To: KHA HIT Contacts  
From: Sally Othmer, Senior Director of Data & Quality  
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Re: KHA HIT Conference; 2016 AHA IT Survey, eCQM Reporting Deadline Extended, ICD-10 Updates

**HIT Conference: Preparing for Tomorrow – Feb. 2**
The Kansas Hospital Association invites you to participate in a Health Information Technology Conference, *Preparing for Tomorrow*, on Feb. 2, at the Hotel at Old Town in Wichita. This conference will provide a federal HIT update, a syndromic surveillance update, information on cybersecurity, along with several other hot topics related to HIT. Download the [brochure](#), and [register](#) online today. If you have questions, please contact Chrisy Madden at (785) 233-7436.

**Agenda includes:**
- **Federal HIT Update** - Diane Jones, Senior Associate Director, Policy, American Hospital Association  
- **EHR User Groups and the Quest for Data** - Danette Swanson, Hospital & HIT Program Manager, Colorado Rural Health Center  
- **Cybersecurity Incident Response: How to Survive an Attack** - Tom Walsh, CISSP, Founder, tw-Security  
- **Newton Medical Center Case Study** - Mike Cottle, Director, Information Services, Newton Medical Center  
- **MACRA and the Future of Health IT** - Sam Antonios MD, FACP, SFHM, CPE, CCDS, Chief Medical Officer, Medical Director Information Systems, Via Christi Hospitals, Wichita Inc. & Meg McElroy, MBA, RHIA, Program Manager, Ascension Health

**2016 AHA Annual Survey Information Technology Supplement Survey Deadline Extension**
The Kansas Hospital Association encourages all hospitals to complete the eighth annual Information Technology Supplement to the AHA Annual Survey. Internet connection for the surveys were mailed to CEOs of member hospitals last month. The deadline for completion has been extended to Friday, February 17. Recipients should forward the survey information to their chief information officer to complete [online](#). KHA uses the results of the survey for advocacy efforts and to complete the annual EHR Status Report. Your participation is encouraged and appreciated. The survey is also accessible at [www.healthforum.com](http://www.healthforum.com) by selecting “Data & Coding” and then look under “AHA/Health Forum Surveys,” to view a link to the 2016 AHA Annual Survey Information Technology Supplement. For more information, contact AHA survey support at (800) 530-9092 or [surveysupport@healthforum.com](mailto:surveysupport@healthforum.com).
**CMS Extends Deadline for Reporting 2016 eCQM Data to March 13**
The deadline for eligible hospitals participating in the Hospital IQR or Medicare EHR Incentive Program to submit eCQM data has been extended through March 13. Participants must submit electronic Clinical Quality Measure data for the calendar year 2016 reporting period to avoid a 2.7% payment adjustment in FY 2018. The original deadline was February 28. The extension applies to eCQM submissions for the Medicare EHR Incentive Program that are reported by attestation or electronically. All other aspects of eCQM reporting requirements for CY 2016 remain the same. Successful submission continues to be defined as reporting on at least four eCQMs using EHR technology certified to the 2014 or 2015 edition of EHR certification criteria. The reporting must be a combination of Quality Reporting Document Architecture Category I files, zero denominator declarations and/or case threshold exemptions.

**CMS updates ICD-10 value sets for 2017 eCQM Reporting**
The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and National Library of Medicine have published an addendum to the 2016 electronic clinical quality measure specifications. The addendum updates the ICD-10 value sets for electronic reporting of eCQMs for the 2017 performance year in the Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting Program, Medicare Electronic Health Record Incentive Program and Merit-based Incentive Payment System. Hospitals should review the changes and revise their ICD-10 code mapping as needed to ensure their submissions comply with the updated requirements, CMS said. Clinicians also may need to review their workflows to comply with ICD-10 code additions and removals included in the addendum.

Updated measure information is available on the eCQM library and eCQI Resource Center websites. Visit the ICD-10-CM/PCS Frequently Asked Questions webpage for more information on implementing and mapping of ICD-10 codes. Questions about the addendum, eCQM value sets, appropriateness of mapping, and non-ICD-10 code system updates should be reported to the ONC CQM Issue Tracker.

Thanks!

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