

House and Senate Leaders Send Letters of Support for Emergency Third-Party Reimbursement Fund for Indian Health Care Providers, Including UIOs

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On May 5, 2020, Senators Kamala Harris (D-CA), Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), and Tom Udall (D-NM) and Representatives Markwayne Mullin (R-OK), Raul Ruiz (D-CA) led 55 of their colleagues in letters to Senate and House leadership requesting additional funding for third-party reimbursement losses for Indian Health Service facilities, Tribal Health Programs, and UIOs.

The letters highlight that third-party reimbursement is essential for the I/T/U system and losses in those funds are only exacerbating funding gaps and other issues facilities face during the pandemic. The letters were finalized before the most recent phase of COVID-19 legislation, which was released on May 12 by the House of Representatives.

[House Letter](#)

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