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TO: AAA4-Funded Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) Services Providers	NO: A4B2022-08	
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[X] Amend Policy or Procedure [] Clarification [] Other:		
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The purpose of this Bulletin is to provide guidance on the proper use and reporting of Older Adult Recovery and Resilience (OARR) funds.

As described in California Department of Aging (CDA) Program Memo 22-12, the intent of OARR funding for Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) Services Providers is "to strengthen older adults and caregivers' recovery and resilience from the severe isolation and health impacts from staying at home during the COVID-19 pandemic. OARR funding will serve as an additional resource to help aid the transition of older Californians back into their local communities, which will reduce isolation, loneliness, and mitigate other health concerns."

While the Major Disaster Declaration remains in effect in California, program flexibilities remain in effect. This means any Older Americans Act (OAA) services that are normally required to be provided in person may be provided virtually or through other means that minimize or eliminate direct human contact with individuals with an elevated risk of contracting COVID-19.

Recipients of OARR funds shall be required to submit fiscal and data reports to AAA4, including but not limited to "a description of the Title III-E FCSP program prior to the OARR investment spending and include a description of what has changed and developed due to the OARR investment spending. Supporting evidence, data and documentation is encouraged, which may be valuable for informing future public investment opportunities." AAA4 will provide an MFR and an MIS reporting form specific to OARR.

Agency on Aging \ Area 4 (AAA4) has calculated the following tentative allocations for Caregiver Services Providers; they are based upon equal portions of the Title III-E awards for state fiscal year 2021-22.

Caregiver Services Provider	Initial Allocation of OARR Dollars	Match Requirement
ACC Senior Services: Caregiver Support	\$6,646	No Match
Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center Caregiver Respite Placer County Sacramento County Yolo County Caregiver Support Placer County Sacramento County Yolo County	\$21,961 \$32,644 \$3,490 \$8,427 \$17,092 \$4,267	No Match
Wayfinder Family Services: Caregiver Support Groups	\$3,939	No Match
Total Amount	\$98,466	

OARR dollars are temporary; therefore, requests for funds should be temporary in nature. The timeframe for spending OARR dollars is July 2022 through December 2024. Programs can request funds for one-time expenditures; programs can also request funds for ongoing expenditures for the entire 30-month time period. Expenditures that are allowable under regular Older Americans Act requirements are allowable under OARR.

OARR dollars for caregiver services are not transferable to other Titles; any unspent funds will be returned to the State. In the event any FCSP provider declines or is unable to fully expend their initial allocation, AAA4 will seek to reassign those dollars to another provider. Providers can request more funding than is initially allocated.

OARR funds are not Older Americans Act funds. OARR funds will be awarded through a separate written agreement (sent via e-mail) which will act as an addendum to the service contract already in effect between AAA4 and the FCSP provider.

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