



## Your Partner for EHR Meaningful Use & Incentive Funding Success

The widespread use of electronic health records (EHRs) in the United States has become a reality. EHRs improve documentation, workflow and ultimately patient care. Origin Healthcare Solutions' EHR system, **EMRge™**, is a certified, robust application designed with your practice's workflow in mind.

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### EMRge and Incentive Funding

The Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), introduced by the Obama Administration, will provide incentive payments through Medicare and Medicaid to clinicians and hospitals that use EHR software like the EMRge system to achieve specified improvements in care delivery. Through HITECH, the federal government is offering incentive payments up to \$44,000 (through Medicare) and \$63,750 (through Medicaid) per provider.

In order to qualify, providers must demonstrate "meaningful use" of EHRs.

## MEANINGFUL USE TASKS MENU

In addition to the core objectives, there is a menu of 10 additional tasks from which providers can choose any five to implement in 2011–2012, one of which must be a public health objective.

Stage 1 Objective	Stage 1 Measure	EMRge™
Drug formulary checks	Drug formulary check system is implemented and has access to at least one internal or external drug formulary for the entire reporting period	YES
Incorporate clinical lab results as structured data	More than 40% of clinical laboratory test results whose results are in positive/negative or numerical format are incorporated into EHRs as structured data	YES
Generate lists of patients by condition to use for quality improvement, reduction of disparities, research or outreach	Generate at least one listing of patients with a specific condition	YES
Send reminders to patients per their preferred delivery method for preventive and follow-up care	More than 20% of patients 65 years of age or older or five years of age or younger are sent appropriate reminders	YES
Provide patients with timely electronic access to their health information	More than 10% of patients are provided electronic access to information within four days of it being updated in the EHR	YES
Use certified EHR technology to identify and provide patient-specific education resources	More than 10% of patients are provided patient-specific education resources	YES
Ensure medication reconciliation between care settings	Medication reconciliation is performed for more than 50% of transitions of care	YES
Summary of care record for each referral	Summary of care record is provided for more than 50% of patient transitions or referrals	YES
*Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries	Perform at least one test of data submission and follow-up submission (where registries can accept electronic submission)	YES
*Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies	Perform at least one test of data submission and follow-up submission (where public health agencies can accept electronic submission)	YES

\*public health objective



## WHAT IS MEANINGFUL USE?

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 specifies three main components of meaningful use in EHR implementation:

- The use of a certified EHR in a meaningful manner, such as e-prescribing
- The use of certified EHR technology for electronic exchange of health information to improve quality of healthcare
- The use of certified EHR technology to submit clinical quality and other measures

Simply put, “meaningful use” means providers need to demonstrate that they are using certified EHR technology in ways that can be measured significantly in quality and in quantity.

### Meaningful Use Assistance Program

The Origin Healthcare Solutions Meaningful Use Assistance Program will help you understand how to use EMRge to demonstrate meaningful use and receive incentive payments. The Meaningful Use Assistance Program breaks down the 15 core objectives, a menu of 10 additional tasks and clinical quality measures that define meaningful use. Our team works with you to identify and outline all milestones and actions so you can receive the highest incentive payments available.

The first step toward improving your patient relationships and receiving incentive payments is adopting and implementing the EMRge™ certified electronic health record solution. By taking advantage of e-prescribing and new functionality such as the Patient Portal and Electronic Lab Interfaces, practices can satisfy meaningful use requirements while streamlining processes and saving time and money.

### About Origin Healthcare Solutions

Origin Healthcare Solutions comprises several established industry leaders and is currently partnered with specialty physicians throughout the nation. Origin is a leading provider of revenue cycle management services, with an expansive portfolio of healthcare software and business solutions including: full-service billing, business and clinical intelligence, integrated practice management/electronic health record (EHR) software, transcription services as well as practice and financial management consulting. Our proven solutions and services help practices run more efficiently with reduced costs, and can significantly increase cash flow.



# MEANINGFUL USE STAGE 1 OBJECTIVES

In order to achieve meaningful use, certified EHR technology must be utilized to securely and privately:

- Improve quality, safety, efficiency and reduce health disparities
- Engage patients and families in their healthcare
- Improve care coordination
- Improve population and public health

The 15 core objectives of meaningful use comprise basic functions that enable EHRs to support improved healthcare. These include tasks essential to creating a medical record, including entry of patients' vital signs and demographics, active medications and allergies, up-to-date problem lists of current and active diagnoses, and smoking status.

