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ATTENTION: Provider and Billing Professionals

FROM: South Dakota Medicaid

RE: HHS Medicaid Provider Relief Fund Webinar

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) will distribute approximately \$15 billion to eligible providers that participate in state Medicaid and CHIP programs and have not received a payment from the Provider Relief Fund General Allocation.

HHS is launching an enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal that will allow 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 served by the provider. More information about eligibility and the application process is available at <u>https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/general-information/index.html</u>

Provider Relief Funds will flow directly from the federal government to providers; neither South Dakota Medicaid nor the State of South Dakota are involved in the calculation or the distribution of the payments. South Dakota Medicaid encourages providers who have not received payments from previous relief distributions to review the <u>HHS website</u> for information on provider actions needed to receive a payment.

The attached flyer includes information for an HHS webinar scheduled for **Wednesday**, **July 8 at 4 PM EST (3 CST/ 2 MST)** regarding education and information for providers on the Medicaid allocation of the Provider Relief Fund. Providers must register for the webinar. Pre-registration for the webinar is available <u>here</u> or through the attached flyer.

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