



North Dakota EHR Incentive Payment Program

Eligible Professionals

User Guide – Group Proxy Methodology

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Group Attestation for Eligible Professionals

***NOTE – All EPs must first be registered with the CMS EHR Registration and Attestation System at:**

<http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/EHRIncentivePrograms/RegistrationandAttestation.html>

Each EP will receive a CMS EHR Confirmation number that will be needed to start the ND attestation. Please allow 24 hours after registering with CMS for the number to be valid in the ND Portal.

Access ND Registration and Attestation Portal

<https://apps.nd.gov/dhs/mmis/hitech/login.htm>

Login – Enter the login information – Refer to the account creation document if you have not created an User ID and Password

User Profile

The first time a user logs in, a profile must be completed

This should be the person that is attesting on behalf of a provider or the provider if they are self-attesting

User Information

*Required

*Name: John Doe

*Organization Name: Good Medical Center

*EIN/TIN: 123456789

*Title: Administrator

*SSN: 111223333

*Phone: 7015555555

*Email Address: JDOE@nd.gov

*Address 1: 123 Street Name

Address 2:

*City: Anytown

*State: ND

*Zip: 55555

*Preferred Communication: Email or Phone

Save

To edit this information at any time, you can access this information from the "Your Profile" tab on the main menu.

Main Menu

Meaningful Use | **Your Profile** | Program Details

Eligible Professionals or Hospitals Meaningful Use

Register an Eligible Hospital or Professional

* CMS Confirmation Number: Select Year

Add an EP to the profile

*** If attesting as a group of EP's using the Group Proxy patient volume method, all EPs must be added to the profile before proceeding.**

Enter the CMS confirmation number and select the attestation year for each EP that will be attesting.

The screenshot shows a web application interface. At the top is a blue bar labeled "Main Menu". Below it are three tabs: "Meaningful Use", "Your Profile", and "Program Details". The "Your Profile" tab is active. Underneath, there is a blue header for "Eligible Professionals or Hospitals Meaningful Use". Below that is a light blue header for "Register an Eligible Hospital or Professional". The main content area contains a form with the following elements: a red asterisk followed by the text "CMS Confirmation Number", a text input field, a dropdown menu labeled "Select Year", and a blue button labeled "Add Provider". A red rectangular box highlights the text input field, the "Select Year" dropdown, and the "Add Provider" button.

Once all the providers are added to the profile, you are ready to begin the attestation process. This process will need to be completed each year an EP attests.

Attestation Process – Group Proxy

Group Proxy Methodology

Group practices - Clinics or group practices will be permitted to calculate patient volume at the group practice/clinic level, but only in accordance with all of the following limitations:

- The clinic or group practice’s patient volume is appropriate as a patient volume methodology calculation for the EP
- There is an auditable data source to support the clinic’s or group practice’s patient volume determination
- All EPs in the group practice or clinic must use the same methodology for the payment year
- The clinic or group practice uses the entire practice or clinic’s patient volume and does not limit patient volume in any way
- If an EP works inside and outside of the clinic or practice, then the patient volume calculation includes only those encounters associated with the clinic or group practice, and not the EP’s outside encounters
- Each EP must have at least one Medicaid encounter within the 90 day patient volume period.
- EP's attesting using Group Proxy will use the aggregate patient volume of the entire facility, not just from the EP's attesting and all EP's will use the same patient volume percentage.

1. Select Begin on one of the EPs that will be attesting as part of the group

Main Menu

Meaningful Use | Your Profile | Program Details

Eligible Professionals or Hospitals Meaningful Use

Legend: Submitted Approved Denied Incomplete

Name	NPI	TIN	CCN	Status	Action
Program Year 2013					
Lutheran					Continue Delete
FERDINAND					Begin
Program Year 2014					
Test Hospital		SSN:299999999			Begin
FERDINAND					Begin
Paul					Begin
St Josephs					Begin

[View Previous Years](#)

Register an Eligible Hospital or Professional

* CMS Confirmation Number:

