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To: All In-State Idaho Medicaid Providers

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Subject: Medicaid Provider Stabilization Funding Opportunity from CFAC

The Coronavirus Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC) recently considered and approved \$38 million in CARES Act funding for Medicaid providers who have been disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. With this approval, CFAC established the Medicaid Provider Stabilization Funding Opportunity. Without this additional funding, some Medicaid providers may have been forced to close permanently and patients would have limited (or no) options in finding a provider for needed care.

The CFAC funding targets small business medical providers to give them financial relief for expenses and loss of revenue due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many of these businesses are in rural Idaho and rely upon Medicaid dollars for a majority of their revenue stream.

Most Medicaid providers are not disproportionately reliant on Medicaid revenue and consequently will not be eligible for these funds. Idaho Medicaid requests that all providers check the eligibility requirements prior to starting an application.

Idaho Medicaid encourages providers to submit an application if they meet the following qualifications:

- Are actively enrolled with Idaho Medicaid; and
- Are in good standing, meaning no current provider actions, sanctions, or debts owed;
 and
- Do not owe any back taxes to the state of Idaho; and
- Are not debarred from receiving federal grants; and
- Whose Medicaid revenue is greater than or equal to 50% of total annual revenues for calendar year 2019.

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The Division of Medicaid will begin receiving applications from providers on October 8th. Idaho Medicaid will review the providers' claims data to verify the providers' enrollment and percentage of income received. The application will then be forwarded to the Idaho State Controller's Office for processing.

The application deadline is 5:00 PM Mountain Standard Time on October 31st, 2020.

The Coronavirus Financial Advisory Committee has set aside a total of \$38 million for this fund. Any additions to this amount will be the purview solely of CFAC and not Idaho Medicaid. Applications will be received in order and tracked as they come in.

The Application for funding, instructions on how to apply and a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document are available online at https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/.

Idaho Medicaid thanks all our providers for their service to Idaho residents during this pandemic.

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