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AAA4 BULLETIN

TO: AAA4 Funded Partners	NO: A4B2025-02
SUBJECT: Update on Cash Flow and Spending Priorities for Providers of Older Americans Act Services	
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PURPOSE OF BULLETIN: <input type="checkbox"/> Amend Policy or Procedure <input type="checkbox"/> Clarification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information	
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Yesterday, the Administration for Community Living announced the release of the remaining allotment of Older Americans Act funds that were approved as part of the final Continuing Resolution for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 (passed by Congress and signed by the President on March 15, 2025). This is welcome news because advocates have been concerned about a protracted delay in the release of these dollars given recent developments in Washington D.C.

Under normal circumstances, it has taken about 6 weeks for the California Department of Aging (CDA) to receive funds from the federal government after a Continuing Resolution has been signed. It typically takes another 3 weeks for AAA4 to receive its share of those funds from CDA (in the form of a paper check) and 1 additional week for electronic transfers to be processed and released to Funded Partners. Thus, the typical timeframe for reimbursement payments to Funded Partners would have been May 26, 2025.

As of Saturday, May 3, it has been 7 weeks since President Trump signed the Continuing Resolution. Yesterday’s announcement means this delay should last no more than 2 additional weeks, and Funded Partners should begin receiving regular, monthly reimbursements (for expenses made since March 15) by June 16, 2025.

AAA4 advises Funded Partners to expend dollars in the following priority order:

- 1) OTO (One-Time-Only) Funds
Although these are federal funds, they will be lost if they are not expended by June 30.

2) Baseline Older Americans Act Funds

These are the dollars that are temporarily delayed. Any dollars that are not expended by June 30 must be returned to CDA; however, some portion will likely be returned in the form of One-Time-Only funds the following fiscal year.

3) OCAM (Older Californians Act Modernization) – Aging in Place Funds

These are State funds; therefore, they are not affected by the current delay. A separate A4 Bulletin is forthcoming with additional details for Title III-B service providers.

4) OCAM (Older Californians Act Modernization) – Nutrition Funds

AAA4 has not approved budgets for OCAM Nutrition, so no Nutrition providers should be expending their OCAM allocations. The Agency continues to pause the release of OCAM Nutrition until year-to-date expenditures for OCAM Aging in Place have been reconciled.

Any questions regarding outstanding obligations should be directed to the Fiscal Department or to Shirley Mohammed at (916) 710-8364.