Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator Application Briefing for States

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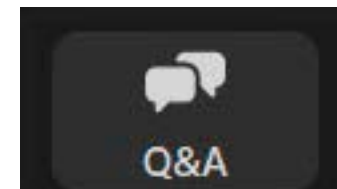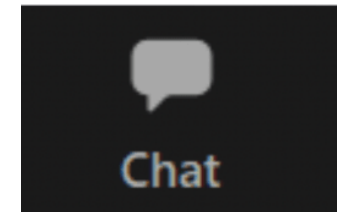
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Agenda

- Welcome and Housekeeping

- Opening Remarks

- Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator Opportunity
  - Opportunity, Components, Categories of Housing Supports
  - Eligibility, Benefits, Topics of Technical Assistance
  - Applicant Team Members
  - Selection Process
  - Key Dates

- Q&A

Opening Remarks

Alison Barkoff
Performing the duties of the
ACL Administrator and Assistant Secretary
for Aging

Richard Cho
Senior Advisor for Housing and Services,
Department of Housing and Urban
Development (HUD)

Jessica Lee, MD
Acting Chief Medical Officer
Centers for Medicare &
Medicaid Services (CMS)

Housing and Services Partnership Accelerator (HSPA) Opportunity

A unique opportunity to:

- Strengthen state Medicaid agency collaboration with agencies providing housing, aging and disability resources and programs.

- Improve service delivery

- Reduce potentially avoidable, high-cost services

Eligibility

- States with an approved Section 1115 demonstration covering housing-related services and supports for individuals experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

- States with an approved section 1915(i) state plan benefit covering housing-related supports for individuals experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness.

- One application per state.

Accelerator Components
January – December 2024

- One virtual kick-off meeting

- State needs assessment

- One in-person meeting in the Washington, DC, area

- 2 Peer-to-Peer Learning Tracks

- One-on-one state coaching sessions

- Final close out webinar on lessons learned and next steps

Categories of Housing-Related Activities and Supports

- Home accessibility modifications
- One-time community transition costs
- Housing and tenancy supports

Reference: CMS State Health Official Letter on Social Determinants of Health

Topics for Technical Assistance

- Examples of technical assistance topics include, but are not limited to:
    - Partnership strategies
    - Braiding funding
    - Services and benefit design
    - Payment models and rate setting
    - Data strategies
    - Strategies to support transition
    - And more.
- Topics are listed in the application; Select the four you are most interested in receiving TA

Benefits

Opportunity to develop and expand knowledgebase

Increased capacity to implement and strengthen strategies for providing housing-related activities, supports, and services

Access to technical assistance to support state activities

Implement a whole-of-government approach to address housing stability

Team-based Application

Required Core Team Members:

- State Medicaid Agency
- State and/or Local Housing and Homeless Agency/Organization
- State and/or Local Aging Agency/Organizations
- State and/or Local Disability Agency/Organization

Additional Eligible Team

- Community Care Hubs (CCH)
- Single State Agency (SSA) for Substance Abuse Services and State Mental Health Agency (SMHA)
- State or Local Public Health Agencies
- Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Managed Care Organizations (MCOs)
- Hospitals and Health Systems
- Behavioral Health Providers
- Community-Based Organizations (CBOs)
- Service Providers

Application Process

- Letter of Intent submitted by **November 15, 2023**

  – URL for submitting: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LOIF]

- Online application: due **December 1, 2023**

  – Worksheet available to draft responses to questions

  – Note word counts when drafting responses

  – Must include letter of commitment from the State Medicaid Director if the State Medicaid agency is not the applicant Must submit using the online questionnaire [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BV52W7N]

- Interview for high scoring states

Selection Criteria (1 of 2)

- Evidence of Medicaid/Housing partnerships

- Clearly identified goals and detailed strategies

- Clearly articulated technical support needs – with specific expected outcomes

- Designated Medicaid agency staff member

- Identification of operational staff to serve as core team members

- Cross-sector representation of proposed team

Selection Criteria (2 of 2)

- Alignment of goals with other relevant housing and service activities
- Alignment of technical support goals with other housing and service activities
- Capacity and readiness
- Commitment from State Medicaid Director
- Assurance that core team has time and resources for the full 12-month commitment

Q & A

Additional Resources

- Overview of HSPA Accelerator Partnership

- Includes an application worksheet

- Letter of Intent

- Application for HSPA

- HSPA FAQs

Key Dates

Activity	Date
Letter of Intent	November 15, 2023
Application	December 1, 2023
Interviews for High Scoring Applicants	December 6-14, 2023
Selections Announced	December 21, 2023
Housing & Services Partnership Accelerator Kickoff	January 2024

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