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TO: REGIONAL CENTER EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: CLAIMING FOR REGIONAL CENTER OPERATIONS EXPENDITURES  
FUNDED BY THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

The Department of Developmental Services (Department) is issuing this correspondence to provide guidance to regional centers on claiming for expenditures funded by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA).

Expenditures for Part C related activities, including expenditures for the School Transition Liaison position described in the Department's [April 21, 2022](#) directive, will be claimed against FY 2021-22 allocations; however, the one-time funds may be spent across FYs 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24. Regional centers must spend funds by September 30, 2023. All claims for reimbursement must be submitted to the Department no later than November 15, 2023, and submitted separately from other federal Part C claims using the enclosed Early Start-ARPA claim form. Program Code 20 has been designated for ARPA. Regional centers will use suffix 00 for Supplemental Part C Grants. Regional centers are requested to submit these claims to [ESHSSInvoices@dds.ca.gov](mailto:ESHSSInvoices@dds.ca.gov).

Expenditures for activities in regional center Language Access and Cultural Competency Plans described in the Department's [April 6, 2022](#) directive must be separately claimed. The allocation for FY 2021-22 may be spent across FYs 2021-22, 2022-23, and 2023-24. All claims for reimbursement must be submitted to the Department separately using the enclosed Language Access and Cultural Competency claim form. Regional centers will use Program Code 20 for ARPA and suffix 01 for Language Access and Cultural Competency Plans. Regional centers are requested to submit claims through GrantVantage.

A technical bulletin with the updated General Ledger accounts will be issued separately.

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If you have questions regarding claiming for ARPA Part C, please e-mail Reyna Ambriz at [reyna.ambriz@dds.ca.gov](mailto:reyna.ambriz@dds.ca.gov). For questions regarding claiming for Language Access and Cultural Competency Plans, please e-mail Linda Gutierrez at [linda.gutierrez@dds.ca.gov](mailto:linda.gutierrez@dds.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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