Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund

Description of Program and Relief

This section appropriates an additional $1 billion for a “Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund” for the Department of Health and Human Services (“DHHS”) to pay claims submitted by providers for reimbursement for the cost of COVID-19 related items and services or visits provided to uninsured individuals.

This section also appropriates an additional $250 million for “Aging and Disability Services Programs” as granted to States, territories, and eligible tribal organizations. Typical State matching requirements are waived for this funding.

Government or Lead Agency

Department of the Treasury, through DHHS.

Dates Available

Not yet available. When it becomes available, funding will be available until September 30, 2021.

Eligibility Requirements/Restrictions

Applicants for reimbursement must be providers of either (1) in vitro diagnostic products for the detection of SARS-Cov-2 and the administration of such diagnostic products, or (2) items and services furnished during a visit that results in an order for or administration of such a diagnostic product, to the extent such items or services relate to the furnishing of or evaluating the need for the diagnostic.

Providers can submit claims on behalf of uninsured individuals. Uninsured individuals are those who are not enrolled in a federal health care program or a group health plan or health insurance coverage offered by a health insurance issuer in the group or individual market.