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**NY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program LISTSERV**

**CMS Announcement of IPPS Final Rule Means Changes for NY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program**

On August 14, 2017, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) issued the Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) Final Rule, which has implications for the NY Medicaid Electronic Health Records (EHR) Incentive Program.

Changes include:

- Modifying the 2018 Meaningful Use (MU) reporting period for Eligible Professionals (EPs) from a full year to a minimum 90-day period
- Finalizing policies to allow healthcare providers to use either the 2014 Edition of Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT), 2015 Edition of CEHRT, or a combination of both, for Program Year 2018
- Modifying the 2017 Clinical Quality Measure (CQM) reporting period for EPs from a full year to be a minimum 90-day period
- Reducing the number of CQMs that EPs must report on for 2017 from 9 CQMs to 6, relevant to the EP's scope of practice
- Reducing the overall pool of CQMs from 64 to 53 – to align with those available to clinicians reporting eCQMs via their EHR for the Merit-based Incentive Payment System (MIPS)

For more information on how the IPPS Final Rule will affect EPs participating in the NY Medicaid EHR Incentive Program, sign up for one of our upcoming webinars:

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