

## **Medicaid Behavioral Health Providers Eligible for \$15 Billion in Funding Via HHS Provider Relief Fund**

The US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has announced availability of \$15 billion to eligible Medicaid and CHIP providers that serve Medicaid consumers and did not receive funding from earlier distributions through the Provider Relief Fund. The provider organizations eligible for these funds include behavioral health and substance abuse providers as well as dentists, OB-GYNs, assisted living facilities and other home and community-based service providers, and pediatricians.

Providers who are eligible will have delivered health care to Medicaid recipients and directly billed a state Medicaid program or Medicaid managed care plan between January 1, 2018 and May 31, 2020. Also, providers must not have received funding for the earlier \$50 billion release of funds to Medicare providers. 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 they submit data, including information about the number of Medicaid consumers they serve.

The Ohio Department of Medicaid worked with the Ohio Office of Budget and Management, Ohio Department of Administrative Services, Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities, Ohio Department of Aging, Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Ohio Department of Education, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, and Ohio's Medicaid managed care organizations to submit information to CMS to enable providers' eligibility to receive this enhanced funding.

Before applying through the [enhanced provider relief portal](#),  applicants should:

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