## 15 Core Objectives:

### *Improve Quality, Safety and Efficiency and Reduce Health Disparities*

Stage 1 Objective	Stage 1 Measure	EMRge™
Use computerized provider order entry (CPOE)	More than 30% of unique patients with at least one medication entered using the CPOE	YES
Implement drug-drug and drug-allergy interaction checks	Eligible provider (EP) has enabled functionality for the EHR reporting period	YES
Generate and transmit permissible prescriptions electronically	More than 40% of permissible prescriptions written by the EP are transmitted electronically using a certified EHR	YES
Record patient demographics	More than 50% of unique patients seen by the EP have demographics as recorded structured data	YES
Maintain updated problem list of current and active diagnoses	More than 80% of patients have at least one entry as structured data	YES
Maintain active medication list	More than 80% of patients seen by the EP have at least one entry recorded as structured data	YES
Maintain active allergy list	More than 80% of patients seen by the EP have at least one entry recorded as structured data	YES
Record and chart vital signs	EP records height, weight and BP as structured data for more than 50% of patients age 2 and over	YES
Record smoking status for patients 13 years or older	More than 50% of patients age 13 and over seen by the EP have smoking status recorded as structured data	YES
Implement one clinical decision support rule and the ability to track compliance with the rule	Implement one clinical decision support rule	YES
Report clinical quality measures to CMS	For 2011, provide aggregate numerator, denominator and exclusions through attestation; for 2010, electronically submit clinical quality measures	YES

### ***Engage Patients and Family in Their Healthcare***

Stage 1 Objective	Stage 1 Measure	EMRge™
Provide patients with an electronic copy of their health information upon request	More than 50% of patients who request an electronic copy of their health information are provided it within three business days (including diagnostic test results, problem list, medication list and medication allergies)	YES
Provide patients with clinical summaries for each office visit	Clinical summaries provided to patients for greater than 50% of all office visits within three business days	YES

### ***Improve Care Coordination***

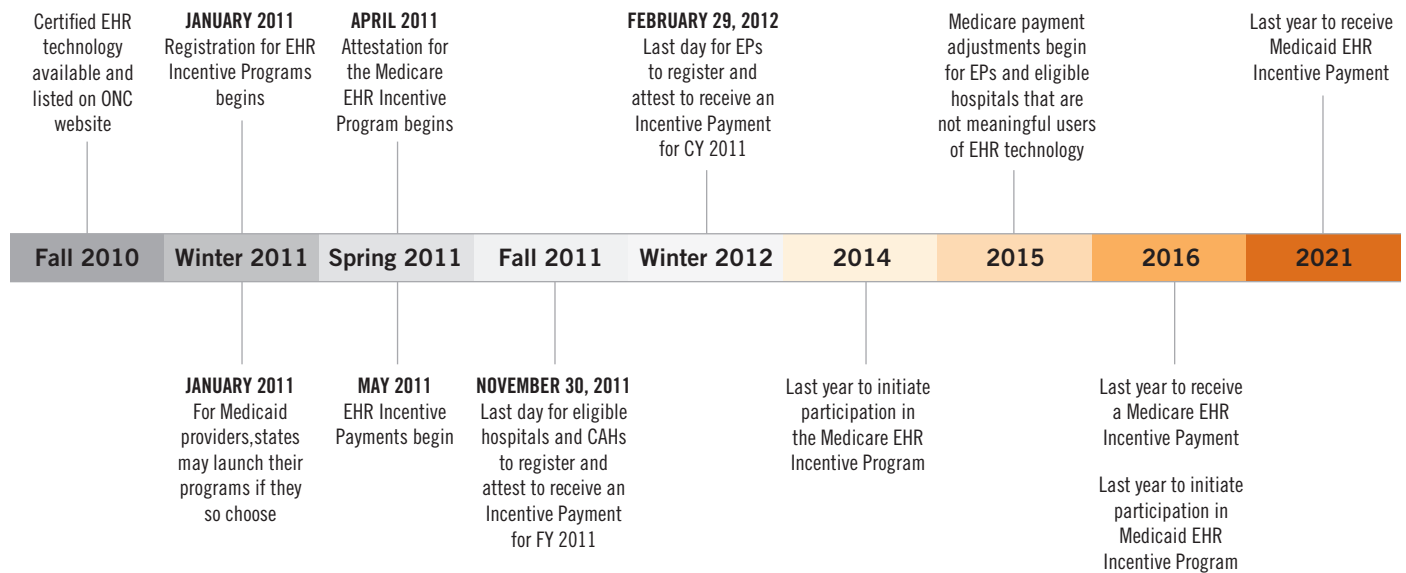
Stage 1 Objective	Stage 1 Measure	EMRge™
Implement capability to electronically exchange key clinical information among providers and patient-authorized entities	Perform at least one test of EHR's capacity to electronically exchange information	YES

### ***Ensure Adequate Privacy and Security Protections for Personal Health Information***

Stage 1 Objective	Stage 1 Measure	EMRge™
Protect electronic health information in the EHR through implementation of technical capabilities	Conduct security risk analysis, implement security updates; correct any security deficiencies. Implement systems to protect privacy and security of patient data in the EHR	YES



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