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To All Vermont Medicaid EHR Incentive Program participants:

## TEN DAYS LEFT TO SUBMIT A VT MEDICAID EHRIP PY2015 APPLICATION: DEADLINE IS 7/18/16

**Midnight on Monday July 18, 2016** marks the end of the grace period for Eligible Professionals to submit applications for Program Year 2015. The EHRIP Team has fielded dozens of emails and calls from participants needing manual intervention to start or progress providers' applications due to *Program and State Switches*, changing provider status information, etc. Those who wait until the final days and hours of the Grace Period may discover **too late** that the necessary CMS and MMIS file updates will not be made in MAPIR in time to submit an application. The EHRIP Team is standing by to assist with all issues so that providers can successfully meet the deadline to submit VT Medicaid EHRIP applications. Please contact us if you have questions.

## CMS PROPOSES 90-DAY EHR REPORTING PERIOD FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2016

This week, CMS issued a proposed rule that includes a provision to shorten the reporting period for Program Year 2016 from a full year to 90 days. The comment period for the proposed rule ends September 6, 2016. This is just proposed and we won't know until at least November if the reporting period will actually be changed. In the meantime, we recommend that you continue working as if all providers who have received at least one payment for demonstrating Meaningful Use will be reporting for the full year for 2016.

If you are aware of anyone who would like to receive our EHRIP email updates, or if you would like to be removed from this distribution list, please forward the updated information to <u>lorraine.siciliano@vermont.gov</u>.

Don't hesitate to <u>contact the Vermont Medicaid EHRIP Team</u> with any questions, and be sure to check out the <u>Vermont Medicaid EHRIP website</u> for important information about the program.

Thank you, Lorraine

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