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COVID-19 Update
The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) understands incentive program practices are busier than normal at this time. Due to COVID-19, the Department is aware providers may have a delay in their attestations. If participants have concerns or questions please email the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Coordinator at MedicaidEHR@corhio.org. Keep in mind, information regarding COVID-19 is rapidly changing and it is important to stay informed. Please follow the link to find more information from the Department on COVID-19.

Documentations Tips and Requirements
Program Year (PY) 2019 is open and over 30 participants have already successfully attested! The program will remain open until June 22, 2020.

Now that PY 2019 is open and participants can attest, it is important to gather documentation to upload with your attestation. All PY 2019 workbooks, tip sheets and webinars have been published on the CORHIO website to help with this process. Past Medicaid EHR Incentive Program newsletters highlighting new required documentation for Objective 5 help outline requirements. We suggest reviewing the February and March newsletters so you may be certain to include all the necessary information for uploads in your attestation as well as having the necessary documentation for your records. The below documentation tips and reminders will guide participants in the right direction on being prepared for PY 2019.

Highlighted Documentation and Reminders

- Obtain User ID and Password: It is essential that participants retain User IDs and Passwords to accounts to make attesting an easy process.
- Payee Information: Double check that your organization or practice is updating payee information for different locations. The incentive payment will only be sent to the payee NPI listed inside the MAPIR (also known as the CO Registration and Attestation) system.
- Complete and Upload PY 2019 Medicaid Eligibility Workbook/De-Identified List: The de-identified workbook is updated every PY and participants will be required to upload this for documentation purposes.

Remember, documents can be in Excel and PDF formats but no larger than 15Megabytes (MBs).

New Standard Documentation for Objective 5-Patient Electronic Access to Health Information
This new documentation is required for upload with your attestation.

- An EHR-generated MU Dashboard or report for the selected MU Reporting Period that shows the EP’s name, numerator, denominator and percentage.
- Confirmation from the CEHRT vendor indicating:
  - Date API was enabled in the CEHRT and
  - Whether the CEHRT MU dashboard includes just VDT or VDT and API in the numerator of Objective 5, measure 1. *
- Copy of instructions provided to patients on how to authenticate their access through an API
Copy of the information given to patients on available applications that leverage the API

* If the CEHRT vendor cannot provide timely confirmation of how the dashboard calculates the numerator of Objective 5 measure 1, the provider may conduct a "quick test" to determine what the MU dashboard is including in the numerator of this measure. See tip sheet for details regarding quick test.

**Public Health and Clinical Data Registry Reporting Documentation.** All participants are required to have documentation such as letters to substantiate active engagement with a Public Health Agency, Clinical Data Registry and Specialized Registry. When participants are uploading letters for Measure 1, Immunization Registry Reporting, their letter will need to show a bi-directional interface with the Immunization Information System (IIS) in order to meet the measure. Please see the below example letter for referencing.

To Whom It May Concern:

_Name of participant_ has been successfully submitting the relevant public health data to CDPHE, since date: day/month/year. They achieved bi-directional messaging date: with in the calendar year 2019 in order to meet the Immunization Reporting Objective according to the Meaningful Use requirements below:

_Immunization Reporting Objective_

_Immunization Registry Reporting: The EP is in active engagement with a PHA to submit immunization data and receive immunization forecasts and histories from the public health immunization registry/immunization information system (IIS)._ 

To register or help with documentation letters for Colorado public health reporting please follow this link.

**For More Information**
Participants have a plethora of resources on the [CORHIO](https://www.corhio.org) website that emphasize documentation such as the new webinar [Suggested Documents to Support Attestation](https://www.corhio.org) and the [Program Year 2019 Eligible Professional Attestation Checklist](https://www.corhio.org). Please reference this website throughout your attestation and don’t forget our helpful webinars you can find here.

**For questions regarding program requirements, eligibility and Meaningful Use, contact:**
Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Coordinator
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**Medicaid Program Point of Contact and Partnerships**
The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has partnered with CORHIO to provide program coordination and assist with provider communications and outreach regarding the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program. The Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Coordinator is the central point of contact for EPs, EHs, partners and other interested parties regarding requirements and processes. Inquiries concerning the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program can be sent to MedicaidEHR@corhio.org or by calling (720) 285-3232.