FY 2020 Coronavirus Supplemental Funding for Health Centers (COVID-19) (H8C)

Question and Answer Session

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Agenda

- FY 2020 COVID-19 Supplemental Funding for Health Centers overview
- Your questions
  - Post questions at any time through the question and answer pod
  - Questions will be answered at end of the brief presentation
18 Days from Appropriation to Awards

- **1/20/2020**: First confirmed case in the United States, multiple FEMA state emergency declarations
- **1/29/2020**: White House launches task force
- **3/6/2020**: President Trump signs Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act
- **3/13/2020**: President Trump declares national emergency
- **3/11/2020**: WHO declares pandemic
- **3/31/2020**: HRSA awards $100 million to health centers
New Award

• Look carefully: COVID-19 funding (H8C) is a separate award from your Health Center Program operational grant (H80)
• Separate H8C and H80 funds make tracking and reporting easier
• HRSA contacts listed on H8C notice of award are the same as for your H80 grant
  ▪ H80 project officer
  ▪ H80 grants management specialist
• Start using funds now
Purpose

PREVENT
Promote individual and community-wide prevention practices and/or administer countermeasures to reduce risk of COVID-19

PREPARE
Enhance readiness and training to respond to COVID-19

RESPOND
Assess, test, diagnose, treat, and limit spread of COVID-19
Funding Formula

Awards aligned with current Health Center Program funding proportions

- $50,464 base amount
- $0.50 per patient (2018 UDS data)
- $2.50 per uninsured patient (2018 UDS data)
COVID-19 Response Reporting Requirement

• Activity Overview
  ▪ Brief narrative (1-2 pages)
  ▪ Activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19
• SF-424A Budget Information Form
• Budget Narrative
• Equipment List (if applicable)
• Submit via HRSA Electronic Handbooks (EHBs) by 11:59 pm ET on April 23
Example Uses of Funds

Patient and community education and screening
Laboratory services COVID-19 testing Temporary drive- or walk-up testing
Hiring and contracting personnel
Training
Supplies
Equipment Vehicles to transport patients and personnel Temporary and non-fixed barriers to separate patients
Health information technology Equipment and supplies to support provider and patient use of telehealth

Access more complete examples on the COVID-19 technical assistance webpage
Ineligible Costs

- Lost revenue
- Personnel costs not directly linked to preventing, preparing for, and responding to COVID-19
- EHRs that are not ONC certified
- New construction activities, additions, or expansions
- Mobile Units/Vans
- Installation of trailers and prefabricated modular units
- Facility or land purchases
- Minor alterations and renovations
- Activities outside of your Health Center Program scope
- Activities that do not support COVID-19 purpose
Award Flexibility

• Activities may evolve to respond to changing community needs
• Rebudgeting allowed if costs support activities that are:
  ▪ In-scope
  ▪ Responsive to COVID-19 purpose
  ▪ Consistent with terms on the notice of award
  ▪ Not ineligible
Key Dates

March 15: Award start date

March 24: Award announcement

April 8: Question and Answer Session #1

April 17: Question and Answer Session #2

April 23: Submit your COVID-19 Response Reporting Requirement
COVID-19 Technical Assistance Webpage

- Reporting Requirement Guidance
- Q&A Session Slides and Recordings
- Submission Forms and Examples
- Technical Assistance Contacts
Technical Assistance Contacts

- **Reporting requirement questions**
  - TA webpage
  - Health Center Program Support

- **EHBs system issues**
  - Health Center Program Support
  - 1-877-464-4772, option 2

- **Budget questions**
  - Grants Management Specialist on Notice of Award
Questions