

UDS Forms: Health IT and Other Data Elements Workforce

This fact sheet offers guidance on completing Appendix C: Health Center Health Information Technology (Health IT) Capabilities and Other Data Elements Form and Appendix D: Workforce Form, both of which must be completed for the annual Uniform Data System (UDS) submission. Each form will be discussed separately below.

APPENDIX C: HEALTH CENTER HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (HEALTH IT) CAPABILITIES AND OTHER DATA ELEMENTS FORM

PURPOSE:

Appendix C gathers information on health centers' health IT capabilities, including questions about electronic health records (EHRs), as well as prescription medication monitoring, medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), telehealth, alternative payment models (APM), and voluntary family planning.

CHANGES:

Several key changes have been made to Appendix C: Health Center Health Information Technology (Health IT Capabilities and Other Data Elements Form):

- Several questions specific to EHR implementation have been removed (Questions 1a, 1a2, 1a3, 1c, 1c1, and 10).
- Upstream drivers of health screening questions (Questions 11, 11a, 12, 12a, and 12b) have been removed, with aspects incorporated into Table 6A.
- Certain questions (previously on the Other Data Elements Form) have been moved: MOUD (Questions 14a and 14b), telehealth (Questions 15a, 15a1–15a3), and voluntary family planning (Question 16).
- Three new questions about alternative payment models (APM) have been added (Questions 17–19).

- A question has been added to learn if health centers provide sex rejecting services and procedures.

KEY TERMS:

EHR/PATIENT HEALTH RECORD: A digital version of a patient's paper health record. EHRs are real-time, electronic records that make information available instantly and securely to authorized users. They contain a patient's medical history, immunization records, allergy information, radiology images, laboratory results, and more. EHRs facilitate the sharing of data across different health care settings, allowing for comprehensive and coordinated care.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG MONITORING PROGRAM (PDMP): A state-run electronic database used to track the prescribing and dispensing of controlled prescription drugs to patients. PDMPs are a valuable tool in combating the opioid epidemic by enhancing the ability to monitor and control prescription drug use.

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HOW DATA ARE USED:

The data are used to better understand health IT interoperability and patient access to health information. It also assesses how health centers are providing MOUD, utilizing telehealth services, and participating in value-based purchasing and APM.

FORM TIPS:

- Respond to the questions in this form based on your health center status as of December 31 of the calendar year (2026).
- The form gives definitions and explanations for each question. Please review carefully before responding.
- Health centers must know their primary EHR vendor's name. You will also need to obtain the Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy/Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Certified Health IT Product List Number for your primary EHR. For more information, you can access the [Certified Health IT Product List](#).
- It is helpful to work with your EHR and health IT team early to make sure you have correct information to complete this form.

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APPENDIX D: WORKFORCE FORM

PURPOSE:

To understand the current state of health center workforce training, staffing models, and use of personnel satisfaction surveys to better support recruitment and retention of health center professionals.

CHANGES:

There are no changes to the Workforce Form reporting requirements for 2026.

KEY TERMS:

TRAINING SPONSOR: Hosts a comprehensive health profession education and/or training program, the implementation of which may require partnerships with other entities that deliver focused, time-limited education and/or training (such as a teaching health center with a family medicine residency program).

TRAINING SITE PARTNER: An entity that delivers focused, time-limited education and/or training to learners in support of a comprehensive curriculum hosted by another health profession education provider (such as month-long primary care dentistry experience for dental students).

PRE-GRADUATE/CERTIFICATE TRAINING:

Examples include student clinical rotations or externships.

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING: Examples include residency, fellowship, or practicum.

HOW DATA ARE USED:

- These data are used to better understand the range of health professional education and training offered by health centers, the number of individuals trained during the calendar year, and how often health centers conduct satisfaction surveys for providers and general personnel.

FORM TIPS:

- Respond to the questions in this form based on your health center status as of December 31 of the calendar year (2026).
- The form gives definitions and explanations for each question. Please review carefully before responding.
- Include non-health-center individuals who are trained by your health center during the calendar year.
- It is helpful to work with your human resources and/or training team early to make sure you have correct information to complete this form.