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To: Residential Substance Use Disorder Treatment Providers
Withdrawal Management Treatment Providers
Residential Mental Health Treatment Providers

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Subject: Clarifications regarding COVID-19 funding opportunity for residential treatment providers

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will accept requests for one-time funds to increase safety and/or bed capacity to manage the outbreak risk related to COVID-19 as follows:

- For two months from the date of [the initial announcement](#) (August 13, 2020), or
- Until all funds are obligated, whichever comes first.

Awards will be based on the availability of funds as well as the adequacy of the information submitted by respondents. The funds are made available from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and may only be used to directly respond to the COVID-19 crisis.

What should you do?

If you are interested in this funding opportunity, please prepare a Letter of Intent for submission to OHA as described in OHA's [August 13, 2020 announcement](#). To learn more, please review the following frequently asked questions:

- **What improvements to a building are eligible for funding?** To be eligible for funding, improvements to a building must be directly in response to increasing safety related to the risk of COVID-19.
- **Can we use the funds to add a new structure?** No. Construction of a new structure separate from the existing structure (including placement of a manufactured building) is not eligible for funding.
- **Does a licensed assisted living facility qualify for funding?** No. To be eligible, the residential home or facility must be licensed by OHA's Health Systems Division.
- **If we have more than one eligible property, should we submit a Letter of Intent for each property?** Please complete a separate Letter of Intent for each property and submit all the Letters of Intent in a single email to OHA.
- **Will there be a follow up application or is the Letter of Intent the only document we need to submit?** The Letter of Intent is the only document you need to submit to make application for the funds.

Questions?

If you have any questions about this funding opportunity, contact Susan Lind at susan.g.lind@dshoha.state.or.us or 503-947-5533.

Thank you for your continued support of Oregon's behavioral health system and the services you provide.

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