TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
Cancer Case Reporting
Electronic Health Record (EHR) Incentive Programs
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Tennessee Cancer Registry Declaration of Readiness Revision

The Tennessee Cancer Registry (TCR) has revised its declaration of readiness with regard to the submission of cancer cases from eligible professionals who directly treat or diagnose cancer patients and use Certified EHR Technology (CEHRT) to submit cancer cases to the TCR under the EHR Incentive Program. Effective July 1, 2022 the TCR will accept only new registrations from eligible professionals for electronic data submissions with the following provider specialties:

Eligible Professional Specialties for Cancer Case Reporting			
Dermatology	Gynecologic Oncology	Medical Oncology	Surgical Oncology
Gastroenterology	Hematology	Radiation Oncology	Urology

Eligible professionals must also have a certified EHR product capable of generating and transmitting reports to the TCR using Health Level 7 Clinical Document Architecture Release 2 (HL7 CDA R2) based standards, as outlined in the Implementation Guide for Ambulatory Healthcare Provider Reporting to Central Cancer Registries. The certification criteria needed to generate and transmit cancer case reports are specified in the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology's (ONC) final rule for EHR Certification, 170.314(f)(5) and 170.314(f)(6) for the 2014 Certification Edition and 170.315(f)(4) for the 2015 Certification Edition. To fulfill the cancer case reporting public health reporting measure, eligible professionals must use EHRs that are certified to the 2015 Certification Edition. To verify an EHR product has been certified, please visit ONC's Certified Health IT Product List.

Summary of EHR Incentive Payment Program Participation

CEHRT Edition	Implementation Guide	Measure	Incentive Program	Certification Criteria (Final Rule)	Supported by TDH Cancer Registry
2014	Implementation Guide for Ambulatory Healthcare Provider Reporting to Central Cancer Registries, HL7 Clinical Document Architecture (CDA), (August 2012)	Specialized Registry Reporting	MU: Modified Stage 2	170.314(f)(6) 170.314(f)(5)	
2014	Implementation Guide for Ambulatory Healthcare Provider Reporting to Central Cancer Registries, HL7 Clinical Document Architecture (CDA), (August 2012)	Specialized Registry Reporting	MIPS Advancing Care Information 2017 Transition	170.314(f)(6) 170.314(f)(5)	

Summary of EHR Incentive Payment Program Participation continued

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2015	HL7 CDA ® Release 2 Implementation Guide: Reporting to Public Health Cancer Registries from Ambulatory Healthcare Providers, Release 1, DTSU Release 1.1 – US Realm	Public Health Registry Reporting	MU: Stage 3	170.315(f)(4)	✓
2015	HL7 CDA ® Release 2 Implementation Guide: Reporting to Public Health Cancer Registries from Ambulatory Healthcare Providers, Release 1, DTSU Release 1.1 – US Realm	Public Health Registry Reporting	MIPS Promoting Interoperability (PI)	170.315(f)(4)	✓

Eligible professionals not meeting the requirements above may be excluded from specialized or public health registry reporting measures. Please visit the Electronic Health Records (EHR) Incentive Program site for more information.

Resource Capacity

The TCR has the technical capacity to accept cancer case reports from eligible professionals using a certified EHR product. However, the TCR does not currently have the resources to support eligible professionals in queue awaiting an invitation to begin testing and onboarding. Eligible professionals who have submitted registrations to establish electronic case reporting of Cancer Cases who have not yet begun testing with the TCR will remain in queue for testing in the Trading Partner Registration (TPR) system until additional resources become available. Eligible professionals can meet the Public Health Registry Reporting measure as long as they register their intent to report in the TPR system no later than 60 days after the start of their EHR reporting period.

The TCR will continue to supply attestation and audit documentation to all eligible professionals with approved registrations in TPR system. New registrations submitted in the TPR system by any eligible professional that meets at least one of the following criteria will be denied registration for electronic data submission by the TCR:

1. The specialty of the eligible professional is not included in the above list of Eligible Professional Specialties for Cancer Case Reporting.
2. The eligible professional does not directly diagnose or treat 25 cancer cases in a calendar year.
3. The eligible professional does not utilize a 2015 CEHRT certified for 170.315(f)(4).

A denied registration in the TPR system does not negate the responsibility to report in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) § 68-1-1001, which requires all health care practitioners and facilities that diagnose and/or treat cancer patients to report cancer case information to the TCR.

Eligible professionals should check the TDH web page periodically for updates to the Declaration of Readiness. **For questions related to the TDH Declaration of Readiness, contact the TDH Partner Engagement Coordinator at (615)253-8945 or MU.Health@tn.gov.** Questions concerning TCR updates or for general information please contact **TNCancer.Registry@tn.gov**