

February eHealth Vendor Workgroup

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Agenda

Item	Speaker
EHR Incentive Programs Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rulemaking Announcement • Summary of Care #3 Update (FAQ #11666) 	Vidya Sellappan Division of Health IT Initiatives (DHIT) Center for Clinical Standards and Quality, CMS
2014 CMS QRDA Submission Tips for Eligible Professionals	Alexandra Mugge Quality Measurement and Health Assessment Group Center for Clinical Standards and Quality, CMS
Inpatient Quality Reporting Program Update	Stephanie Wilson Health Services Advisory Group, on behalf of CMS
eCQI Resource Center	Mike Nosal MITRE, on behalf of CMS
Cypress Release	Scott Purnell-Saunders/Dr. Kevin Larsen Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT (ONC)

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EHR INCENTIVE PROGRAMS UPDATE

Rulemaking Intent Announcement

- On Jan. 29, CMS announced its intent to engage in rulemaking this spring
- CMS is considering the following changes:
 - Shortening 2015 reporting period to 90 days
 - Realigning hospital reporting to calendar year
 - Modifying other aspects of programs to match goals, reduce complexity, lessen reporting burden
- See Dr. Conway's blog on <http://blog.cms.gov/>

Summary of Care #3 (FAQ #11666)

- Following actions are currently in place to meet Summary of Care objective for measure #3:
 - Exchange a summary of care with a provider or third party who has different CEHRT as sending provider as part of 10% threshold for measure #2; **OR**
 - Conduct at least one successful test with CMS designated test EHR (**if** provider is Direct Trust Accredited).
- If providers do not exchange summary of care documents with recipients using a different CEHRT in common practice, and cannot use CMS Designated Test EHR because they are not Direct Trust Accredited, they may retain documentation and attest “Yes” to meeting #3 if they have and are using a certified EHR which meets standards required to send a CCDA (§ 170.202).

See [FAQ11666](#) for full answer.



2014 CMS QRDA Submission Tips for Eligible Professionals



Alexandra Mugge

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Purpose

- To provide more information on Source of Payment for QRDA submissions
- To discuss some commonly occurring CMS QRDA submission errors for the 2014 program year.

Information Related to Source of Payment

- We've recently received questions from EHR vendors suggesting confusion on Source of Payment
 - Vendors tracking to Medicare Part B only
- For 2014, EHR vendors must follow CMS requirements for PQRS and use all payers with at least one Medicare Part B patient
- To meet the PQRS criteria, providers should report on 9 measures across 3 domains, with at least one Medicare part B patient in any one of the 9 measures

Commonly Occurring QRDA Errors

- We are attaching a document regarding the commonly occurring QRDA I & QRDA III errors and tips on how to fix before the submission is made.
- For more information about the QRDA I & QRDA III reporting, please refer to the 2014 CMS QRDA Implementation Guides for Eligible Professionals on the [eCQM Library Page](#) on the CMS Website.
- You may also contact the [QualityNet Help Desk](#) at 1-866-288-8912 (TTY 1-877-715-6222) from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. CST Monday through Friday, or via email to Qnetsupport@hcqis.org for additional assistance with submitting your QRDA III submission files.
- To avoid security violations, do not include personal identifying information, such as Social Security Number or TIN, in e-mail inquiries to the QualityNet Help Desk.



Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting (IQR) Program Update

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**Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG), on
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Hospital eCQM Receiving System Update

- Test Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) files can be submitted and validated against 2015 Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) QRDA constraints.
- Full system functionality is expected to be available as of April 2015.
- The “Denominator Declaration” and “Intent to Submit” screens will not be available until the system is fully functional.

Hospital eCQM Receiving System Update

- In order to submit test files, hospitals must:
 - Contact *QualityNet* to set-up a *QualityNet* account (new users only)
 - Have the Electronic Health Record (EHR) Data Upload Role applied to their *QualityNet* account
 - Submit test files through the *QualityNet Secure Portal*
- Hospitals using vendors have two options. They can:
 - Log in to *QualityNet* and authorize the vendor to submit data on their behalf, or
 - Have the vendor use a test CCN of 800860 to submit test files

Hospital eCQM Receiving System Update

The following resources are available to assist hospitals in submitting test files successfully :

- 2015 CMS Supplementary Implementation Guide
[http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/Downloads/QRDA EP HQR Guide_2015.pdf](http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/Downloads/QRDA_EP_HQR_Guide_2015.pdf)
- April 2014 version of the electronic clinical Quality Measure (eCQM) specifications
http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/eCQM_Library.html

Submission Statistics

- Hospitals did meet EHR Incentive Program requirements for 2014 utilizing eCQM data submission.
- Total number of test files submitted since January 1, 2015: **13,548**
- Total number of test files that passed validation since January 1, 2015: **2,151**

Resources: Presentations

- Most Common eCQM Submission Errors for Hospital QRDA Category-1 Files
<https://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetTier3&cid=1228773852046>
- QRDA Category I Submissions for Eligible Hospitals

How to Get Involved

CMS strongly encourages vendors and hospitals to continue working toward successful submission of eCQM data by:

- Submitting test files through the CMS eCQM Receiving System (*QualityNet Secure Portal*)
- Signing-up for the Hospital Reporting EHR ListServe and participating in training opportunities
<http://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?pagename=QnetPublic/ListServe/Register>
- Volunteering for the eCQM Validation Pilot Project
<https://www.qualitynet.org/dcs/ContentServer?c=Page&pagename=QnetPublic%2FPage%2FQnetTier3&cid=1140537256076>

Upcoming Presentations

- **National Provider eCQM Education Call**
 - February 25, 2015
 - Cindy Tourison will be providing details on the 2015 Hospital IQR eCQM voluntary submission program requirements
 - Register at:
<https://cc.readytalk.com/r/c5x15mjn2dvv&eom>
- **QRDA Cat-I Submissions for Eligible Hospitals (EHs)**
 - April 6, 2015

Thank You!

