

Memorandum

To: Gold Coast Health Plan Providers

From: Steve Peiser, Senior Director of Network Management

Re: **Provider Relief Fund Application Deadline Extended for Medi-Cal Providers**

Date: August 10, 2020

To help provide financial relief to health care providers impacted by COVID-19, the federal government allocated \$175 billion in payments to be distributed through the Provider Relief Fund (PRF). These payments do not need to be repaid, assuming providers comply with the terms and conditions.

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) announced that the deadline has been extended to apply for the second distribution of funds to Medicaid, Medicaid managed care, Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and dental providers. Eligible providers will have until Friday, August 28 to apply.

HHS announced this second distribution – a \$15 billion allocation – with the goal of reaching the remaining providers participating in state Medicaid and CHIP programs that did not receive funding during the first phase. Eligible providers can receive up to 2% of reported revenue from patient care. By giving providers until August 28, to apply, HHS is providing as much flexibility as possible for smaller practices already operating on thin margins with limited administrative staff.

[Click here](#) for additional information regarding provider eligibility, the application process, and reporting requirements.

If you have any questions, please contact Gold Coast Health Plan's Provider Relations Department at ProviderRelations@goldchp.org.