



Lifespan Respite Grantee and Partner Learning Symposium

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Welcome & Introductions

Role of a Federal Project Officer:

- Guiding Principle
 - Our job is to help ensure your success
- We are available anytime you need us
 - challenges, issues, questions, concerns and Good news
 - Let's talk, we really are here to help

Older Adults' Equity Collaborative (OAEC)

Comprised of five national organizations:

- [Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders \(SAGE\)](#)
 - [National Caucus and Center on Black Aging \(NCBA\)](#)
 - [National Indian Council on Aging \(NICOA\)](#)
 - [MHP Salud](#)
 - [National Asian Pacific Center an Aging \(NAPCA\)](#)
- They provide targeted technical assistance and training to the aging services network, other relevant stakeholders and consumers.

OAEC Coordinating Center

- The New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM) is the Coordinating Center for the five member organizations of the OAEC.
- NYAM promotes collaboration and coordination among the five organizations.
- The overarching goal is to support their work in effectively responding to the needs of diverse older adults and their caregivers.
- NYAM facilitates the design and development of the OAEC Resource Library, which is a digital resource that includes materials from each member organization of the OAEC on topics such as, caregiving; cultural competency; disability; and social isolation and mental health.
- Visit the [NYAM/OAEC Resource Library](#)

Joint Projects

- Caregiving
 - gave a presentation about how to ensure access and equity in aging services programs, particularly when working with caregivers
 - [RAISE Family Caregiving Advisory Council](#)

ISBA Conference: June 2021

International Short Break Association

- Six focus areas (tracks) of presentation topics
 1. Innovative Services
 2. Research & Evaluation
 3. Family Caregiver Perspective
 4. Capacity & Sustainability
 5. Advocacy & Networking
 6. **Lifespan Respite** (13 presentations)

ACL Caregiving Advisory Councils

- The Recognize, Assist, Include, Support, & Engage (RAISE) Family Caregivers Act of 2017
 - Family Caregiving Advisory Council
 - 15 non-federal council appointees who reflect the diversity of family caregivers and people who receive support.
 - [ACL.gov/RAISE](https://acl.gov/RAISE)
- The Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren (SGRG) Act of 2018
 - SGRG Advisory Council
 - 13 non-federal council appointees are grandparents, advocates, educators, and child welfare professionals.
 - [ACL.gov/SGRG](https://acl.gov/SGRG)

Family Caregiving Advisory Council

Initial Report to Congress

- Council [recommendations \(26\)](#) within 5 goals (Goal 3 specifically references respite)
- “The identification of challenges faced by family caregivers...”
- Inventory and assessment of federally funded efforts to recognize and support family caregivers

SGRG Advisory Council

Initial Report to Congress

- Discusses unique needs of kinship and grandparent caregivers, many of which are multi-faceted and intertwined.
- Council [recommendations \(22\)](#) within 5 areas (Goal 3 includes respite)

National Caregiving Strategy

- Will eliminate redundancies and “promote greater adoption of”:
 - Person- and family-centered care across settings
 - Assessment and service planning
 - Information, education and training supports, referral and care coordination
 - Respite options
 - Financial security and workplace issues
 - Service delivery based on performance, mission, and purpose of a program

Lifespan Respite Special Project*

- “Special Projects to Strengthen Program Development, Implementation and Sustainability”
- Three-year project awarded in September 2020

*Acronym: LRSP

LRSP Objective 1

Develop, test and scale a respite workforce recruitment, training and retention program to better meet the respite needs of families

OUTCOME:

Improve the evidence base for respite care workforce training and recruitment to better meet the respite needs of families

LRSP Objective 2

Develop and field test a state-based framework and roadmap for respite system planning and development, which ties to the forthcoming National Caregiving Strategy

OUTCOME:

Strengthen the National Family Caregiving Strategy based on evidence supported practices and state policies

LRSP Objective 3

Strengthen and test enhanced approaches to help caregivers and families develop or strengthen their own natural support systems to include respite and other supports.

OUTCOME:

Support states in their efforts to improve and expand the long term services and supports (LTSS) direct care and respite workforce and natural supports

Carryover Requests

- What is a Carryover Request?
 - A Carryover is a request to forward an unobligated balance of funds from a previous budget period to cover allowable costs in the current budget period.
 - A Carryover must be requested in support of activities aligned with a grantee's existing project goals and objectives to cover costs not already incurred by the recipient.
 - [Request for Carryover Details](#)

Questions?

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Thank You