Stage 3 Objective 8 Final Rule Definitions [https://www.federalregister.gov/d/2015-25595/p-1239]

Public Health Registry (Measure 4) – “are those administered by, or on behalf of, local, state, territorial, or national public health agencies.” (Governmental Entity)

Clinical Data Registry (Measure 5) – “administered by, or on behalf of, other non-public health agency entities”. Further, “The National Quality Registry Network defines clinical data registries as those that record information about the health status of patients and the health care they receive over varying periods of time.” (Non-Governmental Entity)

From the Measure Specification Sheet - For Measures 4 and 5, if the PHA or CDR does not use a specified standard, it must use another standard specified in 170.205 to meet the measure. For example, the transmission could be in the form of a Consolidated Clinical Document Architecture (C-CDA) per 170.205(a)(4), or Quality Reporting Document Architecture (QRDA) per 170.205(h)(2).

Public Health Registry vs Clinical Data Registry Decision Tree

Who Administers the Registry?

Governmental Entity

Are specified standards used for data transmission?

Yes

Has clinician achieved production status in a prior year program attestation?

No

Qualifies under Stage 3 Objective 8.4 Public Health Registry

Yes

The registry cannot be used to meet the Medicaid PI Stage 3 Public Health and Clinical Data Registry Reporting Objective

Non-Governmental Entity

Are specified standards used for data transmission?

Yes

Qualifies under Stage 3 Objective 8.5 Clinical Data Registry

No

No

No