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Older Americans Act**

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Arranged by AoA Priority Area

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Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2753 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Governor's Office Elderly Affairs
PO Box 61
421 North 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0061

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,999
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

Contact: Sharon Buchert (225)342-3570

Initially, Louisiana established a pilot Aging and Adult Disability Resource Center at the Cajun Area Agency on Aging (CAAA) with eight satellite locations in the parishes (counties). This pilot tested the design of the Resource Center in both urban and rural locations. In addition, the Resource Center incorporated an interactive consumer-focused website; nationwide toll-free telephone number; and a single comprehensive assessment, eligibility determination, and care planning process to empower individuals to make informed choices and to streamline access to long-term care support. Based on the lessons learned from the implementation of the pilot Resource Center, Louisiana issued an RFP to establish Aging and Adult Disability Resource Centers across the state.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and adults

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) a convenient, accessible one-stop source of information, assistance, and streamlined access to services through a central location and satellite offices that provides consumers and their families information, assistance and referral resources; 2) comprehensive in-home assessments, with the opportunity to self-divert from institutional care and receive appropriate services in the least restrictive community setting of their choice; 3) a "1-800" telephone # and Internet access; 4) enhanced comprehensiveness of center services by separating care management functions from service provision, and cross-training and certifying resource center staff; 5) and a reduction in the number of intake, screening, and eligibility determination processes consumers must experience in order to receive services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2754 Aging and Disability Resource Center

WEST VIRGINIA BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES
1900 Kanawha Blvd. East
Charleston, WV 25305

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,518
FY 2006	400,000

Contact: Julie Shelton (304)558-2241

West Virginia will establish centers statewide which will integrate access to all long-term care programs - both public and private pay - and develop uniform and standardized processes to determine level of need, eligibility and care plans. Programs integrated into the resource centers include the WV SHINE (a health and wellness program), family caregiver support, and Alzheimer's Disease caregiver support services, as well as the traditional long-term care services. The Bureau of Senior Services will partner with the West Virginia University, Center on Aging to evaluate the effectiveness of the two pilots to inform about expansion to a statewide network of resource centers.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and adults over age 18 with physical disabilities

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and adults over age 18 with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: public understanding of the existence and functions of the resource centers; responsiveness to the unique needs of individuals and their long term care choices; a system of coordination for eligibility for publicly funded programs; provisions for private pay consumers; an informed state policy to promote a more balanced system of long-term care based on consumer choice; and protection for vulnerable individuals identified through the resource centers.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2755 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGING
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Baltimore, MD 21201-2374

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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The Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA) initially developed pilot Resource Centers in one urban/suburban county and one rural county, which served the elderly and people with physical disabilities. The program was designed to accomplish two primary goals: 1) to enhance the existing infrastructure by creating a single point of entry at the local level capable of coordinating access to long term supports; and 2) to streamline the Medicaid financial and programmatic eligibility determination process to make it less cumbersome for consumers. MDoA developed the project based on several key assumptions including: meaningful collaboration among partners; change processes require extensive education, follow-up and re-education; MIS linkages and redesigns must be cost-effective and adhere to HIIIPAA; and state level policy changes will be required to effect local change. MDoA believes that introducing systems reform at the state level, along with establishing Resource Centers county by county, will create a foundation and groundswell that will assist them in achieving successful systems change statewide.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 50 and older; Year Two and Three - Adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: An interagency advisory structure at the state and local levels; a visible, trustworthy, responsive, efficient and cost effective resource center that empowers consumers to exercise choice; standardized forms and training materials designed to be used across agencies; a streamlined Medicaid financial and programmatic eligibility determination process; a "fast track" financial eligibility screening process; and improved programmatic eligibility determination by expanding and coordinating systems for case identification, intake, screening, and assessment.

