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Innovation Funds Application Deadline Extended to Dec. 9

Invitations to submit full Innovation Funds applications were sent earlier this week to AHI PPS Partners. In response to concerns raised about the tight turnaround time, the submission due date for full applications has been pushed back to **Friday, December 9, 2016**.

An [updated RFP document](#) reflecting the revised date has been posted on the AHI website.

Helgerson: Election Results Will Not Affect DSRIP

Recent election results have many raising questions regarding implications for DSRIP. New York State Medicaid Director Jason Helgerson recently shared the following points to help clarify and alleviate some of the concerns.

- DSRIP is not part of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and would not be affected by legislative attempts related to the ACA.

- DSRIP is part of a waiver amendment agreement with CMS, authorized through March 2020 and run by the state government.
- Health care system reform and value-based payment (VBP) efforts will continue as these are industry drivers for improved quality and sustainability. Medicare has adopted VBP as part of their program policy and commercial payers are pursuing similar arrangements.

Helgeson stated, “The tremendous efforts by the State and the PPSs to transform the system under DSRIP will continue. Please keep focused on the DSRIP goals and projects, and maintain the collaborative and positive work you and your staff have accomplished so far. Proceed with fact-based optimism.”

Revised Shared Space Guidance Document Published

The New York State Department of Health (DOH), Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (OASAS) have released revised guidance on space arrangements between two or more providers.

Visit [Regulatory Flexibility Guidance, Resources, and Program Status](#) for the revised document that provides guidance to Article 28, Article 31, and Article 32 providers who wish to integrate services through shared space arrangements with other licensed or private medical practices and describes the application process for various types of shared space arrangements. The revised guidance includes options for providers who wish to integrate services by sharing staff.

Any questions regarding this guidance may be directed to dsrip@health.ny.gov.

Albany Med PPS, Partners Embark on Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion Program

Albany Medical Center Hospital’s PPS has entered into an innovative partnership with Albany’s Police Department, Catholic Charities and the Center for Law and Justice called the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program. Representatives from law enforcement, public defense, human service agencies, business, community groups and public health have joined forces, making Albany the first jurisdiction on the East Coast, and only the third in the nation to launch the innovative program.

For more information, read this month’s edition of [The DSRIP Digest](#).

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