



Health Centers and the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB)

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Overview: What is the NPDB?

- The National Practitioner Data Bank is a workforce tool created by Congress to assist organizations in making well-informed hiring, credentialing, privileging, and licensing decisions.
- It is a central repository for information on medical malpractice payments and certain adverse actions related to health care practitioners, entities, providers, and suppliers.



Overview: What is in the NPDB?

- **Adverse Action Reports (AARs)**

- More than 1.1 million AARs are in the NPDB. These include certain licensure, certification and clinical privilege actions taken by state and federal licensing and certification authorities, hospitals, and other health care organizations

- **Medical Malpractice Payment Reports (MMPRs)**

- More than 483,000 MMPRs are in the NPDB. These include payments made for the benefits of a health care practitioner relating to a written claim or judgment for medical malpractice.

- **Judgement or Conviction Reports (JOCRs)**

- More than 39,000 JOCRs are in the NPDB. These include health care-related civil judgments or criminal convictions taken in a federal or state court.



NPDB and Health Centers: A Shared Goal

- The NPDB and Health Centers share the goal of providing quality care and ensuring patient safety.
- We understand your need, as front-line providers for the nation's most underserved populations, to have access to tools and resources to engage and retain a quality health workforce.
- Reporting contributes to the completeness of the information in the NPDB, which adds value for all queriers who rely on reports.
- Incomplete reporting denies health centers and other health care entities information on practitioners with real competency or conduct concerns.



Health Center Requirements

- Querying
 - Per the BPHC Compliance Manual, Health Centers are required to query to the NPDB as part of their credentialing process
- Reporting
 - Entities that are registered with the NPDB to query are required to report certain adverse actions taken against practitioners



Health Center Reporting: Adverse Clinical Privileges Actions

- **Professional Review Actions**
 - Actions based on a physician's or dentist's professional competence or professional conduct that;
 - Adversely affect the clinical privileges of a physician or dentist; and
 - Last for a period of more than 30 days.
- **Acceptance of surrender or any restriction of a physician or dentist:**
 - While under investigation related to incompetence or improper professional conduct; or
 - In return for not conducting such an investigation or proceeding.



Health Center Reporting (continued)

Other Health Care Practitioners

- While not required, you may report adverse clinical privileges actions on health care practitioners other than physicians and dentists when:
 - effective for more than 30 days, and
 - related to professional competence or conduct.
- Reporting on other practitioners adds value to NPDB data.



Querying:

Although querying is required by health center program requirements as part of the credentialing process (see Compliance Manual), health centers may also query when the practitioner:

- applies to the health center for staff appointment or clinical privileges;
- enters (or may enter) an employment or affiliation relationship with the health center;
- undergoes a professional review activity by the health center; or
- Begins the process to receive credentials or renews credentials.



What is Attestation?

Attestation is how Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and FQHC "look-alikes" confirm:

- submission of all reportable clinical privileges actions to the NPDB and
- adherence to all NPDB querying and confidentiality requirements.



Why is Attestation Important?

The goals of Attestation are to:

- Confirm that your organization has submitted all required reports and complied with all confidentiality provisions in accordance with federal law.
- Ensure the accuracy and completeness of your information in the NPDB
- Educate users about their reporting obligations



How Does Attestation Work?

- Linked to registration renewal every two years
- You will be notified when your renewal date is coming up
- When you go into the Integrated Query and Reporting Service (IQRS) you will see the information about Attestation



Who Can Attest for Your Organization?

- Person must be able to affirm whether the health center understands your reporting requirements and is reporting to and querying the NPDB as required by law
- May be the same person as the Data Bank Administrator, who manages the organization's profile and user accounts
- May be a clinical director or other key staff member who has the information on reporting



Attestation Demonstration-Log-in

NATIONAL PRACTITIONER DATA BANK
NPDB

After starting the login you will be re-directed to the IQRS registration confirmation screen.

XYZ Health Center
DBID: 394716030052468

	Roles	Last Login	Status
<input type="radio"/>	Administrator, Query, Report, Billing Lookup	DEC 05, 2022 02:45PM	OK

Continue

To Login:
The center’s DBID and the NPDB entity number will be displayed. Along with the names of the users of the system



Attestation Demonstration-Attestation Reminder

This organization attestation is due by **August 25, 2022.**

This health center has already renewed its registration, so its attestation is due one month after renewal. It will receive reminders on day 15 and 25 from the renewal date.

