The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) offer multiple resources on their websites to help health care providers become meaningful users of certified electronic health record (EHR) technology. Below is a list of the resources available on meaningful use, Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs, and the EHR certification process.

Meaningful Use and Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs

- Meaningful Use Overview: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/01_Overview.asp

- Path to Payment: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/10_PathtoPayment.asp

- PowerPoint Presentation on Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs Final Rule: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/Downloads/EHR_Incentive_Program_Agency_Training_v8-20.pdf

- Timeline for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/Downloads/EHRIncentProgtimeline508.pdf

- Being a Meaningful User of Electronic Health Records: http://healthit.hhs.gov/meaningfuluse/provider

- Meaningful Use Specification Sheets: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/Downloads/EP-MU-TOC-Core-and-MenuSet-Objectives.pdf

- Flow Chart to Determine Eligibility for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/downloads/eligibility_flow_chart.pdf

- Webinar for Eligible Professionals on the Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs: http://www.cms.gov/EHRIncentivePrograms/55_EducationalMaterials.asp

Certification Programs

- Certification Programs Overview: http://healthit.hhs.gov/certification

- Standards and Certification Criteria Final Rule Fact Sheet: http://healthit.hhs.gov/standardsandcertification/factsheet

- HITECH Temporary Certification Program for EHR Technology Fact Sheet: http://healthit.hhs.gov/tempcert/factsheet

- Temporary Certification Program Final Rule Frequently Asked Questions: http://healthit.hhs.gov/tempcert/faqs

- Permanent Certification Program: http://healthit.hhs.gov/permcert/factsheet

- Certified Health IT Product List: http://healthit.hhs.gov/chpl

Privacy and Security

- Building Trust in Health Information Exchange: http://healthit.hhs.gov/buildingtrust

- Health Information Privacy and Information on HIPAA: http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy

Additional Resources:

ONC has also funded 62 Regional Extension Centers, located across the country, to offer customized, on-the-ground assistance for providers who need help adopting and meaningfully using certified EHR technology. For more information, visit http://healthit.hhs.gov/rec.