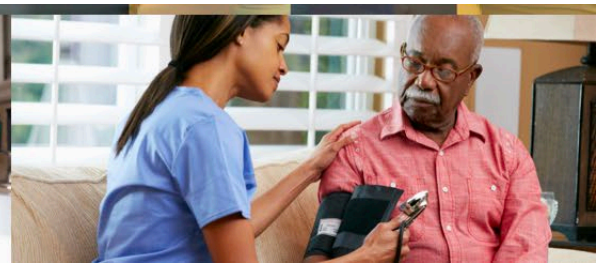
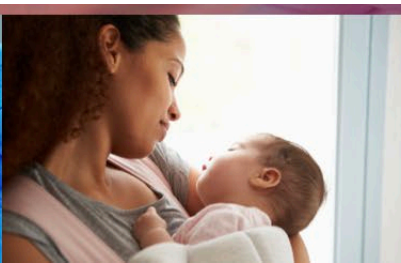




Is CMP Right for Me?

Introduction to Health Care Quality Account Grants Program

Office of Health Care Quality



Community Presentation

Health Care Quality Account

Overview

- What is Civil Money Penalty (CMP) in Practice?
- Funding Sources and Application Process
- Who is eligible to apply for CMP funds?
- Application Process and Successful Submission
- Preferred Projects and Prohibited Uses
- Committee Oversight and Responsibility

CMP in Practice

- **CMS** launched the Civil Money Penalty Reinvestment Program (CMPRP) to improve quality of life
 - Equip nursing home staff and stakeholders with technical tools and assistance to enhance resident care
 - Strengthen safety and health outcomes for nursing home residents

CMP in Practice

- **OHCQ**

- Selects and monitors projects in accordance with state and federal guidance
- Grant amounts vary and are contingent upon the availability of funds and the number of applications received, approved, and funded

Funding Sources

- **Federal CMP Programs**
 - CMP Funds are penalties collected from long-term care facilities
 - Redistributed by CMS
- **State CMP Programs**
 - CMP Funds are penalties collected from assisted living and long-term care facilities
 - Redistributed by OHCQ

Organizations Eligible for Funding

- Assisted Living Programs
- Certified Long Term Care Facilities (LTC)
- Other entities in partnership with assisted living or LTC:
 - Consumer advocacy organizations
 - Resident or family councils
 - Professional or state nursing home associations
 - Private contractors

OHCQ Grants Website

The screenshot shows the website for the Maryland Department of Health Office of Health Care Quality (OHCQ). The header includes the Maryland.gov logo, navigation links for State Directory, State Agencies, and Translate, and social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. The main navigation bar features links for Programs, Consumers, Patient Safety, Grants (highlighted), Regulations, and Reports. The left sidebar contains Quick Links (Licensee Directories, File a Complaint, Long Term Care COVID-19 Dashboard, OHCQ Career Opportunities) and Announcements (Maryland Laboratories Licensed to Perform COVID-19 Testing, Department of Health - Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Information). The main content area is titled "Grants" and features two sections: "Health Care Quality Accounts Grants Program" and "HCQA Grants Committee".

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QUICK LINKS

- Licensee Directories
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Grants

Health Care Quality Accounts Grants Program

OHCQ's Health Care Quality Accounts (HCQA) Grants Program is funded by receipt of civil money penalties imposed by OHCQ on nursing homes or assisted living facilities for serious noncompliance with regulations. The funds are used to support activities that improve the quality of life of individuals who reside in Maryland's nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

HCQA Grants Committee

A committee reviews submitted proposals that meet eligibility criteria and determines which applications are approved for State funds. Proposals for

Grant Application Process

- Application link is on OHCQ's website
- Form is completed in Smartsheet
- Once an application is started, the user is unable to save, so be prepared to complete it all at once

Requirements for Grantees

- Be qualified and capable of carrying out the intended project
- No conflict-of-interest relationship with the entity or entities who will benefit from the intended project
- Not paid by a state or federal source to perform the same function as the CMP project
- Grantee should be licensed to conduct business in the state of Maryland

New CMS Guidance (Sept 2023)

- Funding cap of \$5,000 per year*
- New technology restrictions
- Priority for staff training and retention and dementia care innovations

Prepare for a Successful Submission

- Read instructions for completion
 - Note all requirements for a complete application
- Note the type of assistance agreement being sought
 - Individual vs. partnership
- Write to the evaluation criteria
 - Make it easy for reviewers
 - Use the language stipulated in the application

SMART Application Tips

Specific

- What do you want to accomplish?
- What areas will you concentrate your efforts?

Measurable

- How do you plan to monitor progress toward the goal?
- What is the end result?

Attainable

- Do you have the resources to achieve the goal?
- What factors might prevent achieving these goals?

Relevant

- Is this project important for your field?
- Does this project offer value to your field?

Time Framed

- When do you want to achieve your goal?
- What is the target date for accomplishing the goal?

Review Before Submission

- CMP Application Checklist
- All narratives are complete and clear
- Supportive documentation is included
- Overall project timeline (start and end dates)
- Expectations on collaboration
- Any other attachments that might impact your project's successful fit with the funding

Prohibited Uses

- Start-up costs to own and operate business
- Refreshments or incentives, such as gift cards
- Capital expenses of a facility (building repairs)
- Services that are the entity's legal responsibility

Prohibited Uses

- Existing or an appearance of a conflict of interest
- Projects longer than 3 years
- Salaries for facility staff
- Unclear or excessive expenses
 - Unreasonably high project staff salaries or travel expenses

Committee Membership

- Deputy Director, Long Term Care, OHCQ
- Deputy Director, State Programs, OHCQ
- Fiscal Officer, OHCQ
- Chief Nurse, OHCQ
- Executive Director, OHCQ

Committee Review Process

- Committee meets quarterly to review applications
- Reviews the application to approve or deny
- Committee may request additional information

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