



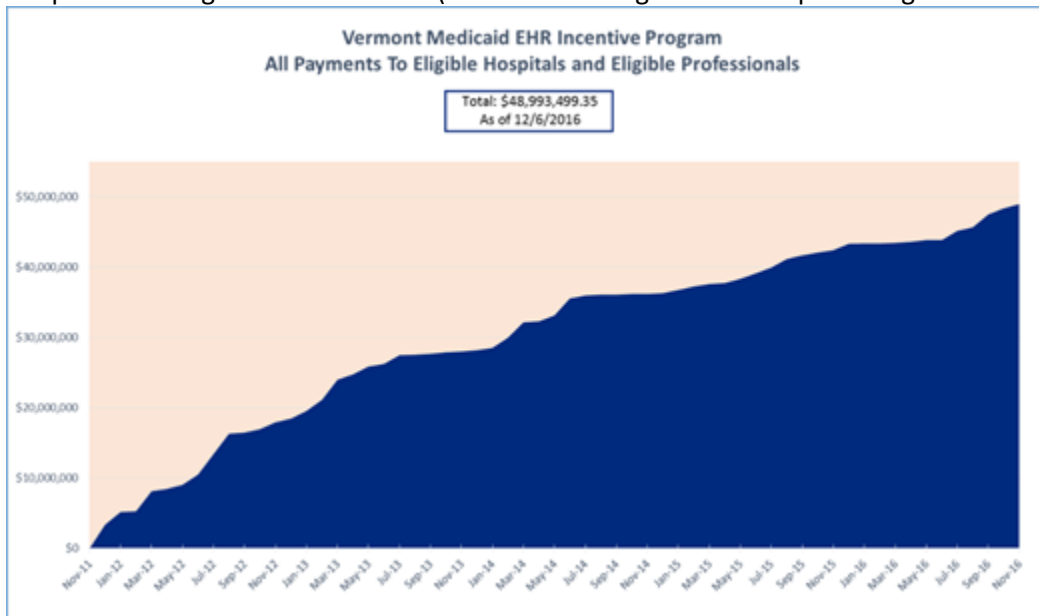
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To All Vermont Medicaid EHR Incentive Program participants:

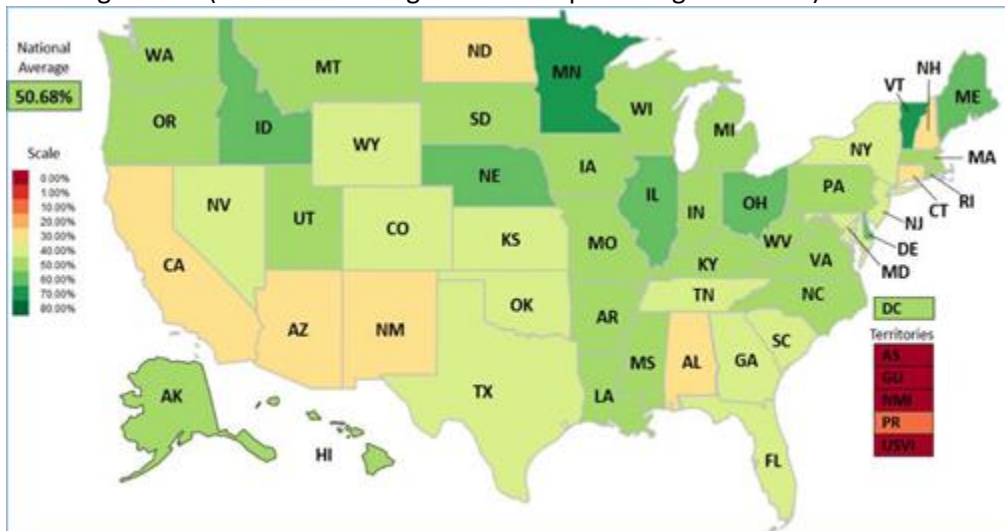
### VT MEDICAID EHR INCENTIVE PROGRAM PROGRESS

Check out the Vermont Medicaid EHRIP [Reports webpage](#), where we post regular updates on our program progress.

- The monthly [Payments to Eligible Providers](#) report lists all Eligible Hospitals and Eligible Professionals that received a VT Medicaid EHRIP payment for each Program Year.
- The *Cumulative Payment Report* illustrates the total dollar amount of payments made to date for all Eligible Hospitals and Eligible Professionals. (Click on the image below to open a larger version.)



- A snapshot of Eligible Professionals who have received payment for A/I/U and returned to demonstrate Meaningful Use. (Click on the image below to open a larger version.)



## PY2016 UPDATES TO THE ALTERNATE METHOD TO ATTEST AND AVOID PAYMENT ADJUSTMENTS

Are you an Eligible Professional (EP) who didn't meet patient volume in Program Year 2016 but still need to avoid payment adjustments? CMS rules allows certain Medicaid EPs the option of attesting to Meaningful Use through the **Medicare** EHR Incentive Program Registration and Attestation system for the purpose of avoiding the Medicare payment adjustment. This *Alternate Attestation* Method will NOT issue an incentive payment, but it does permit EPs who have previously received an incentive payment under the Medicaid EHRIP (for either AIU or Meaningful Use) to demonstrate that they are meaningful EHR users, even if they fail to meet the patient volume eligibility criteria in a subsequent year. For Program Year 2016, EPs can report their Meaningful Use criteria for a 90-day period from within calendar year 2016 at the [CMS Medicare R&A site](http://healthdata.vermont.gov/ehrip/PayAdjust/Alternate). The Alternate Method to attest will be available January 3rd, 2017, and the **deadline to attest using the Alternate Method is February 28, 2017**. For more details, please the guidance at our webpage: <http://healthdata.vermont.gov/ehrip/PayAdjust/Alternate>

## 2016 MEDICAID EHRIP ENROLLMENT CAMPAIGN

The Vermont Medicaid EHRIP Team is wrapping the Program Year 2016 Enrollment Campaign. 2016 is the final year in which Eligible Professionals (EPs) can BEGIN participation in the Medicaid Electronic Health Record Incentive Program. The deadline to meet the eligibility requirements is **December 31, 2016**. Providers will have until **March 31, 2017** to register with CMS and to submit their applications. First-time participants are encouraged to review this [CMS Checklist](#) and visit the Vermont Medicaid EHR Incentive Program [First-Time Participants webpage](#).

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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 [ahs.dvhaEHRIP@vermont.gov](mailto:ahs.dvhaEHRIP@vermont.gov).

Don't hesitate to [contact the Vermont Medicaid EHRIP Team](#) with any questions, and be sure to check out the [Vermont Medicaid EHRIP website](#) for important information about the program.


Thank you,  
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