Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) Funding for Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) Community HealthChoices (CHC) Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)

Governor Wolf recently signed Act 24 of 2020, which allocates funding from the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act – also known as the CARES Act. Funding from Act 24 must to be used to cover necessary COVID-19 related costs incurred between March 1, 2020 and November 30, 2020. Act 24 includes \$50,000,000 of COVID-19 relief funds for CHC-MCOs. To qualify for the one-time payment, a person or entity must be in operation as of March 31, 2020.

CHC-MCO cOVID-19 Payment - The total funds available for a one-time payment to CHC-MCOs pursuant to Act 24 is \$50,000,000. The payment for each CHC-MCO is calculated by dividing the CHC-MCO's number of Nursing Facility Clinically Eligible (NFCE) participants as of March 31, 2020 by the sum of all CHC-MCO's NFCE participants as of March 31, 2020 to obtain a specific quotient for each CHC-MCO. Each CHC-MCO's quotient is then multiplied by \$50,000,000 to determine its CHC-MCO COVID-19 Payment. OLTL will distribute this payment as a one-time gross adjustment via PROMISe; CHC-MCOs do not need to submit requests to obtain the funding. The payments listed in the table below are final and will not be adjusted.

Act 24 of 2020 requires these funds to be expended by November 30, 2020 or returned to the commonwealth. Additionally, these funds must be used for COVID-19 related expenses incurred between March 1, 2020 and November 30, 2020. Providers must keep documentation to prove that these funds were used for their response to the COVID-19 pandemic in case of an audit. Any person or entity accepting a COVID-19 payment agrees to provide documentation to the Department of Human Services, upon request, for purposes of determining compliance with Act 24 requirements. Instructions on expenditure reporting will be provided in the future.

Providers are advised to review guidance and frequently asked questions about eligible expenses on the U.S. Department of the Treasury website:

Guidance: https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/Coronavirus-Relief-Fund-Guidance-for-State-Territorial-Local-and-Tribal-Governments.pdf

Frequently Asked Questions: https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/Coronavirus-Relief-Fund-Frequently-Asked-Questions.pdf

If you have any questions about this payment, please contact the OLTL Bureau of Finance at OLTLFinance@pa.gov.

Provider Name		NFCE Participants as of 3/31/2020	Total Act 24 Payment	RA Date	Payment Date
	CHC Zone				
AmeriHealth Caritas	Southwest	4,793	\$1,711,871.31	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Pennsylvania Health & Wellness	Southwest	7,356	\$2,627,274.22	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
UPMC Community HealthChoices	Southwest	12,454	\$4,448,079.55	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Keystone First	Southeast	39,848	\$14,232,140.18	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Pennsylvania Health & Wellness	Southeast	17,469	\$6,239,240.53	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
UPMC Community HealthChoices	Southeast	11,225	\$4,009,129.03	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
AmeriHealth Caritas	Northeast	6,499	\$2,321,187.49	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Pennsylvania Health & Wellness	Northeast	4,562	\$1,629,367.18	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
UPMC Community HealthChoices	Northeast	4,052	\$1,447,215.22	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
AmeriHealth Caritas	Northwest	2,226	\$795,039.75	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Pennsylvania Health & Wellness	Northwest	2,515	\$898,259.20	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
UPMC Community HealthChoices	Northwest	4,782	\$1,707,942.54	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
AmeriHealth Caritas	Lehigh/Capital	8,715	\$3,112,655.63	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
Pennsylvania Health & Wellness	Lehigh/Capital	6,611	\$2,361,189.49	6/22/2020	7/1/2020
UPMC Community HealthChoices	Lehigh/Capital	6,886	\$2,459,408.68	6/22/2020	7/1/2020