



## Update: HHS CARES-Provider Relief Fund Phase 3 Distribution

Although the Phase 3 application for distribution deadline has passed, there is no need to worry you can still apply **if** you have submitted your TIN for verification on or before November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The notification below was posted to the <https://cares.linkhealth.com/#/> portal.

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### **The Application Deadline for the Provider Relief Fund Phase 3 General Distribution was Nov. 6, 2020.**

You must have submitted your Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) for validation by 11:59 p.m. ET on Nov. 6, 2020 for Phase 3 relief funds. If you submitted your TIN for validation by the deadline and your TIN is validated by Nov. 13, you will be able to proceed with submitting your revenue documentation to complete your application by 11:59 p.m. ET on Nov. 27, 2020. For more information, please visit [hhs.gov/providerrelief](https://hhs.gov/providerrelief).

The Taxpayer Identification (TIN) verification is the first stage in the application process to obtain funding from the HHS. Providers that have submitted and completed the Phase 2 distribution process, would have already verified their TIN through the Optum Dashboard. Any newly established accounts would have needed to generate and have submitted a TIN verification no later than November 6<sup>th</sup> to qualify.

Important factors:

- The Phase 3 distribution is for providers to receive Funds based on assessed revenue losses and expenses attributed to COVID- 19.
- Providers who applied for Phase 2 distribution are eligible to apply for additional funding.
- The TIN verification can take as quickly as 24-48 hours to process. *Note: The processing time may be longer due to the volume of verifications the HHS is processing per day and can take up to 10 to 15 business days, if not longer.*
- If you have submitted your TIN by the deadline of November 6<sup>th</sup>, and your TIN is validated by November 13<sup>th</sup>, you **will** be able to continue to submit a completed application by November 27<sup>th</sup>.
- If you have submitted your TIN by the deadline of November 6<sup>th</sup>, and your TIN is **NOT** validated by November 13<sup>th</sup>, unfortunately you may not proceed to submit your Phase 3 application for funding.
- These processing verifications are being viewed by the HHS, and there is no way to expedite this process.

Please understand that at this time there is no current statement reflecting that there will be an extension to submit for additional funding. We will provide any updates as they are released.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Your GPA Team.