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IOWA MEDICAID PROVIDERS — COVID-19

National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD) Memo. The NAMD provided its members with a <u>memo</u> on April 1, 2020, to help Medicaid directors educate their providers on the types of federal funds or relief for which the providers may qualify and how it may be accessed. Providers looking for assistance in remaining solvent during the global COVID-19 pandemic may use the memo as a resource to understand the programs for which they qualify.

The memo details assistance passed in the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act including additional federal funding through health programs and various tax incentives. In addition, the memo includes provisions passed as part of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, which include an appropriation to the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund and paid leave. For a complete list of available provisions, please refer to the memo in the link above.

lowa Medicaid Provider Page. The Department of Human Services (DHS) has a <u>webpage</u> dedicated to COVID-19 information for Medicaid providers. The page includes informational letters related to billing, a frequently asked questions section, and other helpful links for Medicaid providers.

Additional Information. In addition to the page above, the DHS has a <u>webpage</u> for all COVID-19-related DHS services to address the needs of clients and providers.

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