2. Answer "YES" to the question is this for a Group of Providers
3. Enter the NPI for the facility
4. If all providers are Pediatrician answer Yes, if not, answer No
5. Select the Check Box next to the name of all the providers that are attesting
All providers must be added to the profile before they will be available to select
6. Enter the Begin date of the Patient Volume Period (the system will calculate the end date). This will be the same for all the providers as part of the Group Proxy Methodology
7. Enter the number of Medicaid Encounters and the Total Encounter. By using Group Proxy this will be the aggregate numbers of the clinic/facility
8. Click Continue

Meaningful Use

***Required**

Group or Individual

*Is this Attestation for a group of providers? Yes No

Pediatrician

*Is this Attestation for a Pediatrician? Yes No

Professional Provider Selection

Select	Name	NPI	TIN	CCN	Program Year	Participation Year
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FERDINAND				2014	4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Paul				2014	1

90-day Medicaid Patient Volume

*Begin Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)

End Date:

Medicaid Volume Calculation

*Paid Medicaid Encounters:

*Total Encounters:

Return to Menu
Continue

9. Under Action click Continue, this will be repeated for each EP
 This will begin the individual attestation for each EP

Meaningful Use Information

Medicaid Volume 90 Day Period - [Edit](#)

Begin Date: 01/01/2014
 End Date: 03/31/2014

Medicaid Volume Calculation - [Edit](#)

Paid Medicaid Encounters: 375
 Total Encounters: 800
 Medicaid Volume: 46.88%

Attestation Selection

Legend: Complete Required - Incomplete

Name	NPI	TIN	CCN	Status	Action
Paul					Continue
FERDINAND					Continue

[Return to Menu](#)

[Submit](#)

AIU - Year 1 only

The only information required for AIU is the Register and attest questions and the required documents.

***NOTE – for Meaningful Use attestations, refer to the MU user guide. The steps to complete the MU attestation will be the same for groups as it is for individuals, once the group attestation is started.**

Medicaid Volume 90 Day Period - [Edit](#)

Begin Date: 01/01/2014

End Date: 03/31/2014

Medicaid Volume Calculation - [Edit](#)

Paid Medicaid Encounters: 300

Total Encounters: 800

Medicaid Volume: 37.5%

EHR Certification Information - [Add](#)

CMS EHR Certification ID:

Attestation Selection

Legend: Complete Incomplete

Measure Name	Status	Status	Action
Register and Attest	0 of 9 complete		Begin
Attest to Core, Menu and Clinical Measures			

Upload Documents

Legend: Complete Required Optional

Document Name	Status	Action
Legal Authorization to attest on behalf of the facility/provider		Upload
Volume Calculation		Upload
Signed Legal Contract or EHR Certification Number		Upload
W-9		Upload
Add Additional Documents		

[Return to Menu](#)

[Submit](#)

1. To edit/change the Medicaid Volume 90 Day Period or Medicaid Volume, click the Edit link
2. Enter the EHR Certification ID by selecting Add. To obtain the EHR Certification Number, enter the EHR information at the ONC CHPL site: <http://oncchpl.force.com/ehrcert/CHPLHome>
* Valid Certification numbers will highlight GREEN (**Valid is required**), invalid will highlight RED.
3. If you are in Year 1 and you would like to attest to MU rather than AIU, select the Attest to Core, Menu, and Clinical Measures link to add the MU criteria. (Not required for AIU)

Register and Attest Questions

4. To Attest to AIU only, select Begin to Register and Attest

Attestation Selection

Legend:  Complete  Incomplete

Measure Name	Status	Status	Action
Register and Attest	0 of 9 complete		Begin
Attest to Core, Menu and Clinical Measures			

5. Answer the following questions. These will all be verified before payment is issued. If the provider is found to be sanctioned, been paid by Medicare or by another state, or hospital based, the provider will be deemed ineligible.
- 5.1. Q 1 Are you currently sanctioned by Medicaid or Medicare? Yes or No
 - 5.2. Q2 Have you ever been sanctioned by Medicare or Medicaid? Yes or No
 - 5.3. Q3 Have you applied for an EHR Incentive Payment in any other state? Yes or No, If yes, select the other state
 - 5.4. Q4 Do you practice at more than one location → If yes, list all other Clinics/Facilities

Adopt, Implement and Upgrade Questionnaire

*Required

Question #1

*Are you currently sanctioned by Medicaid or Medicare?

