

# Voluntary EHR Certification Listening Session for LTPAC and BH

Presentation on use of CEHRT by  
Physicians working in LTPAC

# Leverage existing use of CEHRT by LTC Physicians when developing Voluntary Certification Standards.

- ~ 5,000 Physicians & NPPs provide 50% of all LTPAC on site medical care
- Majority are both Medicare & Medicaid eligible
- Many already carry portable CEHRT to facility for documentation and practice management
- Qualify for Hardship Exemption because facility EHRs are not designed to support MU by attending staff

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# LTC Physician/Patient Relations

- LTC is a *Primary Care* Place of Service for ACO and other MSSPs
- According to CMS Data, >50% of LTC Patients are 'attributed' to the LTC Physicians serving them
- ACO and CMS VBP data for large LTC groups place their patient population in the 95+% based on retrospective risk adjusted payments

# LTPAC Physicians

- 100% of Physicians working LTC are covered by the CMS EHR Meaningful Use regulations
  - Some qualify for hardship exemptions
- ~80% of LTC Physicians, and most Nurse Practitioners are eligible for the State Medicaid HIT incentive
- While unable to demonstrate MU because of structural barriers a significant # of LTPAC Physicians & NPPs use CEHRT

# A small # of Physicians cover 50% of LTPAC patient services data from CMS 2012 PUF

Total number of providers reporting any LTPAC E&M activity	52,426
providers listed with any SNF/NF service	46,579
SNF/NF encounters	24,660,090
SNF Admission Encounters (99304:99306)	2,640,031
Number of providers required to deliver the 50 <sup>th</sup> percentile encounter (12,330,000)	4,831
Annual number of SNF/NF encounters provided by the 4,831 <sup>st</sup> Provider	1,390
Percent of Encounters by those 4,831 providers that were in a:	
SNF/NF	83%
ALF/Resthome	4%
Hospital	8%
Other	5%

# Barriers to LTPAC MU

- #1 barrier is inability to ePrescribe
  - High volume of Rx @ admission covered by telephone, no structured data available
  - ***Solution – adopt NCPDP LTPAC eRx workflow model –part of NIST standard***
- #2 barrier is communication with Patient
  - Often cognitively impaired, difficult for Physician to establish electronic connection w/ surrogate
  - ***Solution – connect Physician & surrogate via LTPAC facility's EHR***

# Opportunity

- When LTPAC Physicians meaningfully use CEHRT, their work product is highly valuable for Community Based PCPs and Hospital Physicians
- Addressing the need to share data between the facility EHR and Attending Physician's EHR in voluntary certification will yield immediate benefits consistent with the Triple Aim