

New CMS Centralised Repository for Registry Info



The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has launched a new centralised repository for public health agency and clinical data registry reporting. The CMS Centralised Repository serves as an additional source of information for eligible professionals, eligible hospitals and critical access hospitals.

It will be recalled that CMS committed to develop the repository as stated in the Stage 2 of Meaningful Use final rule, which was released in 2012. The repository is intended to help organisations with their meaningful use requirements.

The CMS Centralised Repository is not the authoritative source of all reporting options currently available, CMS said, noting that the information within the repository was collected in September and October 2016. Participation in the centralised repository by public health agencies, clinical data registries and specialised registries is voluntary.

For the Medicare or Medicaid EHR Incentive Programmes, the absence of an entry on the CMS Centralised Repository is not sufficient documentation for claiming an exclusion and does not prevent a provider from attesting to reporting to a registry, CMS explained. Providers must still check with jurisdictional public health agencies or speciality societies to which they belong and document that information to satisfy Medicare or Medicaid reporting.

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