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## **Meet Cures Act Mandates and More!**

The CMS Interoperability Rule and the ONC Cures Act promote data sharing and interoperability with the goal of advancing care continuity and patient access to information – while also preventing information blocking. The Interoperability Rule impacts organizations, such as payers, hospitals, and clinicians, while the Cures Act impacts healthcare providers, health information networks (HINs), and application developers of certified health IT.

### **SES Supports:**

- Real-Time ADT Alert Notifications
- Rapid Provisioning of Direct Addresses
- Proven EHR Certification Testing Services
- Nationwide Provider Directory Services
- Multiple Trust Community Networks

### **Regulatory Drivers and Solution Next Steps**



"For far too long, electronic health information has been stuck in silos and inaccessible for healthcare consumers."

Seema Verma, CMS Administrator



### CMS Interoperability and Patient Access Rule, Conditions of Participation (CoPs)

The CoP requires mandatory notification compliance for Medicare and Medicaid participating hospitals, including psychiatric hospitals and CAHs, to send electronic patient event notifications of patients' admission, discharge, and/or transfer (ADT) to their primary care provider as well as post-acute care facilities, specialists, and any other medical provider specified by the patient.

Next Step: SES Notify provides an immediate way to achieve CMS Rule compliance.

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**NPPES Direct** 

Endpoints

### National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES)

The CMS rule requires providing secure digital contact information like a Direct Address or a FHIR API endpoint in the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES). All non-listed provider NPI records will be publicly reported by CMS and non-compliance could result in information blocking.

Next Step: SES Direct provides the fastest way to issue credentialed digital endpoints.

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### **ONC-HIT 2015 Edition Certification Testing**

This certification requires health IT vendors to update their 2015 Certified EHR technology (CEHRT) and deploy the updates to their providers. The 2015 Edition Cures Update Base EHR Definition can be met using one certified Health IT Module or a combination of certified Health IT Modules.

2015 CHERT Testing

Next Step: SES will provide testing services to support EHR vendor certification requirements.

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#### ADT Event Notifications for Hospitals and Health Systems

The ruling mandates sending ADT e-notifications communicating key patient status changes to other providers by May 1, 2021, or your Medicare reimbursement could be at risk.

- Are you a sender or receiver of alert notifications?
- Does your current process comply with the CMS rule requirements?

SES Notify monitors ADT feeds from the hospital and sends e-notifications to the appropriate PCP and care managers, in near real-time, of the encounter, admit, discharge or transfer. By securely integrating alerts from inpatient to ambulatory electronic health record systems, information is quickly delivered to the care team across the continuum of care.

CMS Fact Sheet: https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/interoperability-and-patient-access-fact-sheet

#### **Digital Contact Information for NPPES Direct Endpoints**

CMS will begin publicly reporting in late 2020 those providers who do not list or update their Digital Contact Information in the National Plan and Provider Enumeration System (NPPES).

- Is your EHR Provider Directory up to date?
- Do you need to provision additional provider endpoints?

SES Direct provides the fastest way to secure a NPPES digital endpoint. It may take some additional time for FHIR endpoints to be established for the large number of providers, so contact SES to expand your Direct capability and avoid having your staff or customers included on CMS' non-compliance list.

- Direct Basics: https://www.healthit.gov/sites/default/files directbasicsforprovidersqa\_05092014.pdf
- CMS Fact Sheet: https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/interoperability-and-patient-access-fact-sheet

#### **ONC 2015 Edition CEHRT Testing**

To prevent information blocking the new CHERT certification requires health IT vendors to update their 2015 Certified EHR technology (CEHRT) and deploy the updates to their providers.

- What are your plans for 2015 CEHRT testing, or other IT Protocol testing?
- Do you have a plan in place to meet the EHI Export and the API requirements?

SES has a demonstrated and proven history supporting EHR vendors in their certification efforts with health information exchange. As an ONC Certified Solution for Transport (SES Direct Certification Details – ONC-HIT 2015 Edition Certification), SES can provide testing services and a test harness to support EHR vendor certification requirements around 170.315 (b)(1) send/ receive, (e)(1) view, download and transmit; and (h)(1) or (h)(2) – HISP Certification.

We support EHR vendors as they migrate toward a scalable FHIR mechanism for patient queries. With over 95 integrated solution partners, 50% of which SES has helped through the EHR certification process, SES provides technology and SME expertise that is critical to navigating this new model. Additionally, in support of the EHI Export requirement, we can convert existing (human-readable data) into a computable format and meet the EHI Conditions of Certification and Assurances §170.402 and §170.404 Application Programming Interfaces (APIs).

- Conditions & Maintenance of Certification: https://www.healthit.gov/topic/certification-ehrs/conditionsmaintenance-certification
- § 170.402 Assurances: https://www.healthit.gov/condition-ccg/assurances
- § 170.404 Application Programming Interfaces: https://www.healthit.gov/condition-ccg/application-programminginterfaces

SES provides healthcare participants, hospitals, plans and intermediaries (EMR vendors, HIEs) with scalable standardized solutions that:

- Increase access to and protect health information.
- Are aligned with and even go beyond the requirements outlined in the rules.
- Provides clinical data access to EMRs, clinical data repositories, trust communities including DirectTrust, CareQuality/ Commonwell and SHIEC HIEs nationwide - all of which are key to comprehensive data sharing.
- Supports clinical exchange in alignment with the HL7 DaVinci project which connects EMR systems with payers.

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