

**Electronic Health Records:
Updates on Registration, Meaningful Use, and Incentive Payments**

ELIGIBLE HOSPITALS

Eligible Hospitals → 14 Core Objectives

1. Computerized physician order entry (CPOE).
2. Drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks.
3. Record demographics.
4. Implement one clinical decision support rule.
5. Maintain up to date problem list of current and active diagnoses.
6. Maintain active medication list.
7. Maintain active medication allergy list.
8. Record and chart changes in vital signs.
9. Record smoking status of patients 13 years or older.
10. Report hospital clinical quality measures to CMS or States.
11. Provide patients with an electronic copy of their health information upon request.
12. Provide patients with an electronic copy of their discharge instructions at time of discharge upon request.
13. Capability to exchange key clinical information among providers of care and patient-authorized entities electronically.
14. Protect electronic health information.

Eligible Hospitals → Select 5 of 10 Menu Set Objectives

1. Drug-formulary checks.
2. Record advanced directives for patients 65 years or older.
3. Incorporate clinical lab test results as structured data.
4. Generate lists of patients by specific conditions.
5. Identify patient-specific educational resources and provide to patients, if appropriate.
6. Medication reconciliation.
7. Summary of care record for transitions of care and referrals.
8. Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries.*
9. Capability to provide electronic submission of reportable lab results to public health agencies.*
10. Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies.*

*Note: Eligible Hospitals must select at least one public health objective.

Eligible Hospitals → 3 of 14 Core Objectives Contain Possible Exclusions

1. Record smoking status of patients 13 years or older. **Exclusion:** Admits no patients 13 years or older to its inpatient or emergency department.

2. Provide patients with an electronic copy of their health information upon request. **Exclusion:** No request from patients for an electronic copy of patient health information during the EHR reporting period.
3. Provide patients with an electronic copy of their discharge instructions at time of discharge upon request. **Exclusion:** No requests from patients for an electronic copy of discharge instructions during the EHR reporting period.

Eligible Hospitals → 4 Menu Set Objectives Contain Possible Exclusions

1. Record advanced directives for patients 65 years or older. **Exclusion:** EH admits no patients 65 years old or older during the EHR reporting period.
2. Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries. **Exclusion:** EH administers no immunizations during the EHR reporting period, or there is no immunization registry with the capability to receive the information electronically.
3. Capability to provide electronic submission of reportable lab results to public health agencies. **Exclusion:** No public health agency to which EH submits information has the capability to receive the information electronically.
4. Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies. **Exclusion:** No public health agency to which EH submits information has the capability to receive the information electronically.

ELIGIBLE PHYSICIANS

Eligible Physicians → 15 Core Objectives

1. Computerized physician order entry (CPOE).
2. E-Prescribing.
3. Report ambulatory clinical quality measures to CMS/States.
4. Implement one clinical decision support rule.
5. Provide patients with electronic copy of health information, if requested.
6. Provide clinical summaries for patients for each office visit.
7. Drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks.
8. Record demographics.
9. Maintain an up-to-date problem list of current and active diagnoses.
10. Maintain active medication list.
11. Maintain active medication allergy list.
12. Record and chart changes in vital signs.
13. Record smoking status for patients 13 years or older.
14. Capability to exchange key clinical information among providers of care.
15. Protect electronic health information.

Eligible Physicians → Select 5 of 10 Menu Set Objectives

1. Drug-formulary checks.
2. Incorporate clinical lab results as structured data.

3. Generate lists of patients by specific conditions.
4. Send reminders to patients for preventative/follow up care, upon request.
5. Provide patients with timely electronic access to health information (including lab results, problem list, medication lists, and allergies) within 4 business days of information being available to EP.
6. Identify patient-specific education resources and provide to patient, if appropriate.
7. Medication reconciliation.
8. Summary of care record for transitions of care and referrals.
9. Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries.*
10. Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies.*

*Note: Eligible Physicians must select at least one public health objective.

Eligible Physicians → 6 of 15 Core Objectives Contain Possible Exclusions

1. CPOE. **Exclusion:** EP writes less than 100 prescriptions during EHR reporting period.
2. E-Prescribing (eRx). **Exclusion:** EP writes less than 100 prescriptions during EHR reporting period.
3. Provide patients with electronic copy of health information, if requested. **Exclusion:** EPs receive no requests from patients for electronic copies of health information during the EHR reporting period.
4. Provide clinical summaries for patients for each office visit. **Exclusion:** The EP has no office visits during EHR reporting period.
5. Record and chart changes in vital signs. **Exclusion:** EP does not see any patients 2 yrs or older, or believes that all 3 vital signs of height, weight and blood pressure have no relevance to his/her scope of practice.
6. Record smoking status for patients 13 years or older. **Exclusion:** EP sees no patients who are 13 or older.

Eligible Physicians → 7 of 10 Menu Objectives Contain Possible Exclusions

1. Incorporate clinical lab results as structured data. **Exclusion:** EP does not order any lab tests whose results are either in a positive/negative or numeric format during the EHR reporting period.
2. Send reminders to patients for preventative/follow up care, upon request. **Exclusion:** EP has no patients 65 yrs old or older, or 5 years old or younger, with records maintained using certified EHR technology.
3. Provide patients with timely electronic access to health information. **Exclusion:** EP neither orders nor creates lab test results, problem list, medication list, medication allergy list, immunizations, or procedures during the EHR reporting period.
4. Medication reconciliation. **Exclusion:** EP is not the recipient of any transitions of care during the EHR reporting period.
5. Summary of care record for transitions of care and referrals. **Exclusion:** Neither transfer nor refer a patient to another provider during the EHR reporting period.

6. Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries.* **Exclusion:** Administer no immunizations during the EHR reporting period or where no immunization registry has the capacity to receive the information electronically.
7. Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies.* **Exclusion:** Do not collect any reportable syndromic information on patients during EHR reporting period, or do not submit such information to any public health agency that has the capacity to receive the information electronically.

*Note: Eligible Physicians must select at least one public health objective.