

Modified Stage 2 Core Objective 3 - CPOE

Objective: Use computerized provider order entry (CPOE) for medication, laboratory, and radiology orders directly entered by any licensed healthcare professional who can enter orders into the medical record per state, local, and professional guidelines.

An EP, through a combination of meeting the thresholds and exclusions, must satisfy all three measures for this objective.

Measure 1: More than **60** percent of **medication** orders created by the EP during the EHR reporting period are recorded using computerized provider order entry;

Measure 2: More than **30** percent of **laboratory** orders created by the EP during the EHR reporting period are recorded using computerized provider order entry; and

Measure 3: More than **30** percent of **radiology** orders created by the EP during the EHR reporting period are recorded using computerized provider order entry.

Exclusions:

1. Measure 1, any EP who writes fewer than 100 **medication** orders during the EHR reporting period.
2. Measure 2, any EP who writes fewer than 100 **laboratory** orders during the EHR reporting period.
3. Measure 3, any EP who writes fewer than 100 **radiology** orders during the EHR reporting period.

Alternate Exclusions available in 2016 only:

Alternate Exclusion for Measure 2: Providers who are scheduled to demonstrate Stage 1 in 2016 may claim an exclusion for measure 2 (**laboratory** orders) of the Stage 2 CPOE objective for an EHR reporting period in 2016.

Alternate Exclusion for Measure 3: Providers who are scheduled to demonstrate Stage 1 in 2016 may claim an exclusion for measure 3 (**radiology** orders) of the Stage 2 CPOE objective for an EHR reporting period in 2016.

Measure at a Glance

Type: calculated percentage

Denominators:

1. Number of medication orders
2. Number of radiology orders
3. Number of laboratory orders

Limit: may limit measure to patients maintained by CEHRT

Duration: calculated over the entire EHR reporting period

[CMS Specification Sheet](#)

TennCare Notes -This objective and measure establishes a progression from its Stage 1 counterpart, Core Measure 1. The objective has been expanded to include laboratory and radiology orders in addition to medication orders. In Stage 1, this measure had only one numerator and denominator based on medication orders. For Modified Stage 2, EPs are required to attest to three sets of numerators and denominators differentiated by type of computerized provider order entry (CPOE): medication orders, laboratory orders, and radiology orders. Note that the thresholds are lower for laboratory and radiology orders. Additionally, each measure has a corresponding exclusion.

Per CMS, the CPOE function must be used to create the first record of the order that becomes part of the patient's medical record and before any action can be taken on the order to count in the numerator.

Any licensed healthcare professionals and *credentialed* medical staff can enter orders into the medical record for purposes of including the order in the numerator for the objective of CPOE if they can originate the order per state, local, and professional guidelines.

Relevant CMS FAQs

[2771](#): clarifying who can enter information

[2851](#): instructing who *should* enter information

[3077](#): describing limitations for patients seen at a non-EHR site and entered into the EHR later

[3057](#): determining the inclusion of patients billed under POS 22

[3257](#): meeting the measure when medications are infrequently ordered

[9058](#): medical staff and CPOE

Additional Resources – None at this time.