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Office of Pharmacy Services
Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program
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TO ALL INTERESTED ELIGIBLE PARTIES:

The Maryland Department of Health, Office of Pharmacy Services, Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program (the Program), seeks interested pharmacies to apply for grant awards from the new Small Rural Pharmacy Grants Program FY22 to be distributed after the start of the grant period of Wednesday, November 1st, 2021, through Thursday, June 30th, 2022. Small rural pharmacies, as defined within the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) most recently published "Zip Code to Carrier Locality" File (as of Friday, August 13th, 2021) of rural zip code mapping, currently serving Maryland Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) participants, and meeting other eligibility criteria listed below in this *Request for Applications (RFA)* are eligible to apply. Complete eligibility information and all of the deliverable program documents required for participation in the program by Awardees will be posted and publicly available on our website by Friday, September 24th, 2021. This is a non-competitive grant funding opportunity.

The *RFA* announcement is attached. The *RFA* outlines the requirements for the application process and program deliverables required of Awardees during the grant funding period. Interested parties should please submit an application in accordance with the RFA Application Guidelines (see below and in *RFA*: Attachments 1 & 2). Applications must be electronically submitted via email to and received by the Program by 5:00 PM EST on Friday, October 15th, 2021.

Completed applications should please be electronically submitted via email to **Deanna Beebe** at deanna.beebe@maryland.gov. (If the application cannot be submitted via email, please contact **Deanna Beebe** at deanna.beebe@maryland.gov or (410) 767-5701 at least 48 hours before the submission deadline.) Interested applicants are encouraged to address any questions regarding the grants program to **Deanna Beebe** at deanna.beebe@maryland.gov or (410) 767-5701.

Thank you for your interest and commitment to providing the highest quality healthcare for Marylanders.

Athos Alexandrou

Sincerely,

Director, Office of Pharmacy Services Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program