

PROGRAM UPDATE



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Frequently Asked Questions

In this section of the Colorado Medicaid EHR Incentive Program newsletter, we will be reviewing your frequently asked questions. If you would like your question considered for publication, contact the Medicaid EHR incentive coordinator at medicaidEHR@corhio.org.

Q: Did you record the information from the CORHIO event last week on the new attestation system and attesting to Program Year 2016?

A: *We recorded the information and posted it on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/cBW2vKDfk1A>.*

Q: I received an email stating Colorado will be opening the Colorado Registration and Attestation (CO R&A) portal to accept program year (PY) 2016 attestations for eligible professionals (EPs) on October 15, 2017. When will eligible hospitals (EHs) attest for PY 2016?

A: *The new CO R&A portal, Medical Assistance Provider Incentive Repository (MAPIR), will open for PY 2016 attestations for EPs, EHs and Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) on October 15, 2017 at 7:00AM (MST).*

Q: When the CO R&A portal opens, will providers have access to past attestations?

A: *The Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) is working hard to restore past attestation information to the MAPIR portal (CO R&A). Please keep reading the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program newsletter for further updates.*

Q: Is there a checklist available to help EPs gather what is needed to attest for PY 2016?

A: *Yes, the EP PY 2016 Attestation Checklist has been published on the [CORHIO website](#).*

Q: Do encounters provided for non-Colorado Medicaid patients count when calculating patient encounter volume?

A: *The only out-of-state Medicaid encounters that can be used are from bordering states to Colorado such as Arizona, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Utah and Wyoming.*

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The Department is pleased to announce that the Colorado Medical Assistance Provider Incentive Repository (MAPIR) will be available and accepting Medicaid EPs, EHs and CAHs attestations for PY 2016 beginning October 15, 2017 at 7:00AM. The Department is eager to have providers attest for PY 2016 and want them to succeed in their attestation submissions. Once the Department confirms providers are adapting well to the new CO R&A portal, they will communicate a closing date for PY 2016 attestations. All participants should not procrastinate on submitting PY 2016 attestations, but should gather all required documentation and be prepared to attest when the CO R&A opens.

Since the CO R&A will be opening for PY 2016 attestations, all participants need to be aware that PY 2017 will show as an option for attesting. The Department is requesting that when selecting the PY to attest to, participants do NOT select PY 2017. Program Year 2016 is the only year the Department will accept attestations and issue payments for.

If you choose to attest to PY 2017 before the Department opens the EHR Incentive Program for PY 2017, an incentive payment for PY 2017 attestation will not be issued, and you may be required to re-attest after the Department opens PY 2017.

Reminders:

- PY 2016 is the last year to begin participation in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program
- Complete your [workbooks](#) to assist with calculating Medicaid patient volume
- Gather the required documentation for upload in to the CO R&A (see the [attestation checklist](#))
- Providers must attest to objectives and measures using Electronic Health Record (EHR) technology certified to the 2014 Edition
- If available, providers may also attest using EHR technology 2015-certified, or a combination of the two

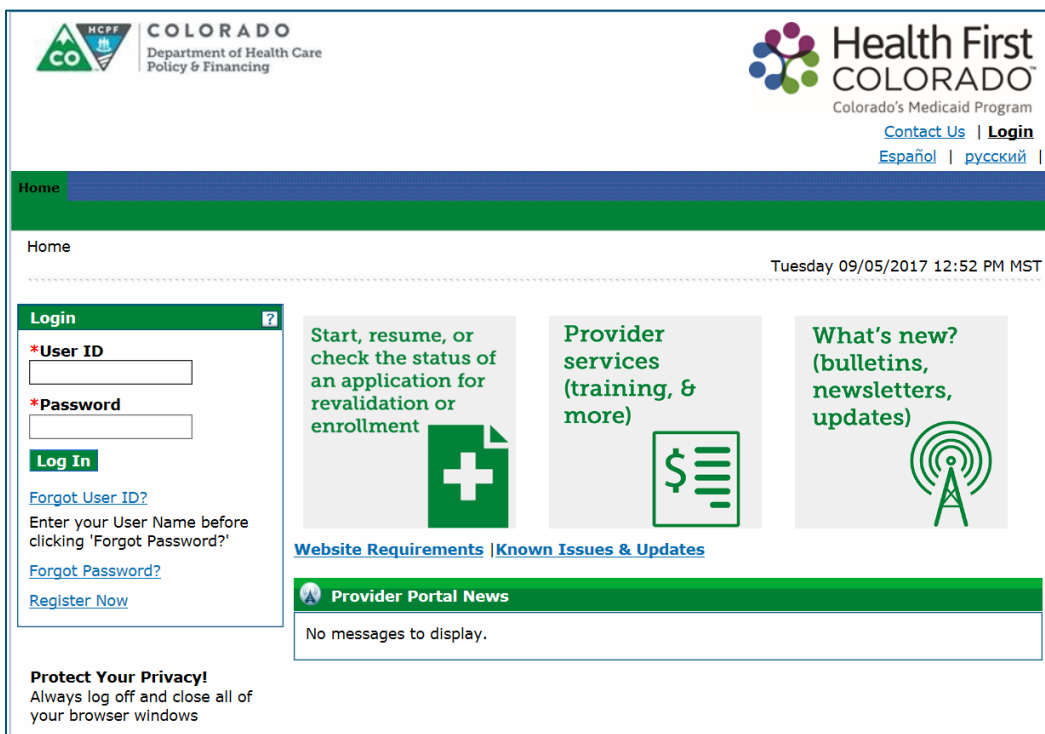
Feature Article

The [Department's website](#) can be a good resource for Medicaid EHR Incentive Program participants. The website contains several training presentations, provider bulletins, FAQs and general announcements. It also has a plethora of information for providers such as provider enrollment and revalidation help, billing manuals, rates and fee schedules and other valuable information including claim forms and attachments.

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After participants have accessed the Department’s website, selecting the [For Our Providers](#) option will direct providers to the [Provider Web Portal](#). All providers must be enrolled in the Colorado Medicaid Program to successfully attest to PY 2016. It is recommended that all Medicaid EHR Incentive Program participants check to see if the link for ‘*EHR Incentive Payment Program*’ is available to them. If participants do have access to the portal and do not see the link for ‘EHR Incentive Payment Program,’ please notify the [Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Coordinator](#).



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Timeline – Colorado Medicaid EHR Incentive Program

CO R&A System open for EPs to attest to PY 2016 Meaningful Use	October 15, 2017
CO R&A System open for EHs and CAHs to attest to PY 2016 Meaningful Use	October 15, 2017

*Please remember to register for the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program at [CMS](#). Colorado EPs, EHs and CAHs will be able to fill out an application within the new State Level Registry once the Department’s Registration and Attestation site becomes available. Continue to visit the [CORHIO](#) website for information.

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The Department of Healthcare 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.