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ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES NOW ELIGIBLE * 10 DAYS LEFT TO APPLY**

NEW! The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has announced that assisted living facilities (ALFs) that may have been previously ineligible may now apply for funding under the Provider Relief Fund Phase 2 General Distribution allocation. Like other providers applying for Phase 2 funding, eligible ALFs will receive 2 percent of their annual revenue from patient care. ALFs, like all providers applying for the current Phase 2 General Distribution funding, will have until September 13, 2020 to begin their application.

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPT. 13: The federal government has extended the deadline to apply for Medicaid/CHIP Provider Enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payments until September 13, 2020.

REMINDER! Second Chance for Certain Medicare Providers: Starting the week of August 10, HHS began allowing Medicare providers who missed the opportunity to apply for additional funding from the \$20 billion portion of the \$50 billion Phase 1 Medicare General Distribution. Providers will have until September 13, 2020, to complete an application to be considered for the balance of their additional funding up to 2 percent of their annual patient revenues.

REMINDER! Payments for Providers Who Had a Change in Ownership: Starting the week of August 10, HHS began allowing providers who experienced a change in ownership in 2019 or 2020 under Medicare Part A who did not have Medicare Fee-For-Service revenue in 2019 to submit their revenue information, along with documentation proving a change in ownership, by August 28 for consideration for a Provider Relief Fund payment.

Step by Step Provider Guide: The federal Health Resources & Service Administration has created a step by step provider guide to help providers learn more about the provider relief fund and how to apply. The Agency has posted this guide on our COVID-19 website, but it can also be accessed here http://ahca.myflorida.com/docs/PRF_Step-by-Step_Provider_Guide_8-11-2020.pdf

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Relief Fund Payments for New Providers: HHS is currently working to address relief payments to new providers in 2020 along with those that have yet to receive any funding for a variety of reasons, including the fact that they may only bill commercially, or do not directly bill for the services they provide under the Medicare and Medicaid programs and thus have not received any funding yet. HHS has advised that future announcements will be provided as additional information becomes available.

License Number Issue is Fixed: The requirement to input a license number during the application process has been resolved. Medicaid providers that are not licensed can put NA in the license field.

Previously Recorded Webinars: HHS has posted a recording of past webinars for providers who were unable to attend. These recordings can be accessed here: https://webex.webcasts.com/starthere.jsp?ei=1334682&tp_key=9dd6d30493

Updated FAQs: HHS has posted updated FAQs to address questions submitted during the previous webinars. The updated FAQs can be found here: [FAQs](#)

Funding Overview: HHS launched an enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal that allows eligible Medicaid and CHIP providers to report their annual patient revenue, which will be used as a factor in determining their Provider Relief Fund payment. The payment to each provider will be at least 2 percent of reported gross revenue from patient care; the final amount each provider receives will be determined after the data is submitted, including information about the number of Medicaid patients providers serve.

For more information, please visit www.HHS.gov/providerrelief

Agency COVID-19 Website: As a reminder, the Agency's COVID-19 alert website ensures providers have all Agency guidance in one centralized location. The website can be accessed through the following link: http://ahca.myflorida.com/covid-19_alerts.shtml

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