

# The State of Aging Services

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# Debt Ceiling

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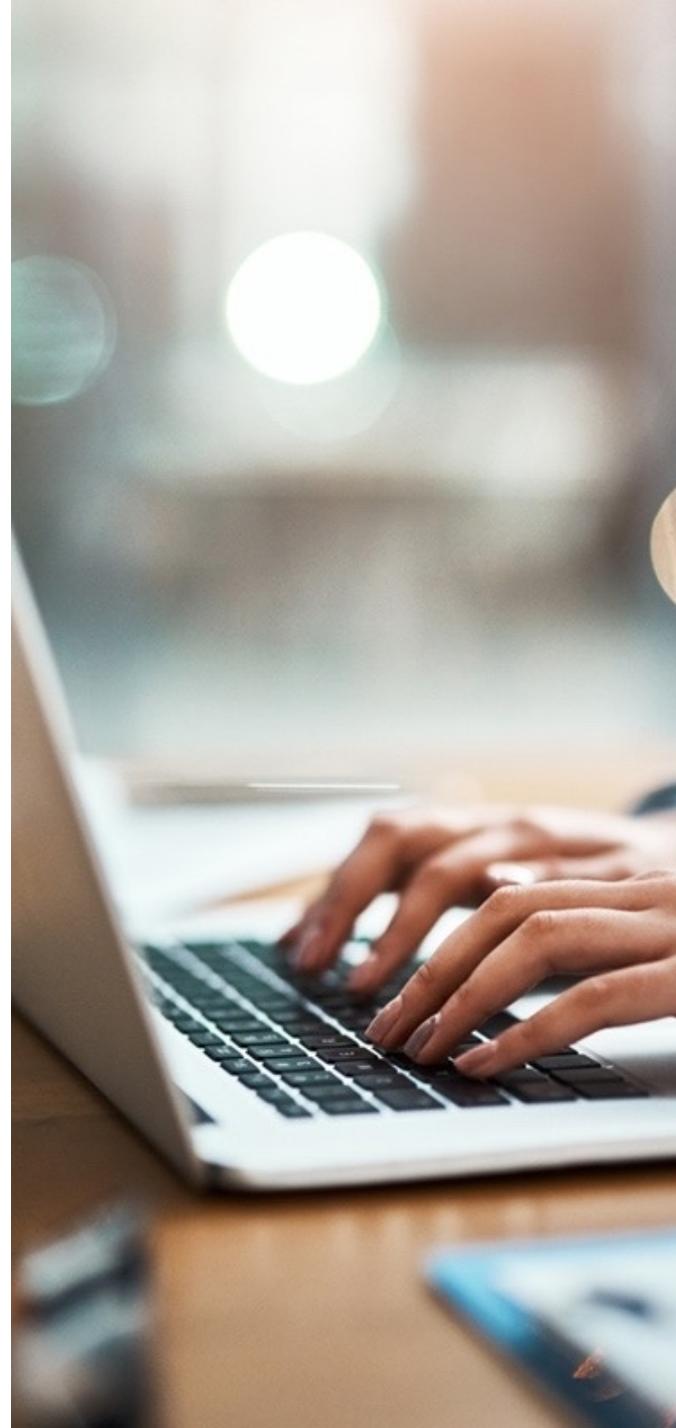
- The choice with the debt ceiling has always been between doing:
  - A clean bill or
  - One with conditions as the House passed
- The alternative to not lifting is default.
- Which would be the worst way to make history.
- And time is so much the issue



# FY 24 Funding

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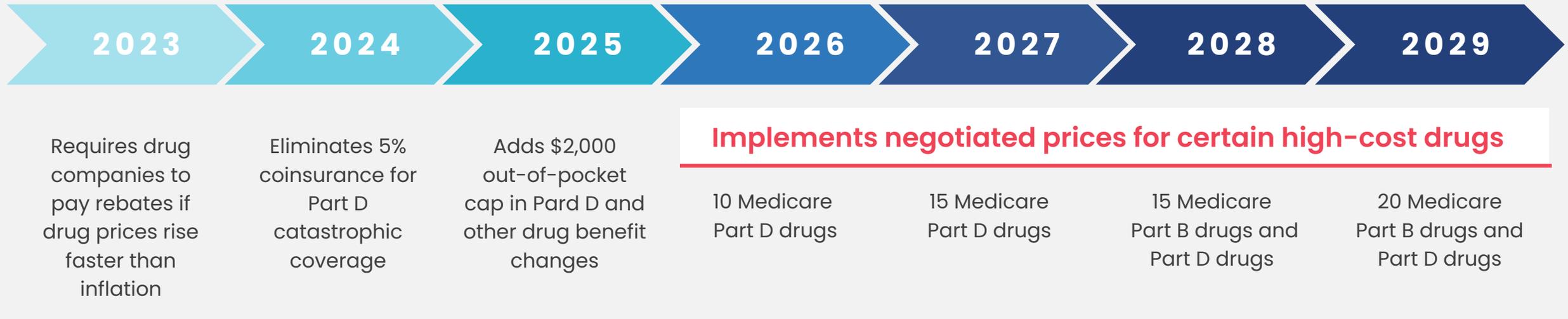
- Process late and filled with uncertainty
- Debt ceiling outcome plays right into this:
  - House-passed bill rolls back spending to FY 22 for 10 years
  - Final negotiation to get debt ceiling lifted may hinge on some spending cuts
- Separate but connected to debt ceiling; funding for FY24:
  - Biden budget is good for aging programs and services, but we'll have to wait and see



