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To:	AmeriHealth Caritas District of Columbia Providers
Date:	March 23, 2018
Subject:	**HIT-HIE Technical Assistance and Outreach Support for Eligible Medicaid Providers for Fiscal Year 2018**

Summary: To support providers with continued HIT-HIE services in the 2018 Fiscal Year, the District of Columbia Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) has continued its partnership with eHealthDC, a DC Primary Care Association program, to provide **free technical assistance (TA)** to Medicaid-eligible District providers for the eHealthDC Technical Assistance program.

Background

To support providers with continued HIT-HIE services in the 2018 Fiscal Year, the District of Columbia Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) has continued its partnership with eHealthDC, a DC Primary Care Association program, to provide free technical assistance (TA) to Medicaid-eligible District providers for the eHealthDC Technical Assistance program. Now in its second year of services, eHealthDC is a multi-year technical assistance program focused on delivering TA support services to practices who have already submitted their Medicaid EHR Incentive Program (MEIP) attestations for meaningful use incentive payments.

Impact

As of January, 2018, the eHealthDC team will continue to work with all eligible practices to offer free support for the following services:

- **MEIP Services:** New EHR adoption, implementation or upgrade assistance and/or TA services to assist staff and providers with better utilization of the EHR in accordance with the current practice workflow; Meaningful Use and DC SLR support services to improve in weak performance areas to meet MU objectives and eCQMs and attest

- **HIE Tools Adoption Services:** Services to assist organizations who need to adopt, implement or improve their utilization of one of the available HIE tools and/or services such as the Unified Landing Page (including one or more of the following tools: Care Profile, Population Health Analytics Dashboard, OB/Prenatal Assessment, CaliPHR); ENS; or the Query Portal.

- **Practice/ Provider Data Verification Services:** Services designed to help the TA team to confirm demographics data for the practice, assessing a practice's EHR data, and reporting on eCQM data.

Action Needed

Participating eligible professionals through MEIP are able to receive payments of $8,500 per provider through successful DC MEIP attestation for Program Year 2017 attestation. To qualify for free technical assistance and the DC MEIP, an Eligible Professional must meet the following criteria:

- Be either a physician, nurse practitioner, certified nurse midwife or dentist;
- Maintain a Medicaid patient volume threshold of 30 percent (20 percent for pediatricians); and
- Demonstrate Meaningful Use of a federally certified health information technology (Certified Health IT).

Eligible providers interested in taking advantage of eHealthDC's free support should coordinate with your practice administrator to contact eHealthDC staff directly at contact@e-healthdc.org or call 202-552-2331.