



**TO:** Aged and Disabled Waiver (AD) Providers  
**FROM:** Tony Green, Director, Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD)  
**DATE:** May 20, 2024  
**RE:** Aged and Disabled Waiver Provider Payment Memo



This memo is to notify Aged and Disabled Waiver (AD) Providers of one-time upcoming workforce stabilization grant payments in August 2024. The Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) is investing in its providers through the American Resuce Plan Act (ARPA) by investing in their direct service workforce. **These payments are for providers currently providing services.**

**The purpose of these payments is to aide in stabilizing active providers and increase the provider's ability to hire and retain staff.**

#### **AD Agency Providers and Assisted Living Facilities:**

Active agency providers will receive a one-time payment in August 2024, which will be allocated based on the amount of payments provided in state fiscal year 2023 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023). The payments will total approximately \$11,500,000 to agency and assisted living providers. Medicaid claims for AD Waiver services will be reviewed and payments will be tiered based on the paid claims, number of providers, and available funds. At a minimum, each active agency provider or assisted living facility will receive a \$1,500 grant. To be considered an active provider, agencies must have a paid claim for the dates of service from January 1 through March 31, 2024. Providers are encouraged to submit claims now to ensure they are considered active by May 31, 2024. It is required providers keep records and receipts to tract the utilization of funding for auditing purposes. Agency providers and Assisted Living Facilities are prohibited to utilize these funds for generic administrative costs. Examples of allowable uses include, but are not limited to, direct service workforce bonuses, recruitment activities, direct service workforce incentives, and other benefits (such as zoo or gym memberships). This payment is considered taxable income, so a 1099-G will be issued at the same time as other tax documents.

#### **AD Independent Providers:**

Active independent providers will receive a one-time payment of \$1,500 in August 2024. To be considered an active provider, providers must have a paid claim for the dates of service from January 1 through March 31, 2024. Providers are encouraged to submit claims now to ensure they are considered active by May 31, 2024. The payments will total approximately \$2,500,000 to independent providers. This payment is considered taxable income, so a 1099-G will be issued at the same time as other tax documents.

If you have questions, please email: [dhhs.ddproviderrelations@nebraska.gov](mailto:dhhs.ddproviderrelations@nebraska.gov).