

Modeling to Learn

Test. Don't guess.

MTL objectives include activites and competencies that...

- 1. Are meaningful for you and align your learning goals with your team.
- 2. Develop systems thinking skills to help you see how several things fit together, & understand causes hard to see without data & modeling resources.
- 3. Make VA data, initiatives, and standards transparent to you.
- 4. Empower you to realize ongoing improvements in team quality of care & work life.

How to: Navigate to your Facility Data

Step 1: Open mtl.how/data in a browser window & select your VISN

Select Your VISN							
VISN 1	VISN 2	VISN 4	VISN 5	VISN 6	VISN 7		
VISN 8	VISN 9	VISN 10	VISN 12	VISN 15	VISN 16		

Step 2: Select your Facility

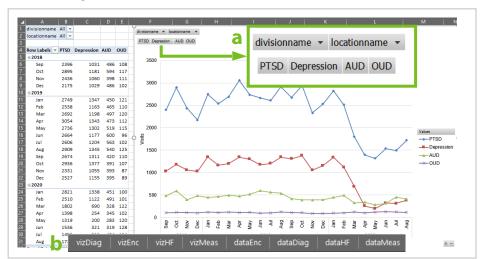
Select Your Facility						
(358) Manila, Philippines	(459) VA Pacific Islands HCS	(570) Central California HCS	(593) Southern Nevada HCS			
	(Honolulu HI)	(Fresno CA)	(Las Vegas NV)			
(612) Northern California HCS	(640) Palo Alto HCS (Palo	(654) Sierra Nevada HCS	(662) San Francisco, CA			
(Martinez CA)	Alto CA)	(Reno NV)				

Step 3: To view facility data click on the [...] next to the file "facility.xlsb"& click "Edit" to open in Excel.



Tips:

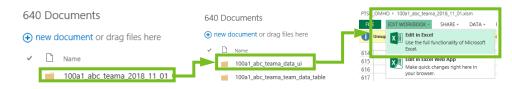
- a. Use grey buttons with dropdowns to filter by division, location, etc.
- **b.** Click on different Excel sheet tabs at the bottom of the workbook to switch between different visualization & count options.
- c. Click & drag the charts as needed to see the tables underneath.



Modeling to Learn (MTL) is a quality improvement project by VA Team Participatory System Dynamics.

How to: Create data_ui file & team_data_table file

- **Step 1:** Go to your Facility page (instructions on left) & open your team's folder.
- Step 2: Click on data_ui folder. Click on most recent data_ui file & open using "Edit in Excel".

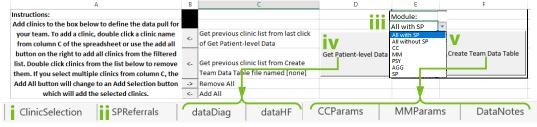


Step 3:

Choose "Patient-level Data" (Steps i & iv) to OR "Team Data Table" (Steps i-iii & v) to look at look at team trends over the past 2 years means, medians, & percentages of key variables.

See instructions at the top of Columns A and C for different ways to select your data.

- i. ClinicSelection tab: Choose your team's grids by Clinic, Division, Location, etc. Note: "ZZ" Clinic Names = Deactivated grids
- ii. SPReferrals tab (only for SP): Choose grids your team refers to.
- iii. ClinicSelection tab: Choose modules to get parameters.
- iv. **Click "Get Patient-level Data" & explore data & viz tabs once query is done.
- v. Click "Create Team Data Table" & view Params or DataNotes for details once query is done.

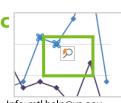


Step 4: Save. This is PHI. Save back to the SharePoint or PHI-safe places.

Tips:

- **a.** **To query patient and clinic level data using the data_ui you need LSV permissions. For questions & help on reviewing your permissions, click here
- **b.** Pivot table refresh error? Click on Data, & then "Refresh All."
- **c.** When exploring data & viz tabs, click on trend lines & then the magnifying glass for further drill down options.





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