Timetable for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Payments

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2009	 (1) Coordinate with ONC to develop policies such as the definition of meaningful use (2) Develop proposed rules to allow public input to the incentive program policies (3) Plan systems and other requirements needed to support the incentives programs (4) Plan national outreach program 	 (1) Coordinate with ONC to develop policies such as the definition of meaningful use (2) Develop proposed rules to allow public input to the incentive program policies (3) Plan systems and other requirements needed to support the incentives programs (4) Plan national outreach program
2010	 (1) Conduct outreach to eligible professionals and providers (2) Develop systems to support the payment of incentives (3) Develop final rules to establish policies needed to pay incentives (4) Develop systems to monitor and evaluate incentive payments No sooner than October 2010 Start to pay hospital incentives for Medicare and monitor payments 	 (1) Conduct outreach to eligible professionals and providers and to State Medicaid Agencies (2) Develop systems to support the payment of incentives (3) Develop final rules to establish policies needed to pay incentives (4) Develop systems to monitor and evaluate incentive payments
No sooner than January 2011	Begin and monitor Medicare incentives payments to eligible professionals and hospitals.	Begin and monitor Medicaid incentive payments to eligible professionals and hospitals
2011-2016	Continue paying eligible professionals and hospitals incentives for Medicare and	Continue paying Medicaid incentives to eligible professionals and hospitals

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2011-2021	Continue paying Medicare incentives to eligible professionals and hospitals and monitor payments up to 2016.	Continue paying Medicaid incentives to eligible professionals and hospitals and monitor payments
2015 and thereafter	Initiate payment reductions to Medicare hospitals and eligible professionals that fail to adopt EHRs.	Continue paying Medicaid incentives to eligible professionals and hospitals and monitor payments up to 2021.