Providers and hospitals:

Thank you for your interest in testing with the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) for Meaningful Use Stage One. Follow the flowchart below.

Testing for Meaningful Use with MCIR

Does your office or hospital administer immunizations?  
Yes → Has your office or hospital already enrolled in MCIR?  
Yes → Is your EHR certified to record, modify, retrieve, and submit an HL7 immunization message?  
Yes → Are you applying for the Medicare EHR Incentive?  
Yes → You qualify for and should apply for Exclusion (75 FR 44364-66, §495.6(g)(8)(iii)).  
No → STOP! You do not need to test with MCIR.  
More information about testing with other Michigan public health systems is available at: http://michiganhealthit.org/meaningful_use/publichealth.aspx

No → STOP!  

Has your office or hospital already enrolled in MCIR?  
No → Contact your Regional MCIR Office to obtain a MCIR Site ID. Contact information is available at http://mcir.org/contact_regions.html

Yes → STOP! You are not eligible for the EHR Incentive Program.

STOP!  

If you are applying for the Medicaid EHR Incentive, Meaningful Use testing does not begin until January 1, 2012.

You qualify for and should apply for Exclusion (75 FR 44364-66, §495.6(g)(8)(iii)).

You do not need to test with MCIR.

More information about testing with other Michigan public health systems is available at: http://michiganhealthit.org/meaningful_use/publichealth.aspx

Are you applying for the Medicare EHR Incentive?  
Yes → Go to www.MCIR.org/meaningfuluse.html  
Download the Excel spreadsheet by clicking on the http://mcir.org/forms/Required_info_for_MCIR_MU_test.xls link  
Complete the spreadsheet and email as an attachment to MCIRHELP@mphi.org

No → Contact your Regional MCIR Office to obtain a MCIR Site ID. Contact information is available at http://mcir.org/contact_regions.html

Once we receive the completed spreadsheet it will be put into a queue. Testing is prioritized based upon (1) your agency’s report period and (2) the order that we receive completed spreadsheets. Due to current testing volumes please allow at least two weeks for a response. An email will be sent to the “Site Contact Person” with test message submission instructions.

Timeframes: the State of Michigan validates test messages ahead and during 90-day attestation reporting periods. Test messages should be submitted at least a month before the end of the 90-day attestation reporting period, and preferably well in advance of the beginning date of the report period to allow time to address any unforeseen problems. You cannot test after your 90-day reporting period.

- Testing is currently underway for the Medicare EHR Incentive.
- Testing for the Medicaid EHR Incentive will not begin until January 2012.