



# Module 6: Wrap-Up



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You have nearly completed the NT Practitioner eCourse. During this module, you will:

- Complete a review of the earlier completed modules.
- Revisit the course learning objectives.
- Review your next steps beyond this eCourse.



# eCourse Recap

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## **Program Goal:**

The goal of the PNS Program is to provide prenatal screening to all pregnant women in California. The incorporation of nuchal translucency data into the risk assessment allows the Program to provide more accurate risk assessment earlier in pregnancy.

## **eCourse Learning Objectives:**

- Become familiar with the SIS application.
- Understand how to submit NT exam data directly into SIS.
- Be prepared to view and share case interpretation with the patient.



# Course Overview

**Understanding SIS**

**Client Searching**

**Entering NT Data**

**Viewing Results**

SIS is a fully integrated clinical screening system that supports California's Newborn and Prenatal Screening Programs. The application enables users to capture, store, analyze, and review patient test samples and demographic data, and initiate and manage the subsequent processing, tracking, follow-up, billing, and reporting activities associated with case management.

NT Practitioners and NT Data Entry Staff can input NT data directly into SIS and obtain immediate case interpretation.



# Course Overview cont.

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The *Search for 1<sup>st</sup> T Specimen* screen allows NT Practitioners and NT Data Entry Staff to search for any patient, enter the associated NT data, and view case interpretation.

You can search for a patient using the Accession # or the TRF # which can be obtained from the client or the referring clinician. You must also have the Credential ID # of the NT Practitioner who conducted the NT exam.

If a patient cannot be located in SIS, you must send NT data to the referring clinician. You will not be able to obtain immediate case interpretation.



# Course Overview cont.

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The *NT Data Entry* screen enables you to enter and save NT data and/or view case interpretation. As you enter the NT exam data, SIS will validate the format and ensure that the data falls within the appropriate range.

You can save the data once all required fields have been completed. Once the data is saved, you will be unable to make changes to entries without contacting the Case Coordinator.



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*Screen Negative* results are immediately available once you have saved NT data in SIS.

If information necessary for case interpretation is missing, or if a case result is *Screen Positive*, you will be directed to call the Case Coordinator to verify interpretation factors before viewing the case interpretation. It is important that all interpretation factors (such as patient age, race/ethnicity, etc.) be accurate to provide the correct case interpretation.

If you communicate *Screen Positive* results to a patient, you must also provide the patient with her follow-up options. SIS will create a “Disclosure for First Trimester Risk Assessment and Follow-up Options” document for your patient.



# Accessing Support Resources

The following support resources are available to SIS users:

**Quick Reference Instructions:** For information regarding each SIS screen, use the "Help" button in the top right corner of SIS (while logged in).

**SIS Help Desk:** For issues regarding SIS operation or logging in with your SIS email ID/password, contact the SIS Help Desk Message Line: (510) 412-1462.

**SIS Index and Portal Page:** Go to [SIS](#), Click the **SIS Online Application** link. For instructions on accessing SIS, click the **SIS Access Manual** link.

**PNS Program Support:** For questions regarding the PNS Program, SIS protocol, or a specific case, please contact:

Toki Fillman, California Prenatal Screening Program

(510) 620-6228 (phone)

(510) 412-1560 (fax)

[Toki.Fillman@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Toki.Fillman@cdph.ca.gov)





# Next Steps to Becoming a SIS User

Congratulations! You have completed the California Prenatal Screening Program - NT Practitioner eCourse.

**In order to receive your user ID and password, you must:**

**NT Access Request Form**

- 1) Sign and submit the *NT Access Request Form*, which includes acknowledgment that you have completed this training. All forms are available on the [NT Practitioner Web-page](#).

**NT Oath of Confidentiality**

- 2) Sign and submit the *SIS Oath of Confidentiality*, also available on the [NT Practitioner Web-page](#).

**Letter of Association**

- 3) NT Data Entry Staff must have a registered NT Practitioner sign and submit the *Letter of Association*, also available on the [NT Practitioner Web-page](#).

**License or certificate**

- 4) NT Data Entry Staff must also submit a copy of their professional license or certificate to Toki Fillman at the contact information below.

All documents can be emailed or faxed to:

Toki Fillman, California Prenatal Screening Program  
(510) 620-6228 (phone)  
(510) 412-1560 (fax)  
[Toki.Fillman@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Toki.Fillman@cdph.ca.gov)



# Next Steps to Becoming a SIS User-cont.

## For **New** SIS Users:

Once you have fulfilled the requirements outlined on the previous slide, your SIS account can be created. Within 3-5 working days, you will receive instructions on how to activate your account.

## For **Existing** SIS Users:

If you already have a SIS account, you can continue to log in with the same Email ID and password. Within 3-5 working days of completing the requirements, you will see the *California NT or NT Data Entry Staff* Entity Type option (along with your existing Entity Type) appear when you log in.

If you are having trouble logging in, please call the SIS Help Desk Message Line at (510) 412-1462 for assistance.



# Additional Reference Documents

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## The Program website for [NT Practitioners](#)

### This website includes Program guidance including:

**NT Exam Data Form:** If data is not entered directly into SIS, it should be written on the NT Exam Data Form and sent to the referring clinician. This form includes all fields that are required for incorporation of NT data into screening; use of this form helps to minimize transcription errors.

**Nuchal Translucency Practitioner Manual:** This manual provides NT Practitioners with the information necessary to participate in the PNS Program

**Quick Reference Guide for NT Practitioners:** This two-page reference document provides convenient access to PNS Program guidelines and SIS protocols.

**Window for Valid NT Interpretation:** This one-page visual aid displays the gestational age windows for both the 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester blood draw and the NT exam.

**Time Windows for Blood Draws Calculator:** This on-line calculator converts NT exam data into actual date windows for both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester blood draws and generates a print-out that can be provided to both the patient and the referring clinician.



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