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### 2010 REPORTING PRINCIPLES FOR ELECTRONIC PRESCRIBING (eRx)

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) have announced the 2010 Reporting Principles for the Electronic Prescribing (eRx) Incentive Program. The requirements and measure specifications for the 2010 program year are slightly different from the 2009 requirements. Eligible Professionals (EPs) are responsible for ensuring that they are using the eRx incentive documents for the correct program year.

Click on the links below for the CMS documentation which outlines the reporting requirements and measure specifications for the 2010 eRx Incentive Program. For further information regarding the CMS eRx Incentive Program, visit the CMS website: [http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ERXincentive/01\\_overview.asp](http://www.cms.hhs.gov/ERXincentive/01_overview.asp).

CMS Documentation:

[2010 Claims-Based Reporting Principles for eRx](#)

[2010 eRx Measure Specifications](#)

[2010 eRx Measure Specification Release Notes](#)

#### Are you reporting the eRx incentive correctly?

To be considered a successful electronic prescriber for the 2010 eRx Incentive Program and *potentially* qualify to earn a 2.0% incentive payment, an individual EP must report the eRx quality data code **G8553** for *at least* 25 unique eRx events that meet the measures specifications.

MEDTRON Practice Management Solution, MEDPM, has User Defined Rules within the system that can be used to automate, i.e., prompt user to key quality data code **G8553** if measure specifications are met, this prompt can be used for any PQRI measures for which an EP wishes to participate and receive the corresponding bonus payments.

#### Have you setup the new eRx transaction code?

The 2010 measure specifications for eRx requires only one code, **G8553**, which replaces the 2009 measures specifications for eRx which required one of 3 codes, G8443, G8445, G8446.

MEDTRON is presently in the 'beta testing' phase of our new Electronic Health Records Solution, MEDEHR, which will include eRx.

If you would like more information on how to participate in the eRx or PQRI incentive programs, and/or how to setup and utilize User Defined Rules, please feel free to contact Software Support:

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