



Meaningful Use Paths – Medicare

This tool will help Eligible Providers (EPs) plan for how to attest to Medicare’s Meaningful Use program in 2014 and beyond, including:

- which stage and year the EP is required to meet
- what the potential incentives are
- how to avoid Medicare payment adjustments that begin in 2015

Instructions:

Click the “Click here” option within each row, which brings you to the page detailing the timeframes, stages, incentives and payments for that path.

Started in 2011-2014, and did not miss any year(s):

<u>2014 Path</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Click here – Path 1				Stage 1** - Year 1 Any 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Full Year
Click here - Path 2			Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1** - Year 2 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 1 Full Year
Click here – Path 3		Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Full Year	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year
Click here – Path 4	Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Full Year	Stage 1 - Year 3 Full Year	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year

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Missed 1-2 years:

<u>2014 Path</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Click here – Path 5		Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Missed	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year
Click here - Path 6	Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Full Year	Stage 1 - Year 3 Missed	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year
Click here – Path 7	Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Missed	Stage 1 - Year 3 Missed	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year
Click here - Path 8	Stage 1 - Year 1 90 days	Stage 1 - Year 2 Missed	Stage 1 - Year 3 Full Year	Stage 2** - Year 1 3 month Qtr.	Stage 2 - Year 2 Full Year

Note: If a participating provider does not successfully attest for a given year, he/she will not be eligible to receive an incentive payment for that year. However, attesting and receiving an incentive payment for a future participation year is based on the provider's ability to meet MU during that year and not based on success or failure in previous years.

When a provider continues to participate and submit attestation information in subsequent years, the progression through the stages of MU will continue to follow the CMS-established timeline of meeting the MU criteria of each stage for two program years, regardless of whether he/she demonstrates MU in each consecutive year.

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Will begin in 2015:

<u>2014 Path</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
Click here - Path 9					Stage 1 - Year 1 Any 90 days

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Medicare Path 1 – 1st Year Attesting is 2014

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment (P.A.)</u>
2012	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013	N/A	N/A	N/A
2014	Stage 1 – Year 1 Meet any consecutive 90 days: To Avoid Both 2015 & 2016: Fully attest by 10/1/14 To Avoid Only 2016: Meet measures by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$12,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 1 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$8,000 (in early 2016)	To Avoid 2015 1% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014 by Oct 1, 2014 -- OR -- Submit a Hardship Exception Application by Jul 1, 2014
2016	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	Up to \$4,000 (in early 2017)	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for any 90 days in 2014
2017	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$24,000 * * Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration	

Proposed Rule**

- 2011 and/or 2014 CEHRT
- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1 measures



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Medicare Path 2 – 1st Year Attesting was 2013

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2012	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 Any consecutive 90 days during 2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$15,000	N/A
2014	Stage 1 – Year 2 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$12,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$8,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avoided 2015 1% P.A. Already avoided 2015 P.A. by attesting for 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	Up to \$4,000 (in early 2017)	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$39,000 * * Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration	

Proposed Rule**

- 2011 and/or 2014 CEHRT
- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1 measures



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Medicare Path 3 – 1st Year Attesting was 2012

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$12,000	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$8,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$4,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avoided 2015 1% P.A. Already avoided 2015 P.A. by attesting for 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2017)	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$44,000* * Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration	

Proposed Rule**

- 2011 and/or 2014 CEHRT
- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1, or Stage 2



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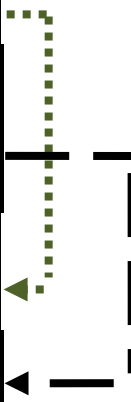
Medicare Path 4 – 1st Year Attesting was 2011

For eligible providers (EPs) who started attesting to Medicare Meaningful Use in 2011, here is a snapshot of their participation in the program from 2011 – 2017, including how to attest in 2014 and beyond, as well as what the potential incentives are and how to avoid Medicare payment adjustments that begin in 2015:

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$12,000	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 3 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$8,000	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$4,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avoided 2015 1% P.A. Already avoided 2015 P.A. by attesting for 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	N/A	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$44,000* <small>* Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration</small>	

Proposed Rule**

- 2011 and/or 2014 CEHRT
- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1, or Stage 2



