

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Highlights for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Providers

This document is meant as a guide to the mental health and substance use disorder provisions included in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. At the top, we provide high level bullets designed to give you a brief overview. Below that, we list out the specific provisions by bill subtitle.

Overview:

- **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Block Grants:** Provides \$3 billion for the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant and the Community Mental Health Services block grant (\$1.5 billion each).
- **Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs):** Provides \$420 million to SAMHSA to fund CCBHC Expansion Grants.
- **Provider Relief Funds:** \$8.5 billion in new money to the Provider Relief Fund for providers in rural areas and those serving rural communities.
- **Other Mental Health/Substance Use Disorder Funding:** Provides more than \$450 million in additional funding for SAMHSA and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) programming including funding for mental health and addiction services, workforce education and training, suicide prevention and public education campaigns.

Specific Provisions:

Subtitle H – Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder

- Sec. 2701. \$1.5 billion for the Community Mental Health Services block grant
- Sec. 2702. \$1.5 billion for the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant
- Sec. 2703. \$80 million through HRSA for mental health and substance use disorder training for health care professionals, paraprofessionals, and public safety officers.
- Sec. 2704. \$20 million through the CDC for education and awareness campaign encouraging healthy work conditions and use of mental health and substance use disorder services by health care professionals.
- Sec. 2705. \$40 million through HRSA for grants for health care providers to promote mental health among their health professional workforce.
- Sec. 2706. \$30 million for community-based funding for local substance use disorder services.
- Sec. 2707. \$50 million for community-based funding for local behavioral health needs.
- Sec. 2708. \$10 million for the National Child Traumatic Stress Network
- Sec. 2709. \$30 million for Project AWARE, including mental health awareness training programs.
- Sec. 2710. \$20 million for youth suicide prevention.
- Sec. 2711. \$100 million for behavioral health workforce education and training.
- Sec. 2712. \$80 million for pediatric mental health care access.
- Sec. 2713. \$420 million for expansion grants for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics.



Subtitle J—Medicaid

- Sec. 9811. Mandatory coverage of COVID–19 vaccines and administration and treatment under Medicaid.
- Sec. 9812. Extension of certain coverage under Medicaid for pregnant and postpartum women.
- Sec. 9813. For a three-year period, the bill permits states to provide bundled payments for community-based mobile crisis intervention services at an 85% FMAP rate. This provisions also includes \$15 million in planning grants to states to develop state plan amendments or 1115 waivers to implement.
- Sec. 9814. For a two-year period, the bill provides a 5% increase in FMAP for states that have not already done so to expand Medicaid.
- Sec. 9815. Two-year extension of 100 percent FMAP to Urban Indian Health Organizations and Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems.
- Sec. 9816. Sunset of limit on maximum rebate amount for single source drugs and innovator multiple source drugs.
- Sec. 9817. An additional 10% FMAP increase for one year for Medicaid home and community-based services during the COVID–19 emergency.
- Sec. 9818. Funding for State strike teams for resident and employee safety in nursing facilities.
- Sec. 9819. Special rule for the period of a declared public health emergency related to coronavirus.

Subtitle N—Other Provisions

- Section 9911: Provider Relief Fund – \$8.5 billion in provider relief monies for rural providers.