- Yes.
 No.

Question #2

*Has your organization ever been sanctioned by Medicaid or Medicare in North Dakota or any other state?

- Yes.
 No.

Question #3

*Have you applied for EHR Incentive payment in any other state? (Eligible hospitals/professionals may only apply in one state at a time)

- Yes.
 No.

*If so, which State?

Question #4

*Do you practice at more than one location?

- Yes
 No

Location	Address	City	Action
Clinic XYZ	500 Main St	Bismarck	Remove
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	Add

5.5. Q5 Have you adopted, implemented, or upgraded using a certified EHR → If Yes, select either Adopt, Implement or Upgrade

5.6. Q6 Are you non-Hospital based? → If 90% or more of the EPs encounters are hospital based (POS 21 or 23), the EP is not eligible for payment

Question #5

*Have you adopted, implemented, or upgraded using a certified EHR technology?

- Yes
- No

*If so, which one?

- Adopt
- Implement
- Upgrade

Question #6

*Are you non-hospital based (90% or more of your encounters are NOT performed in an inpatient setting (site of service code 21) or in the emergency department (site of service code 23)?

- Yes
- No

5.7. Q7 Do you practice in an FQHC, RHC, or Tribal Clinic → If yes, are you a Physician's Assistant →
If yes, select the qualifying PA requirement (The facility **must** be PA led for a PA to be eligible).

The facility is considered PA led if:

5.7.1.The PA is the primary provider in a clinic (part time physician and full time PA)

5.7.2.The PA is the clinical or medical director at a clinical site of practice

5.7.3.The PA is the owner of the RHC

** If you practice in an FQHC, RHC, or Tribal Clinic, the EP must practice predominately at the facility → Meaning 50% or greater of all encounters must be performed at the FQHC, RHC, or Tribal Clinic and been practicing at the facility for 6 consecutive months

*Do you practice in a FQHC, RHC or Tribal Clinic?

Yes

No

*Do you practice predominantly at a FQHC, RCH or Tribal Clinic? (Practicing predominantly means that the FQHC/RHC is the clinical location for over 50 percent of total encounters over a period of six months in the most recent calendar year or 12 months preceding the attestation.)

Yes

No

*Are you a Physician's Assistant?

Yes

No

*Is your FQHC/RHC "so led" by a Physician's Assistant?

Yes

No

* Choose one of the following three options:

PA is the primary provider in a clinic

PA is a clinical or medical director at a clinical site of practice

PA is an owner of a RHC

- 5.8. Q8 Percentage of Payer Mix → This should be from the same 90 day period used for the patient volume, so Percentage of Medicaid should = the same percentage used for patient volume
- 5.9. Do you wish to assign Payment to an Organization/Individual → If yes, enter the information to whom that payment should be made. A Signed letter of acknowledgement/intent is required from the EP stating they agree payment can be assigned to the facility.

Question #8

Percentage of Payer Mix

*Percentage of Paid Medicaid Encounters:

*Percentage of Paid Medicare Encounters:

*Percentage of Paid BCBSND Encounters:

*Percentage of Other Paid Commercial Encounters: Name:

*Percentage of Other Paid Encounters: Name:

Question #9

*Do you wish to assign Payment to an Organization/Individual?

