

Meaningful Use and USIIS

Background

The final rule for Stage 1 Meaningful Use requires eligible professionals and hospitals to choose at least one public health objective from the set of menu objectives, which includes submitting one of the following:

- Immunization Information
- Syndromic Surveillance
- Reportable Electronic Laboratory Results (Eligible Hospitals only)

The Utah Statewide Immunization Information System (USIIS) Program supports EPs and EHRs in meeting the immunization meaningful use measure.

Note: The UDOH does not currently accept syndromic surveillance data for Meaningful Use.

Immunization Data Submission

Electronic exchange of immunization data from a certified EHR to an immunization registry is one of the meaningful use requirements for public health. This requirement specifies that providers must be able to submit immunization data electronically in a standardized format.

Certified EHR systems should be able to create the immunization message containing CVX codes in one of two formats (HL7 2.3.1 or HL7 2.5.1).

Other testing information:

- ✓ Data may be real or test.
- ✓ A test fails if USIIS does not receive the message, or if the message content contains errors.
- ✓ If a test succeeds, the provider is encouraged to implement regular reporting of immunization information to USIIS.



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USIIS Testing Capabilities

USIIS is ready to accept Meaningful Use tests. USIIS accepts both HL7 versions (2.5 and 2.3.1). Respective CDC implementation guides for immunization messaging form the basis for meeting format and content standards.

A test message created from a certified EHR system must be submitted to USIIS using a secure transport mechanism.

USIIS provides access to the secure USIIS File Transfer application (https). USIIS also accepts Meaningful Use tests from a UHIN-cHIE connection.

Implementation Steps for Providers

1. Adopt and implement certified EHR technology or determine if your current EHR technology is certified.
2. Contact Nancy McConnell, *USIIS Program Manager*, to discuss your plans to test.
3. Once you are ready to test, an account will be set up on the USIIS data transfer https site or arranged on your cHIE connection.
4. Create a test immunization message and submit to USIIS.
5. Receive feedback from USIIS regarding success of the test.
6. Continue to work with USIIS to submit production data as an on-going process.

What if my valid test message fails?

If your test message fails, you will still have met your immunization registry Meaningful Use requirement for Stage 1. However, to prepare for Stage 2, continue to work with your EHR vendor and USIIS to identify the source of the failure and develop remedies.

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Meaningful Use and USIIS- Resources

[Utah Medicaid Program](#)

Information about the Utah Medicaid Program regarding participation in the Medicaid Health Information Technology (HIT) Incentive Payment Program, implementation activities, registration, and future pursuits for Utah.

[Health Insight: Regional Extension Assistance Center for HIT in Utah and Nevada](#)

Assistance to health care providers for adopting and using EHR technology.

[Centers for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs](#)

Information about the CMS EHR incentive program, including eligibility, registration, program timelines, and more.

[Clinical Health Information Exchange \(cHIE\)](#)

Provides medical professionals a way to share and view patient information in a secure electronic manner. This information is accessible, with patient consent, to authorized users while maintaining the highest standards of patient privacy.

[Health IT.HHS.Gov](#) The authoritative, comprehensive listing of meaningful use certified products.

[Office of Public Health Informatics \(UDOH\)](#)

Information about Utah's strategic and operational plans for Health Information Exchange; laws, rules and standards for digital health services; and learn more about e-Health=Utah.



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