



TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH Cancer Case Reporting Fact Sheet for Meaningful Use

For more information contact the Tennessee Cancer Registry

The [Tennessee Cancer Registry \(TCR\)](#) located within the Tennessee Department of Health (TDH), was established in 1983 as a statewide population-based cancer surveillance system. The TCR has programmatic oversight of cancer case reporting activities across the state and collects information about all newly diagnosed cancers in Tennessee residents (except in situ cervical cancer, and basal and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin). This information is used to monitor and evaluate cancer incidence patterns in Tennessee. Additionally, this information is used to better understand cancer, identify areas in need of public health interventions, and improve cancer prevention, treatment, and control.

Currently, all Tennessee acute care hospitals, ambulatory surgery treatment centers, and pathology laboratories report cancer cases. The Office of Cancer Surveillance has expanded reporting capability to include eligible professionals under [Meaningful Use](#) (MU) Stage 2. Reporting under MU Stage 2 will provide expanded treatment information for cases and the identification of cases that were treated in a physician's office, not in a hospital.

Only Eligible Professionals (i.e., individual medical specialists), who directly diagnose or treat cancer patients and use Electronic Health Record (EHR) software that meets the *Office of the National Coordinator (ONC) for Health Information Technology 2014 Certified EHR Technology criteria for transmission to cancer registries may attest to the cancer reporting menu objective in MU Stage 2. The TCR is currently prioritizing electronic submission of cancer registry data from eligible providers that diagnose and/or treat cancer. If you are interested in the Cancer Case Reporting Public Health Measure in Tennessee to meet the CMS Stage 2 Meaningful Use requirements please visit:

<http://tn.gov/health/topic/meaningful-use-summary>

****In order to participate in Cancer Case Reporting under Meaningful Use, your EHR product MUST be certified for both cancer reporting criteria. Please, follow the directions below to ensure your EHR product meets these criteria.***

The list of certified products from ambulatory vendors can be found within the ONC for Health Information Technology's [Certified Health IT Product List](#).

1. From this website select 'View all products' located under the search box
2. In the menu on the left hand side of the web page:
 - a. Under CERTIFICATION EDITION check the box listed '2014'
 - b. Under CERTIFICATION CRITERIA:
 - i. Select '170.314(f)(5)'
 - ii. Select '170.314(f)(6)'
3. Look for your EHR product and select it by clicking on the name of the product to verify it is certified

The preferred methods of transport for the Cancer Case Reporting menu objective are listed below:

Transport Options	
Method	Description
SFTP	Internet standard for point-to-point interactive or "batched" secure file transfer
Direct	Simple, secure, scalable, standards-based way for participants to "push" encrypted health information directly to known, trusted recipients over the Internet.

Registry Contact Information

For more information about reporting cancer cases electronically in Tennessee, please contact:

Tennessee Cancer Registry at (615) 741-5548 or email us at TNCancer.Registry@tn.gov