

Lifespan Respite Sustainability Summit Agenda

October 18th | Hearst Media Center | Albany

8:00 – 8:30 | Breakfast and Registration

8:30 – 8:40 | John Cochran, NYSOFA - Welcome

8:40 – 8:45 | Ken Harris, Albany Guardian Society

8:45 – 9:15 | Jill Kagan, ARCH – National Perspective on Respite

9:15 – 10:00 | Panel Discussion – “Respite Options within the System” DOH | OMH | NYSOFA | VA | OPWDD | OCFS
Facilitated by Ann Marie Cook, President, Lifespan

10:00 – 10:45 | NYSOFA Update | NYSCRC Update - Deana Prest Jessica Perk, NYSOFA and Doris Green, NYSCRC

10:45 – 11:00 | Break

11:00 – 12:00 Group Activity | Improving the infrastructure to ensure respite access- Facilitated by Thomas Caprio, MD

- “What could we do to improve or enhance the Lifespan Respite system in NYS?”
- “What would a ‘Dream System’ look like?”

12:00 – 1:00 | Lunch

12:20 – 12:50 | Plenary Speaker: Beth Finkel, AARP NY State Director will present key findings from “The Future of Family Caregiving: Leading the Change”

1:00 – 2:00 | Panel Discussion: Family Caregiver Perspective on Respite | Facilitated by Doris Green, NYSCRC

2:00 – 2:45 | Continuation of Facilitated Group Discussion

- “What new services or models are needed to overcome obstacles and/or build on strengths?”
- “What changes in programs, policies, and practices are needed to increase access to respite?”

2:45 – 3:00 | Break

3:00 – 3:30 | Debrief

3:30 – 4:00 | Next Steps

Respite | NYSCRC Advisory Board | ARCH National Conference

Summit Objectives

- Identify state-level policy and program needs and goals related to respite care services for children, adults, and aging population
- Strengthen state and community partnerships to sustain Lifespan Respite activities
- Develop strategies to maximize use of existing respite resources

