



**State of Louisiana**  
Louisiana Department of Health  
Office of Aging and Adult Services

**MEMORANDUM**

**OAAS-SC-25-003**

**TO:** OAAS Support Coordination Agencies (SCAs)

**FROM:** Garry Williams, OAAS Assistant Secretary

**DATE:** February 21, 2025

**SUBJECT:** ARPA Initiative Updates

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The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS) is issuing this memorandum to update you on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 initiatives. Previous notices indicated that these initiatives would discontinue when ARPA ended in 2025.

ARPA initiatives for the OAAS Support Coordination Agencies included the following:

- Reimbursement Rate Increases for Support Coordination & Transition Intensive Support Coordination services for CCW and ADHC Waiver
- Workforce Retention Bonus Payments

Originally, OAAS Support Coordination Agencies' rates for Support Coordination and Transition Intensive Support Coordination services in the Community Choices Waiver and the Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Waiver were increased due to ARPA funding; however, these rate increases are now included in the LDH budget. Therefore, your rates for these services will not be affected when ARPA ends in 2025.

All SCA Workforce Retention Bonus Payments have been paid from July 2023 through September 2023; therefore, this ARPA funded initiative has ended.

LDH is currently conducting audits to ensure compliance with the SCA Workforce Retention Bonus Payments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Cheryl Dickerson-Brown, the OAAS Support Coordination Manager, at [Cheryl.Dickerson@la.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Dickerson@la.gov).

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