# President's Budget Aging Priorities

PRESIDENT PROPOSES FURTHER PRESCRIPTION DRUG REFORMS BEYOND THOSE PASSED IN THE INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

## Implementation Timeline of the Prescription Drug Provisions in the Senate Reconciliation Proposal



President's budget would increase the number of drugs that Medicare could negotiate on prices for

# Elder Justice

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- The Elder Justice Reauthorization and Modernization Act of 2023 was introduced as H.R. 2718 and S. 1198 last week. Senate bill will move first.
- Would authorize \$4.5 billion over four years to create our first ever elder justice infrastructure
- Would extend and modernize the EJA passed in 2010 as part of the ACA



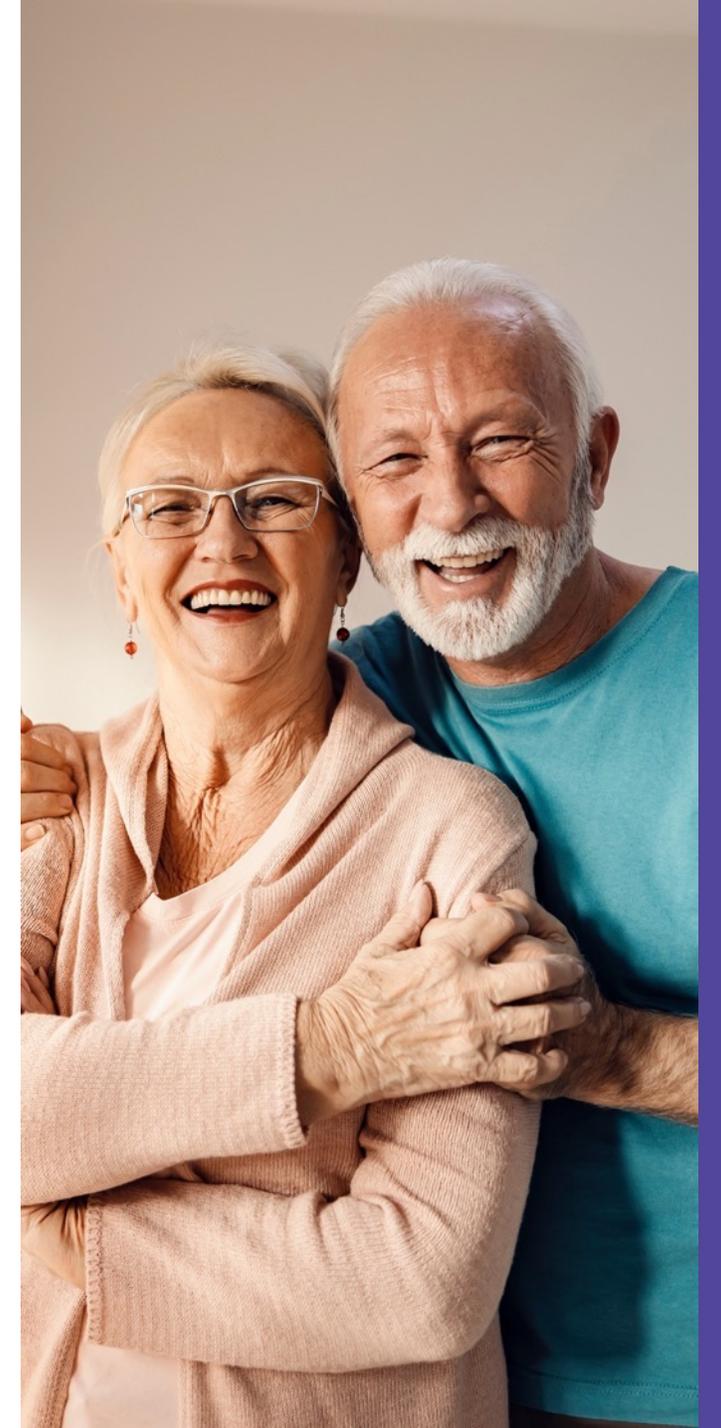
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- FY 2024 funding will be a major challenge
- APS funding dropped from the pandemic funding level of \$188 million in FY 2022 to \$15 million in FY 2023 – over a 90% decrease
- Biden budget calls for \$58 million; advocates prefer \$80 million
- Also asking for \$50 million in ombudsman program funding
- FY 2023 levels for both programs don't reflect situation on ground
- More elder abuse is now being reported and will continue
- Ombudsmen are returning to nursing home and now assisted living
- Will be advocacy challenge; we need your help!
- Senator Peters on Appropriations Committee-needs to hear from you!

# OAA Regulations

- Solicited feedback last year, first update since 1988
- Due out soon
- Will be issued as proposed rules with public comment
- Intended to clarify and update
- They come the year before a reauthorization, so how much will they change?



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