90AM2756 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201-3326

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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In its original grant proposal, South Carolina proposed to pilot the Resource Center program in two counties - Aiken and Barnwell - located in the Lower Savannah AAA service area. Through these centers, consumers currently receive information, assistance & counseling, assessment and short-term case management, eligibility screening, eligibility determination and the ability to apply for long term support services. Services, including Medicaid eligibility determination, are co-located. Eligibility determination and application processes have been streamlined through an electronic data sharing methodology that has developed in the pilot area. Building on an existing web-based information & assistance system, South Carolina Access, has linked the resource center case management system with existing databases, including the Medicaid Waiver Case Management system and the Bureau of Senior Services Family Caregiver system. Consumers are able to apply for services on-line. These efforts continue to be expanded to other parts of the state.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

First Quarter of Year Two & Year Three - Individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Resource centers in at least two locations providing information, counseling, eligibility screening and coordination with eligibility determination by Sept. 2005 and fully functional by Sept. 2006; a consumer tracking/case management system in operation by Sept. 2004; an on-line service application process in place by Sept. 2004; and an information management system - operational, and tracking referrals, utilization and costs in place by Sept. 2005.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2757 Aging and Disability Resource Center

MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING
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St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	347,394
FY 2006	400,000

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Minnesota has developed strong linkages between county long-term care consultation and information, referral and assistance services. Statewide, Minnesota has given consumers, their families and other caregivers and professionals access to more effective, consumer-friendly, and robust decision-support Internet tools to navigate long-term care information for planning and decision-making; provided standardized statewide professional screening, assessment and eligibility using XML data sharing protocols; and has established four Hennepin County (including Minneapolis) resource centers in easy to access locations to provide a full complement of personalized awareness and information, assistance and access functions. Minnesota plans to eventually replicate the resource center program throughout the state after the three-year project period. An evaluation consultant will be retained to work with project management and the advisory board to develop and implement an effective measure of the impact of the project on the quality of life of participant consumers.

Target Population:

End of Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types

Anticipated Outcomes: A resource center tailored to meet consumer's and professional's needs through tools connecting them to streamlined assess to long-term care services with a single, coordinated method of intake, assessment and eligibility, with quality monitored through a centralized data collection and evaluation; a decrease in consumer confusion and duplicative services and an increase in enhanced choice; and an improved ability by State and local governments to connect consumers to needed services and supports from publicly and privately funded services.

90AM2759 Aging and Disability Resource Center

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES
Division of Aging & Community Services
240 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625-1002

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,079
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

Contact: Nancy Day (609)943-3429

New Jersey's original ADRC grant proposal established multiple Aging & Disability Resource Centers at the county level to test the development and implementation of models that integrated information and assistance, assessment, eligibility determination, and access processes and staff across programs. New Jersey has built upon its extensive information, assistance and referral system (NJ EASE) to provide information and assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year through its toll-free number and a new interactive website. A new management information system that supports client tracking, needs assessment, care plans, and utilization will be linked to a computerized universal application for services.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities. A special focus will be on hard-to-serve and underserved populations

Anticipated Outcomes: A visible, responsive, and trusted Resource Center, which will be the sole source for home and community-based services, connecting consumers to a full array of public and private supportive services to assist them in tailoring a care program that best meets their needs through a seamless process. The Resource Center will provide automated mechanisms for accurately tracking consumer utilization and service costs, which will aide in the development of needs assessments and care plans. It will also provide a comprehensive resource library to assist consumers with finding long-term care options and supports.

