

State and location	Community No.	Effective date authorization/cancellation of sale of flood insurance in community	Current effective map date	Date certain Federal assistance no longer available in special flood hazard areas
Belhaven, Town of, Beaufort County	370015	October 27, 1972, Emerg.; May 16, 1977, Reg.; May 15, 2003, Susp.	.....do	Do.
Chocowinity, Town of, Beaufort County	370289	June 30, 1997, Reg.; May 15, 2003, Susp ..	.....do	Do.
Hyde County, Unincorporated Areas	370133	February 8, 1974, Emerg.; February 4, 1987, Reg.; May 15, 2003, Susp.	.....do	Do.
Pantego, Town of, Beaufort County	370016	November 24, 1975, Emerg.; August 5, 1985, Reg.; May 15, 2003, Susp.	.....do	Do.
Washington Park, Town of Beaufort County.	370268	September 29, 1972, Emerg.; November 22, 1976, Reg.; May 15, 2003, Susp.	.....do	Do.

Code for reading third column: Emerg.—Emergency; Reg.—Regular; Susp—Suspension.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

45 CFR Part 148

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Grants to States for Operation of Qualified High Risk Pools

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Final rule with comment period.

SUMMARY: This final rule with comment period implements a provision of the Trade Assistance Reform Act of 2002 by providing \$40 million in Federal fiscal year 2003 and \$40 million in Federal fiscal year 2004 to States that have incurred losses in connection with the operation of qualified high risk pools that meet certain criteria. This grant program implements section 2745 of the Public Health Service Act, as added by the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reform Act of 2002.

DATES: Effective date. These regulations are effective on June 2, 2003.

Public comments: We will consider comments if we receive them at the appropriate address, as provided below, no later than 5 p.m. on July 1, 2003.

Deadline for States to submit an application for losses incurred in their fiscal year 2002: States must submit an application to us by no later than September 30, 2003.

Deadline for States to submit an application for losses incurred in their fiscal year 2003: States must submit an application to us by no later than June 30, 2004.

Deadline for States to submit an application for losses incurred in their fiscal year 2004: States must submit an application to us by no later than June 30, 2005.

ADDRESSES: *Where to Submit an Application.* All initial applications and supplemental applications must be submitted to:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Acquisition and Grants Group, Mail Stop C2-21-15, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850, Attn: Nicole Nicholson.

Public Comments. In commenting, please refer to file code CMS-2179-FC. Because of staff and resource limitations, we cannot accept comments by facsimile (FAX) transmission or e-mail.

Mail written comments (one original and two copies) to the following address ONLY:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, Attention: CMS-2179-FC, PO Box 8016, Baltimore, MD 21244-8016.

Please allow sufficient time for mailed comments to be timely received in the event of delivery delays.

If you prefer, you may deliver (by hand or courier) your written comments (one original and two copies) to one of the following addresses:

Room 445-G, Hubert H. Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, or Room C5-14-03, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850.

(Because access to the interior of the HHH Building is not readily available to persons without Federal Government identification, commenters are encouraged to leave their comments in the CMS drop slots located in the main lobby of the building. A stamp-in clock is available for persons wishing to retain a proof of filing by stamping in and

retaining an extra copy of the comments being filed.)

Comments mailed to the addresses indicated as appropriate for hand or courier delivery may be delayed and could be considered late.

For information on viewing public comments, see the beginning of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Mayhew, (410) 786-9244.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Inspection of Public Comments: Comments received timely will be available for public inspection as they are received, generally beginning approximately 3 weeks after publication of a document, at the headquarters of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, 7500 Security Boulevard, Baltimore, Maryland 21244, Monday through Friday of each week from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To schedule an appointment to view public comments, phone 410-786-7195.

I. Background

A. General

Section 2745(b) of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act), as added by section 201(b) of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Reform Act of 2002, authorizes the Secretary to make grants to States for up to 50 percent of the losses they incur in the operation of qualified high risk pools, and appropriates the necessary funds. In order to qualify for a grant, a State's risk pool must meet the definition of a qualified risk pool, as described in section II of this preamble, as well as other applicable eligibility requirements described in that section.

B. Availability and Use of Funds

The total amount appropriated for these grants is \$80 million (\$40 million each in Federal fiscal years (FY) 2003 and 2004). We have two years to obligate funding for each fiscal year. As directed by the statute, we will allocate