

FEDERAL SUPPORT ENACTED for health care providers affected by COVID-19

HHS PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES EMERGENCY FUND

\$100 billion to eligible health care providers for unreimbursed expenses and lost revenue attributable to COVID-19.

FEMA CATEGORY B PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

75/25 Federal-Public Split for COVID supplies, etc.

EXPANSION OF MEDICARE ACCELERATED AND ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM

Provider and suppliers can apply for Medicare advance payments, with amounts calculated using prior payments and delayed repayment.

SBA PAYCHECK PROTECTION PROGRAM

Businesses with 500 or fewer employees can borrow up to 250% of an average monthly payroll, with loan forgiveness if employees and wages are maintained during the period.

MEDICARE COVID-19 ADD-ON PAYMENT

CMS increases the payment that would otherwise be made to a provider for treating a patient admitted with COVID-19 by 20 percent.

SUSPENSION OF MEDICARE SEQUESTRATION

Suspends the 2% Medicare sequestration from May through the end of December 2020.

TELEHEALTH

HRSA grants and broader CMS coverage.



NO HEALTHNET PAYMENTS OWED OR AVAILABLE

Make \$42 million in hospital payments to correct a state payment miscalculation. Implement permissible Disproportionate Share Hospital payments using FRA and federal funds. Resolve cost settlements for past rural health clinic services.

USDA LOAN REPAYMENT OBLIGATIONS

Encourage the state USDA to temporarily suspend USDA loan repayment obligations of financially vulnerable hospitals upon request.

MEDICAID ADVANCE PAYMENT

Work with MO HealthNet to design a temporary periodic interim payment or other advance payment model for the COVID-19 emergency.

MEDICAID COVERAGE OF COVID-19 PATIENTS

Implement federal authority to extend Medicaid coverage to uninsured Missourians needing treatment of COVID-19 infection.

LINKED DEPOSIT LOANS

Collaborate with the Missouri State Treasurer and Missouri banks to promote Linked Deposit loans to hospitals needing a short-term bridge loan.

DOCUMENTATION OF FEMA-ELIGIBLE COSTS

Ensure Missouri hospital awareness of documentation needed to support a potential recovery of COVID-19 expenses from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

USING FEDERAL RELIEF PAYMENTS TO MISSOURI GOVERNMENT

Congress authorized a quick infusion of federal funds to Missouri state government using the Medicaid program. MHA will work to ensure that the state uses some of those funds to benefit hospitals in this challenging time.

