Washington Health Information Technology Updates

WASHINGTON Link4Health eHR Incentive Program

Washington State Health Care Authority

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Need Help?

Need EHR help? Please contact our team at: HealthIT@hca.wa.gov

Website: HealthIT.wa.gov

Security or log in issues with ProviderOne? Please contact: ProviderOneSecurity@hca.wa.gov for assistance with your P1 password or when you have a change in staff resulting in a new System Administrator for your office.

- CMS EHR Help Desk: 1-888-734-6433 Option #1
- CMS Account Security and to update your accounts contact person: 1-866-484-8049 Option #3
- Did you know that CMS has its own Listserv? To subscribe:

Message from the Health IT Coordinator:

We want to provide everyone from small provider offices to large hospitals, Managed Care Organizations and healthcare delivery systems and opportunity to learn about Washington State's HealthIT Five year Plan as we move forward with the Medicaid CDR (Clinical Data Repository).

We are offering an introductory one-hour webinar at three different times in July. Please choose one time and register for that using one of the links below. The content will be the same for all three. Some of the topics covered will be:

- WA Link4Health & the Medicaid Clinical Data Repository (CDR)
- The statewide electronic exchange of integrated clinical records between authorized providers in our state.

Please register for WA State 5 Year Health Information Technology Plan on **Jul 21, 2015 9:00 AM PDT** at:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8903876315109024257

Please register for WA State 5 Year Health Information Technology Plan on **Jul 22, 2015 12:00 PM PDT** at:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7238271230167995137

Please register for WA State 5 Year Health Information Technology Plan on **Jul 23, 2015 2:30 PM PDT** at:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3976368775742648321

Thank you,

Melodie

EHR (Electronic Health Records) Incentive Payment Program Updates

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Why wait to get paid??

Provider Attestation Record-Keeping Reminder:

CMS and HCA cannot emphasize enough, the importance of saving all supporting documents used for attestation. The most accurate data reflecting the attestation is best saved **at the time of attestation and submission**. These may be reports, screenshots, and patient lists. During the course of an audit, providers must be able to provide documentation to support their attestations as submitted. We want you to be successful. Providers who wait until they are audited to try to recreate or recover documentation are putting themselves through unnecessary work, time, and expense. Additionally, recreated reports and patient lists sometimes provide inaccurate information.

Auditors **may** request screenshots or reports for the reporting period that support the attestations. The auditor may further request patient lists to support the reports submitted for each objective that requires a numerator and denominator. In the end, it is far simpler for a provider to go to an electronic file and upload the document to eMIPP rather than having to try to re-create the documentation.

To simplify and support this requirement the Health Care Authority now requests encounter reports at the time of attestation. The reports should be in Excel format (for ease of sorting and review) and include at a minimum:

- Patient names, date of services, servicing NPI, insurance carrier, client ID/insurance number (Identify the encounters that are Apple Health/Medicaid or otherwise includable in the 30% patient volume requirement, as opposed to other types of coverage) and;
- A list of providers included in the encounter data, including Name/NPI/License Type/Date of Hire and End Date. When using group proxy, the entire practice must be included, including non-EP's and;
- If multiple Organizations (group proxy) the name of each clinic or how the orgs are organized (specialty, location, license type, etc.).

Please contact us directly through the HealthIT@hca.wa.gov email for questions or assistance with this report. We provide individual assistance as needed to support your attestation.

Right now, prior to any rule changes that CMS might make for 2015 attestations, we are working under the 2014 rule. If you are attesting to AIU or MU Stage 1-Year 1 please attest as soon as you have collected 90-days of data!

While we do expect changes to the current rule to be effective as of the date of final publication, it will take time to update the eMIPP attestation system with those changes. The Health Care Authority is reviewing the proposed rules and depending on the extent of program changes, attestations may need to be suspended pending technical and process updates. Waiting could delay your payment as far out as 2016. Don't wait until everyone else tries to attest …be the early bird!

EHR Incentive Payments in WA State:

Hospitals:

Paid for Year **1** (unique Hosp.)	= 88	($ 63,781,127.00)
Paid for Year **2**	= 74	($ 33,702,611.00)
Paid for Year **3**	= 51	($ 20,117,381.00)
Paid for Year **4**	= 25	($ 7,832,668.00)

EP's:

Paid for Year **1** (unique EPs)	= 5,367	($113,446,695.00)
Paid for Year **2**	= 2,307	($ 19,496,180.00)
Paid for Year **3**	= 1,142	($ 9,695,668.00)
Paid for Year **4**	= 229	($ 1,943,667.00)
Total payments made to WA Providers:		**$270,014,997.00**