





## **State Emergency Relief Programs for LTC**

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Provider Type	Department	Process
Nursing Facilities (in Medicaid program)	DHS	DHS will provide a tool for reporting actual increased costs related to Covid-19 preparedness and response. Tools can be submitted periodically as additional costs are incurred. DHS will review those tools and make direct payments to providers outside of the VBR rate system. We are hopeful this tool will be released to providers very soon.
Nursing Facilities (not in Medicaid program)	MDH	The legislature has appropriated \$200M for assistance to a variety of health care providers including nursing facilities. Money will go out in two pots, first \$50M and later \$150M. The process by which providers will apply for funding is still being determined at MDH but we hope to know more soon.
Assisted Living/Housing with Services	MDH	The legislature has appropriated \$200M for assistance to a variety of health care providers including assisted living and HWS providers who offer home care. Money will go out in two pots, first \$50M and later \$150M. The process by which providers will apply for funding is still being determined by MDH but we hope to know more soon. As of now this is the only source of funding for these providers, but it is also available to other health care providers including hospitals.
Adult Day Services	DHS	We are working with DHS on how to set up payments to providers who have closed, both to allow those providers to still assist clients through "virtual adult day" and to keep the centers in financial position to resume operations after the emergency. DHS is currently trying to determine what legislative/waiver authority would be needed to begin making these payments.