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**NF-21-073 – Provider Alert**



Date: December 30, 2021

To: All Nursing Facility Providers  
All Community Based Care Providers

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

Subject: **Long-Term Care Capital Improvement and  
Emergency Preparedness Program, Phase Two**

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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 governing administrative rules for this program may be accessed [here](#).

The Program is being implemented in phases to ensure the Department meets the intent of the Legislature's budget note that priority was given to long-term care facilities with high- Medicaid census levels, while promoting equitable access across the State. Phase One included older facilities with higher Medicaid census levels. Phase One will end on February 28, 2022. Phase Two begins January 1, 2022.

Phase Two applicants are defined as:

- Priority 2 applicants includes all long-term care facilities not meeting the criteria for Phase One applicants.
- Priority within the Priority 2 group will be given to applicants who were enrolled as a Medicaid provider on June 30, 2021.

Eligible expenditures in Phase Two include emergency power sources, air quality and HVAC improvements, and improvements to fire suppression systems.

In Phase Two, facilities are eligible for grants of \$1,500.00 per licensed bed, up to a maximum of \$100,000.00.

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. Reimbursements will be limited to costs incurred.

The link to the required prior [Request Form for Phase Two](#) is included here and must be completed in full. When complete, submit the form to:

[LTC.Improvements@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:LTC.Improvements@dhsosha.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 because of these grant opportunities.

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