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## Issues Alert

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### All Dentists Now Eligible for Provider Relief Fund Payment

Hello, Fellow Dentists:

Here's some great news.

Last month, you'll recall an announcement from the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) that eligible Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) providers could apply to the Medicaid Targeted Distribution portion of the CARES Act Provider Relief Fund. Today, through efforts of ADA advocacy dating back to April, I am excited to share that HHS announced that this portal and an application process is **now open to all dentists who may not have previously been eligible** to receive funding through the Provider Relief Fund to help with the closings we all faced at the start of the Coronavirus pandemic.

The ADA has been working very closely with HHS and the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), who administers the fund, to implement this for dentists. **As a result of this advocacy, eligible dentists will receive a reimbursement of two percent of their annual reported patient revenue and will have until July 24, 2020 to [apply for funding through the Enhanced Provider Relief Fund Payment Portal](#).** To be clear, this money is neither a loan nor a grant, but a payment. It's unrelated to the Small Business Administration (SBA) loans such as the Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) or the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans and you are not precluded from applying for this HHS payment if you previously received a SBA loan.

Dentists **must** provide HHS with requested information in the application and **must** also agree to the program [Terms and Conditions](#). HHS has also provided a number of [FAQs](#) on the Provider Relief Fund. For help with the application process, HHS has also set up a Provider Support Line (866) 569-3522 to assist with questions.

The ADA is proud to support dentists as they return to serving their communities. With your

voices, our advocacy efforts are driving our profession forward. Be sure to visit [ADA.org/COVID19Advocacy](https://ada.org/COVID19Advocacy) for regular updates.

Stay Well,



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