

ADR Town Hall

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Welcome to today's Webinar. Thank you so much for joining us today!

My name is Debbie Isenberg. I'm a member of the DISQ Team, one of several groups engaged by HAB to provide training and technical assistance to AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, or ADAPs, in completing the ADAP Data Report (ADR). Following the ADR submission every year, we have an ADR Town Hall webinar to talk about the submission and things to think about for next year.

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Throughout the presentation, we will reference some resources that we think are important. To help you keep track of these and make sure you have access to them immediately, my colleague David is going to chat out the link to the presentation slides right now which include all the resources mentioned in today's webinar.

At any time during the presentation, you'll be able to send us questions using the "Q&A" function on the settings bar on the bottom of the screen. All questions will be addressed at the end of the webinar in our live Q&A portion. During that time, you will also be able to ask questions live if you'd like to unmute yourself and chat with us directly.

Now before we start, I'm going to answer one of the most commonly asked questions about the recording. The recording of today's webinar will be available on the TargetHIV website within one week of the webinar. The slides are already available for you to access on the TargetHIV website using the link that David just chatted out. Please note that these slides are not 508 compliant, but we will follow up with all registrants in about two weeks when the 508 compliant slides and written question and answer are posted.



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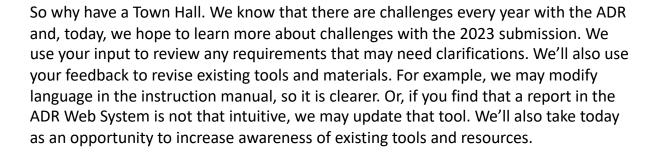
Agenda Why Have A Town Hall? Looking Back: 2023 ADR Moving Ahead: Next Steps Let's Hear From You!

We're going to touch briefly on several topics today, but we're also going to leave time to hear from you! (CLICK) First, I'll review why we do a Town Hall. (CLICK) Next I'll highlight some of the main challenges from the 2023 ADR. (CLICK) I'll touch on what our next steps will be and look forward to the 2024 submission then (CLICK) I'll turn it over to you for your feedback, questions and concerns.

I also want to note that I'll be asking poll questions throughout the presentation as a way of getting additional feedback.

We Want to Hear From You!

- Review reporting requirements that may need clarification or modifications
- Revise existing TA tools and materials
- Increase awareness of existing tools and resources



Other Channels of Feedback

- Outreach calls
- ADR webinar series
- 2023 report validation comments
- Contact us to ask questions or provide suggestions

Other than today, we have a couple of other venues to get your input.

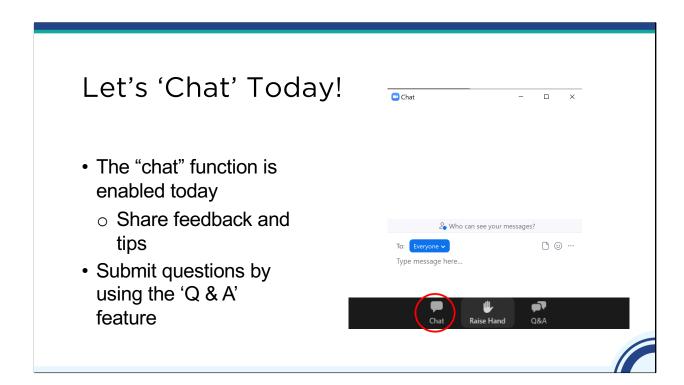
First, we communicate with you through our regular Fall calls and data quality outreach, which I'll discuss later in the presentation. We also talk to some of you in the summer as well.

Many of you join us for our ADR webinars and we always love to hear from you during those calls.

We are carefully read your validation comments in the 2023 ADR to understand your specific program and how it affects data collection and submission.

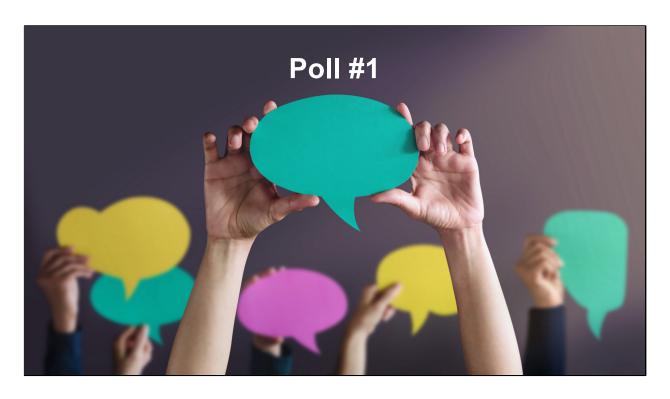
If your ADAP wants to work on something now, you don't need to wait until we reach out to you. We are available all year to help.

