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an incentive payment on the basis of having adopted, implemented, or upgraded certified EHR technology.

(ii) Aggregated data tables representing the provider adoption, implementation, or upgrade of certified EHR technology.

(iii) The number, type, and practice location(s) of providers who qualified for an incentive payment on the basis of demonstrating that they are meaningful users of certified EHR technology;

(iv) Aggregated data tables representing the provider's clinical quality measures data; and

(v) A description and quantitative data on how its incentive payment program addressed individuals with unique needs such as children.

(2) Subject to § 495.332, the State may propose a revised definition of meaningful use of certified EHR technology, subject to CMS prior approval, but only with respect to the following objectives:

(i) Generate lists of patients by specific conditions to use for quality improvement, reduction of disparities, research or outreach.

(ii) Capability to submit electronic data to immunization registries or immunization information systems and actual submission in accordance with applicable law and practice.

(iii) Capability to provide electronic submission of reportable (as required by State or local law) lab results to public health agencies and actual submission in accordance with applicable law and practice; and

(iv) Capability to provide electronic syndromic surveillance data to public health agencies and actual transmission in accordance with applicable law and practice.

(e) State failure to submit the required reports to CMS may result in discontinued or disallowed funding.

**§ 495.318 State responsibilities for receiving FFP.**

In order to be provided FFP under section 1903(a)(3)(F) of the Act, a State must demonstrate to the satisfaction of HHS, that the State is—

(a) Using the funds provided for the purposes of administering incentive payments to providers under this pro-

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gram, including tracking of meaningful use by Medicaid providers of EHR technology;

(b) Conducting adequate oversight of the program, including routine tracking of meaningful use attestations and reporting mechanisms; and

(c) Is pursuing initiatives to encourage the adoption of certified EHR technology to promote health care quality and the exchange of health care information, subject to applicable laws and regulations governing such exchange.

**§ 495.320 FFP for payments to Medicaid providers.**

Subject to the requirements outlined in this subpart, FFP is available at 100 percent of State expenditures for payments to Medicaid eligible providers to encourage the adoption and meaningful use of certified EHR technology.

**§ 495.322 FFP for reasonable administrative expenses.**

Subject to prior approval conditions at § 495.324 of this subpart, FFP is available at 90 percent in State expenditures for administrative activities in support of implementing incentive payments to Medicaid eligible providers.

**§ 495.324 Prior approval conditions.**

(a) A State must obtain prior written approval as specified in paragraph (b) of this section, when the State plans to initiate planning and implementation activities in support of Medicaid provider incentive payments encouraging the adoption and meaningful use of certified EHR technology with proposed Federal financial participation.

(b) To receive 90 percent match, each State must receive prior approval for all of the following:

(1) The HIT advance planning document and the implementation advance planning document.

(2) A request for proposal and any contract that a State may utilize to complete activities under this subpart, unless specifically exempted by the Department of Health and Human Services, prior to release of the request for proposal or prior to execution of a contract.

(3) For contract amendments, unless specifically exempted by HHS, before execution of the contract amendment,