

Medicare Fee-for-Service (FFS) Response to the 2020 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Earthquakes

The HHS Secretary declared a Public Health Emergency in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, which allows for CMS programmatic waivers based on Section 1135 of the Social Security Act. An MLN Matters Special Edition Article SE20003 on [Medicare Fee-for-Service \(FFS\) Response to the 2020 Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Earthquakes](#) is available. Learn about blanket waivers issued by CMS. These waivers prevent gaps in access to care for beneficiaries impacted by the emergency.