Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act

UPDATE: Advance Payment Program

As of Sunday, April 26, 2020, CMS has suspended the Advance Payment Program to Part B providers, effective immediately.

If you have already applied for an advance payment:
Follow up with your MAC to determine your status.

ADVANCE PAYMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

- On Sunday, April 26, 2020, CMS announced that it is reevaluating the amounts that will be paid under its Accelerated Payment Program and suspending its Advance Payment Program to Part B suppliers, including physicians, effective immediately.

- Beginning April 26, 2020, CMS will not be accepting any new applications for the Advance Payment Program for Part B suppliers, including physicians, and CMS will be reevaluating all pending and new applications for Accelerated Payments in light of historical direct payments made available through the Department of Health & Human Services’ (HHS) Provider Relief Fund.

- The agency made this announcement following the successful payment of over $100 billion to healthcare providers and suppliers through the Accelerated and Advance Payment programs and in light of the $175 billion recently appropriated for healthcare provider relief payments through the Provider Relief Fund.

- Significant additional funding outside of the Advance Payment program will continue to be available to hospitals and other healthcare providers through other programs. Congress appropriated $100 billion in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (PL 116-136) and $75 billion through the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act (PL 116-139) for healthcare providers. HHS is distributing this money through the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund, and these payments do not need to be repaid.

- For more information on the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund and how to apply, visit [https://www.hhs.gov/providerrelief](https://www.hhs.gov/providerrelief).


ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Visit the HCA Healthcare CARES Website to learn more about this and other financial support services.

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