

Health and Human Services Extends Deadline for Return of Provider Relief Funds by 45 Days

90 Day Deadline for Return of Funds

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Healthcare providers receiving funds under the Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS) Provider Relief Fund must abide by the deadlines for returning the funds in the event they received the funds in error or if they are unwilling to accept the HHS Terms and Conditions.

On May 22, 2020, the deadline established by the HHS for healthcare providers to attest to the receipt of payments from the Provider Relief Fund was increased from 45 days to 90 days from the date of payment. The original deadline was previously increased by HHS from 30 days to 45 days.

The announcement states that providers have now been granted 90 days from the date they received a Provider Relief Fund payment to accept HHS Terms and Conditions or return the funds.

Providers that do not attest and accept the Terms and Conditions after 90 days of receipt will be deemed to have accepted the Terms and Conditions.

For example, a provider receiving an automatic payment of funds on the earliest possible date of April 10, 2020 now has a deadline of **July 9, 2020**. The deadline for return of a payment from the first tranche after April 10th or for return of a payment from the second tranche would be 90 days from receipt.

If you have a question about this legal alert or another aspect of your healthcare practice, please contact [Grace Mack](#), or another member of the Wilentz [Health Law team](#).

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