



## **Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS) Recording Refugee Health Screenings in IRIS**

Iowa's Immunization Registry Information System (IRIS) provides computerized tracking of immunizations and health screenings for children, adolescents and adults who are seen in a variety of public and private health care provider sites throughout the state.

### **What is the Iowa Refugee Health Assessment Screening (IRHAS) Module?**

The IRHAS module is a web-based, statewide repository of refugee health assessment screening results. Screening results are used to monitor health conditions of public health importance such as hepatitis, tuberculosis, sexually transmitted infections and intestinal parasites, and to guide the development of public health responses to emerging refugee health issues.

### **What will change when we start using IRHAS?**

Currently, initial health assessment results are submitted to IDPH on a paper form. IRHAS will allow clinicians to report screening results directly in IRIS.

### **How can I access IRHAS?**

Access to the application is available at <https://iris.iowa.gov>. By law, only authorized users are allowed to access immunization and health screening information in IRIS. Authorized users include health care providers, local health departments, resettlement agencies, health plans, and schools. Additionally, health care providers may only obtain information specific to their own patients. Each authorized IRIS user must complete and send the [IRIS Site Enrollment Form](#) to the IRIS Help Desk prior to accessing the application.

### **How can I learn more?**

If your agency is interested in learning more about the IRHAS application, contact the IRIS Help Desk at 1-800-374-3958 or visit the IRIS webpage at <https://idph.iowa.gov/immmtb/immunization/iris>

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