## **Cypress**™

### **Cypress Tech Talk**

September 22, 2020



















## Agenda

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<sup>\*</sup>See the Glossary at the back for definitions of terms

# Software Updates Bundle Updates

#### Bundle update to 2020.0.3

- Bundle deprecation can be used to replace originally published 2020.0.1 bundle with 2020.0.3
- New bundle is available to download from the demo server

#### Unit of Measure update

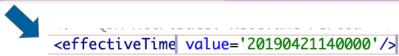
- Measure CMS9v8 previously expected unit "weeks"
- Now CMS9v9 uses "wk" the appropriate UCUM unit
- Updates in units for 11 patients

```
<value xsi:type="PQ" value="38.0" unit="weeks"/> <value xsi:type="PQ" value="38.0" unit="weeks"/>
```

#### Timing issues update

- Patients: 3 N 1 STROKE, 3 N 2 STROKE
- High time before low time, changed to single effective time

<effectiveTime><low value='20190421140000'/><high value='20190420140000'/></effectiveTime>



# **Software Updates ELM Updates**

- Expression Logical Model (ELM) Issue Impacting eCQMs for the 2020 Performance Period (eCQI Announcement)
  - Issue with how the ELM handles missing timing values during the evaluation of measure logic
- Impacted Measures
  - CMS128v8 Anti-depressant Medication Management
  - CMS146v8 Appropriate Testing for Children with Pharyngitis
  - CMS56v8 Functional Status Assessment for Total Hip Replacement
- Cypress Update
  - 2019 bundle update with updated ELM planned for September
  - Does not impact certification, but may impact CVU+ calculations
  - 2019.2.0 bundle release made available September 17, 2020

# Software Updates Telehealth Guidance

- For CMS22v8, CMS69v8, and CMS157v8, telehealth encounters are not appropriate for the purpose of the measure
- Full guidance at: <a href="https://ecqi.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/2020-eCQM-Telehealth-Guidance-Document.pdf">https://ecqi.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/2020-eCQM-Telehealth-Guidance-Document.pdf</a>

# TABLE 2. NOT ELIGIBLE FOR TELEHEALTH ENCOUNTER<sup>b,c</sup> ELECTRONIC CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURES FOR ELIGIBLE PROFESSIONALS AND ELIGIBLE CLINICIANS: 2020 REPORTING

CMS eCQM ID	MIPS Quality ID	Measure Title	Reason Not Eligible for Telehealth
CMS22v8 <sup>b</sup>	317	Preventive Care and Screening: Screening for High Blood Pressure and Follow-Up Documented	Screening measure requires therapy, treatment, or assessment that cannot be conducted via telehealth
CMS69v8 <sup>b</sup>	128	Preventive Care and Screening: Body Mass Index (BMI) Screening and Follow-Up Plan	Screening measure requires therapy, treatment, or assessment that cannot be conducted via telehealth
CMS157v8 <sup>b</sup>	143	Oncology: Medical and Radiation - Pain Intensity Quantified	Measure guidance specifies face-to-face encounter is required
CMS129v9 <sup>c</sup>	102	Prostate Cancer: Avoidance of Overuse of Bone Scan for Staging Low Risk Prostate Cancer Patients	Measure does not contain telehealth-eligible codes and does not require an encounter during the measurement period
CMS133v8 <sup>c</sup>	191	Cataracts: 20/40 or Better Visual Acuity within 90 Days Following Cataract Surgery	Measure does not contain telehealth-eligible codes and does not require an encounter during the measurement period

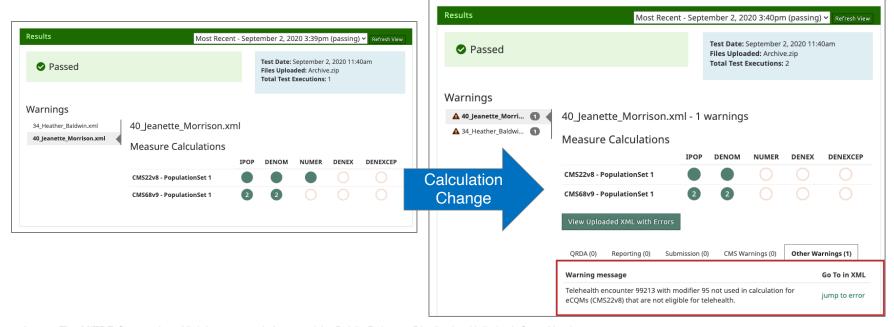
# Software Updates **Telehealth Modifiers**

- Telehealth modifiers may be included in QRDA-I as "qualifier" elements
- These elements modify the existing telehealth-eligible codes
- For measures that aren't eligible for telehealth modifiers may nullify existing encounters that otherwise have an appropriate code
- Modifier/Qualifier QRDA-I Example:

#### **Software Updates**

### **CVU+ Updates for Telehealth**

- CVU+ removes any telehealth encounters for measures where telehealth is not applicable, thus nullifying the ineligible encounters
- Applicable only for HL7 CAT I Test
- CVU+ shows warning for telehealth encounters not used for calculation
- Updated in Cypress v5.4.2, released on September 17, 2020
  - Corresponding v6.0.1 update release anticipated October 15, 2020



