MEMORANDUM FOR: FEMA Regional Administrators  
FEMA Regions I – X  

ATTENTION: Regional Recovery Division Directors  

FROM: Keith Turi  
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SUBJECT: Issuance of Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Alternate Care Site (ACS) “Warm Sites” Fact Sheet  

The purpose of this memorandum is to issue the attached Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Alternate Care Site (ACS) “Warm Sites” Fact Sheet. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency for the COVID-19 pandemic. FEMA is releasing the fact sheet to provide clear guidance on when state, local, tribal, and territorial governments may, under certain conditions, be reimbursed through FEMA’s Public Assistance (PA) Program for costs associated with keeping ACS, including temporary and expanded medical facilities, minimally operational when COVID-19 cases diminish and the facilities are no longer in use.

As it relates to PA eligibility, ACS are temporary medical facilities. Additional information regarding temporary and expanded medical facilities and when FEMA may approve work and costs associated with these facilities may be found in FEMA Policy FP 104-010-04, Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Medical Care Costs Eligible for Public Assistance, published on May 9, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact Traci Brasher, Acting Director, Public Assistance Division at traci.brasher@fema.dhs.gov.

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