

Massachusetts Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment Program | News Update

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Eligible Hospital Attestation Reporting Timeline

The second Medicaid EHR incentive program year for eligible hospitals that attested in FFY2011 began on October 1, 2011 and runs through September 30, 2012, with an attestation reporting tail from October 1, 2012 - December 29, 2012 in Massachusetts.

Example:

- Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2011: Eligible hospital Adopted, Implemented or Upgraded to federally certified EHR technology and did not receive an incentive from Medicare.
- Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2012: Eligible hospital may apply for Stage 1 of Meaningful Use (90 day reporting period in the current FFY) through Medicare beginning January 1, 2012. Once deemed a meaningful user by Medicare, the eligible hospital is automatically deemed a meaningful user of certified EHR technology by Medicaid; but must apply each year through the Massachusetts Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment Program meet all programmatic eligibility requirements (10% Medicaid Patient Volume Threshold, utilizing federally certified EHR technology, etc.).

Eligible Professional Attestation Timeline

In Massachusetts, Eligible Professionals will be allowed to submit applications for Calendar Year (CY) 2011 through March 30, 2012, as long as they adopted, implemented or upgraded to federally certified EHR technology prior to December 31, 2011.

Example:

- Calendar Year (CY) 2011: Eligible Professional adopted, implemented or upgraded to federally certified EHR technology prior to December 31, 2011 and received their first year incentive payment.
- Calendar Year (CY) 2012: Eligible Professionals may attest to Stage 1 Meaningful Use, which requires a 90 day reporting period in the current calendar year beginning in April of 2012 (using January 2012 - March 2012 as the 90 day reporting period). The attestation reporting tail for CY2012 runs thru March 30, 2013.

Coming Soon

Scenario based attestation timeline documents for eligible hospitals and eligible professionals will be posted to the Massachusetts Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment Program website. If you have any questions regarding eligible hospital or eligible professional attestation reporting timelines, please contact the Massachusetts Medicaid EHR Incentive Payment Program staff by telephone at 1-855-MassEHR or via email at massehr@masstech.org.

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