Explanation of Updated 340B Provider List

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The federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) require state Exchanges to include “essential community providers, where available, that serve predominantly low income, medically underserved individuals.” Flexibility was left to state Exchanges to refine the essential community provider (ECP) definition. The ACA intended inclusion of ECPs that provide comprehensive or full services to a large segment of the low-income population.

HRSA’s 340B non-hospital and hospital entities list as of November 9, 2012 included single-service as well as full-service sites. Single-service sites serve a narrow population while full-service sites, Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alikes (FQHCLA) and Consolidated Health Center Programs (CH), serve a larger portion of the low-income population. FQHCLA and CH programs offer, by definition, comprehensive medical services. Consequently, single-service sites were removed from the updated 340B list to encourage contracting with health centers that provide comprehensive services to the low-income and under-served population.

An Issuer may contract with a single-service 340B provider that the Exchange has removed from the 340B list if the Issuer can demonstrate and attest that the 340B entity provides comprehensive services.

Further, HRSA’s 340B non-hospital and hospital entities list as of November 9, 2012 included entities with multiple entity subdivisions and contracting pharmacies displayed over several rows of the list. Eligible 340B entities can be distinguished by their unique 340B ID (Column C of HRSA’s 340B list). The Exchange identified unique 340B service sites and removed duplicate entries on the updated 340B provider list.

The formula the Exchange will use to calculate the Bidder requirement to contract with at least 15% of 340B entities is as follows:

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\frac{\text{(# of contracted 340B entities per county)}}{\text{(# of unique 340B entities per county as identified on 340B Non-hospital and Hospital Entities list-11_9_12 updated 1_18_13)}}
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Questions regarding the Exchange’s updated 340B list may be emailed to: 
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This page includes information regarding Essential Community Providers (ECP).

HRSA’s 340B non-hospital and hospital entities list as of November 9, 2012. These providers are considered 340B entities for purposes of this solicitation. The 340B providers included on this list are to be used to calculate the 15% requirement. **This data is supplied in electronic spreadsheet format, organized by county. 340B Non-hospital and Hospital Entities list-11_9_12 updated 1_28_13**


California Disproportionate Share Hospital Program, Final DSH Eligibility List Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Hospitals included on this list are considered Essential Community Provider hospitals for purposes of this solicitation. **This data can be accessed via a link to the list. California Disproportionate Share Hospital Program, Final DSH Eligibility List Fiscal Year 2011-2012**


Federally designated 638 Tribal Health Programs and Title V Urban Indian Health Programs – list as of October 5, 2012. Many, but not all of these entities are also on the 340B list. These providers are considered to be Essential Community Providers for purposes of this solicitation. **This data is supplied in electronic spreadsheet format. Federally designated 638 Tribal Health Programs and Title V Urban Indian Health Programs**

http://www.healthexchange.ca.gov/Solicitations/Documents/638%20Tribal%20HP%20%20Title%20V%20UIHP%20Morrigan%202010%2012.xls

Community clinic or health centers licensed as either a “community clinic or “free clinic”, by the state of California under Health and Safety Code section 1204(a) and (2), or is a community clinic or free clinic exempt from licensure under Section 1206. Clinics on this list are Essential Community Providers for purposes of this solicitation. **This data is supplied in electronic spreadsheet format. 1204(a) Clinics list**

http://www.healthexchange.ca.gov/Solicitations/Documents/1204a%20Clinics.xls

Providers with approved applications for the HI-TECH Medi-Cal Electronic Health Record Incentive Program (EHR). (Pending applications not yet approved will not be considered). These providers are considered Essential Community Providers for purposes of this solicitation. **This data can be accessed via a link to the EHR Provider List**

http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/EHR_Incentive_Data_and_Reports.aspx

County-Level Data on Distribution of California Low-Income Population (defined as a family at or below 200% of poverty). **This data is supplied in electronic spreadsheet format. County-Level Data on Distribution of California Low-Income Population**

http://www.healthexchange.ca.gov/Solicitations/Documents/Tract_Poverty.xls