

CMS e-Notification Conditions of Participation Rule HealthInfoNet's Technical Specifications for Hospitals

As of May 1, 2021, CMS requires all hospitals, per its Conditions of Participation ("CoP"), to ensure a reasonable effort is made to send electronic notifications ("e-notifications") to a patient's treating provider(s) at either the provider's request or the patient's direction.

HealthInfoNet can assist Maine's hospitals meet CMS's CoP e-notification rule with its HIE Intelligent e-Notification service. For more information, see HealthInfoNet's one-pager overview document.

Based on CMS's CoP requirement, HIE participants may need to add additional data elements to their Admission/Discharge/Transfer (ADT) feeds with HealthInfoNet in order to meet the necessary e-notification criteria. The following section of this document can be used by technical integration staff to understand what is required within their hospital's ADT feed to meet CMS's requirements and to assess whether any modifications to HealthInfoNet's interface configurations are necessary.

Required Data Elements Within Hospitals' ADT Feeds

In addition to the standard ADT messages for emergency department ("ED") and inpatient encounters that HIE participants already provide to HealthInfoNet, the following three (3) areas within ADT messages need to be clearly identified to maintain compliance with the rule:

- 1. Observation status (for both ED and inpatient settings)
- 2. Updates for internal transfers from outpatient-to-inpatient settings
- Treating provider(s)

Observation Status

Observation Status must be sent when a patient is admitted/registered to, transferred to/from, and/or discharged from ED and inpatient settings and therefore must have a corresponding value in PV1.2 (Patient Class), PV1.10 (Service Code), or PV1.18 (Patient Type) segments.

If Observation Status is not actively being sent in a hospital's ADT feed, the specific trigger event and field(s) to be used will be provided.

Internal Transfers

For transfers to/from an inpatient setting/observation stay, one of the following options for the ADT message types (i.e., trigger events) must be sent:

- ADT-A02
- ADT-A06 and ADT-A07

Treating Provider(s)

The following data elements must be included in the PV1 (Attending Physician) segment:

- PV1.7.2: Attending Physician/Provider Last Name (Family Name)
- PV1.7.3: Attending Physician/Provider First Name (Given Name)

