

RON DESANTIS  
GOVERNORMARY C. MAYHEW  
SECRETARY[Home](#) | [About Us](#) | [Medicaid](#) | [Licensure & Regulation](#) | [Report Fraud](#) | [Report Medicaid Issue/Complaint](#)

# FLORIDA MEDICAID

*A Division of the Agency for Health Care Administration*

## Florida Medicaid Health Care Alert

### August 3, 2020

#### Provider Type(s): All

### EXTENSION GRANTED: IMPORTANT FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT FOR ALL MEDICAID PROVIDERS

### 26 DAYS LEFT TO APPLY - DEADLINE EXTENDED UNTIL AUGUST 28

**DEADLINE EXTENDED TO AUG. 28:** The federal government has extended the deadline to apply for Medicaid/CHIP Provider Enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payments until August 28, 2020.

**NEW! Payments for Providers Who Had a Change in Ownership.** HHS has announced that starting the week of August 10, providers who experienced change in ownership challenges may submit their revenue information, along with documentation proving a change in ownership, by August 28 for consideration for a Provider Relief Fund payment.

**NEW! Second Chance for Certain Medicare Providers.** Starting the week of August 10, HHS will allow 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 August 28, 2020, to complete an application to be considered for the balance of their additional funding up to 2 percent of their annual patient revenues.

**NEW! 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 receive any funding yet. HHS has advised that future announcements will be provided as additional information becomes available.

The full press release from HHS regarding the information above can be found here <https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/07/31/hhs-extends-application-deadline-for-medicaid-providers-and-plans-to-reopen-portal-to-certain-medicare-providers.html>.

**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](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](#)

**Fact sheet to Help Providers:** The Agency has created a fact sheet with key information for providers. It is posted at: [http://ahca.myflorida.com/docs/CARES\\_Act\\_Medicaid-CHIP\\_Funds\\_Factsheet.pdf](http://ahca.myflorida.com/docs/CARES_Act_Medicaid-CHIP_Funds_Factsheet.pdf)

**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](http://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](http://ahca.myflorida.com/covid-19_alerts.shtml)

---

**QUESTIONS?** [FLMedicaidManagedCare@ahca.myflorida.com](mailto:FLMedicaidManagedCare@ahca.myflorida.com)  
**COMPLAINTS OR ISSUES? ON LINE** <http://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/complaints/> | **CALL** 1-877-254-1055 .

*The Agency for Health Care Administration is committed to its mission of providing "Better Health Care for All Floridians." The Agency administers Florida's Medicaid program, licenses and regulates more than 48,000 health care facilities and 47 health maintenance organizations, and publishes health care data and statistics at [www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov](http://www.FloridaHealthFinder.gov). Additional information about Agency initiatives is available via [Facebook \(AHCAFlorida\)](#), [Twitter \(@AHCA\\_FL\)](#) and [YouTube\(AHCAFlorida\)](#).*