

Lifespan Respite:

Engaging Collaborative Partners

Florida Lifespan Respite Summit

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Lifespan Respite: Authorizing Statutes

- **Older Americans Act of 1965** (as amended)
 - Provides assistance for supportive services, including "*respite care*" to provide temporary relief to caregivers of their responsibilities
- **Title XXIX Public Health Service Act – (2006)**
“Lifespan Respite Care Act”
 - Purpose of Title XXIX:
 - to expand and enhance respite care services to family caregivers;
 - to improve the statewide dissemination and coordination of respite care; and
 - to provide, supplement, or improve access and quality of respite care services to family caregivers, thereby reducing family caregiver strain.



Lifespan Respite: *Federal Program History*

FY2009: New State Program Development Grants

35 States & DC

\$200,000 for 3 years



Expansion Grants (FY2011, FY2012, FY2016)

16 States

1 Year Supplemental; Amount varies



Integration & Sustainability Grants (FY 2012-2014)

31 States

1.5 to 3-year grants; Amount varies

Lifespan Respite: *Planned Outcomes*

New State Grants

- **Basic infrastructure**
- **Capacity Building**

Expansion Grants

- **Service Delivery**
- **Consumer Impacts**

Integration & Sustainability

- **Systems-change reform efforts**
- **Supports for community living**
- **Focused outcomes on target populations**

State Examples

➤ Expansion Grants:

- **Delaware:** now offers an online caregiver class for agency staff
- **North Carolina:** implemented a new initiative with the state's *Money Follows the Person* demonstration project

➤ Integration and Sustainability Grants:

- **Texas:** ADRCs conducted multiple caregiver training sessions regarding various subject matters for caregivers across the lifespan
- **Alabama:** includes Lifespan Respite as a screen and referral box for services on the *ADRC Universal Intake Form* utilized for all ADRC screenings for services and benefits.



Looking Ahead

Performance Measurement

- Need to demonstrate program success and progress
- Determine appropriate measures
 - Systems Change
 - Consumer Outcomes
- New reporting framework (future initiative)
- Ongoing Technical Assistance

Program Sustainability

- Engage grassroots/community
- Embed grant activities into ongoing state efforts
- Grow and support State Respite Coalition to focus on sustainability
- Assess Resource Gaps
- Long-term strategic planning
- Supported through current TA efforts

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