



COVID-19 Response:

Provider Relief Fund

Testing and Treatment for the Uninsured

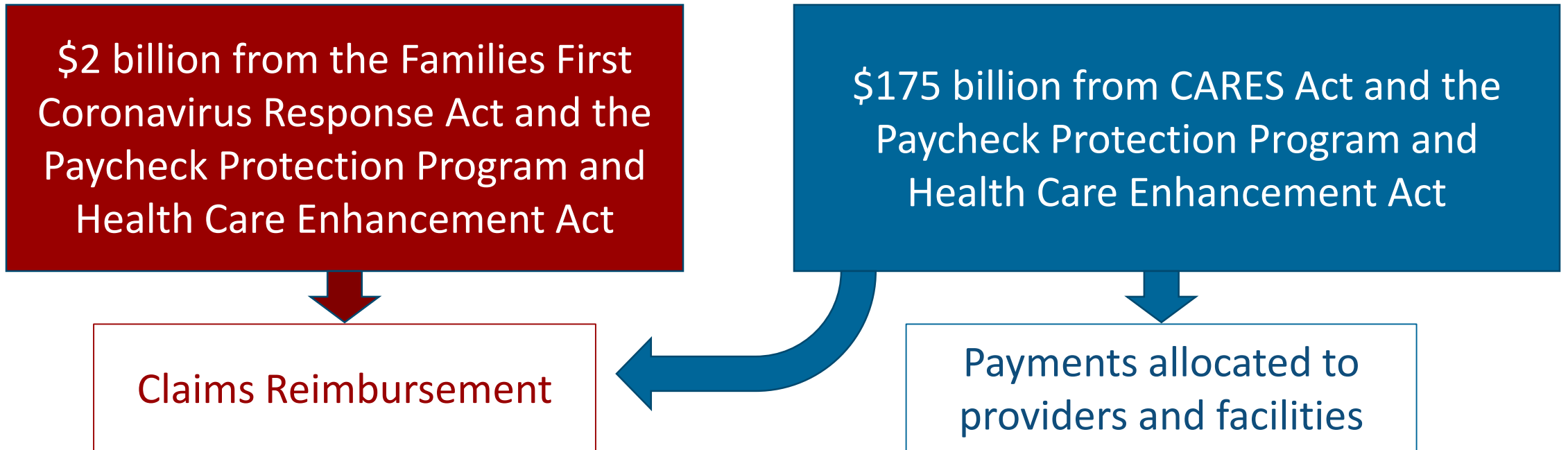
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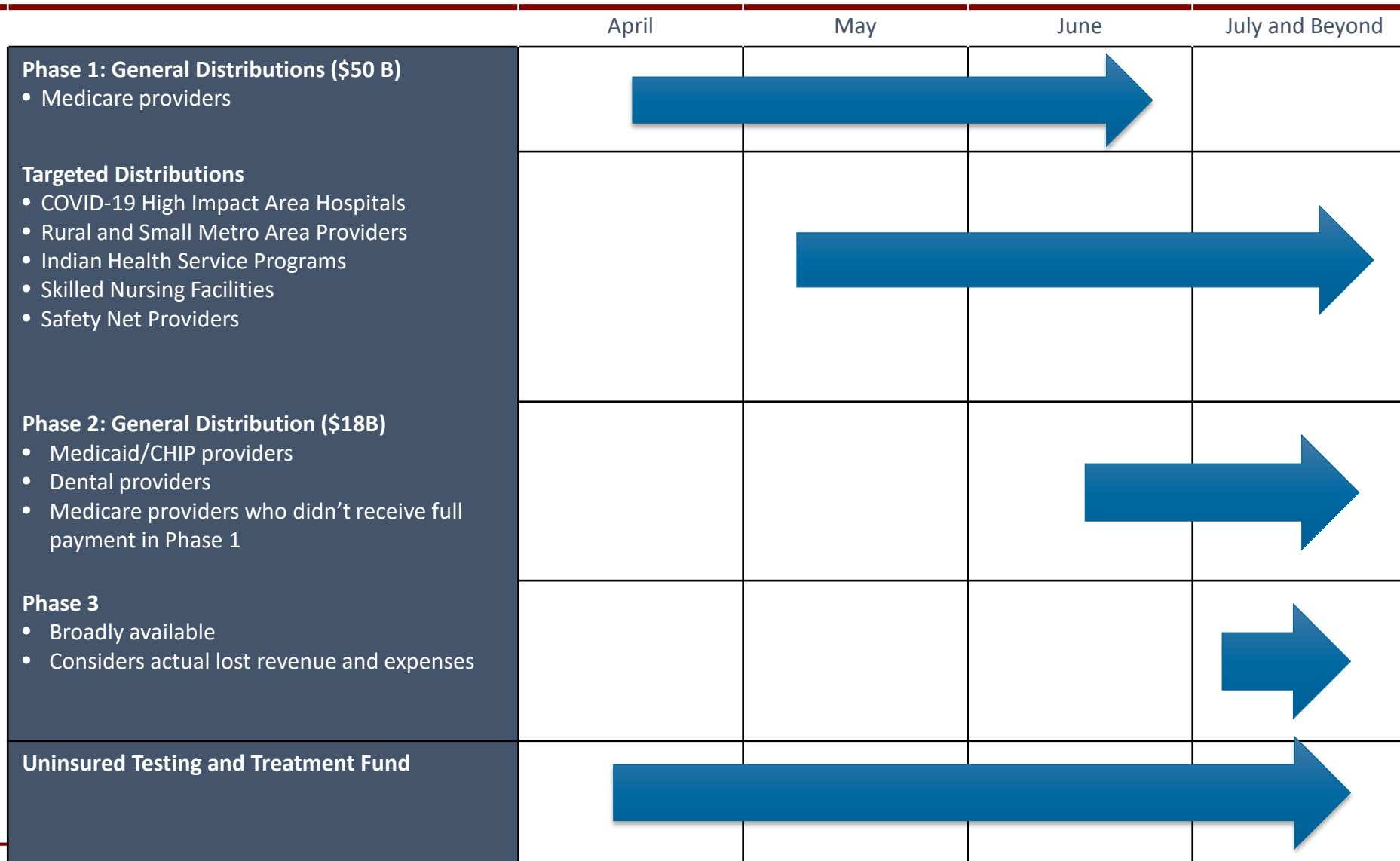