And, outside of the more formal forums, we are always available for questions or suggestions.



So, before we jump in, I wanted to share that we've turned on the chat feature today in zoom. We would like you to share feedback and tips during the webinar. You can also chat out if you are new to ADAP or the ADR and we'll be sure to reach out to you.

We'll still use the Q & A feature as we always have-you can type in questions now or ask questions live during the Q & A portion of the webinar and Debbie will tell you more about that later today.

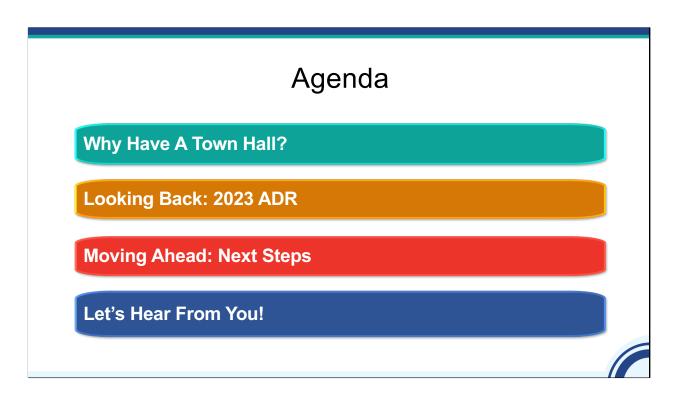


Before we talk about the 2023 ADR, I like to get a sense of how you felt about the submission.

I'll turn things over to David to facilitate our first poll.

How was the submission of the 2023 ADR?

- O Smooth, and I feel good about the quality of the data
- O Challenging, but I feel good about the quality of the data.
- O Challenging, and I'm concerned about the quality of the data
- **Q** I wasn't involved with submission



CLICK So let's look back at the 2023 ADR

Submission Overview

- All ADAPs submitted by the day of the deadline
- No reporting changes
- Login.gov Integration
- Multiple ADAPs had staff turnover or changed the data system that they use to create the ADR client-level data file





So, let's start by looking at the 2023 ADR. I'm happy to report all ADAPs successfully submitted their ADRs by the day of the deadline. Awesome job everyone.

On the positive side, there were not any updates to reporting changes but, to enhance the HRSA EHBs' security, recipients and providers used Login.gov and two-factor authentication when logging into the HRSA EHBs.

Similar with previous years, many ADAPs faced staff turnover or were changing their data systems, both of which can make the submission more challenging.

Electronic Handbooks

- Some ADAPs experienced long wait times to upload a file on the due date
- This did not result in any late submissions
- Thank you for letting us know when you notice issues





So, let's talk about some of the issues with the 2023 submission. I'll start with the Electronic Handbooks (EHBs).

On the day the ADR was due, some ADAPs experienced long wait times for file uploads to process (up to 30 minutes). The great new is this did not result in any late submissions.

We say this often, but I'd like to say it again. Thanks to all of you that alert us when you notice issues. When you find issues and bring them to our attention, we can then triage so the issue can get fixed.

TRAX

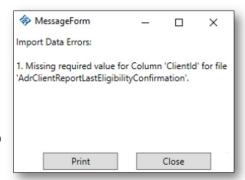
- Minor issue with TRAX
- · Would not update automatically this year
- · The solution was to uninstall and reinstall TRAX

Let's move on to TRAX. <u>TRAX</u> for the ADR helps ADAPs create the ADR client-level data file.

For those of you that use TRAX, you probably know that each time that you open TRAX, it checks the HRSA server to see if there are any updates. One issue that we identified this year is that TRAX would not update automatically as in previous years. However, the great news is that the solution was straightforward and to uninstall TRAX completely and then reinstall the application.

Troubleshooting TRAX Errors

- If you get an error message in TRAX:
 - The error message usually will tell you which file has the error
 - The <u>ADR TRAX Manual</u> can help you troubleshoot
- Reach out to DISQ if you need help

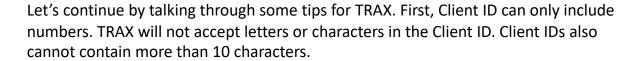




Many TRAX users ask us how they can diagnose and remedy errors themselves. The good news is that the error messages in TRAX usually describe what file(s) the issues are in. This will help you start to define the issue. The ADR TRAX Manual also includes a list of potential errors and screenshots that you can use to troubleshoot. If you receive an error message that you can't resolve, please contact the DISQ Team for further assistance.

