

Important Message

Electronic Health Records Incentive Program: <u>Eligible Professionals and Eligible Hospitals only</u> <u>need a 90-day reporting period for Meaningful Use in</u> <u>2016 and 2017</u>

This message only applies to Eligible Professionals (EP) and Eligible Hospitals (EH) that are attesting to the <u>Medicaid</u> EHR Incentive Program.

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) recently released the final rule for the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment Changes for 2017. The changes include the Meaningful Use (MU) reporting period for the EHR Incentive Program in 2016 and 2017. The MU reporting period for all EPs and EHs in CY 2016 is now any continuous 90-day period from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016, and the MU reporting period in CY 2017 is any continuous 90-day period from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

This replaces the previous rule that required providers who were attesting to Meaningful Use for the second (or subsequent) time to provide a full calendar year of Meaningful Use data in 2016 and 2017.

CMS has published a Fact Sheet about this and other rules for more information.

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