

ATLANTIC HEALTH SYSTEM WEBINAR

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COVID-19 Crisis Advance Payment Program

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I. CMS on Announces Expansion of Accelerated Advance Payment Program

- A. Purpose – Increase cash flow to physicians and others.
- B. Duration - Limited to duration of health care emergency.

II. Accelerated/Advance Payments

- A. Payment intended to provide money when there is a disruption in claims submission and/or claims processing.
- B. Also offered in times of national emergencies.

III. Eligibility and Process

A. Eligibility:

1. Billed Medicare for claims within 180 days immediately prior to the date of signature on request form;
2. Not in bankruptcy;
3. Not under active medical review or program integrity investigation; and
4. No outstanding delinquent Medicare overpayments.

III. Eligibility and Process (continued)

B. Amount of payment:

1. Can request up to 100% of the Medicare payment amount for a three-month period.
2. Hospitals and children's hospitals – up to 100% of the payment amount for a six-month period.
3. Critical access hospitals – up to 125% of the payment amount for a six-month period.

III. Eligibility and Process (continued)

C. Processing time:

1. Goal to pay within seven calendar days of request.

D. Repayment:

1. 120 days after the payment is made.
 - a. Hospitals, children's hospitals, certain cancer hospitals and critical access hospitals – up to one year.
 - b. Other suppliers and providers – 210 days from payment.

III. Eligibility and Process (continued)

E. Recoupment and Reconciliation:

1. At end of 120 day period, recoupment will begin as an offset from new claims submitted.

F. Forms can be found on the MAC's website. NJ: Novitas Solutions

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