

## Get eHealth ready: A Message from AML Alliance

With only three weeks to the end of the month, there is a significant amount of effort required to get general practices over the line by 1 May to ensure that they remain eligible to receive the PIP eHealth payment. The good news is that it is now possible for practices to register online. DHS went live late last week with a service through HPOS which allows organisations to register for the PCEHR online. Further details are provided in this newsletter. This is an important improvement in the PCEHR registration system. However, there will still be practices that need help from the Medicare Local (ML) eHealth teams to meet the requirements.

Based on advice from AML Alliance, the Department has issued a letter to all MLs on the Aspen Medical/McKinsey Assisted Registration project. This letter describes the nature of the initiative and advises how MLs can engage with Aspen Medical/McKinsey.

We think that this initiative will be an important opportunity to enhance your consumer registration activities and also to reach towards meaningful use. By adopting an integrated approach to consumer and provider registration, it will be possible to create connected communities of consumers and providers which will lead to the creation and use of more Shared Health Summaries and Event Summaries.

### PIP eHealth requirement 5

#### **NEW!** eHealth Record System application now available through HPOS

From 6 April 2013 provider organisations can now register for PCEHR through the healthcare professionals online services (HPOS).

This functionality allows an organisation that is already registered for the HI Service and has access to HPOS (with HI functions) to submit a PCEHR application including the participation agreement.

An application can be submitted by the Responsible Officer (RO) or Organisation Maintenance Officer (OMO). Completing the application through HPOS negates the need to submit paper copies of the documentation.

Functionality also allows organisations to set access flags in accordance with the PCEHR Rules 2012.

#### **Reminder:**

The eHealth application form is available on the [DHS webpage](#). The PIP Online system will also be updated to reflect the new requirements.

Eligible practices will receive their first payment under the new eligibility requirements in May 2013.

To receive the May 2013 payment, the practice must:

- meet each of the requirements for the entire quarter prior to the payment month, except as qualified in Requirements Two and Five, and
- apply for the incentive by **24 April 2013**.

### **DHS Advice: NASH PKI Certificate - Organisations' legal entity name clarification**

The Department of Human Services is currently having to follow up on a large number of NASH applications where a trustee or partnership has been nominated as the legal entity for the organisation. Trusts and Partnerships are classified as relationships, not legal entities.

When providing details of either trusts or partnerships at part 5 of their NASH PKI Application, please refer to the following points:

- Partnerships - The legal entity for the partnership is the actual name of one of the partners (this could be an individual's name or a company's name depending on whether the partnership is between companies or not).
- Trusts - The legal entity for the trust is the actual name of one the trustees (this could be an individual's name or a company's name depending on whether the trustee is a company or not).

Any questions regarding the NASH PKI Certificate application should be directed to [nash.pki@humanservices.gov.au](mailto:nash.pki@humanservices.gov.au) in the first instance.