auto entered.</p>
ICD-10-PCS or CPT Procedure code	<p>Optional. The ICD-10-PCS or CPT code may be entered here instead of (or in addition to) the NHSN Procedure Code.</p> <p>If the ICD-10-PCS or CPT code is entered, the NHSN procedure code will be auto-entered by the computer. If the NHSN code is entered first, you will have the option to select the appropriate ICD-10-PCS or CPT code. In either case, it is optional to select the ICD-10-PCS or CPT code. The NHSN ICD-10-PCS and CPT codes are found in the “Operative Procedure Code Documents” section of the Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Events page on the NHSN website.</p>

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MDRO Infection Surveillance	<p>Required. Select Yes if the pathogen is being followed for Infection Surveillance in the MDRO/CDI Module in that location as part of your Monthly Reporting Plan: MRSA, MSSA (MRSA/MSSA), VRE, CephR-<i>Klebsiella</i>, CRE (<i>E. coli</i>, <i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>, <i>Klebsiella oxytoca</i>, <i>Klebsiella aerogenes</i> or <i>Enterobacter</i>), MDR-<i>Acinetobacter</i>, or <i>C. difficile</i>.</p> <p>If the pathogen for this infection happens to be an MDRO but your facility is not following the Infection Surveillance in the MDRO/CDI Module in your Monthly Reporting Plan, answer “No” to this question.</p>
Location	<p>Required. Enter the inpatient location to which the patient was assigned on the date of the PNEU event. If the PNEU occurs on the day of transfer/discharge or the next day, indicate the transferring/discharging location, not the current location of the patient, in accordance with the Transfer Rule (see Key Terms section).</p>
Date admitted to facility	<p>Required. Enter date patient admitted to an inpatient location using this format: MM/DD/YYYY.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When determining a patient’s admission dates to both the facility and specific inpatient location, the NHSN user must take into account all such days, including any days spent in an inpatient location as an “observation” patient before being officially admitted as an inpatient to the facility, as these days contribute to exposure risk. Therefore, all such days are included in the counts of admissions and patient days for the facility and specific location, and facility and admission dates must be moved back to the first day spent in the inpatient location. Non-bedded inpatient locations such as Operating Room or Interventional Radiology are eligible inpatient locations for determining date of admission. When reporting a PNEU which occurs on the day of or day after discharge use the previous date of admission as admission date.
<div>Ventilator</div> <div>Birth weight</div>	<p>Required. Check Y if the patient with PNEU had a device to assist or control respiration through a tracheostomy or by endotracheal intubation that had been in place for more than two calendar days on the date of the event inclusive of the weaning period; otherwise, check N. Date of device insertion = Day 1. If ventilator was in place prior to inpatient admission, the ventilator day count begins with the admission date to the first inpatient location.</p> <p>Optional. For <i>off-plan</i> reporting in a NICU patient, enter the patient’s birth weight in grams, <u>not</u> the weight on the date of event.</p>

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Location of device insertion	Optional. Enter the patient location where the intubation and ventilation procedure was performed
Date of device insertion	Optional. Enter the date the intubation and ventilation procedure was performed.
Event Details: PNEU Specific event	Required. Check one: Clinically Defined Pneumonia (PNU1), Pneumonia with specific laboratory findings (PNU2), or Pneumonia in immunocompromised patients (PNU3), whichever criteria are met for this event.
Event Details: Specify criteria used	Required. Check each of the elements that were used to identify the specific type of PNEU being reported.
Event Details: Secondary bloodstream infection	Required. Check Y if there is a bloodstream infection (BSI) identified related to PNEU; otherwise, check N. For detailed instructions on identifying whether a blood specimen identification represents a secondary BSI, refer to the Appendix: Secondary BSI Guide of the BSI Event protocol . Note: Secondary BSI is N if the specific event is PNU1.
COVID-19	Required. Check Y if the patient met the definition of confirmed COVID-19 on the date of event; otherwise, check N. Confirmed: A patient with a positive COVID-19 (SARS CoV-2) laboratory viral test indicating current infection (Note: this does not include serology testing for antibody). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Answer COVID-19 as 'YES' if the patient's lab test confirmed COVID-19 prior to or on the date of event. Keep in mind that patients may undergo repeat testing post-treatment and may move from a 'confirmed' to 'negative' COVID-19 status. Answer COVID-19 as 'NO' if the most recent lab test prior to or on the date of event is negative.
Event Details: Died	Required. Check Y if patient died during the hospitalization; otherwise, check N.
Event Details: PNEU contributed to death	Conditionally required. If the patient died, check Y if such evidence is available (for example, death/discharge note, autopsy report, etc.); otherwise, check N.
Event Details: Discharge date	Optional. Enter date patient discharged from facility using this format: MM/DD/YYYY.
Event Details: Pathogens identified	Required. Enter Y if Pathogen Identified; otherwise, check N. If Yes, specify organism. Note: Pathogens identified defaults to N if the specific event is PNU1.

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Pathogen # for specified Gram-positive Organisms, Gram-negative Organisms, Fungal Organisms, or Other Organisms	Up to three pathogens may be reported. If multiple pathogens are identified, enter the pathogen judged to be the most important cause of infection as #1, the next most as #2, and the least as #3 (usually this order will be indicated on the laboratory report). If secondary BSI pathogens are entered, they should be entered only after site-specific pathogens are entered. If the species is not given on the lab report or is not found on the NHSN organism list, then select the genus (for example, <i>Bacillus natto</i> is not on the list so would be reported as <i>Bacillus</i>).
Antimicrobial agent and susceptibility results	<p>Conditionally required if Pathogen Identified = Y.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For those organisms shown on the back of an event form, susceptibility results are required only for the agents listed. • For organisms that are not listed on the back of an event form, the entry of susceptibility results is optional. <p>Circle the pathogen's susceptibility result using the codes on the event forms.</p> <p>For each box listing several drugs of the same class, at least one drug susceptibility must be recorded.</p>
Custom Fields	<p>Optional. Up to 50 fields may be customized for local or group use in any combination of the following formats: date (MM/DD/YYYY), numeric, or alphanumeric.</p> <p>Note: Each Custom Field must be set up in the Facility/Custom Options section of the application before the field can be selected for use.</p>
Comments	Optional. Enter any information on the event.