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EHR Incentive Program Newsletter

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eMIPP Locked Until Further Notice

Earlier this year, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) released the 2018 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) / Long Term Acute Care Hospital (LTCH) PPS [Final Rule](#). In the final IPPS rule, CMS modified the Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs for Program Years 2017 and 2018.

Currently, eMIPP is configured under outdated rules that required returning Meaningful Users to report a full year of Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) data, starting in 2017.

The final IPPS rule changed this requirement, allowing Eligible Providers (EPs) to submit CQM data for a minimum of 90 days during Calendar Year 2017. The CQM reporting criteria also changed under the IPPS rule.

Maryland plans to update eMIPP with these rule changes in February of 2018. Until then, eMIPP is locked.

Returning Meaningful Users will not be able to attest for a 90-day CQM reporting period in eMIPP until Maryland Medicaid is able to update the system. Maryland Medicaid will keep providers informed about the status of eMIPP updates.

The deadline to attest for Program Year 2017 is March 31, 2018, for both Eligible Providers and Eligible Hospitals.

To view more information about requirements for Program Years 2017 and 2018, please visit the CMS Meaningful Use [website](#).

Meaningful Use (MU) Reporting Period

For Program Year 2017, the Meaningful Use (MU) reporting period is any continuous 90-day period during the Calendar Year (CY) 2017 for all participants.

The EHR reporting period must occur between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017.

Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) Reporting Period

EPs may submit data for a minimum of 90 days during CY 2017, regardless of participation year and whether they report CQMs electronically or by attestation.

Providers that report CQMs electronically for the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program will be able to align their selected reporting period to their performance period under the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS).

Program Year 2017 Reminders for Providers

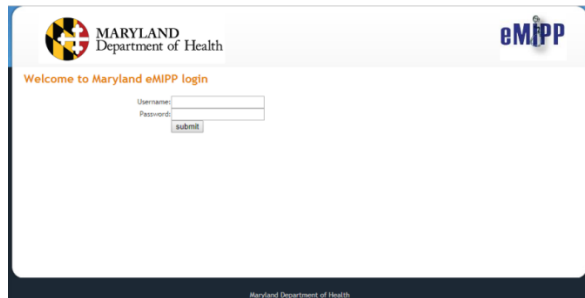
Resetting your eMIPP Password

The login credentials for eMIPP are the same as eMedicaid.

If you have trouble logging in to [eMIPP](#), please go to the “Forgot Your Password” link on the [eMedicaid](#) homepage to reset your password.

If that does not work, please call Provider Relations at 410-767-5503.

[Browse the eMIPP User Guide.](#)



eMIPP



eMedicaid

If you have questions or concerns, please contact our Meaningful Use Support team at CRISP at support@crisphealth.org or call 877-952-7477.

Supporting Documentation

The Maryland Department of Health (MDH) must review supporting documentation before approving EHR Incentive Program attestations. Before submitting your attestation, please upload the following documents in the “Upload Documents” tab in eMIPP:

- The report from your EHR showing the numerators and denominators for each reported MU measure and CQM for your selected reporting period.
- The security risk assessment (SRA) your organization conducted for the Program Year.
- Please be sure to complete your SRA by December 31, 2017 in order to meet Program Year 2017 requirements. For more guidance, please visit HealthIT.gov.
- Take screenshots that show the clinical decision support (CDS) and drug-drug/allergy check functionality settings and alerts from your EHR system.

The Maryland EHR Incentive Program Team is offering to assist providers by reviewing patient volume and Meaningful Use objectives. Please submit questions or requests for patient volume or Meaningful Use review to the EHR Incentive Program Team via email at mdh.marylandehr@maryland.gov

[View an Attestation Checklist.](#)

Changes to Provider Enrollment with Medicaid

Maryland Medicaid is excited to introduce a new electronic Provider Revalidation and Enrollment Portal (ePREP).

ePREP will be a one-stop shop for provider enrollment, re-enrollment, revalidation, information updates and demographic changes.

MDH will implement ePREP in two phases:

Phase I (December 2017 – NOW LIVE) includes most solo practitioners, rendering only providers, and group practices.

Phase II (Spring 2018) includes hospitals, clinics, other medical facilities, and long term services and supports waivers providers.

For more information about provider types included in Phase I and Phase II, please visit: health.maryland.gov/ePREP.

Eligible Professionals should check ePREP, now...

In order to register for and receive payment under the Maryland Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, providers must be actively enrolled in Medicaid and linked with their pay-to organization in Maryland Medicaid's enrollment system.

With [ePREP](#), providers are able to make necessary changes to their enrollment profile with Medicaid, directly. Now that ePREP is live, please verify your information (particularly your enrollment status, group affiliation, SSN, and NPI) is correct in ePREP.

Before entering ePREP, we suggest visiting ePREP's informational page at health.maryland.gov/ePREP. We've added new resources, such as ePREP FAQs and an application checklist, that may be helpful before trying to navigate ePREP. We encourage you to review these resources to prevent confusion and set-up your User Profile and Business Profile correctly.

To sign up in ePREP, visit ePREP.health.maryland.gov. All existing Medicaid providers and new applicants must first sign up to create a User Profile and Business Profile before taking action within ePREP. If you experience any issues or need assistance, please call our call center at 1.844.4MD.PROV(1.844.463.7768).