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Welcome to all new subscribers!

Our new site now allows individual login and password identification. Login management can be found on the right hand sidebar of the site. Thank you for your patience on the couple of days we were working to install this.

The new subscription model is now good through January of 2011. For all subscribers prior to January 1, 2010, your subscription has been automatically renewed free of charge. Thank you for your early interest in our resources. You should have received a new login user name and password. If you did not, please contact us at [info@hitechanswers.com](mailto:info@hitechanswers.com).

**New Webinars Added:**  
Small Private Practices and EHR Adoption, Where to Begin

Medicare Recovery Audit Contractors



# HITECHAnswers



*Thank you for signing up for our newsletter.*

*This is an extension of our website to bring you updated information on the HITECH Act and EHR adoption. Each month as we add webinars, white papers, and features, the subscription price to premium content on our web site will increase.*

*You still have ONE MORE DAY to get a subscription to HITECH Answers at the lowest price of the year - \$195. Subscribe by end of today, Feb. 1, and you will save \$50 over the February price of \$245. All new subscriptions will run through January of 2011.*

*To our subscribers: thank you for your suggestions on what you'd like to know and how the subscriber pages can help. We're always happy to hear from you.*

*In February, look for our newest webinar series on the ONC and CMS rules.*

**Keeping Up****HITECH Updates**

Visit [HITECH Updates](#) to read full posts on what happened in January

Read the "**Waiting Room**" posts on what's on the horizon for the coming week. Read the "**Recovery Room**" posts on recent events of interest.

**What's been happening?**

1. The HIT Policy Committee met on January 13 and reviewed the current CMS and ONC rules.
2. The HIT Standards Committee met on January 20 and reviewed the current CMS and ONC rules.
3. The Policy NHIN workgroup held hearing with a primary emphasis on authentication mechanisms.
4. Guest posts from Dr. Nick van Terheyden and Alex Zaltsman two of our experts with perspectives on the proposed rules.
5. Registration opens for MTIA Spring Conference. It will be held in Daytona Beach on April 28th.

## New Resources Added:

**Proposed Rules** - Your go to place for all things about the CMS NPRM and ONC IFR. Find articles, resource links, and published comments.

**Off the Beaten Path, Not Necessarily HITECH** For topics of interest especially for physicians and their practices.

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## Quick Links

[Virtual Site Tour](#)

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# Department of Health and Human Services

## Proposed Rules Released

Proposed rules were released on December 30, 2009. Start [here](#) to view the rules. Public comment is now open for 60 days.



## HIT Policy Committee.

- Keep up to date on Meaningful Use by [visiting our page](#) devoted to "meaningful use".
- The next meeting is February 17.
- [Visit our committee page](#) to get all meeting dates for the committee and its workgroups.
- Committee workgroups now have pages on the ONC website.

## HIT Standards Committee

- The next meeting will be February 24.
- [Visit our committee page](#) to get all meeting dates for the committee and its workgroups.
- Committee workgroups now have pages on the ONC website.

## ONC

Read Dr. David Blumenthal's blog [The Buzz](#).  
Read Dr. David Blumenthal's [ONC Updates](#) .

## HITECH Grants

For more information check out the HITECH Funding Opportunities page on the [HealthIT website](#).