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Incentive Plan Proposal Notification and Documents

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Fri, Nov 5, 2021 at 4:27 PM

Good afternoon,

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Immunizations and Vaccines for Children program CARES Act Round 3 and Round 4 awardees may amend their contracts to include COVID-19 vaccine incentives. Incentives are intended to increase uptake of COVID-19 vaccines in communities with high social vulnerability index (SVI greater than or equal to 0.75) as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), zip codes with decreased COVID-19 vaccination (less than 35 percent fully vaccinated), or geographic areas of increased COVID-19 infection activity. **Note:** Awardees may choose to revise up to 25 percent of either their COVID-19 Round 3 **or** Round 4 funding, not both. Awardees are still obligated to meet previously required objectives, conduct previously approved activities, and submit all required reports by their deadlines.

Complete Required Documents

Review the *Application Instructions* attachment to see the list of required documents needed to complete the incentive request. **Add your entity's name at the beginning of each document and save with the date submitted (YYYYMMDD).**

****Important:** Name the files with your entity's legal name, the funding opportunity, form title, and date submitted. If revising budgets from Round 3, include specific project/s in file name.

Example:

- County Name- COVID-19 CARES Act Round 3/4 Form-B Workplan w_Incentives YYYYMMDD
- County- COVID-19 CARES Act Round 3/4 Budget Revised w_Incentives YYYYMMDD
- County Name- COVID-19 CARES Act Round 3/4 CDC Incentive Request Form YYYYMMDD
- County Name- COVID-19 CARES Act Round 3/4 DSHS Incentive Tracking Log
(Submitted once a month with B-13 and Support Documents)

Submit Your Application by November 15, 2021.

If additional time is needed please request the time from the cms_covidimm@dshs.texas.gov.

1. Save the documents as described above.
2. Use the subject line County Name Incentive Plan Proposal YYYYMMDD.
3. Email the documents to the DSHS Contract Management Section at CMS_COVIDImm@dshs.texas.gov.

Due Date

Incentives should be disbursed by December 31, 2022, unless otherwise approved in writing by DSHS.

Q&A Microsoft Teams Meetings

DSHS Immunization Unit will host a Q&A session for awardees on November 8, 2021, and November 12, 2021. See below times and invite for additional information and links to the Q&A sessions.

Monday, November 8, 2021, 3:00-4:00 PM Central

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

+1 512-580-4366,,995934361# United States, Austin

Phone Conference ID: 995 934 361#

Friday, November 12, 2021, 10:00-11:00 AM Central

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Join on your computer or mobile app

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Or call in (audio only)

+1 512-580-4366,,766692364# United States, Austin

Phone Conference ID: 766 692 364#

Next Steps

1. LHEs', including city and county governments', points-of-contact will be notified when DSHS has completed its review of the required documents. At that time, you may be asked to complete and submit revisions.
2. Upon document completion and approval, DSHS will begin the contract amendment process.

3. Upon notification of contract amendment execution, awardees will have the authority to purchase and distribute vaccination incentives.

If you have questions, please email CMS_COVIDImm@dshs.texas.gov.

Attachments

Scope of Work

Application Instructions

CDC Incentive Request Form

Tracking Log Template

Frequently Asked Questions

This Texas Immunizations and Vaccines for Children program is supported by the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$521,285,592 with 100 percent funded by NCIRD/CDC/HHS. The contents are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily represent the official views of, nor an endorsement, by NCRID/CDC/HHS, or the U.S. Government. For more information, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov>.”

5 attachments



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Application Instructions.docx

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Incentive Request Form_LHE.docx

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DSHS Incentive Tracking Log.xlsx

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Incentive FAQ.docx

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