

TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Electronic Case Reporting

Promoting Interoperability Public Health Measure

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Electronic Case Reporting Declaration of Readiness Revision

The Communicable and Environmental Disease and Emergency Preparedness Section (CEDEP) within the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH) has revised its declaration of readiness for Electronic Case Reporting regarding the submission of electronic initial case reports (eICR). **Effective January 1st, 2027**, TDH will accept registrations from eligible hospitals (EHs) and eligible clinicians (ECs) that meet the following requirements:

Requirement	EHs	ECs
Use of 2015 CEHRT product capable of generating and transmitting HL7 electronic initial case report (eICR) standard R3.1.1 for electronic case reporting (eCR)	X	X
<i>NOTE: EHRs utilizing vendor-developed solutions (e.g., Epic, Oracle Health, Meditech, etc.,) must at minimum align with national guidance. EHRs utilizing eCR Now FHIR App must implement version 4.0.3 or higher</i>		
Establish connectivity and use of the Association of Public Health Laboratories (APHL) Informatics Messaging Services (AIMS) platform and the Reportable Condition Knowledge Management System (RCKMS)	X	X
Conduct full triggering of eICRs by implementing Electronic Reporting and Surveillance Distribution (eRSD) version 4.x or higher	X	X
Intent to send all reportable conditions via electronic case reporting (as applicable)	X	X
Diagnose or treat ≥ 150 reportable cases in a calendar year		X

NOTE: Information submitted through registration and onboarding activities relies on self-attestation of organizational preparedness. If, during technical review, testing, or validation activities, an organization cannot demonstrate compliance with above criteria, or if discrepancies are identified, TDH may pause onboarding activities or return the organization to the onboarding queue until identified issues are resolved.

To satisfy Tennessee Department of Health's requirements for Public Health Reporting using electronic health record technology, all potential trading partners must first register their intent to exchange data: [Trading Partner Registration \(TPR\)](#). After completing TPR registration, an automated confirmation email will be sent to the registered facility/provider contact. TDH staff will review registration and status is (i.e., approve/deny) provided via automated email. Due to limited capacity, trading partners are onboarded by priority and resource availability.

Any registrations not meeting the requirements above will result in their registration being denied and should consider using the automated email as documentation when applying for an exclusion from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Electronic Case Reporting measure. Please visit [CMS' Promoting Interoperability Programs](#) site for more information.

*A denied registration in the TPR system does not negate the responsibility to report in accordance with **Tennessee Code Annotated (T.C.A.) § 68-5-102**, which requires **all health care practitioners and facilities that diagnose and/or treat communicable disease(s) to report to TDH**.*

All trading partners should check the TDH web page periodically for updates to the [Declaration of Readiness](#). **For questions related to the TDH Declaration of Readiness, contact the Partner Engagement Team at MU.Health@tn.gov**. Questions concerning eCR please contact CEDS.Informatics@tn.gov.