



AFFORDABLE CARE ACT MASSACHUSETTS IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

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These Updates, published by the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) in consultation with the other state agencies involved in ACA implementation, will bring you news related to the implementation of provisions of the ACA here in Massachusetts.

Grants and Demonstrations

The ACA provides funding opportunities to transform how health care is delivered, expand access to care and support healthcare workforce training.

Grant Announcements

Domestic Ebola Supplement to Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) - Building and Strengthening Epidemiology, Laboratory and Health Information Systems Capacity in State and Local Health Departments, \$4304. Announced January 20, 2015. Funding is available to assist state and local Health Departments build capacity to prevent, prepare for, and respond to Ebola and other emerging infectious diseases. Awarded funds should be used to accelerate ELC activities around infection control assessment and response, laboratory safety, and global migration, border interventions, and migrant health.

Eligible applicants are limited to town, city, county, and state governments. \$106,000,000 in total is available for sixty-four awards.

Applications are due February 19, 2015.

This opportunity may be viewed at: GRANTS.GOV

Grant Activity

For information about ACA grants awarded to and grant proposals submitted by the Commonwealth, visit the Grants page of the **Massachusetts National Health Care Reform website** at: www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/commissions-and-initiatives/healthcare-reform/national-health-care-reform-plan/grants-and-demonstrations.html

Guidance

Prior guidance can be found at: www.hhs.gov/healthcare/index.html

News

The Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry (ACTPCMD) published a Notice of Meeting in the Federal Register on January 21, 2015. The Webinar and Conference call will be held on February 6, 2015. The ACTPCMD provides advice and recommendations on a broad range of issues relating to grant programs authorized by sections 222 and 749 of the Public Health Service Act, as amended by section 5103(d) and re-designated by §5303 of the ACA. During the meeting, the ACTPCMD members will discuss health literacy and patient engagement for inclusion in the 12th ACTPCMD Report, which will be submitted to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services; the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives.

Additional information and the webinar/call details can be found at: www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-01-21/pdf/2015-00841.pdf

Upcoming Events

Integrating Medicare and Medicaid for Dual Eligible Individuals (also known as One Care) Implementation Council Meetings

Friday, February 13, 2015, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm
State Transportation Building
10 Park Plaza, Conference Rooms 2 & 3
Boston, MA

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Bookmark the **Massachusetts National Health Care Reform website** at: National Health Care Reform to read updates on ACA implementation in Massachusetts.

Remember to check the Mass.Gov website at: Dual Eligibles for information on the "**Integrating Medicare and Medicaid for Dual Eligible Individuals**" initiative.



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