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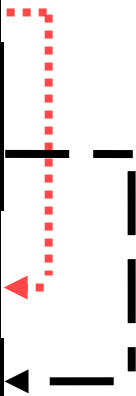
Medicare Path 5 – 1st Year was 2012; Missed 2013

For eligible providers (EPs) who started attesting to Medicare Meaningful Use in 2012 **but missed attesting in 2013**, here is a snapshot of their participation in the program from 2012 – 2017, including how to attest in 2014 and beyond, as well as what the potential incentives are and how to avoid Medicare payment adjustments that begin in 2015:

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missed Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	\$0	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$8,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$4,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Will be Assessed 2015 1% P.A. because missed 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2017)	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$32,000* <small>* Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration</small>	

Proposed Rule**

- 2011 and/or 2014 CEHRT
- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1, or Stage 2



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Medicare Path 6 – 1st Year was 2011; Missed 2013

For eligible providers (EPs) who started attesting to Medicare Meaningful Use in 2011, attested in 2012, **but missed attesting in 2013**, here is a snapshot of their participation in the program from 2011 – 2017, including how to attest in 2014 and beyond, as well as what the potential incentives are and how to avoid Medicare payment adjustments that begin in 2015:

<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/12	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$12,000	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missed Stage 1 – Year 3 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	\$0	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$4,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Will be Assessed 2015 1% P.A. because missed 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	N/A	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$36,000 * * Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration	

Proposed Rule **

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- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1, or Stage 2

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Medicare Path 7 – 1st Year was 2011 Missed 2012 & 2013

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missed Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/12	\$0	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missed Stage 1 – Year 3 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	\$0	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$4,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Will be Assessed 2015 1% P.A. because missed 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	N/A	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		Up to \$24,000* <small>* Does not include 2% reduction due to sequestration</small>	

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- 2013 or 2014 Stage 1, or Stage 2

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Medicare Path 8 – 1st Year was 2011 Missed 2012; Met 2013

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2011	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 1 90 days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$18,000	N/A
2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Missed Stage 1 – Year 2 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/12	\$0	N/A
2013	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stage 1 – Year 3 Full year 1/1 - 12/31/13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Up to \$8,000	N/A
2014	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet 3 month <u>fixed</u> calendar quarter by 12/31/14 & attest by 2/28/15	Up to \$4,000 (~ 6-8 weeks after attestation)	N/A
2015	Stage 2 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	Up to \$2,000 (in early 2016)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Avoided 2015 1% P.A. Already avoided 2015 P.A. by attesting for 2013
2016	Stage 2 – Year 3 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	N/A	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2014
2017	Stage 3 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
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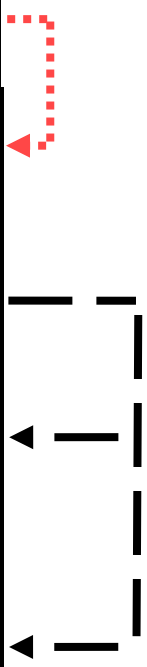


Medicare Path 9 – 1st Year Attesting is 2015

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<u>Calendar Year</u>	<u>Attest To</u> (Required Reporting Period)	<u>Incentive</u> (Payment Timeframe)	<u>Avoid Medicare Payment Adjustment</u> (P.A.)
2012	N/A	N/A	N/A
2013	N/A	N/A	N/A
2014	N/A	N/A	N/A
2015	Stage 1 – Year 1 Meet any consecutive 90 days: To Avoid Both 2016 & 2017: Fully attest by 10/1/15 To Avoid Only 2017: Meet measures by 12/31/15 & attest by 2/28/16	N/A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Will be Assessed 2015 1% P.A. because did not attest by 10/1/2014 – OR – Submit Hardship Applic. by 7/1/14
2016	Stage 1 – Year 2 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/16 & attest by 2/28/17	N/A	To Avoid 2016 2% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015 by Oct 1, 2015 -- OR -- Submit a Hardship Exception Application by Jul 1, 2015
2017	Stage 2 – Year 1 Meet Full year 1/1 - 12/31/17 & attest by 2/28/18	N/A	To Avoid 2017 3% P.A. Successfully attest for 2015
Total		N/A	

Proposed Rule**
 • Does not apply in 2015



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