Meaningful EHR Use via RevolutionEHR
Core 14 – Electronic Exchange of Clinical Information

Overview

EHR technology will evolve to a point where information from one provider's EHR system can be transmitted to another's. This objective assures that a provider has tested the EHR's capability to exchange key clinical information by generating the proper electronic file that will someday be used by EHR systems to share information.

MU Objective and Calculation

The provider must perform at least one test of the EHR's capability to electronically exchange key clinical information. The provider must attest YES to demonstrate that they have performed the test to satisfy this objective.

Meaningful Use Discussion

The test of electronic exchange of key clinical information must involve the transfer of information to a receiving system capable of receiving a clinical information file. The minimum key health information that is to be included in the e-copy report includes: diagnosis list, medication list, medication allergy list, and diagnostic/lab/imaging test results ordered by the provider.

The test must be done no later than by the last date in the reporting period, and could be done prior to the reporting period. Multiple provider practices can perform one test to satisfy the objective for all of the providers. Even an unsuccessful test of the capability to exchange key clinical information is considered a valid step to meet this objective.

RevolutionEHR will assist doctors in this test by having a doctor generate a Record Summary file in "e-Copy/CCR" format. CCR stands for Continuity of Care Record as outlined by the standardizing agency called ASTM.

For the purposes of performing this test, the CCR file is generated in a format that shows a file name ending with .xml which should saved by the doctor to the computer desktop. If you try to open this file it will not appear to have a readable format, which is expected since this official CCR format is the language of data that is expected for electronic exchange in the future.

To demonstrate your test of electronic exchange of this electronic file, attach the document to an email that must be sent to a distinctly different business entity – the recommendation being that you email it to the clinic email address of RevolutionEHR CEO Dr. Scott Jens at scottjensod@isthmuseye.com. Undertaking this process will satisfy this objective.

Conclusion

Meeting this objective is not difficult as long as the provider takes the time necessary to understand the process of creating a Record or Clinical Summary in an e-Copy/CCR format.