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Information Blocking: Eight Regulatory Reminders

Information Blocking: Eight Regulatory Reminders for October 6th from ONC

ONC shared per their blog post released September 30, 2022, “on October 6, 2022, we reach the end of the more than two-year glide path laid out for the information blocking regulations. Moving forward, expect to see periodic, experience-driven regulatory updates as well as continued work on education, outreach, and oversight, including the establishment of disincentives for health care providers.” To read the full blog post including noted regulatory reminders, click [here](#).

Welcome to NDHIN: New Participant Spotlight

NDHIN would like to welcome our newest participants

- **Bright Side Specialty Clinic**
- **Pain Treatment Center Anesthesiologist**
- **Missouri Slope Lutheran Care Center**
- **MyAlly Health Clinic**



What You Need to Know About Electronic Case Reporting (eCR)

Electronic Case Reporting (eCR)

Electronic Case Reporting (eCR) is the automated, real-time exchange of case report information between electronic health records (EHRs) and public health agencies. If your facility is participating in either the Medicare Promoting Interoperability (PI) Program or the Merit-Based Incentive Payment System (MIPS) Program, eCR applies to you. Eligible hospitals and providers must begin eCR in 2022 to meet the required Public Health and Clinical Data Exchange objective under the respective CMS Quality Programs.

HOW IT WORKS ELECTRONIC CASE REPORTING



Patient is diagnosed with a reportable condition, such as COVID-19



Healthcare provider enters patient's information into the EHR



Data in the EHR automatically trigger a case report that is validated and sent to the appropriate public health agency if it meets reportability criteria



The public health agency receives the case report in real time and a response about reportability is sent back to the provider



State or local health department reaches out to patient for contact tracing, services, or other public health action

NDHIN continues to work closely with the North Dakota Department of Health & Human Services (NDHHS) to assist facilities with eCR implementation. Our team has developed an Electronic Case Report Implementation Guide and Checklist to provide guidance to facilities and providers through the process of eCR implementation. You may find the guide and checklist by clicking [here](#). For more information or questions regarding eCR, please contact Rachel Goble at rgoble@nd.gov.

Reminders!

Help Us Stay Up to Date

- When an employee leaves your organization, please contact NDHIN to ensure access to Clinical Portal and DSM (if applicable) is terminated. Making this a part of your employee termination process will ensure this step is not forgotten.
- Please reach out to NDHIN with any EHR vendor changes or changes that may affect your connectivity with NDHIN. We are here to ensure the appropriate connectivity is in place and to make sure your journey is a seamless one. Please contact us with any questions.



Quarterly Q & A Session

Please Join Us

Our last session for 2022 will be held December 15th at 12:30-1:00 pm CST. Keep watching your inbox for more information as we will be providing additional information closer to the session date. *Missed a Q&A session?* Click [here](#) to access past sessions.

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