

Mandatory Certified EHR ACO Requirements

Scripps ACO is in the midst of our third year in the Medicare Shared Savings Program (MSSP) and approaching our third open enrollment season in the Qualcomm Premier ACO Network. As a requirement for participation in the MSSP 2020 performance year and the upcoming open enrollment period as a preferred Qualcomm provider, all members must have a certified electronic health record (CEHR) in their practice.

As a requirement of continued participation in the Qualcomm Premier ACO Network, your practice must implement and utilize an interoperable CEHR by January 1, 2020. To continue participation in the MSSP, a CEHR must be implemented by the end of 2020.

Meeting this requirement is vitally important for efficient access, communication of patient information, and patient communication with care teams. A certified electronic health record is the cornerstone of a high quality, accountable care organization.

For those providers who wish to remain on paper patient charts and have no plans to implement a CEHR in their office, termination letters have been distributed ceasing participation in both the MSSP and Qualcomm Premier ACO Network. MSSP participation will remain in place for the remainder of the 2019 performance year (which ends December 31, 2019). For the Qualcomm Premier ACO providers, participation in the network ends on September 1, 2019 before the new Fall open enrollment period begins for Qualcomm employees and their dependents.

One of the main objectives of the Scripps ACO is to be clinically integrated. This is achieved through providers utilizing a certified electronic health record system that allows for integration with providers across the Scripps ACO.

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