



Welcome to the American Rescue Plan Act Stakeholder Feedback Forum

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Welcome! We will begin shortly.

An advertisement for the Resilient Arizona Crisis Counseling Program. It features a portrait of an elderly woman with white hair and a purple top. Text overlaid on the image asks: "COVID-19 LEFT YOU FEELING ... STRESSED? DEPRESSED? WORRIED?". Below the image, a blue banner contains the text: "GET CONNECTED WITH A COUNSELOR 100% FREE & CONFIDENTIAL · STATEWIDE".

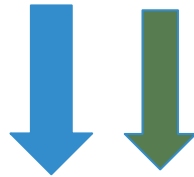
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Zoom Webinar Controls

Navigating your bar on the bottom...



- **Windows:** You can also use the **Alt+Y** keyboard shortcut to raise or lower your hand.
- **Mac:** You can also use the **Option+Y** keyboard shortcut to raise or lower your hand.

A screenshot of the Zoom control bar and audio settings menu. The control bar is dark grey and contains icons for 'Chat', 'Raise Hand', and a red 'Leave' button. The audio settings menu is open, showing options: 'Select a Speaker', 'Same as System', 'Built-in Output (Internal Speakers)', 'Test Speaker & Microphone...', 'Leave Computer Audio', and 'Audio Settings...'. A white arrow points from the 'Audio Settings...' option in the menu to the 'Audio Settings' button in the bottom left corner of the Zoom interface.

Audio Settings

Settings

Speaker Test Speaker Built-in Output (Internal Speakers)

Output Level: [Progress bar]

Output Volume: [Slider]

Microphone Test Mic Built-in Microphone (Internal Micropho...)

Input Level: [Progress bar]

Input Volume: [Slider]

Automatically adjust microphone volume

Use separate audio device to play ringtone simultaneously

Join audio by computer when joining a meeting

Mute microphone when joining a meeting

Press and hold SPACE key to temporarily unmute yourself

Advanced

Tips for successful ZOOM PARTICIPATION



MUTE your mic
when you're not
speaking



BACKGROUND
NOISE watch when
turning on mic



Limit the
DISTRACTIONS
around you



Look at the
CAMERA
not your screen



PREPARE & queue
docs or links that
you plan to share



Stay FOCUSED by
not texting or side
conversations



Use GALLERY
VIEW to see all
participants



Use CHAT to ask
questions or share
resources



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PLANS/PROVIDERS

AMERICAN INDIANS

RESOURCES

FRAUD PREVENTION

CRISIS?

THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

Learn more about Medicaid funding opportunities.



American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

 A small glass vial labeled 'VACCINE COVID-19 CORONA VIRUS' is surrounded by several red, spiky virus particles. A white plus sign is positioned to the right of the vial.	 A white van is shown in motion, driving on a road with a blurred background of greenery and a blue sky.	 A collection of white, oval-shaped pills is spilling out of an orange pill bottle onto a US one hundred dollar bill.	 A wide-angle view of a city skyline at dusk or night, with mountains visible in the background under a clear sky.	 A woman with long dark hair is sitting at a table, looking at a blue folder. A young child is sitting next to her, holding a yellow pencil.	 A black and white photograph of a woman in profile, looking down at a baby who is lying down.
COVID-19 Vaccine Administration	Mobile Crisis Services	Elimination of Medicaid Drug Rebate Cap	100% FMAP for Urban Indian Health Program	10% Increase to FMAP for HCBS	Twelve Months Postpartum Coverage



