

**MOA MEMBERS**  
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**YOU CAN STILL PARTICIPATE IN THE ERX INCENTIVE PROGRAM FOR 2010**

It's not too late to start participating in the 2010 Electronic Prescribing Incentive Program (eRx) and potentially qualify to receive a full-year incentive payment. **To successfully meet reporting criteria and be considered incentive eligible, individual Eligible Professionals must report the eRx measure at least 25 times** (for eligible patient encounters) and the Medicare Part B Physician Fee Schedule allowed charges for services in the eRx measure's denominator should comprise 10% or more of the Eligible Professional's total 2010 estimated allowed charges.

For the 2010 reporting period, Eligible Professionals who successfully report the eRx measure will be eligible to receive an eRx incentive equal to 2.0% of their total Medicare Part B Physician Fee Schedule allowed charges for services performed.

Eligible Professionals must have adopted a "qualified" eRx system as defined in the eRx measure specifications. If you want to check if your system meets those requirements, go to: [http://www.cms.hhs.gov/eRxincentive/06\\_e-prescribingmeasure.ASP#TopOfPage](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/eRxincentive/06_e-prescribingmeasure.ASP#TopOfPage). Then go to the download section and select the entry marked "2010 eRx Measure Specification and Release Notes."

Eligible Professionals do not need to sign up or pre-register to participate in the 2010 eRx effort. Reporting the Quality Data Code (G8553) for the eRx measure to CMS through claims or submission of data via a qualified registry or from a qualified Electronic Health Record is all that is necessary to participate in the program.

Although there is no requirement to register prior to submitting the data, Eligible Professionals should review the educational products CMS has created on how to get started with eRx reporting. To access all available educational resources on eRx, please visit <http://www.cms.gov/eRxIncentive/>. Please check the eRx webpage often for the latest information and downloads.

**Resources**

- *2010 eRx Incentive Program Made Simple Fact Sheet* at <http://www.cms.gov/ERxIncentive/Downloads/2010eRxMadeSimpleFS032310f.pdf>
- *2010 eRx Incentive Program Fact Sheet: What's New for 2010 eRx Incentive Program* at <http://www.cms.gov/ERxIncentive/Downloads/WhatsNew2010eRxFS032310f.pdf>

**Questions?**

If Eligible Professionals have questions on how to get started with eRx, they should contact the **QualityNet Help Desk** at **866-288-8912** from 7:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. CST or via e-mail at [qnetsupport@sdps.org](mailto:qnetsupport@sdps.org).