

## **NADSA Public Policy Alert**



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NADSA Creates Information Sharing Platform to Assist in Gaining Access to American Rescue Plan Act Funds for HCBS Medicaid Expenditures

Dear NADSA Member,

NADSA recently shared a <u>Policy Alert</u> regarding the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and how it increases federal funding for home and community-based services (HCBS). Specifically, states can receive a 10 percentage-point increase to the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) they receive for certain Medicaid expenditures for HCBS. This "FMAP bump" is available for one year, from April 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022.

A number of state ADS associations and providers are implementing efforts to gain access to these funds and are sharing that information with NADSA. NADSA is providing this communications platform to its Members to help provide directions and use this information as a template. If you have reached out to your state legislature or agency regarding access to these funds, please share your letters or information pieces so they can be posted in this dedicated section. These can be sent in Word or PDF format to Lance Roberts at membereducation@nadsa.org.

Thank you for assisting with this information exchange that will benefit NADSA Members as they work toward accessing these funds. To access the HCBS information in the Members Only section, the login is nadsa and password is daycare1.

Here is the link to the section: <u>https://www.nadsa.org/for-members/hcbs-funding-in-arpa-recommendations/</u>. If you have any additional questions, please contact Lance Roberts at the email address above.

