



2016 | Last Chance To Enroll in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program

Program Year 2016 is the final year in which eligible professionals (EP) can begin to participate in the Medicaid Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Program. There are many benefits to program participation, including the following:

- Providers that are eligible to participate can receive up to \$63,750 for full participation in the program. This includes a payment in the first participation year of \$21,250 to adopt, implement, or upgrade (AIU) to a Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT) system.
- Achieve measurable improvements in patient health care delivery and performance to promote better patient outcomes through the use of CEHRT:
 - Diagnostics and patient safety
 - Practice efficiencies and cost savings, including documentation and coding
 - Care coordination, including electronic exchange of clinical information with other designated providers
 - Patient participation/self-management

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

To register and get started with your 2016 Program Year attestation, please visit the CMS Registration and Attestation site <https://ehrincentives.cms.gov/hitech/login.action> Then register with Iowa Medicaid EHR incentive program at www.imeincentives.com

AM I ELIGIBLE?

For complete eligibility requirements see <https://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/Eligibility.html>

To participate in the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, an eligible professional must:

- Be one of the following five types of Medicaid providers: physician, dentist, certified nurse-midwife, nurse practitioner or physician assistant practicing in a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or a Rural Health Center (RHC) led by a physician assistant.
- Be actively enrolled as an Iowa Medicaid provider
- Have adopted, implemented or upgraded to 2014 Certified EHR Technology
- Meet a minimum Medicaid Patient Volume threshold of 30 percent.
 - For the 2016 incentive year, an EP will use any continuous 90-day period in 2015 to complete the following calculation:
 - Denominator: What is the TOTAL number of patient encounters within the selected 90-day period?
 - Numerator: What is the TOTAL number of Medicaid encounters for the selected 90-day period?
 - Is the calculation equal to, or greater than 30 percent? (pediatricians 20 percent)

If you have any further questions regarding the Medicaid EHR incentive program and eligibility contact imeincentives@dhs.state.ia.us or Carrie Ortega at **515-974-3205**.