90AM2760 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Policy and Program Development
One Ashburton Place, Room 517
Boston, MA 02108

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	352,500
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	399,976

Contact: Heather Johnson-LaMarche (802)879-1338

Massachusetts' Aging and Disability Resource Collaborative established an ADRC in the Northeast Region of the state. In the first year, a uniform intake process was developed and utilized by a team of intake workers from community partners, who provided comprehensive and coordinated information, referral and case management. Community service partners were cross-trained to ensure timely and appropriate transfer of information and resources. This collaborative effort is currently being expanded across the state and will target hard-to-serve or underserved populations. A toll-free telephone number, and interactive website of intake, referral and evaluation have provided the foundation for the collaborative's functions. The uniform screening and assessment tool and process developed under a Real Choice Systems Change grant will be launched through this collaborative.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types
Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types
A special focus will be on hard-to-serve and underserved populations

Anticipated Outcomes: A visible, trusted and accessible entry point into long-term care for consumers, including those from diverse populations; increased community communication and collaboration in the delivery of home and community-based services; and coordinated provision of long-term care services through an integrated case management function.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2761 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
John O. Pastore Complex, Hazard Building
74 West Rd, 2nd Floor
Cranston, RI 02920-

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	352,030
FY 2006	400,000

Contact: Joan D'Agostino (401)462-0507

In their original ADRC proposal, Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA) proposed to create Elder and Adult Disabled Resource Centers that provided services to the elderly and individuals with physical disabilities. DEA has developed a storefront model which all Rhode Island residents have access to. A number of Older Americans Act, Medicaid and state funded programs have been co-located at the resource center site. Resource center infrastructure includes a toll-free line, a Web-based resource directory and benefits screening tool supported by a Real Choice Systems Change grant, and an integrated information management system. To facilitate systems coordination and collaboration, written agreements have been established with key partners. By Executive Order of the Governor, a long-term care Cabinet has ensured a coordinated, consumer-focused, cost effective system of long-term care. Rhode Island is in the process of consolidating services funded through state funds, Medicaid, and other federal programs into a new long-term care support program. The DEA project director for the Rhode Island Performance Outcomes Measurement Project will work with a contractor to conduct a project evaluation.

Target Population:
Years 1 - 3 - persons 60 and older and people with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Reduction in the level of consumer frustration and confusion and an increase in consumer satisfaction in Rhode Island's long-term support system, and a system that ensures eligible individuals receive more appropriate, less costly forms of support based on consumer preferences.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2762 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Department of Public Health & Human Services
PO Box 4210
Helena, MT 59604

Project Period: 09/29/2003 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	328,663
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

Contact: Doug Blakely (406)444-7787

Montana has established a One-Stop Aging/Disability Resource Center in Yellowstone County. The Center, operated by the Area Agency on Aging, is open 362 days a year with counselors who will assist consumers in determining their eligibility for long-term care services, benefits and employment counseling and will provide referrals to federal, state, local and private agencies. A web-based eligibility and application process and a management information system that tracks client intake, needs assessment, care plan, utilization and costs has provided the infrastructure for the Resource Center functions.

Target Population:
Year One - Persons 60 and older
Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Informed, effective and empowered consumers who are members of Yellowstone County's continuum of care; a resource center as a place consumers recognize and utilize to resolve questions or problems and access a full array of long-term care services; and an effectively managed system that tracks long-term care services through client intake, needs assessments, care plans, utilization and costs.

90AM2763 Aging and Disability Resource Center

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Elder Services

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Augusta, ME 04333

Contact: John Baillargeon (207)287-9208

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	360,586
FY 2006	399,940

Building on the state's current statewide pre-admission assessment program and the recommendations of the Maine Olmstead Workgroup for Community-based Living, the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services has worked with three community coalitions to test methods to streamline consumer access to long term supports; established, within the current long term support assessment process for adults of all ages, the means to improve person-centered service planning for the targeted populations; implemented referral and follow-up protocols to improve service coordination and ensure more effective service access; evaluated resource center results to inform the process of merging the two state departments responsible for the organization and delivery of long term support services; and replicated the process across the state. Resource Center funds have been used to enhance existing automated Medicaid eligibility tools and to assess the feasibility of a web-based Medicaid application process to improve "real time" interface.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two and Three - adults with mental health & addiction disorders, brain injury, developmental disabilities, and cognitive impairments.