ENTITY REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION NATIONAL PRACTITIONER DATA BANK
NPDB

You are signed in as:

Your organization's attestation is due by August 25, 2022.
You should attest as to whether or not your organization has complied with all NPDB regulatory requirements from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.
[Learn about attestation](#)

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Only specific entities authorized by law may request the disclosure of information from (i.e., query) or submit reports to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB). Authorized entities must be registered with the NPDB and have received a confidential Data Bank Identification Number (DBID) and password prior to using this querying and reporting service. Any unauthorized individual or organization that attempts to query or file reports with the NPDB is subject to fine and imprisonment under Federal statute. If you are not authorized by law and registered to query or report to the NPDB, **please log off now.**

SECURITY NOTICE: Please read this important information regarding your role in [protecting critical NPDB information.](#)

Last sign in: AUG 11, 2022 02:48PM
Next renewal: SEP 06, 2024



Attestation Demonstration-Site Confirmation

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ps://iqrs.npdb.hrsa.gov/servlet/CHCVerificationStartServlet?SESSION_ID=3699260176849856552507054

Privacy Policy | OMB Number: 0915-0126 Expiration Date: 04/30/2024

⚠ Your attestation is not complete
It is due on August 25, 2022

1. Sites

If your organization is responsible for either privileging, or credentialing, or both for other service delivery sites, you must attest for those sites. Review the list of service delivery sites below and select all that are currently within your project scope. If you make privileging or credentialing decisions for a site not listed, add it below and select Continue.

More Information

- Health Centers
- What You Must Report to the NPDB
- The Guidebook, Chapter E: Reports
- The Guidebook, Chapter D: Queries
- How to Submit a Report
- How to Retrieve Historical Query and Report Summaries
- Help and FAQs

In the Attestation section, you will see this message, followed by a list of sites downloaded from the HDW in the past few months.



Attestation Demonstration-Site List Confirmation

Select all sites currently in your scope of project

In Scope	Site Name	Address	City	State	ZIP
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
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Total sel

Are there other sites in the approved scope of project for your health center that are not listed above?
 Yes No

2. Attestation

3. Certify and Submit

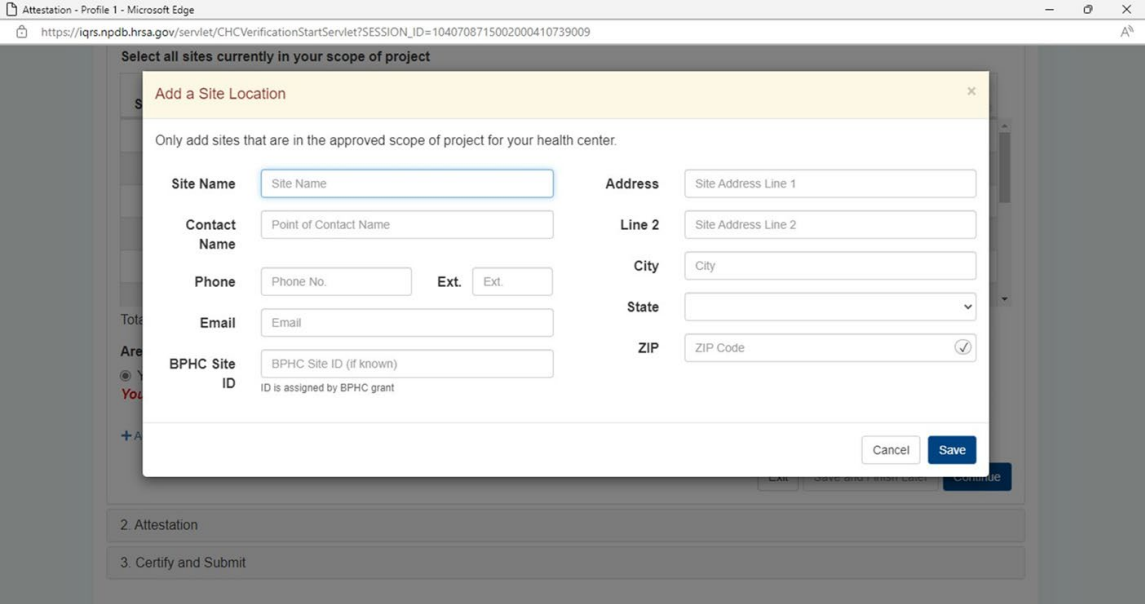
We downloaded a list of sites from the HDW-here the names have been deleted for privacy reasons.

If this list is accurate, they proceed to attestation.

If they have added or deleted sites and this information is not reflected in this list, they can add or delete sites in the next step.



