

# Fee-for-Service Provider Stability Payments

## *Instructions for Fully Reconciled Interim Payment Application*

Oregon's [State Plan Amendment 20-0010](#) (approved 6/18/20) allows OHA to offer interim stability payments for Medicaid Fee-for-Service (FFS) billing providers during the public health emergency. Providers must complete and submit the Provider Stability Payment application form for consideration.

## About the Provider Stability Payment Program

### Payment Amounts

Each billing provider is eligible for a maximum payment amount, based on the average monthly Medicaid Fee-for-Service payments received in CY 2019 multiplied by the number of months the billing provider is applying for. OHA will calculate this maximum payment amount.

Billing providers can choose to apply for less than the maximum payment amount.

### Duration

Provider stability payments are only available for months covered by the federally designated public health emergency. Payments will not be made for months prior to March 2020 and will not be made for months after the public health emergency ends.

If the public health emergency ends before the end of a requested payment period, the payment amount will be reduced to only reflect months during public health emergency.

Billing providers may apply for stability payments multiple times during the public health emergency - see Multiple Submissions section below.

### Payback

**Interim Provider Stability Payments are not a grant.** Interim payments will be reconciled to billed claims according to the process and options outlined below.

### Reconciliation Process

1. All provider stability payments will be offset by an account receivable obligating the provider to repay the entire amount of provider stability payments back to OHA.
2. Starting in the month beginning after the last month in which provider stability payments are made, all OHA payments to the provider for fee-for-service Medicaid billed claims will be reduced by x% (see Options below), with a corresponding reduction of the provider's account receivable.
3. Interim payments will be fully reconciled to billed claims After the public health emergency ends or by Jan 31, 2021, whichever is sooner, OHA will notify the provider if the provider has

any remaining account receivable for provider stability payments not offset by claims reductions.

4. If the provider is notified under #3 of a remaining account receivable, the provider will be obligated to repay to OHA the entire remaining account receivable by the end of the following quarter or by March 31, 2021, whichever is sooner.
5. OHA may take steps to collect from the provider any amounts not repaid under #4, including by offset of other payments.

## Reconciliation Options

**Option 1:** Quick Payback -- Claims are reconciled at 100%

**Option 2:** Spread-out Payback – Claims are reconciled at 50%

## Eligibility

Interim provider stability payments are available for Oregon Health Authority Medicaid FFS billing providers with an active contract, in good standing, as of March 1, 2020.

Not eligible: pharmacies, pharmacists, durable medical equipment (DME) providers, and any providers receiving other reimbursement options through this State Plan Amendment.<sup>1</sup>

OHA will confirm eligibility as part of application review.

## Application Process

### How to Apply

1. Complete the Provider Stability Payment Application form
2. Submit the application form via email to: [Medicaid.StabilityLoan@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:Medicaid.StabilityLoan@dhsosha.state.or.us)

The application can be completed for multiple billing providers or submitted for each billing provider individually. Payments will be made at the billing provider level.

### Due Dates

Application can be submitted at any time while the Provider Stability Payment Program is open.

OHA intends to process applications on a monthly basis beginning in August but reserves the right to make payments more or less frequently depending on the volume of applications.

### Multiple Submissions

OHA cannot make payments in advance for future months. Billing providers can submit this application multiple times for different periods.

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<sup>1</sup> Includes mental health and substance use disorder residential treatment providers; Tribal 638 and Urban Indian Health Programs utilizing PPS and/or utilizing the HIS/MOU rate; nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, and residential care facilities, including Adult Group Homes and Group Care Homes for Children; any providers receiving Medicare reimbursement from newly created HCPCS codes U0001 and U0002; independent LPNs, RNs and agency LPNs providing private duty nursing services for medically fragile children.

For example: a clinic may submit their first application in August, for stability payments for March 2020 – July 2020). OHA would process and make this payment by September. The clinic may submit a second application in November, for August – October 2020 (assuming the public health emergency ends in October). OHA would make a second payment by December.

If billing providers claim the same month in multiple applications, they will only receive payment for that month once.

## For More Information

Contact [Medicaid.StabilityLoan@dhsosha.state.or.us](mailto:Medicaid.StabilityLoan@dhsosha.state.or.us).