

The New York eHealth Collaborative (NYeC) is the designated Regional Extension Center (REC) for all of New York State outside of New York City. The REC assists providers in transitioning from paper to electronic health records (EHR) and educates and trains EHR users on how to receive federal reimbursements by reaching Meaningful Use.

### Why EHRs Improve Patient Care and Office Efficiency

Choosing the appropriate EHR for your practice and learning how to use all of its features can improve patient care, reduce costs and make your practice more efficient.

### Learn from the NYeC experts

The NYeC REC helps providers choose the right software and learn how to use it thoroughly. We are your partner in this electronic transformation. We guide you every step of the way and teach you how to streamline the workflow in your office and qualify for government reimbursements.

### Services the REC Offers Your Practice

- Expert advice on selecting an EHR: software and hardware to meet specific needs
- A roadmap and ongoing support to educate physicians on how to qualify for Meaningful Use reimbursements
- Discounted vendor prices
- List of preferred vendors
- List of Meaningful Use partners
- Highly-skilled project management to oversee and guide the entire process
- Customized workflow analysis and redesign
- Training for providers and staff
- Technical assistance so providers can electronically share data with other clinicians and hospitals
- Ability to order and receive lab results electronically
- ePrescribing: send prescriptions electronically

From EHR Adoption to Meaningful Use Reimbursements: Follow the Blue Line and NYeC Will Get You There.





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## Regional Extension Center Quick Facts: For Providers *continued*

### Regional Extension Center Fees

#### Special Limited-Time Offer: FREE

Meaningful Use offering for small practices (10 providers or fewer)

If you sign up by November 30, 2011

#### Regular Fees:

Cost per subsidized provider:

Full Service Offering: \$750

For providers transitioning to an EHR

Meaningful Use Offering: \$500

For providers already using an EHR

### Who Qualifies for Subsidized Services:

- Clinician with prescription privileges: MD, DO, NP, PA, CNMW
- Primary Care Provider, including OB-GYN
- Practice size is 10 providers or fewer

### Practices with more than 10 providers qualify if the practice is a:

- Community health center
- Public or critical access hospital
- Rural health clinic
- Practice serving the underserved
- Consortium of small practices

### Even if you don't qualify for the subsidy:

The NYeC REC can still provide services to prepare your practice for the Medicare and Medicaid Meaningful Use reimbursements.

### Meaningful Use Reimbursements

Medicare and Medicaid providers qualify for federal reimbursements for achieving the Meaningful Use of an EHR.

- **Medicare:** Up to \$44,000 paid over 5 years  
Eligibility: Provider must bill to Medicare. Payment is equal to 75% of allowed charges up to \$44,000.
- **Medicaid:** Up to \$63,000 paid over 6 years  
Eligibility: Office-based physicians with at least 30% Medicaid patients (either managed care or fee for service). For pediatricians, threshold is lowered to 20%.

### How to Join the REC:

Joining the NYeC Regional Extension Center is inexpensive and provides invaluable services at discounted prices. Software vendors don't provide all the support and services providers need. The REC fees are less expensive than hiring an outside consultant.

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