TRAX Tips

- Use only numbers for Client IDs
- Client IDs cannot contain more than 10 characters
- · Be sure to correctly format NDCs
 - o Correct: 61958-0501-01
 - o Incorrect: 61958-501-1
- Use whole numbers for cost information
- Format dates as MM/DD/YYYY



Second, NDCs must be correctly formatted. NDCs are a sequence of 11 digits as in the example on the screen. Its critical that the NDC follow the 5-4-2 sequence with the dashes. We've seen leading zeros be left off or the dashes not be included. Either of these will result in an incorrect format.

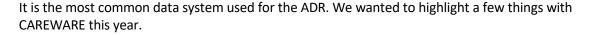
If the client ID or NDC are not formatted correctly, it could cause TRAX to crash without giving an error message.

Also, TRAX will only accept whole numbers for cost, so no decimals.

One final TRAX tip is to be sure to format dates as MM/DD/YYYY. TRAX will format the dates as required for the XML.

CAREWare

- Validation Report Improvements
- Validation 108 was not working correctly
- The CAREWare Viewer excluded premiums >15 months from the viewer
- Did not affect the underlying data



Even if you don't use CAREWare, hang in there with me for the next few slides. Many of these tips can help with when troubleshooting your own data system.

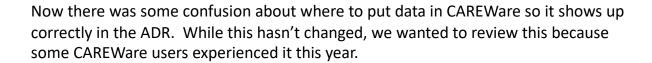
We know that a lot of you use the Validation Report in CAREWARE to review your data. In past years, you may remember that the Validation Report in CAREWare did not include all the validations found in the EHB. This meant that you could get new validation messages once you uploaded your data into the EHBs. The great news was that this was less of an issue for the 2023 ADR. However, one of the validations, validation 108 clients with insurance premium assistance months outside of 1-18, was not working correctly. This meant that CAREWare was incorrectly flagging clients with that validation when they had no insurance assistance.

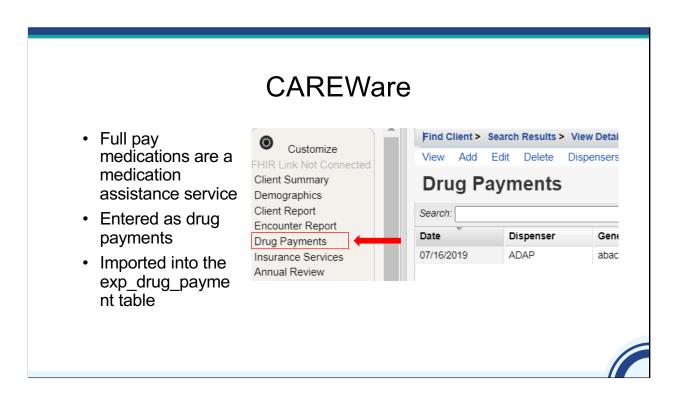
Another issue was that the CAREWare Viewer, which you can think of as the CAREWare version of the Upload Completeness Report, excluded premiums over 15 months from the viewer. The great news is that neither this issue with the viewer nor validation 108 affected the underlying data.

I'll want to touch on an issue that we have mentioned before. Specifically, CAREWARE users have previously identified that manually updating the enrollment status for clients who did not receive services is not feasible because of the time it would take. HAB is exploring if this can be automated for the 2024 ADR so stay tuned!.

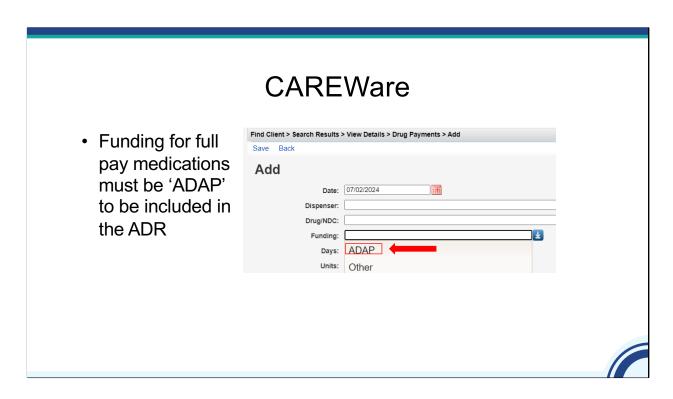
CAREWare

- Confusion regarding where to enter/import medication claims data depending upon whether it was medication copayments, coinsurance and deductibles or full pay medications
- Confusion about funding source that must be chosen for CAREWare to include full pay medications in the ADR

