



A First Look at Final MU Criteria

The Department of Health and Human Services has released the final rule establishing Medicare and Medicaid incentive programs for the meaningful use of electronic health records. The rule is available for download now at ofr.gov/inspection.aspx, and will be officially published July 28 in the Federal Register, effective 60 days later. Also released was an accompanying final rule to establish initial data standards, implementation specifications and certification criteria for EHRs.

Or for a summary of the ruling written by David Blumenthal, M.D., M.P.P., and Marilyn Tavenner, R.N., M.H.A., click here:

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