If you are new to NHSN, after completing the required NHSN training, and have reviewed and accepted the NHSN Rules of Behavior, you will then receive an invitation to SAMS from "SAMS No-Reply (CDC)". This is a valid and official email from CDC.

If you are an existing NHSN user and currently have an active digital certificate, the NHSN Program will reach out to you. You will receive an invitation from 'SAMS No-Reply (CDC)'. This is a valid and official email from CDC. However, please note that the timing of your migration to SAMS will be based partly on your digital certificate expiration date, but also upon how many SAMS applications can be processed by CDC per day. Keep in mind that in order to access NHSN, you must have an active digital certificate or you must be "SAMified", so you should continue to renew your digital certificate on an annual basis when you receive an email prompt to do so, until you receive an email invitation to register for SAMS.

If you are an existing NHSN user who already has access to SAMS, we will assess your current authorization access level, and if appropriate, you will receive an authorization email from SAMS stating that you gave been granted access to NHSN. If additional verification credentials are required, the NHSN Program will reach out to you.