

Federal Legislative Updates

- The Senate has passed the \$1.9 Trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)- the third COVID stimulus bill. It now must go back to the House, scheduled for tomorrow, for another vote before being signed by the President.
- Included in the bill that has passed the House, are portions that specifically impact Connect for Health Colorado. These include:
 - Significantly expanded ACA premium tax credits for 2021 and 2022.
 - Temporary modification of limitations on reconciliation of 2020 tax credits for coverage under a qualified health plan.
 - \$20 million in grants for State-based Exchanges.
 - Eligibility for full premium subsidies in 2021 for households who receive unemployment benefits.

Colorado Legislative Updates

- The Legislative Session started on February 16, 2021. There are over 400 bills that have been introduced.
- Additional bills are being introduced daily, and we are actively monitoring health-related proposals. Staff will keep this Board updated.

Discussion of Colorado State Option Proposal

- From the “Connect for Health Colorado Board Legislative Approach”:
 - *Connect for Health Colorado will not take a position on legislation unless the legislation will have a direct and significant impact on the continued operation of the Exchange.*
- What questions do you have?
- What information do you need to make a decision about whether or not C4HCO should take a position on this bill?