Title: Syndromic Surveillance Messaging Extended to Eligible Clinicians in Urgent Care Settings

The Communicable and Environmental Diseases and Emergency Preparedness (CEDEP) Division within the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) is expanding Syndromic Surveillance Messaging to include eligible clinicians (ECs) treating and diagnosing patients in an **urgent care setting**. TDH is actively seeking to partner with urgent care facilities to establish Syndromic Surveillance messaging and ensure ECs meet the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Promoting Interoperability program’s active engagement requirements. Effective January 1st, 2022, TDH will begin accepting registrations from ECs in urgent care settings.

**Long-Term Goals:**

* Increase the number of Urgent Care facilities registered in TPR starting January 1st, 2022.
* Partner with Urgent Care facilities to ensure ECs can meet the reporting requirements for the Promoting Interoperability program.
* Provide better representation of healthcare data in Tennessee’s rural areas through data exchange efforts with Urgent Care facilities in rural areas.
* Improve TDH’s Syndromic Surveillance efforts by increasing ADT message reporting through the inclusion of ADT messages received by Urgent Cares.

View the Declaration of Readiness at [Meaningful Use Summary (tn.gov)](https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/meaningful-use-summary.html#readiness) to learn more about TDH public health reporting.

For more information about the pilot site program please contact CEDS.Informatics@tn.gov with “Syndromic Surveillance” in the email subject line.