Table 2. Percentage of office-based physicians using any electronic health record (EHR)/electronic medical record (EMR) system and physicians that use a certified EHR/EMR system, by geographical classifications: National Electronic Health Records Survey, 2017

| Characteristics                     | Any EHR or EMR system |                         |      | Certified EHR or EMR system |                         |      |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------|
|                                     | Percent               | 95% confidence interval |      |                             | 95% confidence interval |      |
|                                     |                       | Low                     | High | Percent                     | Low                     | High |
| All Physicians                      | 85.9                  | 83.2                    | 88.4 | 79.7                        | 76.7                    | 82.4 |
| Metropolitan statistical area (MSA) |                       |                         |      |                             |                         |      |
| MSA                                 | 86.3                  | 83.5                    | 88.8 | 79.9                        | 76.8                    | 82.7 |
| non-MSA                             | 81.6                  | 70.4                    | 89.9 | 77.4                        | 66.6                    | 86.0 |
| Urban/rural status <sup>1</sup>     |                       |                         |      |                             |                         |      |
| Large central metro                 | 84.8                  | 78.9                    | 89.5 | 77.8                        | 71.5                    | 83.2 |
| Large fringe metro                  | 87.1                  | 82.4                    | 90.9 | 78.8                        | 73.6                    | 83.4 |
| Medium metro                        | 86.3                  | 80.8                    | 90.8 | 82.1                        | 76.4                    | 87.0 |
| Small metro                         | 91.0                  | 84.7                    | 95.2 | 86.0                        | 79.6                    | 91.0 |
| Micropolitan (nonmetro)             | 78.3                  | 63.5                    | 89.2 | 75.5                        | 61.2                    | 86.6 |
| Noncore (nonmetro)                  | 88.2                  | 71.5                    | 97.0 | 81.0                        | 65.0                    | 91.9 |

<sup>1</sup> Categories based on the 2013 NCHS urban-rural classification scheme for counties. Full report can be found here: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\_02/sr02\_166.pdf.

NOTE: Having a certified system was defined by physicians answering "yes" to having a current system that "meet meaningful use criteria defined by the Department of Health and Human Services." For more information on certified systems and meaningful use criteria (renamed "promoting interoperability") go to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Official Web site for the Medicare and Medicaid EHR Incentive Programs (https://www.cms.gov/ehrincentiveprograms).

SOURCE: NCHS, National Electronic Health Records Survey, 2017.

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