Attention prospective Certified Wellness Coach Employer Support grant program applicants

During the Office Hours held on February 29, 2024, we answered questions regarding the Certified Wellness Coach Employer Grant. We strive for accuracy and transparency in all our communications. However, upon review, we recognize that a misstatement was made.

In our commitment to provide you with the most current and accurate information, we are issuing this correction to clarify two topics:

- 1. Whether an Applicant can fund a Certified Wellness Coach for more than one year
- 2. Whether an Applicant can accept funds from the multi-payer fee schedule while receiving grant funds

Below, you will find the corrected information which we encourage you to review:

1. Can an Applicant apply to fund a Certified Wellness Coach (CWC) for more than a year?

The grant is designed to fund each CWC employee for the cost of one year of employment. The amount of funding per CWC employee is set at \$69,500 per CWC I and \$82,550 per CWC II. An awardee may spread these amounts across the 18-month grant period, but this does not increase the amount of funds awarded per CWC employee. A CWC employee must be employed for at least 10 months to be eligible for grant funding.

2. Can an Awardee receive funds from the multi-payer fee schedule and still receive grant funds?

If an awardee is receiving funds from the multi-payer fee schedule, we will continue to award grant funds up to the full salary amount of CWCs as listed in the grant guide.

For example, if your organization has a CWC I and through the fee schedule is reimbursed \$6,000, we will award \$63,500 for that CWC. This ensures that no matter your status with the fee schedule, every awardee will receive funding for every CWC they hire.

We sincerely apologize for any confusion or inconvenience this may have caused. Our team values the trust you place in us, and we are dedicated to ensuring that all information we share is both accurate and useful. We appreciate your understanding and continued support.

Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out to us via email, at WellnessCoach@hcai.ca.gov.

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