Anticipated Outcomes: A cohesive network of local and state resources at the community level, that communicates effectively to assist adults of all ages and incomes seeking long term support; enhanced management information systems and Medicaid level of care and financial application procedures to allow for more timely, user-friendly access; a revised pre-admission assessment tool to develop comprehensive service plans based on informed choice and consumer preference; and a coordination and linkage of protocols at the state and local level to support ongoing service coordination for target populations.

90AM2764 Aging and Disability Resource Center Project

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Office of Sponsored Research

Service Building, 51 College Road

Durham, NH 03824-3585

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2006	399,261

The goal of the New Hampshire Resource Center project is to integrate the current information and assistance program with the State Assessment and Counseling program and the eligibility determination and care plan authorization processes for nursing facility and home and community-based waiver programs across the state. Through the leadership of state and community stakeholders, this goal has been obtained. Resource Centers have established a system of coordination with Medicaid financial eligibility determination. Resource Centers are designed to serve the elderly and all target populations of people with disabilities. The project advisory committee has guided the design and development of evaluation activities. A subcommittee of the advisory work group continues to provide consultation in selecting and implementing an automated information management system.

Target Population: Years 1 - 3: Persons 60+ and people with disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Consumers and their caregivers aware of the Resource Centers as a trusted place to get easy access to comprehensive and current information on long term support options; uniform clinical eligibility assessments of nursing facility applicants who have applied for Medicaid benefits; and information, referral, counseling, and assessment services that are efficiently coordinated to eliminate duplication and burden on consumers.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2820 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	396,631
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

In Arkansas' original Aging & Disability Resource Center design, they developed a Community Choice Resource Center that serves older people, as well as people with physical or developmental disabilities, in a 12-county region of the state. The Area Agency on Aging of Southwest Arkansas established a physical Center co-located with partner agencies in an existing community center; provided out-stationed counselors to serve the 12-county region; and developed and implemented an Internet-based consumer assessment, referral, enrollment and reporting tool that will serve as the project management information system. Arkansas will develop a procedures manual on how to operate a Resource Center, to encourage replication of the model across the state. In addition, Arkansas is now developing its ADRC program to include options counselors that will serve all persons regardless of age, income or disability, and are establishing a statewide ADRC call center.

Target Population: Year 1 - Persons 60 and older; Year 2 & 3 - Persons 60 + and individuals with physical or developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: The Community Choice Resource Center will integrate programs, improve access, coordinate services, manage program information, and enhance choice.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2821 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/30/2009

STATE OF IOWA

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs

510 East 12th Street - Suite #2 200 10th Street

Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Mary Anderson (515)725-3301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Iowa will establish a Resource Center that will be accessible to every community by a toll-free telephone service, web site access or through service delivery professionals. The state will integrate its Internet-based management information system with that of the developmental disabilities system. It will also create an interactive, consumer-oriented website, expanding to support this "no wrong door" approach to accessing the long-term care system. Information and counseling services will be made available to private-pay individuals.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with developmental disabilities.

Anticipated Outcomes: empowered consumers who make informed choices about long-term care; streamlined access to long term supports; minimized consumer confusion; and limited use of unnecessary high-cost services.

90AM2822 Aging & Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS DEPT OF COMM & CULTURAL AFFAIR

Caller Box 10007

Saipan, MP 96950

Contact: Rose Mondala (670)664-2598

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2007	75,000

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center, where older people and people with disabilities in the island community can have access to clear and uniform information and counseling on all available long-term care services. The Center will also be a single point-of-entry to public short and long term support programs and activities. It will reach out to underserved older people and people with disabilities in villages where people have limited access to information. CNMI will integrate access to long-term care programs and activities through co-location of personnel and an integrated database. Center staff will assist consumers in utilizing the Benefits Check-Up online tool to determine eligibility for public benefits.

