

## PROGRAM UPDATE



**June 17, 2021**

### **Final Program Year to Attest**

The Medicaid EHR Incentive Program is sunsetting (closing) and The Department of Healthcare Policy and Financing (the Department) wants to educate providers on what this means for them. The Medicaid EHR Incentive Program provides financial incentives to previously eligible participants that demonstrate Meaningful Use (MU) of Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT).

The program will close after the deadline of August 9, 2021, for Program Year (PY) 2021. Participants have a chance to maximize their payout potential by attesting to the final PY and receiving up to \$8,500. The Department wants all eligible providers to attest to successfully and meet MU requirements to receive the last incentive payment for this final year.

If eligible participants need help attesting, please reach out to [medicaidEHR@corhio.org](mailto:medicaidEHR@corhio.org) as soon as possible to not miss this last opportunity for funding in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program.

### **Pre-Payment Audits**

It has been a great start to the final program year of the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program. As more participants submit their final attestations, the pre-payment audit process is underway. After the submission of an attestation, all participants need to keep a watchful eye on their inbox, clutter or junk mail folders for pre-payment audit questions.

The Department would like to stress the importance of keeping on top of communications. Look for any communications from the Department, CORHIO or from Myers and Stauffer LC (MSLC) the state appointed auditors, and answer in a timely manner.

### **Post-Payment Audits**

Although the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program is coming to an end, this does not mean that audits will stop. It is recommended all participants retain documentation used during their attestation process for all program years for a minimum of seven years from the date of attestation in preparation for post-payment review. In the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, post-payment audits are a required and standard practice. Being prepared will help tremendously in getting through the audit process.

All participants who have submitted and attestation for PY 2019, PY 2020 and PY 2021 need to be aware that all three years of post-payments audits will be conducted at one time. The Department has made the decision that PY 2019, PY 2020 and PY 2021 post-payment audits will begin in state fiscal year 2022. Please review the [Post Payment Audit Tip Sheet](#) published on the CORHIO website on what to expect if selected for a post-payment audit.

### **Program Year 2021 Update**

Congratulations to all the participants who successfully attested to Program Year 2021—please keep them coming!

The Department of Healthcare Policy and Financing (the Department) would like to celebrate all the participants who reached payment year six and reached their full potential in receiving incentive payments for the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program.



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### Resources

As a reminder, PY 2021 on-demand webinars are available on the [CORHIO website](#) for reference/assistance when attesting. Please watch the webinar [Security Risk Analysis and Sunseting Information](#) to help prepare for Objective 1 and the closing of the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program. Abundant resources for participants preparing or attesting to PY 2021 are posted on the CORHIO website including workbooks and tip sheets.

### 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](mailto:MedicaidEHR@corhio.org) or by calling (720) 285-3232.