

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Total ARRA Funds Available \$140,391.8 Fed
Total Budget Request \$128,491.3 Fed ES, <\$128,491.3> GFM

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP), FOOD STAMPS

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$462.0

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: For increased administrative costs associated with implementing the increase in benefits on 4/1/09 required by ARRA, and for administering SNAP. Funds are allocated based on percentage of growth in program participation compared to national participation levels. Requesting four new non-permanent positions.

Timing Issues:

- Available in FFY2009 and FFY2010

Other Restrictions:

- Only for administrative activities related to SNAP

Sub-Recipients:

- None

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT, PART C INFANT LEARNING PROGRAM (ILP)

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$2,139.8

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: Same usage as under current law, develop infrastructure and service expansion. The Department intends to focus on one time infrastructure improvements. Any service expansions are intended to be backfilled with enhanced Medicaid claiming through program changes. Expansion of an existing program.

Timing Issues:

- Not stated in law, assume available FY2010 - 2011

Requirements:

- None stated in law.

Sub-Recipients:

- Infant Learning Program contractors

ADMINISTRATION ON AGING, HOME DELIVERED MEALS AND CONGREGATE MEALS

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$485.0

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: Continue and enhance food security for current eligible groups; limited to senior meal programs, only. Expansion of an existing program.

Timing Issues:

- Not stated in law – assume available FFY2010, only

Other Restrictions:

- Current law

Sub-Recipients:

- Current local providers of meal services

CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL – IMMUNIZATION GRANTS

HHS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY – GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY BASED PREVENTION AND WELLNESS STRATEGIES

HHS, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY – GRANT TO IMPLEMENT INFECTION REDUCTION STRATEGIES

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$2,000.0

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: Maintain vaccine materials and administration; carry out evidence based prevention and wellness strategies; implement infection reduction strategies. Expansion of existing programs.

March 25, 2009

Timing Issues:

- Not stated in law – assume available through 12/31/2010

Other Restrictions:

- None stated in law. Assume current Health and Human Services requirements apply.

Sub-Recipients:

- contractors

CHILD CARE DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CCDBG)

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$4,036.0

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: Improve the quality of child care. Funding for child care services. Expansion of existing program.

Timing Issues:

- Not stated in law – assume available through 12/31/2010

Other Restrictions:

- Cannot supplant, replace State funding with this increase.
- Of the Alaska allotment, \$333,660 is targeted funding for quality expansion and \$193, 232 is targeted funding for activities that improve the quality of infant and toddler care.

Sub-Recipients:

- Possible contracts for the quality components. Any child care service expansion would be through current qualified contracted child care providers and any new contractors.

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES – MEDICAID PROVIDER HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (HIT) ADOPTION AND OPERATION PAYMENT – FUNDING TO STATES TO INCENTIVIZE IMPLEMENTATION AND UTILIZATION OF ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS (EHR)

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$2,000.0

Budget Request: \$0

State's share will be based on the number and type of qualifying providers. Federal funds at 100% for incentive payments to qualified Medicaid providers, 90% for administrative costs. Substantial capital funding available but amount and related rules and regulations not yet known.

Purpose: In addition to providing funding to incentivize Medicaid providers to implement and use EHR and Health Information exchanges, the administrative funding is to coordinate with other state or local HIT projects, national standards setting, and coordination with Medicare, Indian Health Service, tribal health organizations, and other federal agencies to assure interoperability of systems and avoidance of duplicate provider payments for this purpose. Also included is imposition of HIPAA privacy requirements into the new electronic health records. New program requesting four permanent positions.

Timing Issues:

- Funding runs FFY2009-2015.
- CMS indicated guidance on administrative activities will be published in March with follow-up guidance in June.
- Should be able to access federal administrative funds in SFY2010.
- Asking Medicaid service providers to upgrade to using Electronic Health Records simultaneously with the implementation of a replacement Medicaid Management Information System will present a significant challenge.

Requirements:

- The details of the requirements will be provided by CMS over time.
- The administrative rate of 90% requires a \$40.0 or 10% State match towards estimated FY2010 staff costs.

Sub-Recipients:

- Medicaid providers that qualify for these IT funds
- other contracted organizations

✓ ENHANCED FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE (FMAP) FOR FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION ASSISTANCE (TITLE IV-E)

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$1,791.3

Budget Request: \$767.7 Fed, <\$767.7> GFM FY2009 operating supplemental
\$1,023.6 Fed, <\$1,023.6> GFM FY2010 operating

Purpose: To provide fiscal relief to states and insure continued functionality of the program. Neither new program nor expansion of existing program – a fund source shift.

Timing Issues:

- Increased FMAP available 10/01/2008 – 12/31/2010

Other Restrictions:

- This adjustment is contingent upon maintenance of Medicaid eligibility standards, no creation of rainy day fund, meeting Medicaid prompt payment requirements, and reporting on the use of the additional federal funds by 9/30/2011.

Sub-Recipients:

- Medicaid service providers

✓ ENHANCED FMAP, MEDICAID, 6.22% + 1.95% HOLD HARMLESS

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$126,700.0

Budget Request: \$53,200.0 Fed, <\$53,200.0> GFM FY2009 operating
\$73,500.0 Fed, <\$73,500.0> GFM FY2010 operating

Purpose: To provide fiscal relief to states and insure continued functionality of the program. Neither a new program nor expansion of existing program – a fund source shift.

Timing Issues:

- Increased FMAP available 10/01/2008 – 12/31/2010

Other Restrictions:

- This adjustment is contingent upon maintenance of Medicaid eligibility standards, no creation of rainy day fund, meeting Medicaid prompt payment requirements, and reporting on the use of the additional federal funds by 9/30/2011.

Sub- Recipients:

- Medicaid service providers

SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC)

Total ARRA Funds Available: \$777.7

Budget Request: \$0

Purpose: Support WIC operations should program participation levels exceed federal estimates. Funds are also available to establish, improve, or administer management information systems for WIC to include changes necessary to implement new federal requirements, or advance use of Electronic Benefits Transfer for WIC.

Timing Issues:

- Not stated in law – assume available through 12/31/2010

Other Restrictions:

- follows program funding restrictions

Sub-Recipients:

- community grantees