Federal Legislative Update: BBBA

 The Build Back Better Act passed the House of Representatives and is awaiting a vote in the Senate.

• Senate leadership is hoping for a vote before 12/25.

Currently being analyzed by the Senate Parliamentarian.



BBBA: Key Provisions

- Extends the American Rescue Plan (ARP) subsidies for both above and below the 400% FPL through 2025
- Modifies the Employer-Sponsored Coverage Affordability Test to 8.5% matching the ARP calculus.
- Excludes Social Security benefit lump-sum payments for Americans with disabilities in MAGI.
- Establishes a Health Insurance Affordability Fund.
- Extends the Unemployment clause in the ARP to 2022.



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.

• If that's the case...



Board Legislative Approach

Board may discuss whether a position and/or public testimony is warranted.

 If the Board is unable to convene in a timely manner, the Executive Committee may discuss whether a position and/or public testimony is warranted.

Board will be notified within 24 hours and prior to public testimony.

 If the Board does not take a position on the legislation, the CEO has the authority to communicate the potential impacts of the legislation and staff recommendation to oppose, support, or monitor.