Public Health Meaningful Use - Guidelines

Active Engagement

In order to meet a measure under the Public Health Reporting objective for any stage or year, data submitters must demonstrate active engagement. Active engagement may be demonstrated by any of the following:

1. Completed registration of intent to submit data
2. Testing and Validation
3. Production

Refer to CMS Guidelines for additional information

Registration of Intent

Complete the MSDH on-line Meaningful Use Registration Form at
https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MSDH_Registration_of_Intent

1. An incomplete registration will result in a delay in your organization receiving its letter(s).

**NOTE:** MSDH is currently supporting multi facility organizations that are using cloud-based and shared EHR platforms. The multi facility organization must:

- Register Intent for each facility. In each Registration, complete the Parent Organization section using the main business organization information (i.e. Parent Organization will be the same for each facility’s Registration of Intent. Do not Register Intent for the Parent Organization unless they are an EH or EP. Letters will be generated based on Parent Organization and Stage. The Parent Organization will receive a letter for each Stage with a list of facilities that have been registered using the Parent Organization and Stage.
- Per CMS FAQ, EP’s, EH’s, and CAH’s only need to register intent once per stage. Organizations will receive one letter per stage for all facilities where their providers practice. MSDH may ask organizations to update their Registration of Intent information periodically.

2. Identify the Public Health Meaningful Use criteria that the facility/provider would like to attest for.
3. The facility will receive a Meaningful Use Certification Letter from MSDH once the EH, CAH, or EP has satisfied all criteria.

MSDH and the Mississippi Health Information Network (MS-HIN)

MS-HIN is the state’s health information exchange (HIE) currently being deployed statewide. MS-HIN is a secure electronic exchange of patient information which allows health care providers a quick, secure, reliable access to patient health records. The MS-HIN provides a patient’s complete medical history at the point of care fostering better quality care in a more efficient manner.

**MS-HIN Mission**

- To provide sustainable, trusted exchange of health information to improve the quality, safety, and efficiency of health care for all Mississippians.

**MS-HIN Vision**

- To be the trusted source for secure, quality health care information – anywhere, anytime for a healthier Mississippi.

MSDH and MS-HIN are working closely together to implement efficiencies in health information exchange throughout the state.

**MSDH is requiring that all EHs, EPs, and CAHs use MS-HIN to satisfy their MU Public Health reporting.**

**Registration of Intent**

Each facility will be required to complete a registration for each MU Stage.

**Note:** Effective March 1, 2015, multi-facility organizations must register intent for each individual clinic for each Stage and Year. Each registration will have the same “Parent Organization” and each facility must be uniquely identified as the “Organization”. MSDH will generate a report by Parent Organization and include the list of clinics in separate letters for each Stage and Year.

**Certification Letter**

MSDH will email a Certification Letter(s) when the MU PH criteria have been met.
The Certification Letter(s) can be supplied to the organization with each facility listed OR to each individual facility depending on the organization/facility’s readiness.

**Note:** EH’s and EP’s will be eligible to receive an MU Certification Letter from MSDH once they complete their Registration of Intent.

Those EH’s and EP’s that are planning to send Immunization data to meet Stage 2 MU criteria must satisfactorily complete a [MIEX Readiness Assessment](#) to receive their MU Certification Letter.