

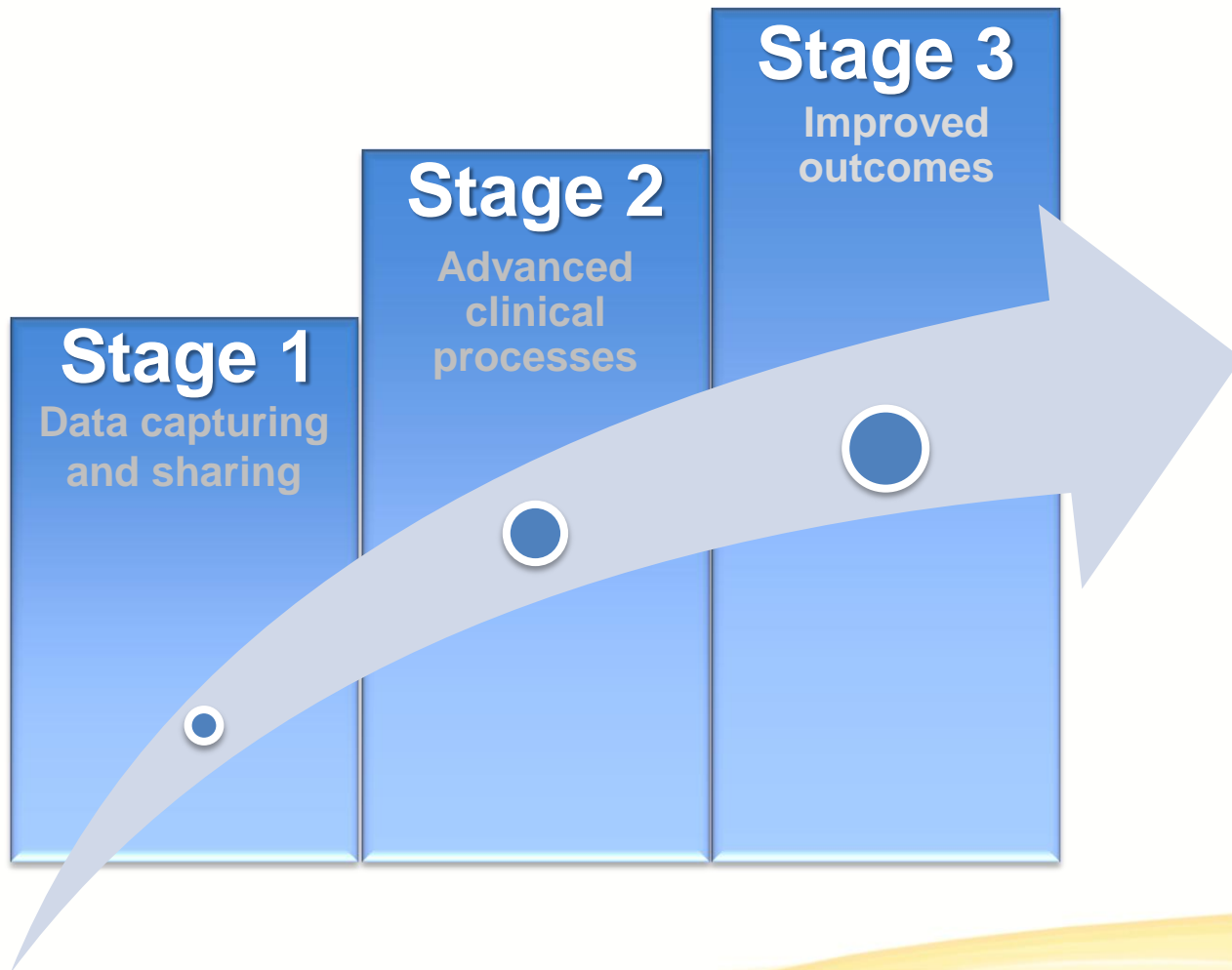


# **CMS Stage 3 Meaningful Use NPRM**



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# Stage 3 NPRM Requirements

## Goals of Proposed Provisions

1

Provide a flexible, clear framework to simplify the meaningful use program and reduce provider burden