Target Population: Year One - All populations; Year Two & Three - All populations

Anticipated Outcomes: simplified access to information and an eligibility screening process for a variety of long-term care supports and services in one location; educated consumers, professionals, and communities that know about the services, program resources, agencies and resource center; community-wide support for use of the resource center technology to provide clear, accurate and current information on available long-term care support; services that centralize screening of program applications to ensure clients are matched with appropriate programs that best meet their needs; and reduced waiting time for consumers who need screenings, program enrollments, and referrals.

90AM2823 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,450
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	191,000

Contact: Emily Kaltenbach (505)476-4755

New Mexico has realized the vision of the Resource Center by establishing the core capacity of information & assistance services statewide and phasing in a seamless public interface through a community-based resource center. New Mexico is in the process of developing a detailed provider database; strengthening the information and assistance capacity of 50 local sites across the state; and standardizing the needs assessment process, standardizing and coordinating the eligibility determination process, and phasing in comprehensive Resource Centers to serve older people and individuals with physical disabilities across the state. This goal is within reach. New Mexico has also integrated its Adult Protective Services through the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). A consultant has been utilized to conduct a project evaluation based on project goals and objectives, and the advisory committee will use the results to make recommendations for operational and process modifications.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: A statewide information system, counseling and assistance with public and private long-term care services; creation of a Resource Center with improved public awareness, information availability and assistance, and access to long-term care services, case management and other related functions to promote personal choice, independence and cost-effective use of available services; and a system that enhances availability, assistance and access to long-term care services to promote personal choice and independence of older people & adults with physical disabilities and to support their caregivers.

90AM2824 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/30/2009

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

2101 Mail Service Center

Raleigh, NC 27699

Contact: Heather Burkhardt (919)733-8400

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

The NC Resource Center's program is a locally integrated, visible network of resources providing consumers uniform information & access in 1 urban & 1 rural county. The NC Division of Aging developed a Resource Center incorporating a new statewide Information & Assistance infrastructure, expanded the use of volunteer benefits counselors, modified a version of NCOA's Benefits CheckUp, and piloted a uniform intake/screening tool. The Div. of Medical Assistance (DMA) developed a Chronic Care Mgmt. Project in a regional hospital to complement the Resource Center by providing essential functions targeted to the most complex long-term care populations reliant on public support. The DMA has also piloted a simplified adult Medicaid mail-in application through Resource Centers. Foundations will be developed for an integrated, computerized tracking management system to facilitate seamless access to services and aid in planning, development & evaluation. The Research Triangle Institute will evaluate. North Carolina is currently conducting statewide regional forums to support statewide expansion of ADRCs. Also, NC is leveraging CMS System Transformation Grant dollars to develop 4 additional ADRCs within the state.

Target Population: Year 1 - Persons 60 and older; Year 2 and 3 - A second target population will be selected by local communities from target groups of people with physical disabilities, mental illness, and/or MR/DD.

Anticipated Outcomes: an established Resource Center as a visible & trusted source of assistance, conforming to necessary statewide dissemination standards; disseminated information & assistance about LTC care needs, relevant to seniors & younger persons with disabilities and family caregivers; access to LTC services with greater ease (less effort, less time) by seniors & younger persons with disabilities; and access to LTC care supports that enable seniors & younger persons with disabilities to remain in the community as long as possible.

90AM2825 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

Two Peachtree Street, NW

9th Floor

Atlanta, GA 30303

Contact: Alan Goldman (404)657-5268

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,999
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

