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To: DDS Qualified Providers

From: Sean Bannon, Director, Operations Center

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Date: December 6, 2022

Subject: Recoupment of ARPA HCBS Funding

Department of Developmental Services (DDS) qualified providers received ARPA-HCBS payments in March 2022 and October 2022. Operation Center Memo <u>FY23-15_ARPA_HCBS_Expenditure_Reporting</u> detailed the expense and reporting dates associated with each incentive. Providers were also required to submit an attestation, verifying that the ARPA HCBS funding was spent in accordance with its intended purpose.

As described in Operation Center Memo <u>FY22-24_ARPA_Provider_Payments</u>, "To ensure that we do not jeopardize any federal reimbursement, DDS will recover any funds not expended by the deadlines indicated." Providers who have not submitted their required attestation and ARPA HCBS expense reports will also have this funding recouped.

The Temporary Provider Stabilization Funds sent in March 2022 were to be expensed by September 30, 2022. Unused Temporary Provider Stabilization Funds sent to providers in March 2022 that were not expensed by September 30, 2022 will be recouped in February 2023. Any provider who has not submitted an attestation and ARPA HCBS expense report will also have <u>all</u> of their ARPA HCBS funding recouped.

The next deadline for spending is December 31, 2022 for the DDS Workforce Stability Incentive, and the next ARPA HCBS Expense Report due date is January 30, 2023. DDS Workforce Stability funding that is not utilized and reported on by the required date will be recouped in April 2023.

All other March 2022 and October 2022 ARPA HCBS stability payments are due to be spent by June 30, 2023, with an ARPA HCBS expense report due date of July 31, 2023. Any ARPA HCBS stability funding that is not utilized and reported on by the required date will be recouped in September 2023.

POS providers should reach out to your Provider Specialist, with any questions. Non-POS providers should reach out to <u>Jamie.Sienna@ct.gov</u> with any questions.

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