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Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto de Ciencias Médicas University of Puerto Rico, Medical Sciences Campus

University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus Response for CARES Act – September 30, 2021, Funds Report

The following information is provided to assure public disclosure and compliance with the United States Department of Education requirements related to the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, the Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA), and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). The seven requested criteria listed below represent the Quarterly Report for September 30, 2021:

- 1. The University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus (UPRMSC) reports that the institution is participating in the CARES Act established by Congress. Institutions officials have signed and returned the Department of Education's Certification and Agreement that we intend to use no less than 50 percent of the funds received under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act to provide Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students. The UPR MSC has also been recipient of Coronavirus Response Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSAA) and the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 2021.
- 2. The total grant from the Department of Education under Section 18004(a)(1) of the University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus is \$1,191,264.00 and of that amount, the student portion, \$595,132.00, was made available for Emergency Financial Aid Grants to Students.
- 3. As of SEptember 30, 2021, the University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus has distributed \$857,500.00 to students eligible for these grants, allocating funds from the institutional portion.
- 4. The supplemental award from the Department of Education under Section 314(a)(1) of the CRRSAA to UPRMSC is \$595,132.00 for the student portion and \$1,067,086.00 for the institutional portion.
- 5. For section 314(a)(1), as of June 30, 2021, UPRMSC already distributed \$595,132.00 to 1,253 eligible students.
- 6. As of June 30, 2021, an additional disbursement of \$278,393.00 were used from the institutional portion to provide assistance to additional 586 students. All students, 1,839, received an equal amount of \$475.00, from both portions of the CRRSAA funds.
- 7. The University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus has estimated that 2,200 students are eligible to participate in programs under Section 484 in Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 and thus are qualified to receive Emergency Financial Aid Grants to students under Section 18004(a)(1) and of the CARES Act.
- 8. The University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus determined that all eligible students who certified their need for Emergency Grants for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare) will receive an equal amount of Emergency Financial Aid Grants under Section 18004(a)(1) of the CARES Act. The estimated amount to be disbursed to eligible students is \$500.00. This includes funds from the second part of the CARES funds. Students were also requested to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

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- 9. UPRMSC received a total allocation of \$1,488,882 of the student portion of the ARP section 2003(a)(1). From this amount the UPRMSC is currently distributing emergency grants to students. As of September 30, 2021, the institution has distributed \$1,249,600.00 to 1,760 students. Students have received \$710.00 each from this award.
- 10. In the next weeks the UPRMSC will continue the distribution of \$279,190.00 to the remaining 389 students. For this distribution the institution will use \$36,908.00 from the institutional portion.
- 11. The University of Puerto Rico Medical Sciences Campus, along with the UPR Central Administration is being currently providing instructions and guidance to its constituents (including students) through electronic mails and a webpage created for this purpose (https://rcm2.rcm.upr.edu/fondos-cares-act/). Students were recommended to certify their need for Emergency Grants for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus (including eligible expenses under a student's cost of attendance such as food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and childcare) through an online survey available through the NEXT Portal, an online platform for managing UPR processes in the areas of Student Service, including Financial Aid, Registrar, Admissions, and Payroll at this web address (https://portal.upr.edu/rcm/portal.php?a=realogin).