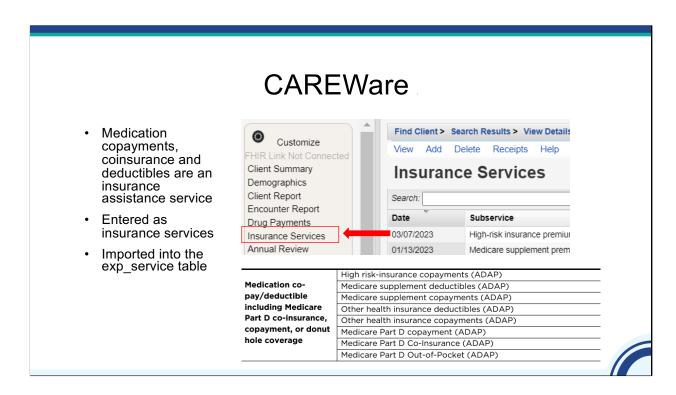




Full pay medications are entered as a drug payment in CAREWare. Included in the data reported is the date the medication was dispensed, the NDC, the duration (or days supply), the quantity and the price.



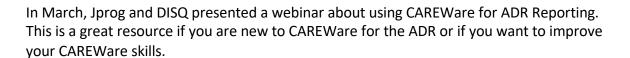
Be sure to choose 'ADAP' for funding. If you choose anything else, it won't be included in the ADR.



Medication copayments, co-insurance and deductibles are reported in a different place. This should be entered as an insurance service using any of the default subservice categories already in CAREWare. It doesn't matter which subservice you use. There's also much less data required from the claims data. Report the date that the medication copayment, coinsurance and deductible claim was paid and the amount of the claim. The quantity is always 1.

CAREWare Tips

- New webinar on <u>Using CAREWare for the ADR</u>
- · Use CAREWare viewer and validation reports
- Check out the ADR In Focus on TargetHIV
- HAB is always interested in hearing your suggestions about the CAREWare ADAP domain



I'd also like to share a few additional CAREWARE tips for those of you using CAREWARE for the ADR. We always suggest using reports in CAREWare (or your data system) to review your data before upload. It is always easier to fix data in your data system before you upload it to the EHBs.

TargetHIV has an ADR In Focus you may find helpful that that focuses on contract and service setup, ADAP application received date, and updating enrollment status.

HAB is always interested in hearing your suggestions about the CAREWare ADAP domain so your feedback is always welcomed. There's no wrong door for feedback, so if you have suggestions, contact the CAREWare Help Desk, DISQ, Ryan White Data Support, or your Project Officer.

Upload Completeness Report Tips

- The UCR is a great tool to ensure that data are of high quality and accurately reflect services being provided
- The UCR includes the current and previous years data
- Use the <u>ADR in Focus</u>: How To Use the <u>Upload</u>
 <u>Completeness Report</u> as a guide to reviewing the tool
- The DISQ team can also review your UCR with youjust ask us



Let's move on to the Upload Completeness Report. The UCR is a great tool but we think many ADAPs are not using it. It is very important to review the UCR to make sure that you have minimized missing data and that the data accurately reflect the services that you are providing.

The UCR also includes data for both the previous and current year. This is a great tool to help you find possible issues and you can use it while creating the ADR or preparing the future.

There is also an ADR in Focus that we've created that provides guidance regarding how to review the Upload Completeness Report.

The DISQ team can review the UCR with you. We can review to help you prepare for next year's ADR or after upload during the submission. Just ask! We had several ADAPs take us up on the offer to review the UCR and it made a difference.



Time for the final poll! We'd like to get a better sense of why you may or may not use the UCR, and what else we could do to improve it. David, can you launch the poll?

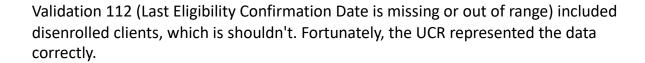
How would you best describe your use of the UCR for the ADR submission?

