

**NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF AGING SERVICES**

**Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA)**

**Take notice** that, in compliance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-34.4 et seq. (P.L. 1987, c.7), the Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services, hereby announces the availability of the following grant program funds described herein.

**Program Name:** Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA)

**Purpose:** The purpose of this grant program is to increase the number of low-income Medicare beneficiaries who know about and apply for Medicare Part D, the Medicare Part D Low Income Subsidy (LIS), and/or a Medicare Savings Program (MSP), and to increase the awareness and use of free and reduced-cost preventive benefits covered by Medicare Part B.

**Available Funding Amount:** The Department of Human Services anticipates awarding up to 11 grants in the amount of \$40,000 each for the grant project period, which is October 1, 2017, through September 29, 2018.

**Who Can Apply/Bidder Qualifications:** To be eligible for consideration, the applicant must be one of New Jersey's 21 Area Agencies on Aging/Aging and Disability Resource Connections (AAA/ADRCs) or one of the 21 lead coordinating State Health Insurance Assistance Programs (SHIPs) in each of the 21 counties in the State. Any other agency interested in this grant program must partner with an applying AAA/ADRC or SHIP.

**Proposal Procedure:** Effective July 31, 2017, the RFP is available at <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/providers/grants/rfp/rfpfi/>. A proposal must be submitted that comports with the RFP requirements and instructions.

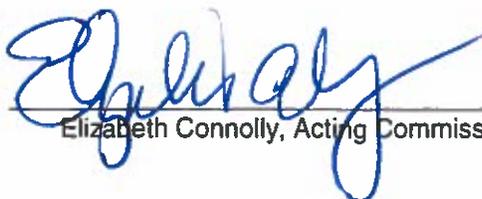
**Contact information for the grant program:**

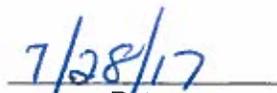
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**Submission Deadline:** Proposals must be submitted through the State's System for Administering Grants Electronically (SAGE) by 3:00pm on September 8, 2017. Late submissions and paper submissions will not be accepted.

**Date by which applicants shall be notified whether they will receive funds:**

September 19, 2017.

  
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Elizabeth Connolly, Acting Commissioner

  
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