HHS Provider Relief Funds

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Medicaid Contacts:

Please see the email and alert below regarding the HHS Provider Relief fund. We are told this is available to all Medicaid providers, including school districts (08) providers who meet the conditions outlined in the guidance.

For your convenience **the following** documents from the AHCA Health Alert and the HHS website have been downloaded and attached:

- Application instructions
- Application
- Terms and Conditions

As we went through the information, we noted the following:

- The application is due on July 20th. Once submitted, no changes can be made to the application, so you will want to make certain that the application meets all of the requirements and all the attachments are included.
- On the HHS website, it states Medicaid providers will receive a distribution equal to at least 2 percent of reported gross revenues from patient care. This funding will supply relief to Medicaid and CHIP providers experiencing lost revenues or increased expenses due to COVID-19.

https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/06/09/hhs-announces-enhanced-provider-portal-relief-fund-payments-for-safety-net-hospitals-medicaid-chip-providers.html

School districts are eligible to apply if they meet all of the six requirements in the instructions document. The requirements applicable to districts of those six are:

- have not received payment from the previous \$50 billion General Distribution (our understanding is that distributions from this allocation was for Medicare)
- must have directly billed Medicaid for services during the period of January 1, 2018 to December 2019.
- have provided services after January 31, 2020
- have not permanently ceased providing direct services

HHS will be holding a webinar on HHS Getting Started with the Provider Relief Fund

for Medicaid and CHIP Distribution. This is to assist providers in understanding how to use the Medicaid

provider relief portal and submit applications to the portal. The webinar will be held on:

Thursday, June 25, 2:00 p.m. Eastern - <u>Click Here to Register</u>

We registered and had the opportunity to submit the following questions to be addressed during the question and answer section of the webinar.

- If school districts have multiple NPI #s, what NPI # do school districts indicate on the application?
- Confirm schools should indicate "other" under Applicant Type.
- Confirm dates of services that must be billed to qualify for the relief. On the application the dates of service are January 1, 2018, to December 31, 2019. HHS states dates of services are January 1, 2018 to May 31, 2020.

Let Nanci or I know if you have questions.

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