Staged for Success: Stage 3
Patient-Specific Education

What is Patient-Specific Education?

Patient-specific education describes educational resources that directly pertain to an individual patient’s health and are of value to the patient. To successfully meet the associated Stage 3 measure of the Medicaid Promoting Interoperability Program (formally the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program or Meaningful Use), the Eligible Professional (EP) must use clinically relevant information from the Certified EHR Technology (CEHRT) to identify patient-specific educational resources and provide electronic access to those materials for more than 35% of unique patients seen by the EP during the EHR reporting period.

Important Points to Consider

- The patient must be able to access this information on demand, such as through a patient portal, a personal health record (PHR), or by other online electronic means.

- Paper-based actions are no longer allowed to be counted for measure calculations. EPs may still provide paper-based educational materials for their patients, but they may no longer be included in measure calculations.

- To meet this PI measure, the EP must provide electronic access to educational materials. However, the patient is not required to log in to view the educational material provided.

- EPs are encouraged to contact their EHR vendor to determine the specific specifications and workflow changes that may be required to meet this measure.

Stage 3 Requires 2015 CEHRT!