Attestation Demonstration-Site Addition/Deletion



You can add or delete a site location



Attestation Demonstration- Confirmation of Authorization

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2. Attestation

Attestation confirms that your organization has submitted all required reports and complied with all confidentiality provisions over a 2-year time frame in accordance with federal law. This includes reports for all actions taken, payments made, and queries submitted from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.

Are you authorized to attest?

The person who attests must be authorized to confirm your organization's compliance with reporting and querying requirements. You may be the person authorized to attest for your organization if you can confirm the following:

- You have access to all potential reportable actions or payments made by your organization.
- All required reports were submitted from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.
- Query responses were used in accordance with federal law.

If you are not authorized to attest, you must identify and advise the person who is authorized of his or her responsibilities. If that person has an administrator account, he or she should sign in and submit the attestation. If they cannot do so, you must obtain permission to submit the attestation on his or her behalf.

I am authorized to attest

Authorized Name

Title

Phone **Ext.**

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They provide the information on who is attesting, confirming that they would have the knowledge to do so.



Attestation Demonstration-Review of Requirements

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Email

NPDB Regulatory Requirements

Reporting Compliance
Federal law requires hospitals, health plans, medical malpractice payers, and other health care organizations to report certain adverse actions and medical malpractice payments. You must submit a report within 30 days of taking an action or making a medical malpractice payment in accordance with reporting requirements.

Your organization added a total of **1 report** for actions taken or payments made from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.

Querying Confidentiality
Query responses and enrollment disclosures may be used only in accordance with the confidentiality provisions of 45 CFR Part 60 for the purpose designated at the time of the query or enrollment.

Attest
Has your organization complied with all NPDB regulatory requirements as outlined above?
 Yes No

3. Certify and Submit

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And then they confirm that they do comply with the regulatory requirements noted above. Only 2 HCs have ever said no when it was not a mistake.



Attestation Demonstration-Site Listing

Profile 1 - Microsoft Edge
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3. Certify and Submit

Review the attestation and select Submit. If it is not correct, select a section to edit.

Attestation for |for reports and queries submitted from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.

- My organization has fulfilled our NPDB regulatory requirements for reports and queries submitted from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022.
- My organization is responsible for either privileging, or credentialing, or both at the following sites:

Site Name	Address	City	State	ZIP
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The name of the health center will be in the line “Attestation for:”, and the time period of the attestation is noted. The center can review the site list again here to confirm it is correct.



Attestation Demonstration-Signature Page

Certify Attestation

I certify that I have access to all potential reportable actions or payments made by my organization.

I certify that I am authorized to submit these attestation statements on behalf of my organization regarding compliance with the NPDB regulatory requirements for all reports and queries submitted from July 2, 2020, to June 26, 2022, and that the statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I further certify that my organization will comply with all NPDB regulatory requirements in the future.

Attested by:

Name:
Title:
Phone:
Email:

By selecting Submit you affirm that the certifier authorized you to submit the attestation on his or her behalf.

Submitted by:

Name:
Title:
Phone:
Email

WARNING:

Any person who knowingly makes a false statement or misrepresentation to the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) may be subject to a fine and imprisonment under federal statute.

And now they sign and submit the attestation. It will then trigger a review by DPDB staff, and if there are any questions, it will be added to the quarterly report described earlier.



Attestation Demonstration-Sample Report

Thank you for submitting your attestation.

Attestation for <

- My organization has fulfilled our NPOB requirements for reporting clinical privileges actions regarding physicians and dentists.
- My organization is responsible for privileging and/or credentialing at these sites:

Site Name	Address	City	State	ZIP

- My organization is NOT responsible for privileging and/or credentialing at these sites:

Site Name	Address	City	State	ZIP

My explanation:
Organization lost its grant funding (for the purpose of this test).

Certify Attestation

I certify that the attestation regarding clinical privileges reporting is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I certify that my organization will continue to submit all reportable clinical privileges actions within 30 days of the date the action was taken. I further certify that I am authorized to submit these statements on behalf of our organization.

Attested By:
Title:
Phone:
Email Address:
Date:

Contact Us

Print Exit to Options

You'll see your attestation submission report.



Resources

- The NPDB Web Site: www.npdb.hrsa.gov
- Health Center Landing Page: <https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/orgs/healthCtr.jsp>
- Help Center: <https://www.npdb.hrsa.gov/helpCenter/org.jsp>
- Policy Questions: NPDBPolicy@hrsa.gov



Questions



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