Overview

The Provider Relief Fund supports payments to providers for healthcare-related expenses or lost revenue attributable to coronavirus and provides claims reimbursement to health care providers for COVID-19 testing and treatments for uninsured individuals.



Provider Relief Fund Timeline



← Faster, Targeted to Categories of Providers More Deliberate, Individualized →

General Distribution – Phase 1 (\$50B)



Quickly distribute funds across providers to address lost revenue due to COVID-19.



Payment Methodology

- \$30 billion was distributed starting April 10, proportionate to providers' share of Medicare fee-for-service reimbursements in 2019.
 - Billing Tax IDs Paid = Approx. 319,000
- On April 24, HHS began distributing an additional \$20 billion to a portion of providers automatically based off the revenue data they submit in CMS cost reports.
- For those who did not receive a 2nd automatic payment, providers were required to submit their revenue information to HHS to assess the adequacy of the initial payment and determine possible additional General Distribution payment.



Key Milestones

- **April 10** – first \$26 billion in payments
 - **April 17** – \$3.9 billion in payments
 - **April 21** – \$105 million in payments
 - **April 24** – \$9 billion in payments
 - **April 24** – portal opened for providers to submit revenue information. Payments made on a rolling basis.
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- Additional General Distribution payments were determined based on the lesser of 2% of a provider's 2018 (or most recent complete tax year) gross receipts or the sum of incurred losses for March and April.



General Distribution – Phase 2 (\$15B)



Distribute funds to those who treat our most vulnerable populations, including low-income and minority patients, and who did not qualify for Medicare-focused funding.



Payment Methodology

- Applicants will receive ~2% of annual patient care revenue.



