

## Guidelines for Pre-loading Syndromic Surveillance Test Data

### Certification Criterion

- §170.314(f)(3) - Transmission to public health agencies – syndromic surveillance

### General Instructions

1. The EHR Vendor SHALL create the messages live for all test cases (regardless if pre-loaded or live-load), and the Authorized Test Lab (ATL) will validate that message using the associated Test Tool
2. It is recommended that the ATL modify a few data elements in the test data that are pre-loaded (for example, a lab result value may be modified from the lab result value provided in the test data)

### Specific Instructions

- For Inpatient EHR Vendors (are required to preload 3 Test Scenarios, three Test Cases each)
  - Prior to initiation of the certification testing for the §170.314(f)(3) Transmission to public health agencies – syndromic surveillance criterion, the inpatient EHR Vendors will pre-load all test data for all Test Cases provided
  - The ATL will select one Test Case at random for the inpatient EHR Vendor to reload
  - The EHR Vendor will create messages for each of 3 test cases selected by the ATL (1 each from the 3 test scenarios). Note: for Syndromic, multiple messages will be created for each test case since the test cases have multiple steps
- If the Vendor chooses to certify for the optional ambulatory part of the criteria: For Ambulatory EHR Vendors (are required to preload the Urgent Care Visit Test Cases and demonstrate only one of the Test Cases for certification)
  - Prior to initiation of the certification testing for the §170.314(f)(3) Transmission to public health agencies – syndromic surveillance criteria, the ambulatory EHR Vendors will pre-load all test data for all of the Urgent Care Test Cases provided
  - The ATL will select one Test Case at random for the ambulatory EHR Vendor to reload
  - The EHR Vendor will create messages for the test case selected by the ATL

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