FY 2020 Expanding Capacity for Coronavirus Testing
Supplemental Funding for Health Centers (H8E)

Question and Answer Session

Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)

Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People
Welcome from BPHC
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Agenda

• FY 2020 Expanding Capacity for Coronavirus Testing (ECT) overview
• Your questions
  ▪ Post questions at any time through the question and answer pod
  ▪ Questions will be answered at the end of the brief presentation
Key COVID-19 Response Milestones

3/6/2020: President Trump signs Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act

3/13/2020: President Trump declares national emergency

3/24/2020: HRSA awards $100 million to health centers through COVID-19 H8C

4/8/2020: HRSA awards $1.3 billion to health centers through CARES H8D

4/24/2020: President Trump signs Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act

3/27/2020: President Trump signs Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act

5/7/2020: HRSA awards $583 million to health centers through ECT H8E
New Award

- ECT (H8E) is a separate award from H80, H8C, and H8D awards
- Separate H8E funds make tracking expenditures and reporting easier
- H8E contacts listed on notice of award
  - H80 project officer
  - H80 grants management specialist
- Funds available for use now

Instructions to add H8E grant folder to your EHBs portfolio are now available.
Purpose

Purchase

Administer

Expand Capacity

for testing to monitor and suppress COVID-19
Funding Formula

H8E = $98,329 base amount + $15 per patient (2019 UDS data)

Awards align with current Health Center Program funding proportions
ECT Reporting Requirement

• Activity Overview
  ▪ Brief narrative (1-2 pages)
  ▪ Purchase, administer, and expand capacity for testing
• SF-424A Budget Information Form
• Budget Narrative
• Equipment List Form (if applicable)
• Minor alteration and renovation (A/R) information (if applicable)
• Due by 11:59 pm ET Saturday, June 6 in EHBs
Minor A/R Information (if applicable)

Key Points
- May use up to $150,000 of H8E funds
- Necessary to expand testing capacity
- One or more in-scope sites
- Total cost for each site-specific project must be less than $500,000
  - Excludes the cost of moveable equipment

A/R Forms
- Detailed budget narrative
  - Describe how costs address H8E purpose
- Environmental Information and Documentation Checklist
- Schematics and/or floor plans
- Other Requirements for Sites Form

Include in EHBs submission due June 6
Example Uses of Funds

There may be other allowed uses of funds, consistent with terms of award.

- Maintain and increase capacity to support testing and related clinical and operational needs
- Develop testing plans
- Purchase and distribute testing equipment and supplies (including PPE)
- Laboratory services
- Temporary drive- or walk-up testing
- Personnel testing
- Assess symptoms
- Deliver test results
- Conduct appropriate follow up (including phone, text, or video)
- Notify contacts in coordination with other public health activities
- Report to public health agencies, consistent with law
- Outreach and education for patients at high risk or with access barriers
- Equipment and supplies
- Health information technology and digital tools
- Purchase or lease of mobile vans/units
- Purchase of vehicles directly supporting testing capacity expansion
Ineligible Costs

Activities outside of your Health Center Program scope

Costs reimbursed or compensated by other state or federal programs

EHRs that are not ONC certified

Facility or land purchases
  Significant exterior site work such as new parking lots or storm water structures

New construction activities, additions, or expansions
  Installation of trailers and pre-fabricated modular units

Major alterations and renovations (total project cost $500,000 or more)

May not use H8E and H80, H8C, or H8D funds to cover the same expense
# Reimbursement Resources

## Payer Options
- Medicare
- Medicaid/CHIP
- Private insurance
- Other

## Lost Revenue and Increased Expenses
- CARES Act Provider Relief Fund
- CARES Act Provider Relief Fund FAQs

## Services for Uninsured Patients
- COVID-19 Uninsured Program
- COVID-19 Uninsured Program FAQs
- Provider Support Line
  - 866-569-3522
  - For TTY dial 711

See COVID-19 FAQs for more information
Award Flexibility

- Activities may evolve to respond to changing community needs
  - 12 month funding period
- Funds may be used for related costs dating back to January 20, 2020
- Rebudgeting
  - Allowed if costs support activities that are:
    - In-scope
    - Responsive to funding purpose
    - Consistent with terms on notice of award
  - Prior approval is required if rebudgeted amount exceeds 25 percent of the total H8E budget
  - May request a no cost extension
Key Dates

- **May 1, 2020**: Project start date
- **May 7, 2020**: Award announcement
- **May 13, 2020**: Question and Answer Session #1
- **May 21, 2020**: Question and Answer Session #2
- **June 6, 2020**: ECT Reporting Requirement Due
ECT Technical Assistance Contacts

### Reporting requirement questions
- **TA webpage**

### EHBs system issues
- **Health Center Program Support**
  - Select Coronavirus Inquiries (COVID-19)
  - Then, ECT Supplemental Funding
- OR
  - 1-877-464-4772, option 2

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