Health IT Policy Committee Meeting

Data Update

September 9, 2015
• Describe whether providers could update their CEHRT in 2014 using current EHR vendors
• Describe how 2014 attesting providers actually updated their EHR systems to 2014 CEHRT
By the start of the 2014 program year, 90% of EHs could obtain 2014 CEHRT from their current vendor.

SOURCE: ONC – Certified Health IT Products List; CMS – CMS Medicare EHR Incentive Program Attestation Data
Base Definition EHRs reference fundamental capabilities all providers would need to have.
*Only includes EHs who attested to an MU program year prior to 2014.
Note: The dotted and dashed lines add up to the “Vendor Has Products Available” line.
By the start of the 2014 program year, 77% of EPs could obtain 2014 CEHRT from their current vendor.

Capability of Eligible Professionals (EPs) to Update their EHR Systems to 2014 CEHRT (Base Definition EHR)

SOURCE: ONC – Certified Health IT Products List; CMS – CMS Medicare EHR Incentive Program Attestation Data
Base Definition EHRs reference fundamental capabilities all providers would need to have
*Only includes EPs who attested to an MU program year prior to 2014.
Note: The dotted and dashed lines add up to the “Vendor Has Products Available” line
Among providers who took the Flex Rule, 96% of EHs and 89% of EPs could obtain 2014 CEHRT from their current EHR vendor.

**Capability of Flexibility Rule Providers to Update their EHR Systems to 2014 CEHRT (Base Definition EHR)**

- **Eligible Hospitals (EH):**
  - 96% can upgrade product(s) from same vendor.
  - 67% can obtain new product(s) from same vendor.
  - 11% would need product(s) from new vendor.
  - 4% unable to upgrade to 2014 CEHRT system.

- **Eligible Professionals (EP):**
  - 89% can upgrade product(s) from same vendor.
  - 63% can obtain new product(s) from same vendor.
  - 7% would need product(s) from new vendor.
  - 18% unable to upgrade to 2014 CEHRT system.

**SOURCE:**
- ONC – Certified Health IT Products List
- CMS – CMS Medicare EHR Incentive Program Attestation Data

Base Definition EHRs reference fundamental capabilities all providers would need to have. The Flexibility Rule allowed providers to attest in program year 2014 with the 2013 definition of meaningful use using their 2011 CEHRT or a combination of 2011 and 2014 CEHRT.

*Only includes providers who attested to the 2013 definition of MU in 2014.*
To attest to 2014 meaningful use, 88% of EHs and 90% of EPs obtained 2014 CEHRT from their current vendor.

**Percent of Providers** by Method Used to Update their EHR Systems to 2014 CEHRT (Base Definition EHR)

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- Upgraded Product(s)
- Obtained New Product(s) from Current Vendor(s)
- Obtained New Product(s) from New Vendor(s)

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Base Definition EHRs reference fundamental capabilities all providers would need to have.

*Only includes providers who attested to the 2014 definition of MU in 2014 and attested at least once to a prior program year.*
In 2014, more EPs changed their EHR vendors than in prior years

Percent of Eligible Professionals (EP) who Made Changes to Their EHR Systems between MU Program Years (PY)

SOURCE: ONC – Certified Health IT Products List; CMS – CMS Medicare EHR Incentive Program Attestation Data
*Only includes professionals who attested in more than one program year
†More than half (59%) of these professionals' only change was adding modular EHRs
In 2014, more EHs changed their EHR vendors than in prior years.

Percent of Eligible Hospitals (EH) who Made Changes to Their EHR Systems between MU Program Years (PY)

- **PY2012 Attestations**: 2% Changed All Vendors, 0% Kept At Least One
- **PY2013 Attestations**: 10% Changed All Vendors, 0% Kept At Least One
- **PY2014 Attestations**: 40% Changed All Vendors, 36% Kept At Least One

**SOURCE:** ONC – Certified Health IT Products List; CMS – CMS Medicare EHR Incentive Program Attestation Data

*Only includes hospitals who attested in more than one program year
†More than half (57%) of these hospitals’ only change was adding modular EHRs
Summary

• By the start of the 2014 meaningful use program year, 90% of EHs and 77% of EPs had 2014 CEHRT available from their EHR vendors.
  – 98% of EHs and 94% of EPs by the end.

• Among the flex rule providers, 96% of EHs and 89% of EPs have 2014 CEHRT available from their current EHR vendors.

• To attest to the 2014 definition of meaningful use, 88% of EHs and 90% of EPs obtained 2014 CEHRT from their current EHR vendor.
Questions?

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