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Date: September 13, 2021

To: All Nursing Facility Providers
All Community Based Care Providers

From: Aging and People with Disabilities
ODHS Safety, Oversight and Quality Unit (SOQ)

Subject: **Long Term Care Capital Improvement and
Emergency Preparedness Program**

The Oregon Legislature allocated \$30 million to the Oregon Department of Human Services to administer a Long-Term Care Capital Improvement and Emergency Preparedness Program. The Department was directed to prioritize aging long-term care facilities with high-Medicaid census levels, while promoting equitable access across the State. The governing administrative rules for this program may be accessed [here](#).

Priority one applicants are eligible to apply for grants during Phase One. Priority one applicants are defined as:

(1) A nursing facility, assisted living facility or residential care facility, constructed prior to 1996, with the following Medicaid census percentages:

(a) Nursing facility with a Medicaid occupied census level of 50% or higher on June 30, 2021.

(b) Assisted living/residential care facility with a Medicaid occupied census level of 40% or higher on June 30, 2021.

Eligible expenditures in Phase One include emergency power sources, air quality and HVAC improvements.

All requests will be considered in the order received by the Department. The Department will only prior authorize grants for projects until the \$30M appropriation is encumbered.

In Phase One, facilities are eligible for grants at \$1,250 per licensed bed, up to a maximum of \$100,000.

Prior authorization is required as a condition of reimbursement eligibility; no reimbursements will be made for projects that have not been prior authorized by the Department. Reimbursement will be limited to costs incurred.

The required prior authorization form is included with this provider alert ([or link here](#)) and must be completed in full. When complete, submit the form to:

LTC.Improvement@dhsoha.state.or.us

Provider alerts will be issued announcing subsequent phases of this program.

We look forward to working with facilities on the implementation of this program. Our hope is that residents will experience better health, safety, and quality of life as a result of these grant opportunities.

If you have questions, please contact your licensing team:

Nursing Facility Providers: [NF.licensing@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:Nf.licensing@dhsoha.state.or.us)

Community Based Care Providers: CBC.team@dhsoha.state.or.us

Oregon Department of Human Services website: www.oregon.gov/DHS/