



OMG 2016 Compliance Key

Trying to keep up with compliance for mental + behavioral health can be daunting, especially weeding through the barrage of commonly-used acronyms. Use our handy guide for definitions – and details to help you maintain compliance:

> **ACO: Accountable Care Organizations** are groups of doctors, hospitals, and other providers who collaborate to voluntarily give high quality and coordinated care to Medicare patients. Coordinated care strives to make sure patients get the right treatments at the correct time, while avoiding unnecessary duplicate services and protecting against medical error. Medicare offers several ACO programs.

> **A/I/U: Adopt, Implement, Upgrade** describes the first year of Medicaid Meaningful Use. A provider doesn't have to actually use a certified EHR; they simply need to prove that 1) they have adopted, implemented or upgraded EMR, which can be as simple as presenting a receipt of purchase; and 2) at least 30% of their patient volume are Medicaid. This is calculated on a 90-day period from the previous year.

> **APMs: Alternative Payment Models** (sometimes called Advanced APMs, or AAPMs) is one path of MACRA, which goes into effect on January 1, 2017. The other path is MIPS; get details here.

> **CHERT: Certified Electronic Health Record Technology** is a technological application that has been certified according to CMS and ONC criteria for data stored in a structured format. Structured data allows patient information to be easily retrieved and transferred, and allows the provider to use the EHR in ways that can aid patient care. Providers participate in MU or MACRA through the use of CHERT.

> **CHPL: the Certified Health Information Technology Product List** provides a

list of practice management software that has met the certification requirements of Meaningful Use (which vary by Edition).

Get the full guide [here...](#)



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