

MaineCare HIT Update

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Total Incentive Payments Pending or Paid from October 1, 2011 – March 31, 2012

Provider Type	Number of Applications	Total Potential Payments
Professionals	1362	\$28,885,000
Hospitals	31	\$ 16,927,000
Totals	1393	\$45,812,000



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Moving to Year 2 – Meaningful Use Payments

- MaineCare implementing year 2 in April 2012
- Payment Amounts
 - Professionals -- \$8,500 (Years 2 through 6)
 - Hospitals – 40% of total payment amount (Year 2)
 - Total payment = \$1,000,000
 - Year One = \$500,000
 - Year Two = \$400,000



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Stream Lined Process for Eligible Professionals -- No Registration with CMS

In May, MaineCare will send an email to Professionals who received a payment for 2011. The email will be sent to the email contact address that was used for the 2011 registration.

The email will ask if the professional wants to apply for the 2012 payment . It will include the worksheet that MaineCare sent to the professional in 2011 and that the professional used to report 30% Medicaid encounters. The Professional can review the worksheet and update the dates to use to show the professional still has 30% Medicaid encounters.

After the professional sends the updated worksheet back to MaineCare for review, MaineCare will send the professional a link to the desk-top application (Wizard) to complete the Meaningful Use reports. After completing the report, the professional will hit the send button and the report will go electronically to MaineCare.

After MaineCare approves the application, we will send an email to the professional confirming that the information is correct (just like we did in 2011.) When the professional returns the email MaineCare will process the payment which will be issued via an electronic fund transfer (EFT).



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Medicaid Encounters and Meaningful Use --2 requirements for Eligible Professionals

- Requirement 1: Need 30% Medicaid encounters (Worksheet)
 - Choose any 90 consecutive days from calendar year 2011.
 - Calculate Medicaid percentage of encounters; if at least 30% Medicaid, meet requirement. Send worksheet back to MaineCare

IF YOU MEET REQUIREMENT 1, THEN MOVE TO REQUIREMENT 2

- Requirement 2. Meaningful Use (Wizard)
 - Choose any 90 consecutive days from calendar year 2012.
 - Complete meaningful use on-line report using desk-top application (Wizard) sent by MaineCare.
 - When completed hit send button to go to MaineCare. (Wizard application designed to alert you if you do not meet meaningful use measures.)



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Desk Top Application -- Wizard

- Set up directly from CMS's Meaningful Use measures
- Series of questions that are either yes/no or entering numerator/denominator with percentage automatically calculated.
- Can populate template and app can be saved under each professional's name/ID. Then reopen template and populate only fields you need to.
- Click of a button sends MU report automatically to Maine Care.



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CMS Proposed Rule

- CMS has proposed rule for later stages of Meaningful Use and will accept comments through early May
- Expands definition of Medicaid encounter
- Changes to what constitutes a “certified” Electronic Health Record. All certified systems must meet basic requirements but dentists, Chiropractor (Medicare) and other “specialty” type professionals may have systems designed for their use.
- Allows some of these changes to be effective in 2013
- Makes 2014 beginning of Phase 2 of Meaningful Use



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Stream Lined Process

- Eligible Hospitals
 - MaineCare will send email to hospitals that received a payment for 2011 (email address of 2011 contact person)
 - Process --
 - Register with CMS (similar to 2011) for BOTH Medicare and Medicaid even if hospital does not plan to complete registration for both programs
 - Automatic feed from CMS to Maine Care
 - MaineCare will contact hospital to complete attestation process and 10% Medicaid encounters



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