

## KY REC Tip for the Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program (Promoting Interoperability)

### 2015 CEHRT (Certified EHR Technology)

#### What does Stage 3 require?

EHR technology certified to the 2015 edition is required for Stage 3 reporting of the EHR Incentive Program. EPs who plan to continue participation in the EHR Incentive Program for Program Year 2020 and beyond must have fully implemented 2015 CEHRT. EHR technology certified to the 2015 Edition of CEHRT must be used for the entire reporting period. Therefore, it will need to be fully implemented prior to the start of the 90 day period used for Program Year 2020 attestation submission.

#### Things to Consider:

- Has your EHR already been upgraded?
- If your EHR has not been upgraded, have you contacted your vendor to schedule an upgrade?
- Remember, EPs will not be eligible to attest to Stage 3 in 2020 without a 2015 Edition CEHRT.
- Do you know where to find your reports since the upgrade?
- Is API turned on and fully functional?
- Have you been trained on new functionality required to meet Stage 3 Medicaid Promoting Interoperability measures?
- Assure all components of the upgrade are certified to the 2015 CEHRT
  - Some components are certified at different stages. Review your version on the Certified Health Product List (CHPL) to assure all components are certified to the 2015 standards. You can find that list [here](#).



### Best Practices:

- If your EHR has not been upgraded, contact your vendor soon to schedule an upgrade to 2015 CEHRT. The process for the upgrade could take months, so it is important to get on your vendor's schedule. Don't wait until the end of the year to discuss with your vendor. Once your upgrade is implemented, contact your HIT Advisor with the upgrade date.
- Maintain all communications with your vendor related to your upgrade. This documentation should be kept for audit purposes.
- Request the user guide for the system to identify changes in workflows and for troubleshooting issues.
- After the upgrade, be sure your vendor explains to you the process for retrieving all necessary reports.
- Obtain the necessary training from your vendor to understand the new functionality implemented with your upgrade.
- When upgrading to your 2015 CEHRT, document the version of EHR you were using prior to the upgrade, as well as the new version after receiving the upgrade. Send this information to your HIT Advisor. This will also help in determining your CEHRT ID for attestation.
- For additional guidance on 2015 CEHRT, please contact your HIT Advisor.
- Visit the Certified Health IT Product List (CHPL) website to search your vendor name and version and verify it is 2015 CEHRT. <https://chpl.healthit.gov/#/search>

Certification to the 2015 Edition to Support Stage 3 of the EHR Incentive Programs in 2018 and Beyond:

[https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/2015editionsupportingstage3\\_ml\\_11-5-15.pdf](https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/2015editionsupportingstage3_ml_11-5-15.pdf)