

# Meaningful Use

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# What is MU?

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- ❑ To increase the use of EHR  
(electronic health record)
  
  - ❑ For the purposes of:
    - improving quality, safety and the efficiency of patient care
    - improving care coordination
    - ensuring privacy/security of PHI  
(patient health information)
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# What is MU?

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- To give incentive pay to both hospitals and to doctors to achieve these goals
  - Particularly, the goal of becoming meaningful users of certified EHR technology
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# Comes in Stages

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- Technically, cannot move on to Stage two without accomplishing Stage one
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# Stage One

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- Buying and using certified technology that:
    - helps clinical decision support
    - does order entry
    - is able to query information
    - can exchange and integrate EHR from other sources
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# Stage one

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- Hospitals and doctors have a set core of objectives they must meet and 5 activities they must accomplish to pass into Stage two
  - Stage two is under development
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# REC's from MU

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## □ REC

(regional extension centers)

More employment in the health care field to assist doctors with MU and selecting an EHR certified technology

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# Stopped 2013 date for I10

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- Doctors and some hospitals lobbied for the push back of one year while they learn and catch up

(also this is an election year)

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