- Yes
- No

*Organization/Individual Name:

*Address to which payment should be sent:

*TIN or EIN:

*Phone Number for assignee:

*Email Address for assignee:

**Select Save & Return to complete the section

6. If the section was completed, the status will indicate with a green check mark, if not, a red X will display indicating it is incomplete

Attestation Selection

Legend: ✓ Complete ✗ Incomplete

Measure Name	Status	Status	Action
Register and Attest	9 of 9 complete	✓	Continue
Attest to Core, Menu and Clinical Measures			

Upload Documents

Required Documents

7. Required Documents to Upload

-  indicates the document is required
-  indicates the document is optional and can be uploaded
-  indicates the document has been uploaded successfully

If any additional documents need to be updated to provide any explanations or assist with verification, select the Add Additional Documents link. The more verifying documents uploaded will help speed up the verification and payment process.

Upload Documents		
Document Name	Status	Action
Legal Authorization to attest on behalf of the facility/provider		Upload
Volume Calculation		Upload
Signed Legal Contract or EHR Certification Number		Upload
W-9		Upload
Add Additional Documents		

- 7.1. Legal Authorization to attest → Must be a current dated letter from the CEO/CIO of the facility granting permission to the person attesting on behalf of the facility
- 7.2. Volume Calculation → **MUST** Use the calculation Template located at: <http://www.healthit.nd.gov/medicaid/>
- 7.3. Signed Legal Contract → Legal binding contract of the EHR system used at the facility
- 7.4. W-9 → Current W-9 to whom the payment is being made (usually the facility)
- 7.5. MU Dashboard → If attesting to MU, the Core, Menu, and CQM dashboard from the EHR must be provided to verify the MU data
8. If complete, select "Submit" to complete the Attestation.
9. The user must agree to the terms/disclaimer

All documentation for each attestation must be kept for a minimum of six (6) years and the attestation can be subject to audit for up to six (6) years. If the documentation cannot be provided,

the payment will be recouped.

Attestation Disclaimer

General Notice

NOTICE: Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any misrepresentation or any false, incomplete, or misleading information may be guilty of a criminal act punishable under law and may also be subject to civil penalties.

Signature of Hospital Representative

I certify that the foregoing information is true, accurate, and complete. I understand that the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program payment I requested will be paid from Federal funds, that by filing this registration I am submitting a claim for Federal funds, and that the use of any false claims, statements, or documents, or the concealment of a material fact used to obtain a Medicaid EHR Incentive Program payment, may be prosecuted under applicable Federal or State criminal laws and may also be subject to civil penalties.

I hereby agree to keep such records as are necessary to demonstrate that I met all Medicaid EHR Incentive Program requirements and to furnish those records to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the ND Department of Human Services Medical Services Medicaid Program, or contractor acting on their behalf.

No Medicaid EHR Incentive Program payment may be paid unless this registration form is completed and accepted as required by existing law and regulations (42 CFR 495.10).

NOTICE: Anyone who misrepresents or falsifies essential information to receive payment from Federal funds requested by this form may upon conviction be subject to fine and imprisonment under applicable Federal laws.

ROUTINE USE(S): Information from this Medicaid EHR Incentive Program registration form and subsequently submitted information and documents may be given to the Internal Revenue Service, private collection agencies, and consumer reporting agencies in connection with recoupment of any overpayment made and to Congressional Offices in response to inquiries made at the request of the person to whom a record pertains. Appropriate disclosures may be made to other federal, state, local, foreign government agencies, private business entities, and individual providers of care, on matters relating to entitlement, fraud, program abuse, program integrity, and civil and criminal litigation related to the operation of the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program.

DISCLOSURES: Voluntary; however, failure to provide information will result in delay in payment or may result in denial of EHR Incentive Payment. With the one exception discussed below, there are no penalties under these programs for refusing to supply information. However, failure to furnish information on the requested information or document will result in the issuance of an overpayment demand letter followed by recoupment procedures.

It is mandatory that you tell us if you believe you have been overpaid under the Medicaid EHR Incentive Program. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Section 6402, Section 11283, provides penalties for withholding this information.

Agree*

I understand that submitting this form and attesting to the information requested constitutes my understanding of the legal and regulatory requirements necessary to apply for this program and that hitting the "submit" button holds the same force under North Dakota law as a written legal signature.