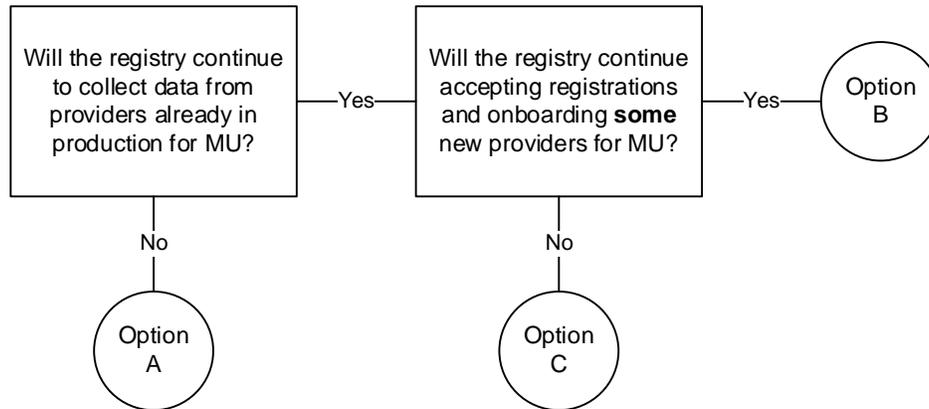


# Decommissioning a Registry

## Decisions

### Situation

Determine which situation is applicable to the registry using the chart below:



- A) Registry is completed decommissioned; no longer accepting registrations, onboarding, or collecting data from all providers for Meaningful Use (MU).
- B) Registry stops accepting registrations and onboarding a particular group of providers, but continues to accept registrations, onboard, and collect data from some providers for MU.
- C) Registry stops accepting registration and onboarding new providers, but continues to accept data from the group of providers already in Production for MU.

Answer:

### Provider Type

- 1) What provider types is the registry being decommissioning for?

Answer:

- 2) What provider types is the registry not decommissioning for?

Answer:

### Timing

- 1) When will the registry be decommissioned?

Answer:

- 2) When will the registry stop accepting new registrations?

Answer:

### Active Engagement

What will happen to the providers in each of the Active Engagement statuses?

- A) Awaiting Invitation to Test
- B) Testing
- C) Production

*Answer:*

### Audit Support

1) Will the registry still be able to supply audit support to providers going forward?

*Answer:*

2) If yes, who will be responsible for this?

*Answer:*

3) If no, when will documentation be sent to the final audit documentation be sent to providers, for support of audits?

*Answer:*

## **Suggestions**

1) Update to Declaration of Readiness

- It is suggested that the registry update their declaration of readiness at least 6 months prior to when they plan on decommissioning a registry, to align with exclusions for Meaningful Use Stage 3.
- Suggested Wording:



Declaration of  
Readiness

2) Notification of Registry Being Decommissioned

- It is suggested that the registry notify all provider types who they will no longer be participating with for Meaningful Use at the same time they update their declaration of readiness.
- The documentation should contain pertinent dates, detailed information on who the registry is being decommissioned for, any requirements the providers need to undertake, and timeframes.
- Suggested Document:



Notification for  
Providers

3) Audit Support Suggested Documents

- As part of a declaration of readiness for Meaningful Use registries are required to supply providers with documents to support an audit. Therefore, it is essential the registry supply the providers with audit documentation that can fully support audits for any period of time when the providers were considered Actively Engaged with the registry, especially if the registry will no longer be participating with any providers and/or will not be able to supply audit documentation in the future.
- Suggested Document:



Audit  
Documentation

**Proposed FAQ Language:** What if a registry in my jurisdiction is decommissioned?

If a registry that previously declared readiness in your jurisdiction is decommissioned, you may still be eligible to use Active Engagement with that registry to attest to the applicable Public Health Reporting Measure. If the date of decommissioning or the date the declaration of decommissioning was issued (whichever is later) was less than 6 months prior to the start of your EHR Reporting Period, you would still be eligible to use Active Engagement with the registry to meet the applicable Public Health Reporting Measure. If your EHR reporting period began 6 months or more after the date the declaration of decommissioning occurred or the date of decommissioning (whichever is later), you would not be eligible to use Active Engagement with the registry to meet the applicable Public Health Reporting Measure.

***Example:***

EHR Reporting Period 10/3/16-12/31/16

- Registry Declaration of Decommission Issued: 3/1/16  
Decommission Date: 12/31/16  
Eligible to count Active Engagement with the registry towards the appropriate Public Health Reporting Measure.
- Registry Declaration of Decommission Issued: 1/1/16  
Decommission Date: 3/1/16  
Not eligible to count Active Engagement with the registry towards the appropriate Public Health Reporting Measure.