

Timelines for Medicare Meaningful Use – A Program Under Change

	Fiscal Year Reporting				Calendar Year Reporting			
Program Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Stage of meaningful use required	Stage 1			Revised Stage 1 or Stage 2	Modified Stage 2		Modified Stage 2 or Optional Stage 3	Stage 3
Version of certified EHR required	2011 Edition			2011 or 2014 Edition	2014 Edition		2014 or 2015 Edition	2015 Edition
Incentives possible	Must Meet Meaningful Use in Reporting Period						No Medicare Incentives	
Penalties leveraged					Penalty in Each FY if Fail to Meet Meaningful Use			

Notes: The level of incentives is determined by payment formulas in statute and can be earned for up to four consecutive years. The penalties are assessed on total Medicare inpatient payments (CAH and IPPS, including add-ons) and do not sunset. The reporting period for assessing penalties varies by hospital type. The Medicaid EHR incentive program will pay incentives for up to six years through 2021; there are no penalties in the Medicaid program.



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