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June 4, 2018

Program Year 2017 Opening Announcement

The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) is pleased to announce that the Colorado Medical Assistance Provider Incentive Repository (MAPIR) will be available and accepting attestations for Medicaid Eligible Professionals (EPs), Eligible Hospitals (EHs) and Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) for Program Year (PY) 2017 beginning Sunday, July 15, 2018 and closing Friday, October 12, 2018.

Since the MAPIR system will be opening for PY 2017 attestations, all participants need to be aware that PY 2018 may show as an option. The Department is requesting that when selecting the PY to attest to, participants do NOT select PY 2018. Program Year 2017 is the *only* year the Department will accept attestations and issue payments for.

If you choose to attest to PY 2018 before the Department opens the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program for PY 2018, an incentive payment for PY 2018 will not be issued and you may be required to re-attest after the Department opens PY 2018.

2017 Eligibility Dates

Now that participants know when to attest for PY 2017, how do you determine your eligibility dates?

Eligible Professionals are required to meet the 30% Medicaid encounter volume threshold (20% for pediatricians) in a continuous 90-day period.

Participants have two options for eligibility dates to choose from:

- Previous calendar year
- 12 months preceding attestation date

Eligible Hospitals are required to meet a 10% Medicaid encounter volume threshold. Hospital participants also have two options to choose from:

- Last completed fiscal year preceding the payment year
- 12 months preceding attestation date

Reaching Your Full Incentive Potential: Program Year 2017 Educational Breakfast Meeting

June 19, 6:45-10:00 am
Denver Tech Center

This free event is sponsored by the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

See page 4 of this newsletter for details

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To assist in the selection of your dates, we have included an example of eligibility dates below.

Eligible Professionals

If choosing the previous calendar year (CY) option, participants will need to pick a continuous 90-day period using CY 2016 dates.

Example: Participants can select dates from the last quarter of 2016 — October 1, 2016 to December 30, 2016 or choose any continuous 90-day period in CY 2016.

If participants select the 12 months preceding attestation date, the date is contingent on when you complete your attestation within the MAPIR system.

Example: If you attest and complete the attestation on July 15, 2018, you can choose dates between July 16, 2016 and July 15, 2018 such as January 1, 2018 to March 30, 2018.

Please choose your dates wisely. If your attestation is not completed on the day you attest, the dates will be invalid. Please be cognizant when selecting any dates in CY 2018 as it may adversely affect what dates are available to participants for PY 2018.

Eligible Hospitals

Hospital participants choosing the last completed fiscal year preceding the payment year option would only include a continuous 90-day period in CY 2016.

Example: Participants could select the dates January 1, 2016 to March 30, 2016 (depending on the hospital's Fiscal Year).

If hospital participants select the 12 months preceding attestation date option, the date is contingent on when you complete your attestation within the MAPIR system.

Example: If you attest and complete the attestation on July 15, 2018, you may use eligibility dates between July 16, 2017 to July 15, 2018 such as January 1, 2018 to March 30, 2018 (must be a continuous 90-day period).

When selecting your dates, all participants should keep in mind that you cannot reuse prior attestation eligibility dates or use dates in the future.

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Eligible Hospital Reminder

Eligible Hospitals need only to attest to three consecutive payment years and will not be permitted to skip program years. EHs that attest to payment year four will receive a zero-incentive payment thus, there is no need for hospitals to attest to the fourth payment year. The table below demonstrates the EH payment timeline.

Eligible Hospital Incentive Payment Timelines

	2016	2017	2018	2019
2016	Payment Year 1= 50%			
2017	Payment Year 2= 40%	40%		
2018	Payment Year 3= 10%	10%	10%	
2019	Payment Year 4= 0%	0%	0%	0%

MAPIR System Success

Program Year 2016 has over 1,000 successful attestations that the Department would like to celebrate! So far, 1,880 successful attestations have been recorded and \$9,156,785 has been paid to participants.

The Colorado Registration & Attestation system (known as MAPIR) has many features to help participants successfully attest, find updated information and track the incentive payment process. We have highlighted some features that make attesting easier below.

Creating Delegates

The MAPIR system allows for a delegate to be created through the interchange (iC), rather than at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) level, to attest on behalf of providers. To find out how to create a delegate, please read the [October](#) issue of the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program newsletter.

Tips Page

CORHIO has created a tips and updates page called the [MAPIR System Updates and EHR Incentive Program Tips](#) page. This webpage is designed to help providers during the attestation process find information to successfully attest in real-time. Colorado participants will be able to find updates, tips, FAQs and MAPIR errors and solutions — all in one place.

E-Signature

The MAPIR system allows for an electronic signature of an attestation by the provider or preparer — making attesting faster and easier.



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Email Communications

Once an attestation has been submitted, the MAPIR system sends a submission response email. This email is a notice of submission to the contact email entered during the application process. Not only does the MAPIR system send out emails for submissions, but also for approvals and completion of the incentive payment. The provider or preparer will receive an email stating the attestation has been approved for payment, alerting the provider or preparer the incentive will be sent shortly.

After the Department has verified the attestation for payment, the MAPIR system will send a final email of completion. This will alert providers or preparers to look for the incoming incentive payment. The email feature is helpful and keeps participants informed during the attestation process. Please note that if you do not receive the incentive payment within the timeframe given in the email, contact the [Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Coordinator](#) as soon as possible.

Reaching Your Full Incentive Potential: Program Year 2017 Educational Breakfast Meeting

You are invited to an informative session to learn how to successfully attest and earn incentives in 2018. Over breakfast, we will show you how the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program attestation system has changed from last year, provide important deadlines and educate you on the new objective regarding the Certified Electronic Health Record Technology and Information Blocking. There will be informative sessions to help you participate in the Quality Payment Program and phase 2 of the Accountable Care Collaborative Program in Colorado. You will also hear updates from CORHIO and the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.

Date: June 19, 2018 from 6:45-10:00 a.m.

Location: the Hilton Garden Inn Denver Tech Center

Event limited to 120 registrants. No vendors or recruiters will be admitted.

To register: <http://www2.corhio.org/l/5402/2012-09-25/h57zw>

Agenda:

6:45 -7:15 am – Registration and Breakfast

7:15 - 7:45 am – Update from the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing

7:45 - 8:45 am – Medicaid EHR Incentive Program – How to Successfully Attest for Program Year 2017

8:45 - 9:00 am – Quality Payment Program – Are you eligible?

9:00 – 9:20 am – Health Information Exchange Update

9:20-9:40 am – Accountable Care Collaborative Update

9:40-10:00 am – Wrap Up



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Resources for Completing your 2017 Program Year Attestation

Many resources for participants are available on the [CORHIO](#) website to help you prepare to attest for PY 2017. Below are a list of resources and reminders to utilize during the attestation process.

Complete your workbooks:

- [EP workbooks](#)
- [EH workbooks](#)

Gather the information to populate the attestation checklist:

- [EP Attestation Checklist](#)
- [EH Attestation Checklist](#)

Review the overview sheets:

- [EP Modified Stage 2](#)
- [EP Stage 3](#)
- [EH Modified Stage 2](#)
- [EH Stage 3](#)

For questions regarding program requirements, eligibility and Meaningful Use, contact:

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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.