In their original ADRC proposal, Georgia implemented Aging and Disability Resource Centers in 1 urban (decentralized model) and 1 rural (centralized model) service area, to serve the elderly and people with developmental disabilities. The Centers built upon the existing AAA based single point-of-entry system known as the Gateway system, which includes assessment & financial eligibility determination functions. Resource Centers implemented protocols for consistency in providing information & assistance, built local coalitions, developed training & marketing strategies, and expanded the service and resource database to include services for people with developmental disabilities, with the long term goal of moving GA toward the vision of a seamless consumer one-stop shop for all target populations in need of long-term care options statewide. Other regions across the state have been provided with the tools and resources to replicate a centralized or decentralized resource center model for aging consumers and people with developmental disabilities. Evaluation will focus on the outcomes below and will draw on client satisfaction surveys developed through the AoA Performance Outcome Measurement Project. GA is currently working with local Centers for Independent Living to increase ADRCs' capacity for serving persons with physical disabilities.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year 2 & 3 - Individuals with developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: ADRCs as visible and trusted places where consumers get streamlined access to long-term care; a collaborative environment in which effective community coalitions occur between service networks; population specific protocols for information & assistance that increase efficiency and effectiveness; an expanded resource database that includes resources for persons with developmental disabilities; and staff cross-trained on issues & needs of the elderly and people with developmental disabilities.

90AM2826 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

Illinois Department on Aging
421 East Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Springfield, IL 62701

Contact: Ross Grove (217)524-7627

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

As part of its original ADRC grant, Illinois established an Aging and Disability Resource Center in Rockford, to be administered by the Northwestern IL Area Agency on Aging, which served persons with developmental disabilities and older people. Illinois also established a second Center in Decatur, administered by the East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging, which served persons with physical disabilities, older people and family caregivers. The Resource Centers have provided long-term care options, counseling and comprehensive needs assessments through a person-centered planning approach. The Centers have expanded caregiver support services to previously underserved populations, such as grandparents raising grandchildren. The Department of Disability & Human Development at the University of Illinois evaluates the effectiveness of the Centers to determine feasibility of statewide expansion. Current expansion efforts include Cook County, through the partnership of the Suburban AAA and Center For Independent Living.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: an established Resource Center that maximizes the abilities of older people, persons with physical disabilities and persons with developmental disabilities to make informed choices and to meet their long-term care needs; and a system of direct assistance to family caregivers, who plan for the future needs of family members who have physical disabilities and/or developmental disabilities.

90AM2827 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

1 West Wilson Street

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Madison, WI 53707

Contact: Anne Marie Ott (608)261-7809

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

ADRC's were created in Wisconsin mid-1990. Currently, the WI Dept. of Health and Family Services is planning for Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) expansion statewide by 2012.

In Wisconsin, ADRCs are distinctively "one-stop shops" for the entire community to receive specialized information & assistance on all LTC options, and act as a "single point of entry" for individuals to access public LTC benefits. "One-stops" conduct marketing & outreach to create awareness in the greater general public to encourage prevention and early planning for long-term care, which fosters independence. The "single entry point" streamlines eligibility & provides objective options counseling to persons choosing Medicaid and/or Medicare managed care. In accordance with the FY04 ADRC grant from AoA and CMS, the ADRCs in WI serve people over 18 with a disability, & provide services to individuals with mental health issues and/or substance use disorders.

Most recently, WI has worked to improve the public's experience with ADRCs as they become visible and central to Wisconsin's community service system. In 2007, WI developed & proposed a project to evaluate state agency roles for oversight of rapid ADRC expansion and determine appropriate human resource deployment for contract management & quality. Project objectives were to: 1) work with ADRC sites to study the ease of consumer access, & the efficiency/effectiveness of procedures specific to eligibility and enrollment into public benefit programs; 2) determine appropriate roles for state administration needed in future ADRC expansion years; 3) provide local technical assistance to newly developing ADRCs to promote competence & confidence in their operations; 4) standardize materials used by ADRCs statewide to inform & counsel the public about LTC choices, inc. managed care and self-directed supports; and 5) develop an ADRC Operations Manual to explain how to use best practice and meet quality benchmarks.