- O It helped me identify data quality issues
- O It helped me, but I have suggestions about content
- O I knew it was available but did not use it
- O I did not know it was available

If you said you knew it was available but did not use it, let us know why in the chat. Please also feel free to share suggestions about the UCR as well. It's really important to us that this report serves as a good tool for you to assess your data.

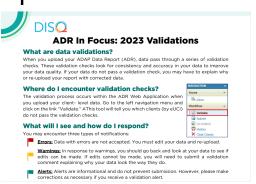
Validations

- Validation 112 (Last Eligibility Confirmation Date is missing or out of range) was incorrect
 - Last eligibility confirmation date is only required for existing clients
 - o The validation included disenrolled clients, which it should not
 - o The UCR represented the data correctly



Validation Tips

- Validations are usually updated each year
 - o ADR Data Validations
 - o ADR In Focus: 2023 Validations
- Changes are highlighted during ADR webinars

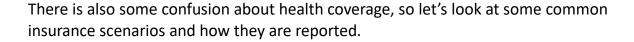




The ADR validations are usually updated each year, so you'll want to be sure to check out the resources on TargetHIV. You can find a list of all the ADR data validations as well as an ADR In Focus that is more of a high-level summary with suggestions. We also highlight any changes during the ADR webinar series each year.

Reporting Requirements

Scenario	Health Coverage
ADAP is paying the subsidized premium of a marketplace plan	Private-Individual
ADAP is paying the employee portion of an employer sponsored plan	Private-Employer
Client has a Medicaid plan that has limited coverage	Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), or other public plan
Client works for company that self-insures and pays the medical expenses of the employees	Other Plan
Medicare Advantage Plans	Medicare Part C



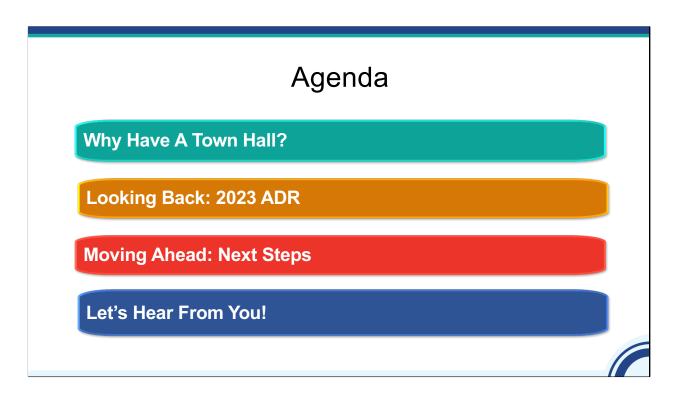
If an ADAP is paying the subsidized premium of a marketplace plan, that's reported as Private-Individual

If an ADAP is paying the employee portion of an employer sponsored plan, that is Private-Employer

If a client has a Medicaid plan that has limited coverage, that's Medicaid, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), or other public plan

If a client works for company that self-insures and pays the medical expenses of the employees, this should be reported as Other plan

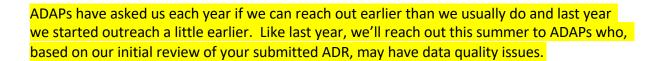
And, if a client has a Medicare Advantage Plan, that is Medicare Part C



CLICK So let's look at our next steps

Next Steps

- Initial outreach to ADAPs with possible data quality issues based on preliminary ADR review
- Complete reviewing 2023 ADR report comments
- Share the ADR Data Summary Report we create for you
- Conduct outreach to all ADAPs including calls to discuss
 - Data trends
 - Low completeness rates for certain data elements
 - Data quality issues

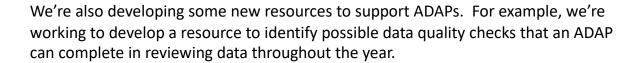


Once we finish reviewing the comments reported and can review your submitted data more extensively, we'll conduct outreach to all ADAPs just like the last couple of years. We'll also be sharing the ADR Data Quality Summary Report that we create for each of you. During the calls, we'll review your ADR data to make sure your data reflect your program and learn about any changes you're making to your data management processes.

The goal of our outreach and technical assistance is to improve the accuracy of your data so that the story of the great work your program does serving people with HIV can be told so we look forward to speaking with you all soon.

