

IAAF Safety Net Hospital Frequently Asked Questions

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I) Description of IAAF

What is the purpose of IAAF?

As part of the Delivery System Reform Incentive Program (DSRIP), the purpose of IAAF is to provide temporary, time-limited funding to protect against degradation of current access to key health care services, to support safety net hospitals as they prepare for DSRIP transformation. The IAAF program will make \$250 million to safety net hospitals that are in acute financial distress to temporarily maintain operations as they seek to maintain vital services and work toward longer-term solutions to sustainability. IAAF funds are intended to sustain critical services to awarded hospitals' communities as they develop integrated Provider Performance Systems that will participate in the DSRIP transformation.

What is a Safety Net Hospital?

A safety net hospital is defined as:

- hospitals operated by Counties and Municipalities but not by Public Benefit Corporations
- Federally Designated Critical Access Hospitals
- Federally Designated Sole Community Provider Hospitals
- a general hospital that meets the following requirements:
 - at least 30 percent of its inpatient discharges made up of Medicaid eligible individuals, uninsured individuals or Medicaid dually eligible individuals; and
 - at least 35% of its outpatient visits made up of Medicaid eligible individuals, uninsured individuals or Medicaid dually eligible individuals; or
 - that serves at least 30 percent of the residents of a county or a multi-county area who are Medicaid eligible individuals, uninsured individuals or Medicaid dually eligible individuals

What is meant by “Medicaid dually eligible”?

Medicaid dually eligible refers to persons who are on Medicaid and receive any another type of health insurance such as Medicare or commercial insurance.

II) Application

What does the application consist of?

The application consists of the following:

- Brief questionnaire identifying the applicant and how the applicant qualifies for funding
- Project Narrative justifying the funding request
- Latest Fully Audited Financial Statements
- Latest Internal Balance Sheet, Income Statement, and Statement of Cash Flow

- 2013 Breakdown of Utilization (Inpatient and Outpatient by service line, as applicable)
- April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015 Budget by Month
- April 1, 2014 – March 31, 2015 Monthly Utilization Projections

When will the solicitation be released?

The draft solicitation will be released for public comment on or about April 30, 2014. The final solicitation will be released on or about May 16, 2014.

When are applications due and how should they be submitted?

For applicants that currently meet the eligibility criteria stated in this announcement, applications should be received no later than 3:00 p.m. on May 30, 2014.

Applications are to be submitted electronically. Applicants should submit their Word and Excel application documents to iaaf@health.state.ny.us. Pages requiring signatures and notarization may be scanned.

III) Funding

Where does the funding come from?

The 1115 Waiver for the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment (DSRIP) program.

How much funding is available?

\$250,000,000

How much will the individual awards be?

An “up to” award will be made after thorough review of the applicant’s needs to sustain operations through March 31, 2015, as demonstrated in the application and subsequent review, and the amount of funding available based on the total amount of the requests received from all of the eligible applicants. Monthly disbursements will vary depending on the applicant’s actual monthly cash need after monthly reconciliations to budget. Actual distributions may be less than the initial award.

When does IAAF funding end?

The last day of funding is March 31, 2015.

Who is eligible for IAAF funding?

Safety Net Hospitals, as defined above, with available resources of less than 15 days cash and equivalents and who have exhausted all efforts to monetize unneeded assets and obtain maximum supportive resources from corporate parents and affiliated entities to sustain operations.

When will funding announcements be made? As soon after May 30, 2014 as possible.

How will the funds be disbursed and what are the reporting requirements?

Payments will be made on a monthly basis through the payment mechanism for payment of Medicaid adjustments. Monthly payments will depend on the recipient's monthly financial and activity reports which include actual revenues and expenses for the prior month, projected cash need for the current and the coming month, and progress achieved toward reaching goals agreed upon with the Department.

Is funding available for public benefit corporations and state hospitals?

Similar funding through IAAF will be made available for public benefit corporations and state hospitals through another solicitation.

Is funding available for health care providers other than hospitals, such as community health centers or nursing homes?

The IAAF is available only for hospitals.

IV) Contact

Where should comments and questions about IAAF be directed?

Please submit comments and questions electronically to iaaf@health.state.ny.us by 5:00 PM May 14, 2014.