

UPDATE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



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Dear Members,

Last week, Mass-ALA provided members with information regarding the upcoming deadline for assisted living communities to apply for relief funds under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Provider Fund Medicaid Distribution (read the update [here](#)).

We are pleased to report that the deadline for eligible GAFC providers to apply for the CARES Act Relief Funds has been **extended to August 3rd**. The state advised that providers should apply for the GAFC funding if they meet the eligibility requirements, which can be found [here](#), at the links to the actual documents, which also includes links to additional key documents to aid in the application process. Argentum has informed us that a federal Health and Human Services official told them verbally that applying for these funds would not preclude eligibility for private pay relief that might become available in the future.

Applying for these funds involves a two-step process. Please see more details [here](#) in the updated memo from Foley Hoag, and there are two “cheat sheets” ([one](#) & [two](#)) provided by the Chief Financial Officer at Affinity Living Group who has gone through the process.

If you have any questions, please contact us at Mass-ALA@mass-ala.org

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