Next Steps

- Develop new resources for ADAPs
- Work with ADAPs to document ADR processes
- Support ADAPs in implementing data sharing with HIV surveillance program



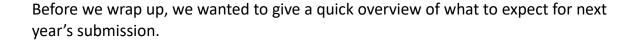
We'll also work with ADAPs who haven't yet documented their processes to do just that. This may mean crosswalking your ADAP activities to the reporting requirements since usually ADAPs use different terms locally than are used nationally. It could also mean developing a data crosswalk to align the data you collect with reporting requirements. We can adjust our approach to meet the needs of your ADAP.

DISQ also supports ADAPs that want to implement data sharing with HIV surveillance.

If you'd like to get started on any of this, you can either email us directly or fill out a TA request form on TargetHIV. I'll share how to request TA in just a moment.

What To Expect For The 2024 ADR

- Updates to the Validation Report and Upload Completeness Report to address issues identified this year and improve usability
- Updates to the ADR manual to clarify reporting requirements



As always, there will be updates to the validation and upload completeness reports to both address issues identified this year and improve usability.

We'll also update the ADR manual to help clarify reporting requirements.

Be sure that you're signed up for the DISQ ADR emails so that we can share any new information.

Be Proactive!

- If you're having data issues, please reach out!
- DISQ is available to help improve the quality and timeliness of your submissions.





Now before we wrap up, I'd to speak briefly on being proactive. We know that all of you are working hard but there are times that things happen that make reporting difficult. DISQ is always available to help with the ADR. The ADR is a 365-day a year work in progress, and we know you each have your own methods and timelines for monitoring your data quality. If you have a concern or a question, especially if it will impact your ability to report data accurately or have it submitted on-time, please let us know and we are happy to help. You are all experts in your program but, sometimes, each of us needs some help. Don't struggle in silence, we are in this together!

Earlier in the presentation, I mentioned that you don't need to wait for us to contact you if you have something you'd like to address. We available all year to help so please get in touch.



The <u>RWHAP TA Resources</u>
<u>Brochure</u> features information on each RWHAP technical assistance provider, including:

- RWHAP reports they support
- Questions they frequently respond to
- Contact information



This may feel like a lot to do, but there are several technical assistance resources available to help you. The RWHAP TA Resources brochure outlines information about each technical assistance provider, including the reports they support, frequently asked questions they respond to, and their best contact information. You can find this resource on the TargetHIV website.

Most importantly, please don't forget that there is no wrong door for TA – if we can't assist you, we're happy to refer you to someone who can!





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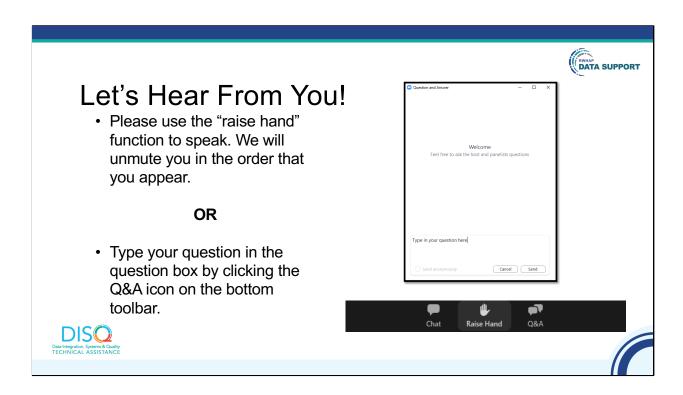






Finally, to connect with and find out more about HRSA, check out HRSA.gov.

Now I'm going to turn things over to Debbie for the Q & A.



And now to your questions – but first, I would like to remind you that a brief evaluation will appear on your screen as you exit, to help us understand how we did and what other information you would have liked included on this webcast. We appreciate your feedback very much, and use this information to plan future webcasts. My DISQ colleague David is going to put a link out in the chat feature if you would prefer to access the evaluation right now. We'll also send a final reminder via email shortly after the webinar

As a reminder, you can send us questions using the "Question" function on your control panel on the right hand side of the screen. You can also ask questions directly "live." You can do this by clicking the raise hand button (on your control panel). If you are using a headset with a microphone, David will conference you in; or, you can click the telephone button and you will see a dial in number and code. We hope you consider asking questions "live" because we really like hearing voices other than our own.

We do want to get all of your questions answered, and we do not usually run over an hour. If you have submitted your question in the question box and we cannot respond to your question today, we will contact you to follow up. We often need to explore your question in order to give you the most appropriate answer.