

## Modified Stage 2 Objective 8: Patient Electronic Access

**Objective:** Provide patients the ability to view online, download, and transmit their health information within 4 business days of the information being available to the EP.

**Measure 1: More than 50 percent** of all unique patients seen by the EP during the EHR reporting period are provided timely access to view online, download, and transmit to a third party their health information subject to the EP's discretion to withhold certain information.

**Measure 2 for an EHR reporting period in 2016:** At least **one** patient seen by the EP during the EHR reporting period (or patient-authorized representative) views, downloads or transmits to a third party his or her health information during the reporting period.

**Measure 2 for a reporting period in 2017:** **More than 5 percent** of unique patients seen by the EP during the EHR reporting period (or his/her authorized representative) must view, download or transmit to a third party their health information during the EHR reporting period.

### Exclusions:

- **Measure 1 and/or Measure 2:** Any EP who neither orders nor creates any of the information listed for inclusion as part of the measures; or
- **Measure 2:** Any EP who conducts 50 percent or more of his or her patient encounters in a county that does not have 50 percent or more of its housing units with 4Mbps broadband availability according to the latest information available from the FCC on the first day of their EHR reporting period.

### [CMS Specification Sheet](#)

**TennCare Notes** - This measure, like other modified Stage 2 measures, actively involves patients in using health information technology.

### Measure at a Glance

**Type:** calculated percentage

**Denominator1:** Number of unique patients seen by EP during EHR reporting period.

**Numerator1:** Number of patients in denominator who have access to view online, download, or transmit to a third party their health information.

**Threshold1:** more than 50 percent

**Denominator2:** Number of unique patients seen during EHR reporting period.

**Numerator2:** Number of patients (or patient-authorized representatives) who view, download, or transmit to a third party their health information.

**Threshold2:** Numerator and denominator must be reported, and numerator must be **1** or more for 2016 and more than 5 percent for 2017.

## Relevant CMS FAQs:

[12821](#): Multiple EPs that contribute information to a shared portal

[12825](#): EPs in a group that sees the same patient during EHR reporting period

[8231](#): Counting actions taken after the EHR reporting period

[9112](#): Charging patients to access their health information

## Additional Resources

[Patient Electronic Access Tip Sheet](#)

[Broadband Map](#)