Key Milestones

- **June 10** – Begin accepting Medicaid/CHIP providers' applications
- **July 1** – First payments distributed to providers
- **July 7** – Begin accepting dental providers' applications
- **August 10** – Expand to providers that did not receive full payment in Phase 1
- **August 28** – Deadline for applications

Eligibility

- For Medicaid/CHIP providers, billed Medicaid/CHIP between Jan. 1, 2018 – Dec. 31, 2019; and
- Filed a federal income tax return for fiscal years 2017, 2018 or 2019; or be exempt from filing a return; and
- Provided patient care after January 31, 2020; and
- Not permanently ceased providing patient care directly, or indirectly; and
- Have gross receipts or sales from providing patient care reported on Form 1040.



Targeted Distributions



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Payment Methodology

- Methodologies vary by distribution
- Current Focus
 - COVID-19 High Impact Areas (\$22 billion)
 - Rural providers and small metro area providers (\$11 billion)
 - Indian Health Service Programs (\$500 million)
 - Nursing facilities (\$4.9 billion)
 - Safety net hospitals (\$13 billion)



Key Milestones & Deliverables

- **April 25** – Deadline for data submission by hospitals in areas particularly impacted by COVID-19
- **May 6** – Rural Targeted Distribution
- **May 7** – Round 1 COVID-19 High Impact Targeted Distribution
- **May 22** – Nursing Facility Targeted Distribution
- **May 29** – Tribal/IHS Targeted Distribution
- **June 12** – Safety Net Hospital Targeted Distribution
- **June 15** – Deadline for data submission by hospitals for Round 2 of High Impact payments
- **July 14** – Rural Specialty and Small Metro Area Targeted Distribution
- **July 15** – Additional Safety Net Hospital Targeted Distribution
- **July 20** – Round 2 High Impact Area Targeted Distribution

Public Data

- HHS makes available the list of providers who accepted a payment from the General and Targeted Distributions of the Provider Relief Fund who have attested:
<https://data.cdc.gov/Administrative/HHS-Provider-Relief-Fund/kh8y-3es6>
- This information is updated weekly, based on provider attestations received through the Attestation Portal.

Table Preview

Provider Name	State	Payment
Eastern Aleutian Tribes, Inc.	AK	\$ 2,538
Elizabeth Watney	AK	\$ 724
A Joint Effort Physical Therapy Inc	AK	\$ 5,953
Aa Pain Clinic, Inc.	AK	\$ 69,976
Adl Inc	AK	\$ 33,655
Advance Chiropractic Clinic P.C.	AK	\$ 2,813
Alaska Cardiothoracic Surgery Pc	AK	\$ 8,781
Alaska Center For Pain Relief Inc	AK	\$ 27,497
Alaska Childrens Eye And Strabismus Llc	AK	\$ 10,823
Alaska Digestive Center Llc	AK	\$ 50,053
Alaska Emergency Medicine Associates	AK	\$ 217,156
Alaska Eye Surgery And Laser Center, Inc.	AK	\$ 39,435
Alaska Family Care Associates, Llc	AK	\$ 9,561
Alaska Family Dermatology Llc	AK	\$ 1,862

Showing Providers 1-14 out of 179,305

About this Dataset

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COVID-19 Uninsured Program: Overview



Quickly reimburse providers for COVID -19 testing and treatment of the uninsured
More information available at: <https://www.hrsa.gov/coviduninsuredclaim>



Payment Methodology

- Claims reimbursement to health care providers
- Generally at Medicare rates
- For testing uninsured individuals for COVID-19 and treating uninsured individuals with a COVID-19 diagnosis, on or after Feb 4, 2020



Payment Mechanism

- HRSA awarded a contract to UnitedHealth Group to process claims from eligible health care providers for covered services.
- Payment is subject to available funding.