American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - Section 9817

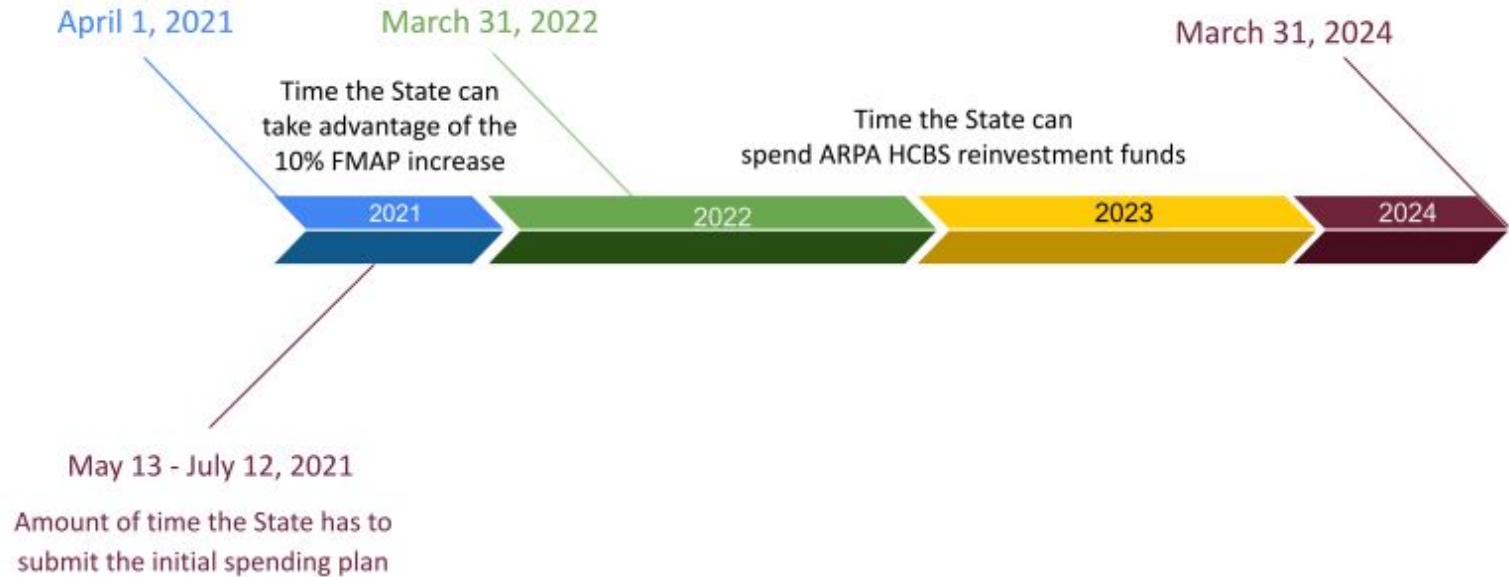


**10% Increase
to
FMAP for
HCBS**

4/1/21 -
3/31/22

- Provision offers temporary 10 percentage point bump in federal funds for certain HCBS services
- [State Medicaid Director Letter](#) issued on May 13, 2021
 - Services eligible for the enhancement
 - Examples of activities that enhance, expand, or strengthen HCBS
 - Requirement that states submit initial and quarterly HCBS spending plans
 - Initial narrative and spending plan due July 12, 2021

ARPA HCBS Funding Timeline



Key Parameters - ARP/HCBS Provision

- Funding is short-term and must be spent by March 31, 2024
- Broader definition of HCBS - includes services such as home health, personal care services, attendant care services, case management and rehabilitative services (mental health and substance use treatment services)
- Cannot use funds to pay for HCBS available under the Medicaid program as of April 1, 2021
 - Funds must be used to enhance, expand, or strengthen existing HCBS program
- Strategies employed under the plan cannot negatively impact current HCBS program
 - Prohibited from imposing stricter eligibility standards
 - Must preserve covered HCBS
 - Must maintain HCBS provider payments at a rate no less than those in place as of April 1, 2021
- Nothing will be included which creates a long-term funding obligation without a sustainable funding source after March 31, 2024

Funding Enhancement & Reinvestment Opportunity

- AHCCCS estimates it will expend approximately \$3.5 billion on HCBS that qualify for the temporary 10 percentage point FMAP increase (expenses during April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022)
- Enhanced match rate is expected to increase federal spending on currently covered HCBS by approximately \$350 million during that time to be used as reinvestment funds for the strategies proposed in ARP HCBS spending plan
- Reinvestment funds then leverage additional federal funds = to a total of \$1.6 billion to be spent throughout the period from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2024
 - Enhance or strengthen Medicaid HCBS
 - Subject to CMS approval and legislative expenditure authority
 - Estimates subject to change due to various factors

Member Focus

- Seniors
- Individuals with Disabilities
- Individuals Living with Serious Mental Illness
- Individuals Accessing General Mental Health and Substance Use Services
- Children with Behavioral Health Needs

Funding Priority #1: Strengthening and Enhancing Arizona's Home and Community Based System of Care

- Expanding access to care from a well-trained, highly-skilled workforce
- Funding local initiatives and community-specific programming to improve member health
- Assessing member engagement and satisfaction to better understand needs, prevent abuse and neglect, and identify opportunities for improvement
- Empowering parents and families to provide care and meet the needs of their children
- Promoting stabilization, access to supportive services, and workforce retention/consistency to improve member outcomes



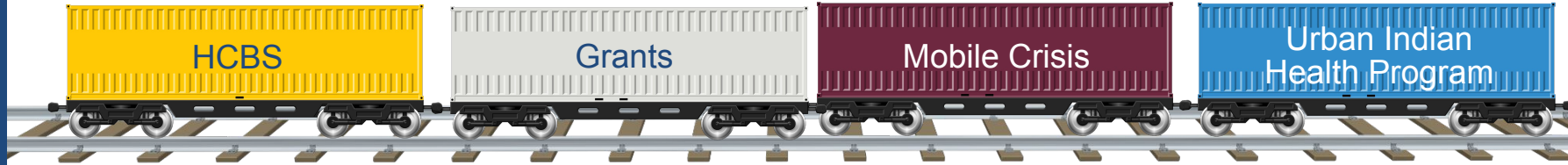
Funding Priority #2: Advancing Technology to Support Greater Independence and Community Connection



- Utilizing new technology to promote care coordination and seamless communication
- Creating tools that strengthen quality monitoring and prevent abuse and neglect
- Supporting individual self-sufficiency by connecting members to technological tools and resources that promote independence



ARIZONA'S 1115 WAIVER EXPRESS



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT EXPRESS



ARIZONA'S CRISIS EXPRESS

DISCUSSION