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eCQM General Program Questions

- <https://cms-ip.custhelp.com>
- 866.800.8765 or 844.472.4477, 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. CT, Monday – Friday (except holidays)

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MITRE, on behalf of CMS

eCQI RESOURCE CENTER

eCQI Resource Center

<http://www.healthit.gov/ecqi-resource-center/>

eCQI Resource Center
A guide to the standards and tools to support electronic clinical quality improvement



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A guide to the standards and tools to support electronic clinical quality improvement

Learn about eCQI resources and connect with the community of professionals who are dedicated to clinical quality improvement for better health

Getting Started



A *gentle* introduction to understanding electronic clinical quality improvement and measures

[More information](#)

Putting eCQMs to Work



An overview of the eCQM lifecycle, including actors and their responsibilities

[More information](#)

Latest News

Thu 4 Feb [v1.3 Update of the Bonnie Electronic Clinical Quality Measure Testing Tool](#)

The Bonnie Clinical Quality Measure Testing Tool has been updated. The new version 1.3 includes: A new Patient Bank feature, allowing Bonnie users to share test patient records with each other, and a new Complexity and Change Analysis Dashboard, providing a high level visual representation of how measures have changed in size and complexity between versions.

Support for Health Quality Measures Format (HQMF) R2.1 as the default import format will be released with Bonnie v1.3.1, expected the week of February 9th. SimpleXML will continue to be the interim default import format until v1.3.1 is released.

Mon 2 Feb [eCQI Resource Center Released](#)

The Electronic Clinical Quality Improvement (eCQI) Resource Center is live! The website provides a centralized location for critical quality resources, including the electronic clinical quality measures and their specifications, links to tools for measure development, testing, and clinical decision support (CDS). The resource center's intent is to unify the eCQI community by connecting related activities and streamlining the process for obtaining guidance and feedback.

Events

Feb 6 2015 [eCQI Resource Center Launch Webinar](#)

The much anticipated eCQI Resource Center is here. Join us for a live demo to see the features available from the first phase launch. Use this link to register for the live demo taking place Feb. 6, 2015, at 11:00-12:30 EST. You will need to register for the eCQI Resource Center webinar.

Feb 10 2015 [Bonnie v1.3 Webinar](#)

A webinar will be held on February 10, 2015 from 1–2:30 p.m. EST to demonstrate the latest functionality of v1.3 of the Bonnie Electronic Clinical Quality Measure Testing tool. You will need to register for the Bonnie v1.3 webinar.

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CYPRESS RELEASE

Cypress Release Schedule



- **Cypress v2.6 Release – Thursday January 22, 2015**
 - Use the Cypress v2.6 Release to field the upgrade for the HL7 QRDA Errata IG published in July 2014.
 - Includes fix for template conflict in QRDA Errata Release.
- **Validation Utility for QRDA Combined IG – April 2015**
 - Field a utility to validate QRDA documents for conformance to the CMS 2015 QRDA Combined IG.
 - Field as a separate utility and make available on ONC SITE initially to avoid the need for a Cypress point release.
- **Cypress v2.7 Release – Summer 2015**
 - Add support for the 2015 Annual Measure Update
 - Bundle in Validation Utility for 2015 QRDA Combined IG



Cypress 2.6

- **Cypress Updates**
 - Compliant with July 2014 HL7 QRDA Errata IG
 - Test Patient updates
 - Minor User Interface enhancements
 - Bug fixes
 - CYPRESS-484 (QRDA Cat 1 file for test patient "STROKE_ADULT B" is missing negation code)
 - CYPRESS-477,465 (Patient ID is the same 12345 in all test files)
- Requires fresh install of Cypress due to breaking changes in QRDA Errata release. We are investigating ways to provide an upgrade path, but this is not currently supported.

Cypress Versions: What Does Each Version Contain?



eCQM Version	QRDA Implementation Guide	Cypress Version
2014 EP + EH	DSTU Errata	Cypress 2.6.0
	DSTU	Cypress 2.5.1
2013 EP + EH	DSTU	Cypress 2.4.1
2012 EP + EH	DSTU	Cypress 2.4.1

[QRDA Category I](#)

Draft Standard Trial Use (DSTU) – Released July 2012

Draft Standard Trial Use Errata – Released June 27th, 2014

[QRDA Category III](#)

Draft Standard Trial Use – Released November 2012

Draft Standard Trial Use Errata – Released July 11th, 2014



Questions?

Project Cypress Website

<http://projectcypress.org>

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