THE COVID FUNDING DANCE

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INTRODUCTION: ABOUT ME

- Graduated in 2008 with a degree in Accounting from Northern Illinois University
- Worked in the HOA Management Industry in Las Vegas, NV for over 5 years
- FQHC expertise: accounting, revenue cycle, budgeting, dashboard reporting, operations, HRSA financial reporting, compliance and site visits, and more
 - Former Chief Financial Officer for an FQHC in Portland, OR
 - Joined CLC in March 2018; opened MN Office in March 2019; became Partner in January 2020
- I am happily married with a 3 1/2 -year-old son



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AGENDA



- HRSA Funding H8C, H8D, H8E
- Provider Relief Fund from HHS
- Uninsured Reimbursement
- Paycheck Protection Program
- The COVID Funding Dance
- Questions and Discussion

HRSA FUNDING – CORONAVIRUS STIMULUS

- One-time funding to support preventing, preparing for, and responding to coronavirus disease
- Formula used for award calculation: \$50,464 plus \$.50 per patient reported on the 2018 UDS, and \$2.50 per uninsured patient reported on the 2018 UDS
- Activities can date back to 1/20/20
- Budget period 3/15/20-3/14/21
- Budget submission was due in the EHB 4/23/20





HRSA FUNDING – CARES ACT

- One-time funding to prevent, diagnose, and treat COVID-19 and/or maintain or increase health center capacity and staffing levels during a coronavirus-related public health emergency
- Formula used for award calculation: \$503,000 plus \$15.00 per patient reported on the 2018 UDS, and \$30.00 per uninsured patient reported on the 2018 UDS
- Activities can date back to 1/20/20
- Budget period 3/21/20-3/20/21
- Budget submission was due in the EHB 5/8/20



HRSA FUNDING – EXPANDED CAPACITY FOR CORONAVIRUS TESTING (ECT)

- Funds are from the Paycheck Protect Program and Health Care Enhancement Act
- One-time funding to support health centers to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19, specifically to fund expenses to purchase, administer, and expand capacity for testing
- Formula used for award calculation: \$98,329 plus \$15
 per patient reported on the 2019 UDS
- Activities can date back to 1/20/20
- Budget period 5/1/20-4/30/21
- Budget submission was due in the EHB 6/6/20



RELIEF FUND DISTRIBUTIONS FROM HHS

- Deposits directly to qualified providers
- There have been multiple distributions including distributions for select targeted distributions
- Dates of Use: reports and use must be submitted no later than 7/31/21
- Terms & Conditions can be found here: <u>https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-</u> <u>fund/for-providers/index.html#what-is-the</u>
- FAQs can be found here: <u>https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/cares-act-provider-relief-fund/for-providers/index.html#what-is-the</u>





RELIEF FUND DISTRIBUTIONS FROM HHS

- Reporting requirements Notice released Sept. 19, 2020
- Required for those providers who received one or more payments exceeding \$10,000
- Required to use of funds on expenses not reimbursed by other sources for both General & Administrative (G&A) or healthcare related expenses
 - If provider received between \$10,000 and \$499,999 expenses are reported in the broad categories
 - If provider received \$500,000 or more expenses are reported in further broken-down categories within the 2 broad categories
- Funds can also be applied to lost revenues, represented as a negative change in year-over-year net patient care operating income as compared to 2019





RELIEF FUND DISTRIBUTIONS FROM HHS

Reporting system will open 10/1/20

Details can be found here:

<u>https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/post-payment-notice-</u> <u>of-reporting-requirements.pdf</u>



UNINSURED REIMBURSEMENT

- Part of Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA)
- https://coviduninsuredclaim.linkhealth.com/
- \$1 billion in total funding
 - Dates of service on or after Feb 4, 2020
 - Reimbursement for COVID-19 testing and testing-related visits, as well as treatment for those with a COVID-19 diagnosis for uninsured
- What's Covered
 - Specimen collection, diagnostic and antibody testing
 - Testing related visits
 - Treatment only with confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis
 - When available FDA-approved vaccines will be covered

UNINSURED REIMBURSEMENT CONTINUED...

Attestation Process – done through Optum

- You will need the following:
 - Optum ID or you can create one
 - TIN
 - Provider roster takes 5-7 business days to process unless you are already in the UnitedHealthcare's network
 - Add and attest to patient roster
 - Must attest that patient does not have insurance nor will be reimbursed by another payer

PAYMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP)

- Eligibility: Businesses including health centers less than 500 employees
- Loan with possibility of forgiveness for retaining employees.
- At least 60% of the loan proceeds MUST be spent on payroll.
 Operational expenses must be less than 40%, and anything over this amount will not be forgivable.

Maturity of 2 years and an interest rate of 1%



PAYMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP)

- Period of Use:
 - Covered Period 8 weeks or 24 weeks starting the day the loan was distributed
 - Optional Alternative Payroll Covered Period can choose to elect a different period to start with the first day of the first period after funds were received.

• Uses

- Payroll
- Mortgage interest
- Rent
- Utilities



PAYMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP)

- Important Tips
 - Check with your lending institution about the forgiveness application
 progress
 - They may have an online application or portal
 - Determine if you can use the EZ form or must use the full application forgiveness form
 - Gather all required documentation this includes payroll reports, invoice copies and statements (for non-payroll expenses these date back to Feb 2020), cancelled checks, lease agreements, bank statements, etc
 - Keep detailed reports and spreadsheets, invoice copies
 - Track costs separately in your accounting record
 - ***Documentation for the PPP MUST be saved on file for 6 years after the date the loan is forgiven or repaid in full





PAYMENT PROTECTION PROGRAM (PPP)

- Forgiveness Application:
 - Full Application: <u>https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-06/PPP%20Loan%20Forgiveness%20Application%20%28Revised%206.16.2020%29-fillable_0-508.pdf</u>
 - EZ Form: <u>https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-</u> 06/PPP%20Forgiveness%20Application%203508EZ%20%28%20R evised%2006.16.2020%29%20Fillable-508.pdf

FAQs: last updated 8/11/20 https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/2020-08/Final%20PPP%20FAQs%20%28August%2011%2C%202020 %29-508.pdf

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- What to use first?!
- Contingency planning and frequency adjustments and monitoring
 - Plan A
 - Plan B
 - Plan C
- For funding with a longer time period, plan carefully
- Think long term about any purchases and the use after COVID



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- Document, document, document
 - Be very careful not to double dip
- What is the affect on other income resources?
 - Do you need to re-budget other grants?
 - Check threshold of re-budget so you know when a prior approval is needed to re-budget



GRANTS MANAGEMENT: GRANT TRACKING

- Adapt new tools and grant tracking processes
 - Payroll tracking especially where staff may be moved from different grants
 - Create robust system to track each grant individually and collectively to avoid double dipping
- Utilize the accounting system to track funding streams separately
- Create systems for on-going tracking as compare to budget and identify where potential budget changes may be needed
- Create internal controls to ensure funds are being utilized within budget and procurement standards are being followed





GRANTS MANAGEMENT: REPORTING AND COMPLIANCE

- Ensure all parties involved with each grant are on the same page with the processes, deadlines, and requirements
- Time and effort reporting
- Must follow procurement policies and standards
 - Keep procurement documentation on record
- Reporting various deadlines and requirements depending on the grant
 - HRSA
 - HHS
 - Other agencies?







QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION





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