#### Software Updates

### **CVU+ Updates for Telehealth**

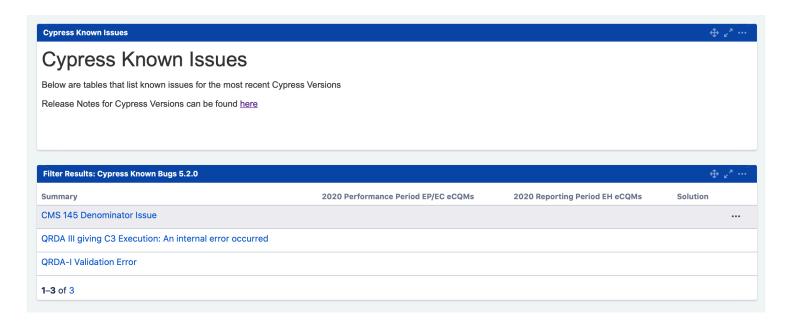
Cypress warning in QRDA XML

```
< act classCode = "ACT" moodCode = "EVN" >
<!--Encounter performed Act -->
                                                                         hide error (1)
< templateId extension = "2017-08-01" root =
"2.16.840.1.113883.10.20.24.3.133" />
                                                                 Execution Error (1)
< code code = "ENC" codeSystem = "2.16.840.1.113883.5.6" code
displayName = "Encounter" />
                                                                 Telehealth encounter 99213 with
< entryRelationship typeCode = "SUBJ" >
                                                                 modifier 95 not used in calculation
 < encounter classCode = "ENC" moodCode = "EVN" >
                                                                 for eCQMs (CMS22v8) that are not
   <!-- Encounter activities template -->
                                                                 eligible for telehealth.
   < templateId extension = "2015-08-01" root = "2.16.840.1.
   <!-- Encounter performed template -->
   < templateId extension = "2017-08-01" root = "2.16.840.1.113883.10.20.24.3.23" />
   < id extension = "5f451554c1c3884aa0bff8a7" root = "1.3.6.1.4.1.115" />
   <!-- QDM Attribute: Code -->
   < code code = "99213" codeSystem = "2.16.840.1.113883.6.12" codeSystemName =</pre>
   "CPT" >
     < qualifier >
      < name code = "VR" displayName = "Virtual" codeSystem =
      "2.16.840.1.113883.5.4" codeSystemName = "ActCode" />
      < value code = "95" displayName = "Synchronous Telemedicine Service Rendered
       Via a Real-Time Interactive Audio and Video Telecommunications System"
       codeSystem = "2.16.840.1.113883.6.12" codeSystemName = "CPT" />
     </qualifier>
   </code>
```

#### Recent Issue

## Cypress Known Issues Dashboard

- https://oncprojectracking.healthit.gov/support/secure/Dashboard.jspa ?selectPageId=18000
- The dashboard collects all labeled known issues in one place, sorted by Cypress version
- Easily navigate to the dashboard from the Cypress summary page



## **Cypress Versions**

Version	Dates	Measures Supported
V5.4.1	June 4, 2020	Contains feature improvements and fixes for bugs found in Cypress v5.2.0. Support for 2015 Certification Edition OR 2015 Certification Cures Updated Edition.
V5.4.2	September 17, 2020	Latest version supporting eCQMs for the 2020 Reporting/Performance Period and CQL. Contains updates to support telehealth checking
V6.0.0	July 23, 2020	Support for QRDA Category 1 R5.2, Updated CMS IGs, and 2021 reporting/performance period eCQMs.
V6.0.1	Anticipated October 15, 2020	Support for QRDA Category 1 R5.2, Updated CMS IGs, and 2021 reporting/performance period eCQMs. Updated support for telehealth checking.

Bundle Version	Dates	Features
2019.2.0	September 17, 2020	Cypress v5 only CQL-based measures released in 2019 for the 2020 reporting year. Contains updates for ELM issues found in CMS128v8, CMS146v8, and CMS56v8.
2020.0.3	August 6, 2020	Cypress v6 only CQL-based measures released in 2020 for the 2021 reporting year. Updated patients to use correct 'wk' unit and updated two patient effective times.

### **Announcements**

#### Clarification of requirement for new eCQM certification

- ONC FAQ, Q42: <a href="https://www.healthit.gov/faq/42-question-06-13-042-1-0">https://www.healthit.gov/faq/42-question-06-13-042-1-0</a>
- Question 1: When new versions of CQM specifications are released by CMS, do EHR technology developers need to seek retesting/recertification of their certified Complete EHR or certified EHR Module in order to keep its certification valid?
- ONC/CMS Response: No. […]
- Question 2: As an EHR technology developer, if my EHR technology "Product A" is, for example, already certified to the "December 2012" CQM specifications, can I update it to include CMS's updated "June 2013" specifications without seeking retesting/recertification?
- ONC/CMS Response: Yes, unless Product A is relabeled. […]
- Clarification: For eCQMs that are new (rather than updated with a new version), an initial certification is required to list that eCQM as certified to

## **OPEN DISCUSSION**

## **Next Cypress Tech Talk**

- Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 1pm ET
- To join online, visit: <a href="https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/529898157">https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/529898157</a>
- To join via phone, dial: 1-646-749-3122
- Meeting Number: 529 898 157
- Meeting link, as well as a calendar event file, available at:
  - https://www.healthit.gov/cypress/techtalks.html

### **Notes**

- Completed Webinars will be posted on the Cypress website on the Tech Talks tab
  - https://www.healthit.gov/cypress/techtalks.html
- Send questions and feedback to the Cypress Talk List at
  - project-cypress-talk@googlegroups.com
- Report bugs and issues to the Cypress JIRA at
  - https://oncprojectracking.healthit.gov/support/browse/CYPRESS

## **Glossary**

- CQL Clinical Quality Language
- CVU Cypress Validation Utility
- CVU+ Cypress Validation Utility Plus Calculation Check
- EC Eligible Clinician
- eCQM Electronic Clinical Quality Measure
- EH Eligible Hospital
- EP Eligible Professional
- HL7 Health Level Seven International
- IG Implementation Guide
- QPP Quality Payment Program
- QRDA Quality Reporting Document Architecture