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Operations Center Memo FY2023-13

To: Purchase of Services Contracted Private Providers

From: Scott McWilliams, Chief of Fiscal/Administrative Services

CC: Jordan Scheff, Commissioner, Elisa Velardo, Deputy Commissioner, Katie Rock-Burns, Chief of Staff, Operations Center Director, Regional Directors, Private ARDs, Resource Administrators, The Alliance, The Arc CT

Date: October 31, 2022

RE: **American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Home and Community Based Services Provider Payments**

In 2022 the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approved the state's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Home and Community Based Services plan. This plan includes three initiatives with funding for qualified providers funded by the Department. The Department and Fiscal Intermediaries have processed the next series of payments and providers should have received the funds by the first week of October.

Here is a summary of the initiatives included in this payment:

1. Temporary Provider Stabilization Funds – Based on 1.42% of payments for qualified services between 7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022. This initiative represents 28.77% of your payment.
2. DDS Workforce Stability Incentive – Based on 1.72% of payments for qualified services between 7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022. This initiative represents 34.94% of your payment.
3. DDS Stability and Infrastructure Improvements through Technology - Based on 1.79% of payments for qualified services between 7/1/2021 – 6/30/2022. This initiative represents 36.29% of your payment.

Funds from the October 2022 ARPA payments in the above categories need to be expended by 6/30/2023. Funds cannot be moved between the three initiatives above. Payment detail will be uploaded into providers' payment reports shortly.

Please feel free to contact me at scott.mcwilliams@ct.gov or (860) 418-6163 with any questions.