

Stage 1 Meaningful EHR Use via RevolutionEHR

Core 12 – E-copy of Health Information

Overview

EHR technology will evolve to a point where information from one provider's EHR system can be transmitted to another's. Initially, providers will be expected to offer patients, upon request, readable electronic copies of key health information from the record.

MU Objective and Calculation

The objective is to have more than 50 percent of patients seen in the reporting period who request an e-copy of their health information that reports data from the entire patient record are provided it within 3 business days.

Denominator for calculation: Number of patients by provider in reporting period who request an e-copy of their health information

Numerator for calculation: Number of patients in denominator who received an e-copy of their health information within 3 business days

EXCLUSION: A provider who has no requests from their patients for an e-copy of health information during the reporting period.

Meaningful Use Discussion

The key health information that is to be included in the e-copy record summary report includes: diagnosis list, medication list, medication allergy list, and diagnostic/lab/imaging test results (e.g. blood, microbiology, urinalysis, pathology, radiology, cardiac imaging, nuclear medicine, and pulmonary function tests ordered by the provider).

RevolutionEHR has created a standard format PDF document that will include pertinent patient data from each of the previously listed sections of the record. These documents will be generated from the Record Summary button in the patient name header bar.

When the Record Summary is being generated, the user is asked to click a radio button that can denote that this information is being requested by the patient (which also stands for any direct agent of the patient.) This measure does not relate to the request for records from other third parties.

The e-copy can be provided on any media including CD, USB fob/flash drive, or the like. It can also be provided within a secure patient portal.

Conclusion

Meeting this objective is not expected to be difficult as there are not likely many patients who will request this information. Since RevolutionEHR makes it simple to generate the e-copy record summary, the only issue that must be solved is coordinating the delivery of the file to the patient.