

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
DIVISION OF HEALTH CARE ACCESS AND
ACCOUNTABILITY
ADMINISTRATOR'S MEMO SERIES**

NOTICE: 15-02

DATE: January 1, 2015

DISPOSAL DATE:

December 31, 2015

**RE: Affordable Care Act
(ACA) Additional
Funding**

TO: County Departments of Human Services Directors
County Departments of Social Services Directors
Tribal Chairpersons/Human Services Facilitators
Tribal Economic Support Directors

FROM: Kevin E. Moore
Medicaid Director/Administrator

PURPOSE

The purpose of this administrator's memo is to announce additional funding to support workload related to implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

BACKGROUND

As part of the budget for state fiscal years 2014 and 2015, Governor Walker signed into law changes in eligibility criteria and income maintenance processes used to determine eligibility for the BadgerCare Plus Program. These changes were made to implement certain requirements and eligibility options contained in the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The changes are as follows:

- A. Income maintenance staff must use Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) methodology as required by ACA to determine eligibility. Use of the MAGI standards was effective on February 1, 2014 for new applicants and the later of April 1, 2014 or the next regularly scheduled renewal for existing enrollees.
- B. Income maintenance staff must determine eligibility for new applicants and current participants under new Federal Poverty Level (FPL) eligibility criteria which became effective for new applicants on February 1, 2014 and for all members on April 1, 2014.

These changes impact the workload of IM agencies that provide customer service and eligibility determinations for individuals across the State.

AMOUNT AND USE OF FUNDS

The amount of the ACA supplement allocated to the Consortia and Tribal agencies is \$9,814,800 All Funds (GPR and FED). Funds are for eligible IM expenditures (Admin Memo 11-03) and will be distributed as two (2) Addendums to IM agencies' calendar year (CY) 15 IM contracts.

The first Addendum will be distributed after all executed CY 15 IM contracts have been received by the Division of Health Care Access and Accountability (DHCAA). The second will be distributed after July 1, 2014 at the beginning of State Fiscal Year 2015.

As part of the funding distribution, prepayments will be provided. As with any prepayments, the Department will be recouping the prepaid funds the last three (3) months of the contract against expenses posted to the reporting profile. Any funds not recouped shall be paid back to the Department or applied to the next calendar year contract.

DISTRIBUTION METHODOLOGY

The ACA supplement, totaling \$9,814,800, is allocated to the Consortia using a six month average (Dec 13-May 14) caseload of all open, pending and closed IM cases. Individual consortium's final totals are adjusted so that no single consortium loses more than 47% or less than 41.6% of their 2014 ACA supplement allocation. Each consortium's allocation was reduced by 2.7 percent, for a total reduction of \$269,554, the amount of the Tribal ACA supplement.

The CY 2015 ACA supplement for each tribe is distributed in two parts. Each tribe receives base funding of \$21,738 and the balance of \$73,909 is allocated across tribes according to their proportion percentage of the six month average (Dec 13-May 14) caseload of all open, pending and closed IM cases.

CENTRAL OFFICE CONTACTS

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Consortia	ACA Funding CY 15 First 6 months (Jan-Jun 15)	ACA Funding CY 15 Second 6 months (Jul-Dec 15)	Total CY 15 ACA Supplement
NORTHERN CONSORTIUM	\$ 388,943	\$ 388,943	\$ 777,886
WESTERN CONSORTIUM	\$ 344,439	\$ 344,438	\$ 688,877
BAY LAKE CONSORTIUM	\$ 409,968	\$ 409,968	\$ 819,936
GREAT RIVERS CONSORTIUM	\$ 552,192	\$ 552,193	\$ 1,104,385
SOUTHERN CONSORTIUM	\$ 447,195	\$ 447,195	\$ 894,390
MORAINES LAKES CONSORTIUM	\$ 530,953	\$ 530,952	\$ 1,061,905
EAST CENTRAL PARTNERSHIP	\$ 668,167	\$ 668,167	\$ 1,336,334
CAPITAL CONSORTIUM	\$ 705,833	\$ 705,833	\$ 1,411,666
CENTRAL CONSORTIUM	\$ 292,085	\$ 292,084	\$ 584,169
KENOSHA RACINE CONSORTIUM	\$ 432,849	\$ 432,848	\$ 865,697
Consortia Totals	\$ 4,772,624	\$ 4,772,622	\$ 9,545,246
Tribal Agencies	ACA Funding CY 15 First 6 months (Jan-Jun 15)	ACA Funding CY 15 Second 6 months (Jul-Sept 15)	Total CY 15 ACA Supplement
84 - MENOMINEE TRIBE	\$ 19,545	\$ 19,544	\$ 39,089
85 - RED CLIFF TRIBE	\$ 14,005	\$ 14,006	\$ 28,011
86 - STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE TRIBE	\$ 11,936	\$ 11,935	\$ 23,871
87 - POTAWATOMI TRIBE	\$ 11,257	\$ 11,258	\$ 22,515
88 - LAC DU FLAMBEAU TRIBE	\$ 18,425	\$ 18,425	\$ 36,850
89 - BAD RIVER TRIBE	\$ 14,246	\$ 14,247	\$ 28,493
91 - SOKAOGON TRIBE	\$ 12,405	\$ 12,406	\$ 24,811
92 - ONEIDA TRIBAL COUNCIL	\$ 20,923	\$ 20,922	\$ 41,845
94 - LAC COURTES OREILLES TRIBE	\$ 12,034	\$ 12,035	\$ 24,069
Tribal Totals	\$ 134,776	\$ 134,778	\$ 269,554
Grand Totals	4,907,400	\$ 4,907,400	9,814,800