



## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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#### TO ALL INTERESTED ELIGIBLE PARTIES:

The Maryland Department of Health, Office of Pharmacy Services (the Program) seeks interested eligible pharmacies to apply for funding through grant awards from the new Small Rural Pharmacy Grants Program to be distributed at the start of the grant period of **Tuesday, September 1, 2020**, through **Wednesday, June 30, 2021**. Small rural pharmacies, as defined within the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services' (CMS) "**Zip Code to Carrier Locality**" File (<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Medicare-Fee-for-Service-Payment/FeeScheduleGenInfo>) of rural zip code mapping, currently serving Maryland Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) participants and meeting other eligibility criteria are eligible to apply. Complete eligibility requirements, a Program Abstract, and a Request for Applications will be posted to the Program's website (<https://mmcp.health.maryland.gov/pap/pages/paphome.aspx>) on **Wednesday, July 1, 2020**. This is a non-competitive grant opportunity.

The Request for Applications will be released by U.S. mail, email, and posted on the Program's website on **Wednesday, July 1, 2020**. **Completed applications must be electronically submitted via email to and received by the Program by 5:00 PM on Monday, July 31, 2020**. Applications can be emailed to **Deanna Beebe** at [deanna.beebe@maryland.gov](mailto:deanna.beebe@maryland.gov). *If the application cannot be submitted via email, please contact **Deanna Beebe** at least 24 hours prior to the submission deadline at [deanna.beebe@maryland.gov](mailto:deanna.beebe@maryland.gov) or (410) 767-5701.*

A webinar for interested applicants has been scheduled to support pharmacies in the application process on **Thursday, July 9th, 2020, from 1:00 to 2:00 PM**. Interested individuals can register for the webinar by going to the Program's website ([see link above](#)). During this webinar, the Program will provide an overview of the grants program and application process. The webinar will be recorded and its contents will be posted to the Program's website ([see link above](#)) and distributed by email to all participants who request it the day following the webinar event.

Pharmacies interested in receiving the application package via email when it is released should please contact **Deanna Beebe** at [deanna.beebe@maryland.gov](mailto:deanna.beebe@maryland.gov), and provide the relevant contact information. *(If you are unable to email us, please contact **Deanna Beebe** by phone at (410) 757-5701.)* Interested applicants are encouraged to address any questions about the grants program to **Deanna Beebe** at [deanna.beebe@maryland.gov](mailto:deanna.beebe@maryland.gov) or (410) 767-5701.

Thank you for your interest and commitment to providing the highest quality healthcare for Marylanders.

Sincerely,

**Athos Alexandrou**

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