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Subject: VT Medicaid EHRIP Updates: Important Announcement about CQM Reporting in 2017;

Reminder: MAPIR Will Be Unavailable 1/1/17 - 1/11/17

To All Vermont Medicaid EHR Incentive Program participants:

CLINICAL QUALITY MEASURES (CQM) REPORTING PERIOD - IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement applies to providers who received at least one payment for meeting the Meaningful Use Objectives (not an AIU attestation) prior to Program Year 2017. Providers who already attested to MU in prior program years are required to attest to a FULL Year for the Clinical Quality Measures. The recent CMA OPPS Rule changed the reporting period for the MU Objectives for program year 2017 to 90 days, **BUT the Clinical Quality Measures need to be reported for a full year**. Therefore, you will need to start tracking PY2017 CQM data on 1/1/17. NOTE: For those who are switching EHR systems during 2017, please plan to download, save or otherwise have access to data housed previously within your old CEHRT systems, as you will need to report data from both systems in order to meet the year-long reporting requirement for CQMs.

REMINDER: MAPIR WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE TO START NEW APPLICATIONS BETWEEN 1/1/17 - 1/11/17

Providers attesting to Adopt, Implement or Upgrade (AIU), or First Time Meaningful Use (MU) providers who are permitted to attest to 90 days, are start and submit Program Year 2016 applications in MAPIR now. As program year 2016 is the last year a provider can BEGIN participation in the Medicaid EHR Incentive program, we encourage you to submit your applications as soon as possible. For providers who were scheduled to report on a full year of MU but want to attest to 90 days of MU due to new OPPS Rule change, you will be able to start these applications as of January 12, 2017. MAPIR will NOT allow any applications to be started during a temporary period from 1/1/17 – 1/11/17. The deadline for all Program Year 2016 applications will be March 31, 2017. For more information on Program Year 2016 guidance and requirements, please see the Vermont Medicaid EHRIP Program Year 2016 webpage

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.

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.

Happy Holidays! Lorraine

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