

June 1, 2010

Re: Tufts Health Plan Electronic Medical Record Incentive Program

Dear Provider:

In support of the Healthcare Affordability Standards initiated by the Rhode Island Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner, and to encourage physicians' implementation of electronic medical records (EMR), Tufts Health Plan is introducing an EMR incentive program for its contracting physicians practicing in the state of Rhode Island.

In 2010, Tufts Health Plan will provide incentive payment to 250 physicians. Each physician who qualifies for the incentive will receive a one-time payment of \$750.

To qualify for this incentive payment, contracting physicians must report to Tufts Health Plan that they have adopted a Certification Commission on Health Information Technology (CCHIT)-certified EMR system. Approximately 150 physicians who reported on the 2009 Rhode Island Physician Health Information Technology (HIT) Survey that their practice employs qualified EMR automatically qualified for and have received the 2010 incentive payment.

The remaining incentive payments will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis until the total number of physicians awarded payment has reached 250. If your practice employs a qualified EMR system but you did not report that use on the 2009 HIT Survey, or if your practice has adopted EMR functionality since that time, Tufts Health Plan encourages you to inform us of such by completing the enclosed form and faxing it to the number on the form by July 16, 2010. You will be notified by letter on or before August 31, 2010, whether you have been awarded the incentive payment.

If you have questions regarding the Tufts Health Plan RI Physician EMR Incentive Program, please contact Provider Services at 888-884-2404. For details of CCHIT's certification criteria, visit cchit.org/certify/2009.

Thank you for the services you provide to Tufts Health Plan members.

Sincerely,



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