

## Criteria for Advanced Primary Care (APC) Enrolled Practices

The New York State Department of Health (NYS DOH), with support from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), has established the SHIN-NY Connections Initiative (SCI) to increase health information exchange (HIE) adoption by primary care practices across the State and assist them in meeting the Advanced Primary Care (APC) Gates.

Building electronic health record (EHR) interfaces to New York State Qualified Entities (QEs) will increase the quantity and quality of data in the Statewide Health Information Network for New York (SHIN-NY) and build value for providers and patients at the point of care. This program is designed to help defray the cost for APC-enrolled primary care practices when connecting to their local QE.

## Eligibility Criteria

Participation is open to all APC-enrolled practices.

**Note:** If a practice has providers that have attested to and been paid under the Medicare or Medicaid Meaningful Use program, they will be enrolled in the Data Exchange Incentive Program (DEIP) instead. DEIP offers identical payments to offset one-time cost for connecting to the SHIN-NY.

### An organization must:

- Have a Certified Electronic Health Record (CEHRT) for, at a minimum, the Privacy & Security criteria (d)(1)-(d)(8) as defined by CMS

### OR

Have an EHR that possess HITRUST Certification, NIST CSF validation, or SOC2, Type II Audit (with no material findings) with additional attestation from the EHR vendor related to Privacy & Security capabilities within the EHR product



Healthcare organizations may connect with the QE that best aligns with their business, operational, and service delivery needs.

- Have an EHR that can send information electronically to the HIE (QE) in C-CDA format
- **NOT** already be connected to a QE and contributing data
- **NOT** have received payment from any source for similar HIE activities (i.e. TCPI, DSRIP/PPS-supported PCMH, MU, DEIP, etc.)



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## Conditions of Participation

Organizations participating in SCI will receive payment for contributing specific data elements to the SHIN-NY.

Sign a QE Participation Agreement with the QE on or after 12/1/17	<p><b>Contribute</b> to the QE the Common Clinical Data Set in C-CDA format, which include, at a minimum, the following data expressed, where applicable, according to the standards as defined in the Summary of Care Record specifications.<sup>1</sup></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Patient Name</li> <li>2. Sex</li> <li>3. Date of Birth</li> <li>4. Race</li> <li>5. Ethnicity</li> <li>6. Preferred Language</li> <li>7. Smoking Status</li> <li>8. Problems</li> <li>9. Medications</li> <li>10. Medication Allergies</li> <li>11. Laboratory Test(s)</li> <li>12. Laboratory Value(s)/Result(s)</li> <li>13. Vital Signs (height, weight, blood pressure, BMI)</li> <li>14. Care Plan Field(s), including Goals and Instructions</li> <li>15. Procedures</li> <li>16. Care Team Member(s)</li> </ol>
Must be able to electronically <b>receive</b> a Summary of Care Record in a C-CDA format (via QE web portal, DIRECT secure messaging, or EHR interface)	
Attests to continue data exchange for one year. Failure to continue data exchange for one year could result in a claw back penalty.	

<sup>1</sup>Details on the Common Clinical Data Set can be found here

[https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/commonclinicaldataset\\_ml\\_11-4-15.pdf](https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files/commonclinicaldataset_ml_11-4-15.pdf)

## Milestone Payments

The New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC) is coordinating the rollout of the SCI program and the issuance of payments to APC-enrolled practices on behalf of the DOH. **Limited funding is available and this program is operated on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to receive funding, all milestones must be completed by January 31, 2019.** It is expected that SCI funding will be extended annually.

Milestones	Corresponding APC Gate/Milestone	Documentation	Measurement	Payment
<b>Milestone 1</b> Enrollment	<b>Gate 2:</b> HIT Milestone iii	<b>SCI Milestone 1 Attestation</b>	<b>Organization submits Milestone 1 Attestation</b> Attesting that they have signed a QE participation agreement on or after 12/1/17	<b>\$2,000</b>
<b>Milestone 2</b> Go Live	<b>Gate 3:</b> HIT Milestone v	<b>SCI Milestone 2 Attestation</b>	<b>Organization submits Milestone 2 Attestation</b> Attesting that they are able to receive a Summary of Care Record electronically <b>AND</b> a connection is established to the QE and they are contributing all required data elements.	<b>\$11,000</b> (per connection)