Key Milestones

- **April 22** – Program details launched
- **April 27** – Providers began signing up for the program at coviduninsuredclaim.linkhealth.com.
- **April 29** – On Demand training began
- **May 6** – Providers began submitting claims electronically
- **As of July 16** – 15,905 providers have been paid totaling \$550,079,466.08

COVID-19 Uninsured Program: Allowable Expenses and Eligible Recipients



Allowable Expenses

- Health care providers who have conducted COVID-19 testing of uninsured individuals or provided treatment to uninsured individuals with a COVID-19 diagnosis on or after February 4, 2020, can request claims reimbursement through the program.
- Eligibility is not based on profit/non-profit status

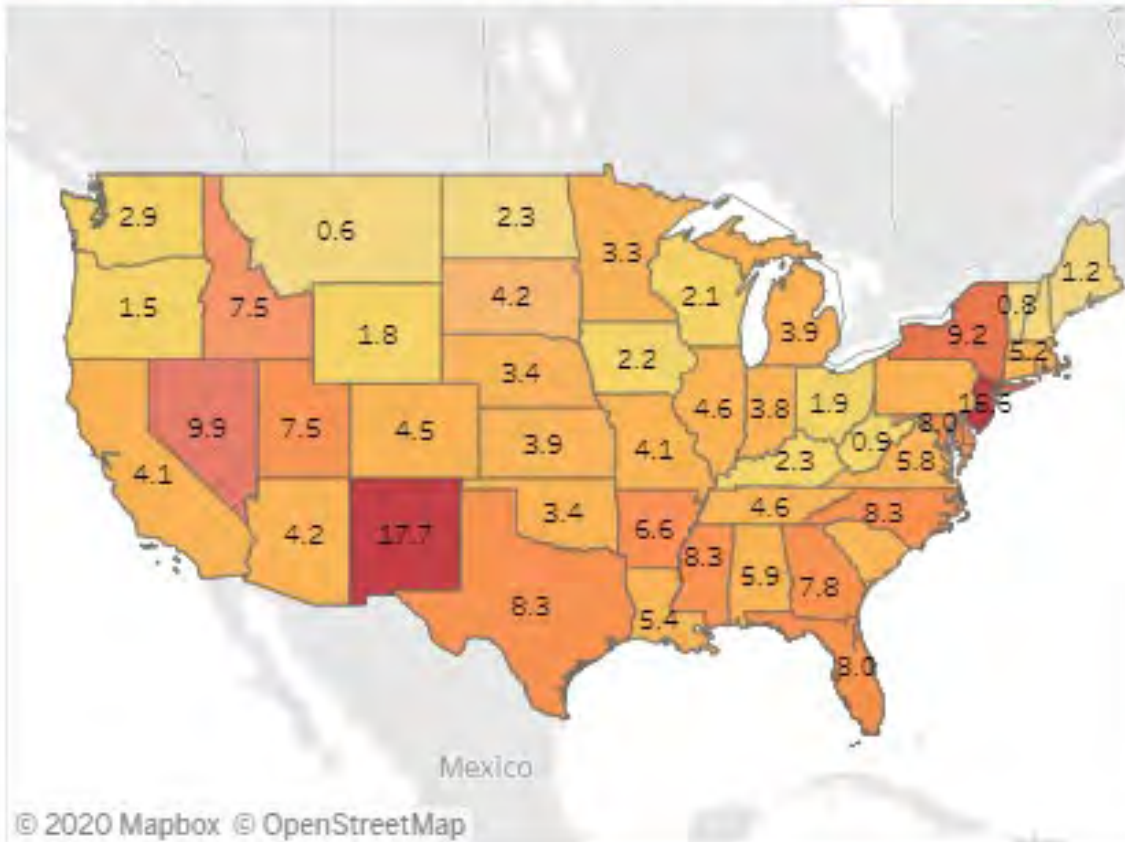


Eligible Recipients

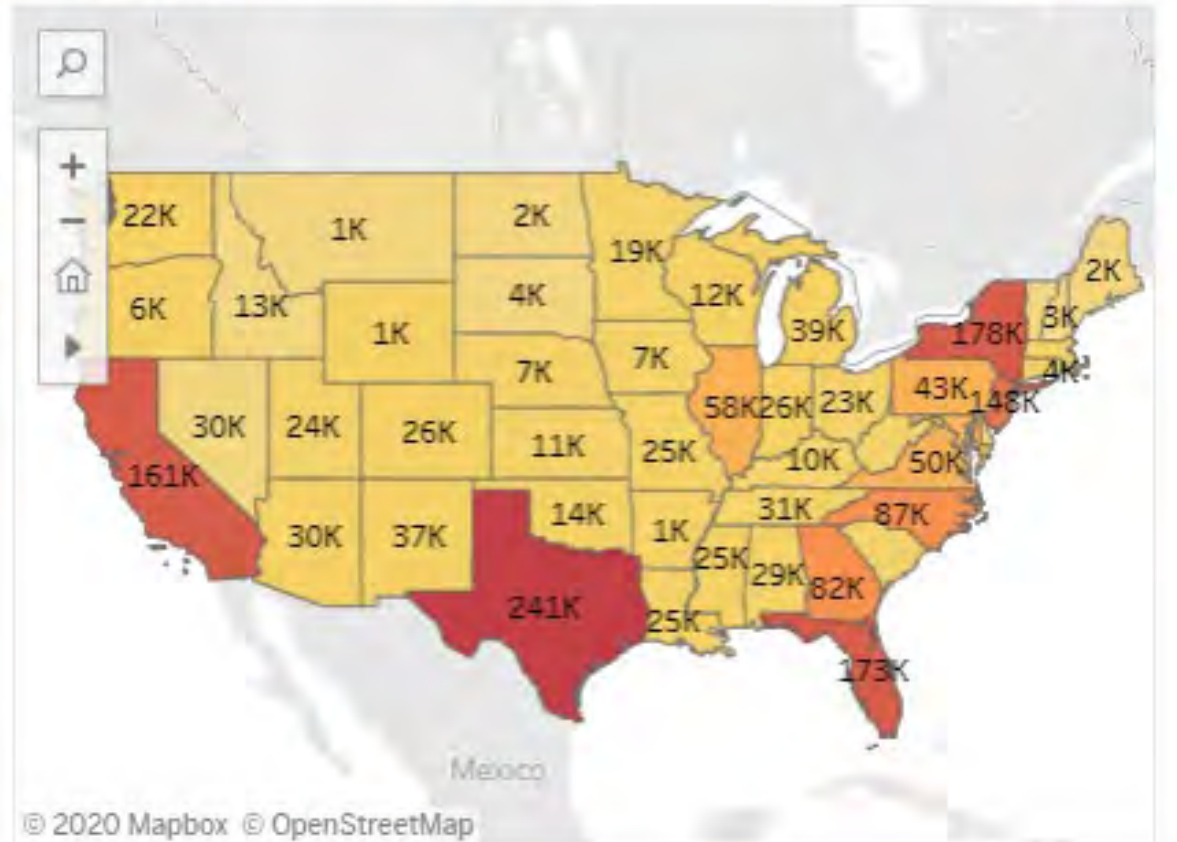
- Specimen collection, diagnostic and antibody testing
- Testing-related visits including in the following settings: office, urgent care or emergency room or telehealth
- Treatment, including office visit (including telehealth), emergency room, inpatient, outpatient/observation, skilled nursing facility, long-term acute care (LTAC), acute inpatient rehab, home health, DME (e.g., oxygen, ventilator), emergency ambulance transportation, non-emergent patient transfers via ambulance, and FDA-approved drugs as they become available for COVID-19 treatment and administered as part of an inpatient stay
- FDA-approved vaccine, when available

Uninsured Program Snapshot – As of July 1, 2020

Uninsured Patients Submitted/State Population # Submissions/Population 0.0 17.7



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For More Information

Provider Relief Fund:

- <https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/index.html>
- *Program Information, Requirements, and State-By-State Tables*
- <https://chameleoncloud.io/review/3016-5ec704315a620/prod>
- *Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal User Guide*

Uninsured Portal:

- <https://www.hrsa.gov/coviduninsuredclaim>
- *Program Information and Requirements*

Public Data on Attestations:

- <https://data.cdc.gov/Administrative/HRSA-Provider-Relief-Fund-General-Allocation/kh8y-3es6>



Questions?



Point of Contact

Stakeholders should call the Provider Support Line at (866) 569-3522 (for TYY dial 711) for Provider Relief Fund and Testing and Treatment for the Uninsured questions.

