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Subject: RE: Sequestration

Yes, no, maybe, I don't know.

Hope that was helpful.

I have read several stories on sequestration. I believe the cuts include some programs we do not administer. The results are lesser cuts to our programs. If you hold vacant slots, we will certainly consider that for next year. We would allow a larger carry forward as long as you can serve all year those on the roster. Life for all of us would be easier if Congress would make a decision.

As I hear specifics, that will be shared.

Thanks.

Tony

From: Mary Beth Fields [mailto:mfields@lscog.org]
Sent: Friday, February 08, 2013 11:55 AM
To: Kester, Tony
Cc: Lynnnda Bassham
Subject: Sequestration

Hi Tony,

Lynnnda and I listened to a webinar that n4a had yesterday on the potential Sequestration on March 1, 2013.

N4A indicated yesterday that if the sequestration does go through on March 1st (which they think is very likely) that it would be a 10.2% cut for Federal funding that ends on September 30, 2013. This information caused us to look at our internal and flow through funding. We are looking around a \$200,000 cut in funding through September 30, 2013. I did e-mail n4a and asked them if they knew which programs would get the cuts and they did not know. While we have many concerns over sequestration, several of our concerns are:

- * Our Family Caregiver Advocate tries to allocate all of her available funding around May 1, 2013 so that all the funding is allocated and can be spent and all final bills can come in. Should we slow down on FCSP allocations until the March 1st deadline passes? If we do slow down and sequestration does not happen this FFY will we be penalized for not spending all of our funding?
- * Should we instruct our contractors, to not fill slots due to attrition? If they don't fill slots due to attrition and sequestration does not happen in this FFY will they be penalized?

Have you heard anything different from AoA/ACL or NASUAD? I have put this on the State AAA agenda but any kind of guidance or feedback you can give is really appreciated. Thanks! Mary Beth