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## Managed Care Implementation

***DISCO***

Certificate of Authority Application

Start-up Grant Update

October, 2014



## Important Dates

- 8/22/14** Plan Qualification Document for DISCO/COA approval released (Includes Attachment 10 for DISCO start up funds)
- 10/20/14** Proxy DISCO rates posted for grant application fiscals
- 11/3/14** If applying for start-up funds, Grant app due (except finance)
- 11/20/14** *Finance sections of grant application due*
- 12/1/14** Funding approval/ contracts begin - *tentative awards*
- 12/2014** OPWDD/FIDA rates final & released (Webinar w/actuaries)
- 7/1/15** OPWDD/FIDA enrollment begins
- 10/1/15** DISCO enrollment begins



## COA – Plan Qualification Process

- ▶ Rolling application process begins - August 2014
- ▶ Draft COA application (Plan Qualification Document ) released in August via web  
[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd\\_services\\_supports/people\\_first\\_waiver/Becoming\\_a\\_DISCO](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/people_first_waiver/Becoming_a_DISCO)
- ▶ If a plan wishes to apply for start-up funds, grant applications are due 11/3/14 (11/20 for finance sect.)



## Process for Becoming DISCO

Plan completes COA Application using Plan Qualification Document (hard copies plus electronic)

*Attachment 10 MUST be completed to qualify for DISCO Start-Up funds*

- 2) Plan responds to question/requests for clarification
- 3) OPWDD/SDOH conduct on-site readiness review
- 4) Contract between OPWDD/SDOH and the DISCO
- 5) Enrollment begins



## Attachment 10 – Grant Application

- Submissions Due – November 3, 2014  
(11/20 for finance section)
- Submissions MUST include multiple copies (as stipulated in release)
- Clearly labeled with grant name
- No fax or e-mail submissions



## COA Approval Process

- Grant Application approval is phase 1 of the COA application approval
  - If applying for a grant, Attachment 10 outlines sections of COA application to complete for grant application
  - Phase 2 is balance of the COA application to obtain DISCO COA and contracting
- If NOT applying for grant, COA application in full must be submitted (no due date)



## Grant Amounts

- Grant budget should be completed justifying needs eligible for grant funding
- OPWDD may award grants in excess of \$1.5 million, depending on needs, justification, and available funds



## Grant Monies and Processing

- Awarded in 2 payments
  - Grantee will submit monthly invoices
  - Justify expenditures as submitted in approved budgets ***spent to support the cost of the project***
- Recoupment by OPWDD of funds if DISCO COA not completed or approved?
  - Second payment will not be released
  - Any tangible equipment / property bought with grant funds become property of the OPWDD



## Term of Grant Contracts

- BIP funds available through Sept. 30, 2015
- Start date will be confirmed at time of contract
- Approved expenditures must be completed during contract period



## Clarifications / Questions

- *Updates to Posting*
  - *Any changes to the COA application*
  - *Date change for grant application (split due dates)*
  - *Q&A documents including webinar questions*
  - *Forms to complete (Missing from posting)*
    - *DOH 793 A - “Managed Long Term Care Plan / DISCO Application”*
    - *Financial projections spreadsheets*
- *[http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd\\_services\\_supports/people\\_first\\_waiver/Becoming\\_a\\_DISCO](http://www.opwdd.ny.gov/opwdd_services_supports/people_first_waiver/Becoming_a_DISCO)*



## Current Status

- Grant Applications are due COB 11/3 *(11/20-finance)*
- Full COA applications can be submitted at any time
- Expectation - timing of full COA approvals
  - Reviews by OPWDD/SDOH Spring 2015
  - On-site surveys/readiness reviews Summer 2015
  - Contracting approvals late summer 2015
  - Enrollment begins October 2015
- FIDA-DISCO enrollment begins July 2015
  - Pre-enrollment timing adjusted per above schedule



## Questions

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