

To: All Providers Participating in the Nebraska Medicaid Program
From: Jeremy Brunssen, Interim Director 
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Re: Medicaid Provider Relief Funds from the Federal Government

This bulletin is being issued to share with Nebraska Medicaid and CHIP providers a recent announcement from the federal government regarding Medicaid provider relief funds.

The federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) recently announced it would be making an additional \$15 billion available for Medicaid providers across the country affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. To be eligible for payments from this sum, providers must not have received an award from the initial \$50 billion in awards made to providers with some level of Medicare utilization. Additionally, providers eligible to receive an award from this new \$15 billion sum must have directly billed a state Medicaid program or Medicaid managed care plan between January 1, 2018 and May 31, 2020.

Providers interested in applying for these new relief funds must submit an application, which includes annual patient revenue information, to HHS's provider relief fund portal. Applications are due July 20, 2020. A link to HHS's provider relief fund portal and additional information is below:

- [HHS provider relief fund portal](#)
- [Relief funds application](#)
- [Application instructions](#)
- [Application portal](#)

Awards for eligible providers will be at least 2 percent of the provider's gross patient care revenues. The final amount of each award will be determined by provider-submitted data including the number of Medicaid patients served.

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DHHS has a dedicated COVID-19 web page at: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/pages/Coronavirus.aspx>

The CDC's dedicated page is available at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>