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Panel on the American Rescue Plan Act: States' Early Experiences with Implementation

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Background

- The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA, P.L. 117-2) provided a temporary increase in the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) for state Medicaid programs to support the infrastructure for home- and community-based services
 - The FMAP increased by 10 percent for the one-year period from April 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022
 - States have until March 31, 2025 to expend their ARPA funds
- States had to submit spending plans to CMS for approval, as well as quarterly updates describing their progress
 - All states and the District of Columbia have received approval and are currently in the implementation phase

Panelists

- Elizabeth Matney, State Medicaid Director, Iowa Department of Health and Human Services
- Kevin Bagley, Director, Medicaid & Long-Term Care, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
- Heidi Hamilton, Acting Director of the Disability Services Division, Minnesota Department of Human Services
- Camille Infussi Dobson, Deputy Executive Director, ADvancing States

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