2

Ensure future sustainability of Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs

3

Advance the use of health IT to promote health information exchange and improved outcomes for patients

## Stage 3 NPRM Streamlines Programs

### Streamlining

- Synchronizing on single stage and single reporting period

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# Streamlining

- Reducing burden by removing objectives that are:
  - Redundant to other more advanced measures being retained
  - Duplicative of other measures using same certified EHR technology function
  - Topped out and have reached high performance

## Stage 3 NPRM Streamlines Programs

### Streamlining

- 8 advanced use objectives

## Stage 3 NPRM Improves Outcomes

Stage 3 NPRM focuses on objectives which support advanced use of EHR technology and quality improvement

Health information exchange objectives improve outcomes by:

- Ensuring providers caring for same patient are sharing info with one another
- Providing patients with easy access to health info
- Fostering data collection in sharable format across multiple health care organizations
- Supporting learning health system through sharing of common clinical dataset and expanding types of registries to which hospitals and providers can report



## Stage 3 NPRM Increases Interoperability

Stage 3 NPRM increases interoperability by:

- Simplifying requirements to focus on objectives supporting advanced use of health IT
- Requiring providers to report on 2 of 3 HIE measures
- Requiring Stage 3 in 2018 for all to increase scale of participation and support growth in HIE and patient engagement infrastructure

## Stage 3 NPRM Provides Flexibility

The Stage 3 proposed rule makes the meaningful use program more flexible:

- Have option to report on Stage 3 criteria in 2017
- Required to report on Stage 3 beginning in 2018 regardless of prior participation/stage of meaningful use

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The Stage 3 proposed rule makes the meaningful use program more flexible:

- Simplifying meaningful use objectives and measures and allowing flexible measures for:
  - health information exchange
  - coordination of care through patient engagement
  - public health reporting
- Providing enhanced flexibility and options for public health reporting

# Stage 3 Requirements, Objectives & Measures

## Reporting Period

- » Full calendar year reporting period beginning in 2017
- » CQM reporting in coordination with quality reporting programs

## **Stage 3 Proposed Objectives**

1. Protect Electronic Health Information
2. Electronic Prescribing (eRx)
3. Clinical Decision Support
4. Computerized Provider Order Entry (CPOE)
5. Patient Electronic Access to Health Information
6. Coordination of Care through Patient Engagement
7. Health Information Exchange
8. Public Health Reporting

