Staged for Success: Stage 3
Patient Generated Health Data

What is Patient Generated Health Data?
Patient Generated Health Data (PGHD) is data generated by a patient or a patient’s authorized representative that is incorporated into a clinician’s Certified EHR Technology (CEHRT). To successfully meet the associated Stage 3 measure of the Medicaid Promoting Interoperability Program (formerly the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program or Meaningful Use), the Eligible Professional (EP) must incorporate PGHD or data from a non-clinical setting into the EHR for more than 5% of all unique patients seen by the EP during the chosen EHR reporting period.

Important Points to Consider

- The types of PGHD that satisfy this measure are broad. They may include, but are not limited to, social services data, data generated by a patient or a patient’s authorized representative, advance directives, medical device data, home health monitoring data, and fitness monitor data.

- For this measure, providers considered to be from a nonclinical setting may include, but are not limited to, nutritionists, physical therapists, occupational therapists, psychologists, and home health care providers.

- PGHD may not be information the patient provides to the EP during the office visit, as it does not meet the intent of the measure to support care coordination and patient engagement between patient visits. PGHD must originate from outside an EP office visit from a different date and/or time.

- CMS does not specify the manner in which EPs are required to incorporate the PGHD data. EPs should work with their EHR vendor to determine the best method for their practice and needs.

Stage 3 Requires 2015 CEHRT!