Governor Noem remains committed to ensuring healthcare providers impacted by COVID-19 have the funding needed to continue to address the ongoing pandemic. As part of her commitment, there will be two new opportunities for healthcare provider funding – a COVID High Impact Assistance Program (for all Acute Care Hospitals, Nursing Homes/Skilled Nursing Facilities, and Assisted Living Facilities) and a COVID Safety Net Assistance Program for eligible community-based providers.

**COVID HIGH IMPACT PROGRAM**

Beginning on December 14, 2020, eligible providers will be able to apply for a per-bed payment based on the number and type of licensed beds at their facility. The payment amount per bed for each group was calculated by dividing the pool of funds for that group by total licensed beds and recognizes the variance in the cost of care in these settings. The highest per bed payment will be to Acute Care Hospitals, followed by Nursing Homes, and Assisted Living.

- **Acute Care Hospitals:** $11,000 per bed
- **SNF/Nursing Homes:** $6,400 per bed
- **Assisted Living:** $600 per bed


**Eligible providers**

Eligible providers include all Acute Care Hospitals, Nursing Homes/Skilled Nursing Facilities, and Assisted Living Facilities that:

- Are licensed or otherwise authorized by the state to provide services in South Dakota;
- Are located in South Dakota; and
- Provide services in areas of the state that may be underserved or to persons who are uninsured, or vulnerable populations (i.e. elderly, disabled, children, persons with mental illness)

Unlike the State’s other healthcare grant programs, eligible providers for the COVID High Impact Program are **NOT** required to provide services funded by the state through Medicaid or other state-funded programs. Providers of multiple service types are eligible to receive an award for all licensed beds on all service categories. As part of the application, providers will designate all service categories that apply under a Tax Identification Number (TIN). Providers with multiple TINS will submit an application for the service types provided under each TIN.

**Recipients**

- Hospitals
- Nursing Homes
- Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Assisted Living Facilities

**Award Methodology**

Per-Bed Payment

**Maximum Award**

Maximum based on number of licensed beds per category

**Allocation Amount**

$75,000,000

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Information Requirements for Applicants Who Applied for the State’s Acute Care Hospital or Community Based Provider Program for Business Losses

Eligible applicants will be required to apply, asked to answer a series of eligibility questions; attest to several certifications for the receipt and use of the funds, and execute a beneficiary agreement with the State of Dakota.

Information Requirements for Applicants Who Did Not Apply for the State’s Acute Care or Community Based Provider Funding for Business Losses

In addition to answering a series of eligibility questions, attesting to several certifications for the receipt and use of the funds, and execution of a beneficiary agreement with the State of South Dakota, new applicants will be required to provide the following information:

- Basic business information (e.g., legal business name, TIN, address)
- Basic banking information for potential payment

How to Apply

Applications will be accepted, and the call center will be open from December 14 – 20, 2020. Submit your application at https://covid.sd.gov/smallbusiness-healthcare-grants.aspx.

For assistance, please contact our call center from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, Monday-Friday at 605.937.7243
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