



National Medicaid
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Evaluation of Standards and Operating Rules

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What suggestions are there for evaluation criteria?

- Separate by stakeholder type
- Process criteria: how standard is the implementation?
 - Different states may have different interpretations, or make different decisions to comply

Should the RC evaluation criteria be used to evaluate new/proposed standards and operating rules? Please explain.

- Separate evaluation streams may work better
- RC could play a leading role in helping to estimate impact through an implementation review/proposed review virtuous cycle

Do you have evaluation criteria that can be used to evaluate standards and operating rules?

- "Evaluating HIT Standards: Key Principles to Advance Healthcare IT Interoperability in the United States" HIMSS whitepaper

<http://himss.files.cms-plus.com/FileDownloads/2013-09-23-EvaluatingHITStandards-FINAL.pdf>

What evaluation criteria have you seen that are effective? Please explain?

- Call center volume that shows decrease in calls about issues addressed in operating rule
 - Should be compared against volume of calls about transactions/connectivity changes

What process(s) should be used to evaluate standards and operating rules?

- Quantify a baseline for the issue to be addressed by entity type
- Collect stakeholder input on evaluation criteria
- Fund data collection and lower stakes
 - States won't welcome additional reporting requirements
 - Will be difficult to get transparent data when too much is at stake (fines)