



## M-CEITA Call with NPO Practices 8-28-14

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Question – Syndromic Surveillance: I have been hearing different things from different sources regarding syndromic surveillance. Please clarify exactly what I can attest to this year.

You can refer providers to the syndromic implementation guide: <https://www.michiganhealthit.org/wp-content/uploads/MSSS-Submission-Guide-Inpatient-Ambulatory-Dec2013-Revision.pdf>. Appendix A, page 8 references the status of Stage 2 ongoing submission—see below. If they fall into scenario, (bullet) 3 and have registered for stage 1 already, they do not need to re-register but send at a minimum one test per calendar quarter. Bullet 4, or scenario 4 does not apply to Michigan providers as syndromic is available and there is an open invitation to test. Let us know if you have further questions.

<p style="text-align: center;">On-Going Submission</p>	<p><b>A provider who:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is currently in production</li> <li>• Has been approved for production, but is waiting for the transition date</li> <li>• Has registered in the Online PHTR and notified MSSS Staff of the intent to move to production within their reporting period, but is still engaged in testing and validation at the end of their reporting period</li> <li>• Has registered in the Online PHTR and notified MSSS Staff of the intent to move to production within their reporting period, but is awaiting invitation to test by MDCH</li> </ul> <p>Those not registered by the reporting period deadline or who fail to participate in the onboarding process by failing to respond to requests from MDCH for action within 30 days on two occasions will not qualify. This phase is a requirement of Stage 2 Meaningful Use. If this phase is met prior to officially beginning Stage 2 Meaningful Use (i.e. before or during the Stage 1, Year 2 EHR Reporting period), this will also pass Stage 1 Meaningful Use for the second year.</p> <p><b>As part of testing and validation, providers are expected to send at least one test message to the MDCH-V or MSSS Test during each calendar quarter (or the EHR reporting period quarter in 2014).</b></p>
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Question – We did our implementation and start up in 2012. We are part of the Medicaid incentive program. We skipped 2013, and are coming to the end of 2014; can we skip 2 years and still be ok?

Answer – Yes, Medicaid is more lenient. You would pick up in 2015 where you left off.

Question – Do we pick the 90 day period, or is it always by quarter?

Answer – Any 90 day period if you are in your first year.



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Question – We are waiting to have our patient portal up and running before we attest, we would be attesting for Stage 1 year 1. Do we have to have a certain number of patients using the portal at the time of attestation?

Answer - You do not need to have to have the patient portal downloading and transmitting data until Stage 2. What you have to do is try to have at least 50% of your patients sign up for the patient portal.

Question – With the patient portal, if we have to try to get 50% of our patients signed up on the portal, and we send invitations, do our patients have to respond?

Answer – No, but you will need to ask your EMR how they track this measure. (Dan will follow up)