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MEMORANDUM

TO: NC Public Schools and Licensed Child Care Facilities

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SUBJECT: Deadline to Submit ARPA Reimbursement Packets for Reimbursement

The funding for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) ends December 31, 2026. In an effort to help public schools and licensed child care facilities receive reimbursement for asbestos and lead-based paint expenses it is important that all ARPA reimbursement packets be submitted to ARPA-Reimbursement@dhhs.nc.gov by **July 31, 2026**.

The decision for reimbursement is based upon the required documents received and the regulatory requirements set forth in 10A NCAC 41C .1001-.1007 and S.L. 2021-180, s. 9G .8. The reimbursement process is lengthy and can take months before a facility receives payment from the Controller's Office. The ARPA Team cannot guarantee reimbursement for packets received after July 31, 2026. Reimbursement packets received after July 31, 2026, may receive partial reimbursement based on documents received or no reimbursement at all.

Be assured, the ARPA Team will process as many asbestos and lead-based paint reimbursement packets as possible and will work diligently to help public schools and child care facilities receive reimbursement before starting the process of ending the reimbursement program in late December 2026.

We appreciate all you do while protecting children from asbestos and lead-based paint in your facilities.

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