# Modifications for meaningful use in 2015-2017

## Goals of Proposed Provisions

1

Align with Stage 3 proposed rule to achieve overall goals of programs

2

Synchronize reporting period objectives and measures to reduce burden

3

Continue to support advanced use of health IT to improve outcomes for patients

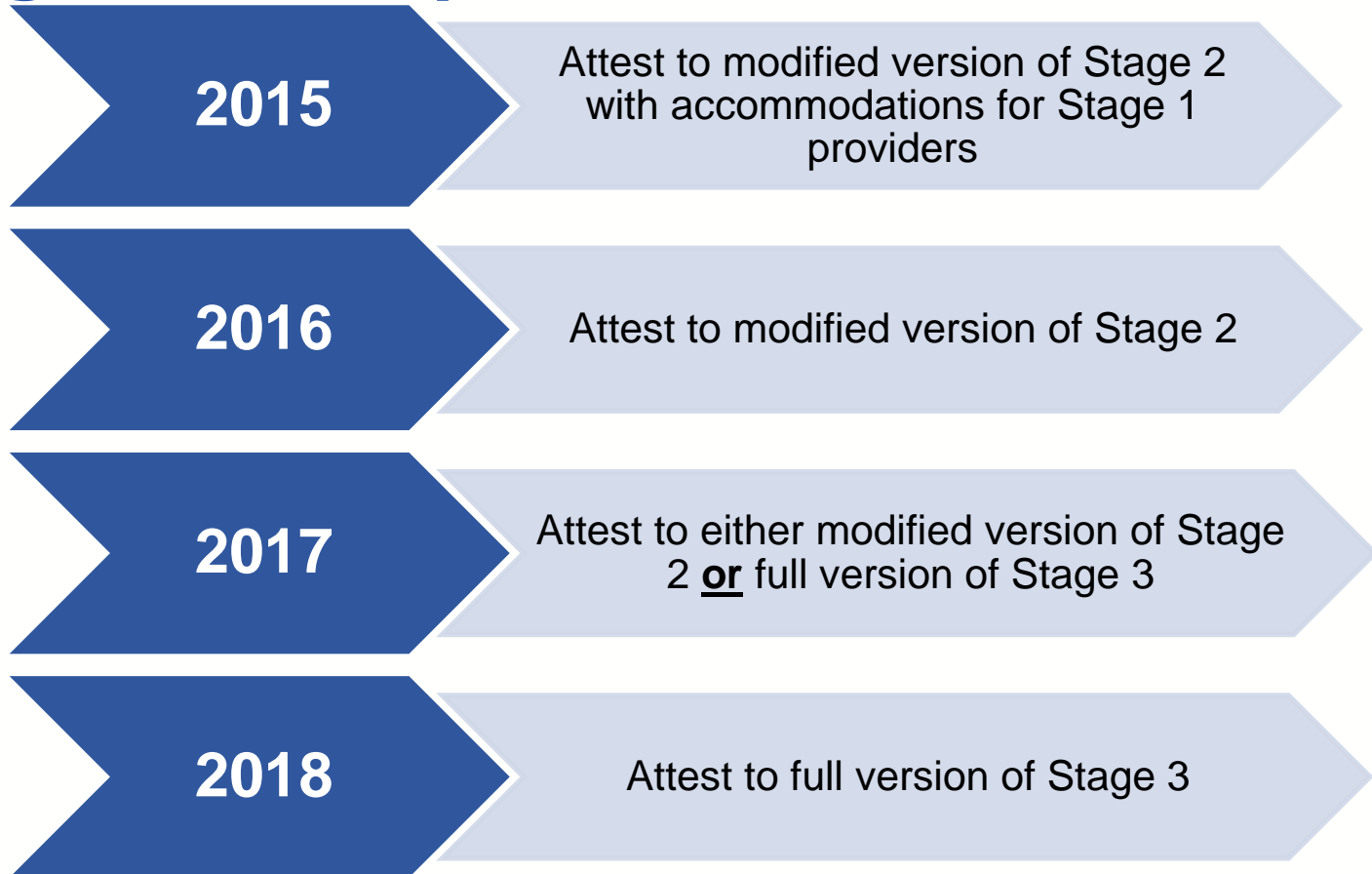


## **Modifications to Meaningful Use in 2015 through 2017 NPRM**

### **Proposed rule for Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs:**

- Streamlines program by removing redundant, duplicative and topped out measures
- Modifies patient action measures in Stage 2 objectives related to patient engagement
- Aligned reporting period with full calendar year
- Changes EHR reporting period in 2015 to 90-day period to accommodate modifications

## Changes to Participation Timeline



# System Information & Support

## EHR Operational Information

- » Registration & Attestation modules (RNA)
  - System updates on a quarterly basis to incorporate rule changes and system efficiencies
- » Influx of providers waiting until the last week/day to attest to MU
  - Finding their user IDs/passwords are incorrect
  - Finding their PECOS revalidation applications were not submitted in a timely manner
- » Review information on the registration pages to ensure information is up to date, including:
  - Payee information
  - Email address is current and monitored
- » Payment adjustments
- » Locked for Payment
  - If the provider NPI and TIN in PECOS don't match what the MAC has, the banking information fails

# Trouble Shooting

## » EHR Information Center Help Desk

- (888) 734-6433 / TTY: (888) 734-6563
- Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. in all time zones (except on Federal holidays)

## » NPPES Help Desk

- Visit <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>
- (800) 465-3203 - TTY (800) 692-2326

## » PECOS Help Desk

- Visit <https://pecos.cms.hhs.gov/>
- (866)484-8049 / TTY (866)523-4759

## » Identification & Access Management System (I&A) Help Desk

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