

A Look at the Provider Relief Grants

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Figure 2

Overview of How Funds Have Been Distributed

General (2% patient revenue)

- Medicare providers
- Medicaid providers (*in process*)
- Dentists (*in process*)

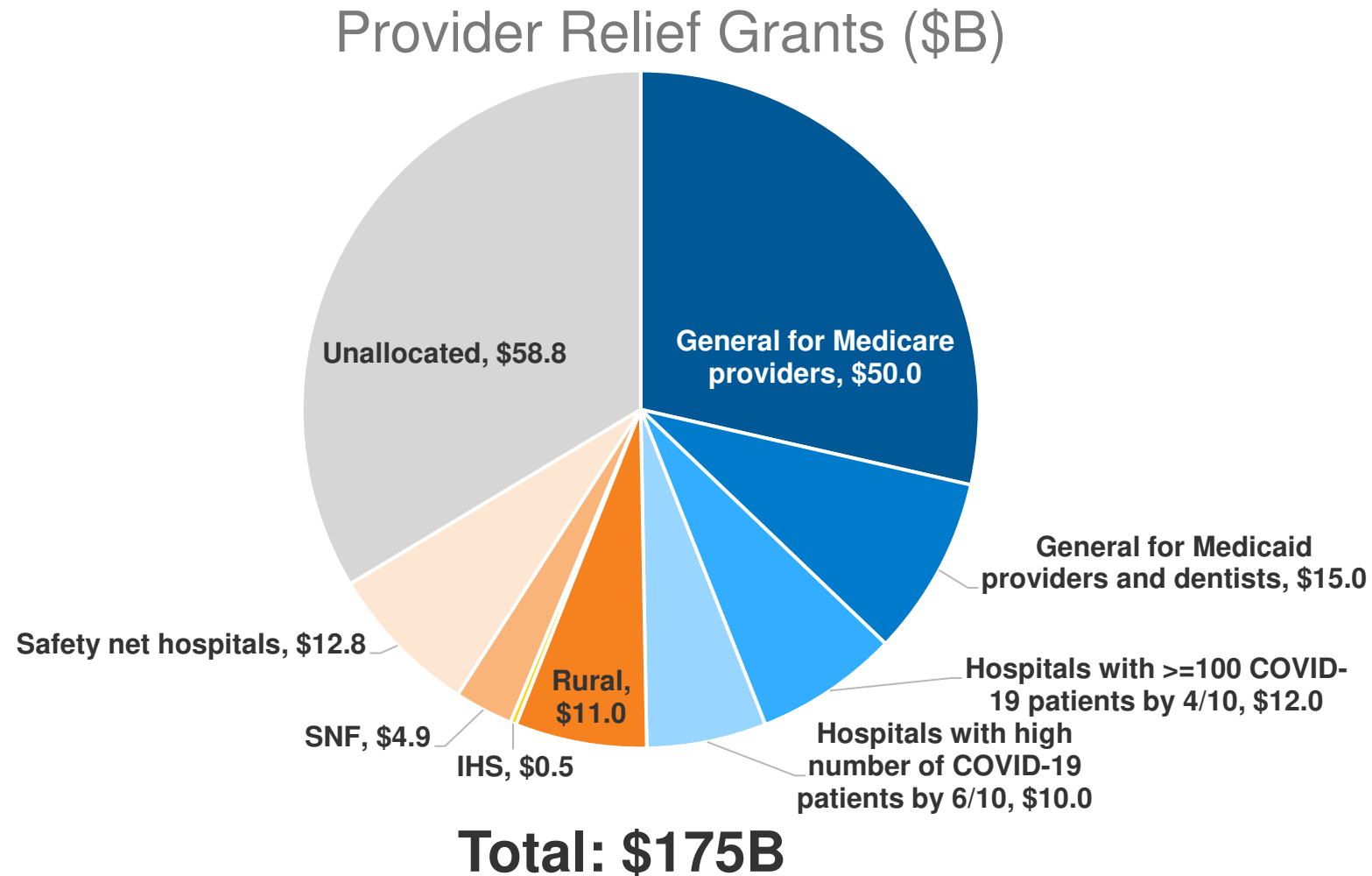
Targeted

- Hospitals with a lot of COVID-19 cases
- Safety net hospitals
- Rural providers
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Indian health service

* Money also being used to reimburse providers for treating uninsured COVID-19 patients

Figure 3

Announced Provider Relief Allocations as of Aug. 3, 2020



NOTES: General allocation for Medicare providers was based on their total net patient revenue; \$15B for Medicaid providers and denists will also be based on total net patient revenue; \$12B for hospitals with at least 100 COVID-19 patients by 4/10 includes the additional \$2B for safety net hospitals; the \$11B for rural hospitals includes the \$1B announced on 7/10/2020 for certain special rural Medicare designation hospitals in urban areas as well as others who provide care in smaller non-rural communities; SNF is skilled nursing facility, IHS is Indian Health Service.

SOURCE: KFF analysis of HHS announcements regarding provider relief grant allocations

Figure 4

Formula HHS Used Rewards Providers with More Revenue from Private Insurers

Relief funds per hospital bed for hospitals in the top and bottom decile of private insurance revenue as a share of total net patient revenue:

\$44,321



Hospitals with the Highest Share of Private Insurance Revenue

\$20,710



Hospitals with the Lowest Share of Private Insurance Revenue

Note: Hospitals with missing data were excluded

Source: KFF calculations based on analysis of data from RAND Hospital Data tool for analyzing the data in the CMS Healthcare Cost Report Information System (HCRIS)

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