

Infection Charting and Tracking Overview

NDoc includes tools designed to help agencies capture infection related information for patients. The charting screens allow users to document specific data related to suspected and confirmed infections. In an effort to assist agencies with infection control and tracking exercises either related to internal surveillance or QAPI programs, the functionality also includes a reporting tool that enables reporting of individual patient infections or agency-wide infections and trends.

Administrative Controls

For greater customization of infection charting, three tables are available for user access. These tables contain default pre-built entries, but may also be customized based on agency policies and preferences. The tables are described below:

Infection Confirmed By Table

This table (found under Administration>System>Tables) contains the entries that supply the drop-down options for the Infection Confirmed By question within the charting screens. The default entries include MD, Culture, X-Ray, Other.

Infection Signs Table

This table (found under Administration>System>Tables) contains the entries that are listed under the Infection Category within the first screen containing the initial Infection Assessment . The assessment pulls together general information to aid in the determination of an infection exists. The default signs in this table are Swelling, Redness and Paleness. Other options can be added as necessitated by agency policy.

Infection Site Table

This table (found under Administration>System>Tables) contains the entries that supply the drop down options for the Infection Site question. Prior to the 17.01 Update, this table may have had broad entries that were applicable to the more general infection charting options. The introduction of new individualized entries of infections within the 17.01 Update may have resulted in agencies needing to revisit this table to determine what changes may be required.

Resources

For additional details on how the infection charting and tracking process functions, please refer to the NDoc FASTForm for Infection Charting and Tracking.