

Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), announced that it will begin distributing \$10 billion in a second round of high impact COVID-19 area funding to hospitals starting next week. Additionally, HHS announced that it is extending the Medicaid and CHIP Provider Relief Fund distribution provider application deadline to apply to **August 3, 2020**.

In June, HHS announced the opening of the application period and plans to distribute approximately \$15 billion to eligible providers that participate in state Medicaid and CHIP programs who had not yet received a payment from the \$50 billion General Distribution. Since the announcement on June 9, HHS has hosted a number of webinars targeted at providers and provider organizations to answer questions and assist those eligible through the application process. A [fact sheet - PDF](#) explaining the application process has also been created to address frequently asked questions.

You can read today's full announcement here:

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/07/17/hhs-begin-distributing-10-billionadditional-funding-hospitals-high-impact-covid-19-areas.html>