90AM2828 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/30/2009

DISABILITY, AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

402 West Washington St. MS-21

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Contact: Natalie Angel (317)332-7132

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	389,405
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	84,744
FY 2007	200,000

Indiana initially phased in the establishment of six Aging and Disability Resource Centers to coordinate information, referral and programmatic/financial eligibility determinations for older people and individuals with physical disabilities. In 2008, ADRCs will be rolled out across the state. The management information systems from the aging network and physical disabilities network will be integrated and Internet-based to provide the foundation for statewide expansion of the Resource Centers. Local Resource Centers will develop and implement an information marketing strategy that targets providers and community resources, as well as consumers.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: An expanded awareness of older people and individuals with physical disabilities, to the full range of long-term care services available to them; streamlined access to long-term care services for both public and private pay individuals; and a management information system that will enable the state to promote a more balanced system of care based on consumer choice.

90AM2829 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2009

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - DEPARTMENT OF AGING

1300 National Drive, Suite 200

Sacramento, CA 95834-1992

Contact: Denise Crandall (916)419-7507

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,999
FY 2006	83,724
FY 2007	200,000

In their original ADRC proposal, California established a Resource Center in Del Norte County and San Diego County, in partnership with the Area Agencies on Aging and Centers for Independent Living (CIL). The unique synergies that have developed have helped simplify access to long-term care services and increase the capacity of both organizations to serve persons with disabilities. In addition, the Resource Centers have identified systems improvements related to access, conducted public awareness activities, targeted outreach to underserved or hard-to reach populations, identified modifications to the Network of Care website, and partnered with physicians who will link with social services. California will evaluate the effectiveness of the two Resource Centers based on geographic, cultural and socio-demographic differences. These efforts will help support further expansion of the ADRC efforts across the state, building upon the unique partnership model developed between the AAA and the CIL.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two and Three - All populations (San Diego), Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities (Del Norte)

Anticipated Outcomes: The establishment of Resource Centers, which are non-stigmatizing public places, accessed for information and assistance by a diverse range of people, with both private pay and public pay individuals referred by physicians and other professionals. Resource Centers will have the ability to refer clients to needed medical care, as well as social supports.

90AM2830 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2009

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Contact: Sandi Smith (850)414-2000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,973
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Florida has developed and implemented Resource Centers in different service areas, offering information, counseling, referrals, assessment and eligibility functions for both publicly and privately funded services for the elderly and individuals with mental illness. To achieve this, Florida has co-located information & referral, screening and assessment, access to crisis intervention, short-term case management, medical and financial eligibility determination, and long-term care counseling. Florida has established a single administrative structure accessible through multiple locations (senior centers, AAAs, housing authorities, mental health centers etc.) in each of the Resource Center communities. The Department of Elderly Affairs, in conjunction with the Florida Office of Long-Term Care Policy, developed and conducted the evaluation. The Resource Center program will benefit from an existing Florida project designed to merge existing program information management databases. The Florida legislature currently supports integrated long-term care. Aging Resource Centers are currently located across the state and are supported by state dollars.

Target Population: Year 1 - persons aged 60 and older; Years 2 & 3 - individuals with mental illness

Anticipated Outcomes: visibility - demonstrated increase in the number of consumer requests; trust - 80 % of respondents to a survey of ADRC customers express trust in Resource Center services; ease of access - ADRC customers express satisfaction with ease of accessing Resource Center services; responsiveness - ADRC customers express satisfaction with the responsiveness of Center services; efficiency and effectiveness, measured through: 1) a time study to determine savings as a result of Resource Centers, 2) customer interviews assessing value or services received, and 3) by establishing baseline data in year one for each Resource Center.

90AM2831 Alaska's Aging and Disabilities Resource Center

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/30/2008

ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION

PO Box 101020

Anchorage, AK 99510-1020

Contact: Jim McCall (907)330-8436

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,791
FY 2007	200,000

Alaska has established five regional Resource Centers operated by the State Centers for Independent Living (SILC) to provide citizen-centered, "one-stop shopping" entry to long term support services for seniors and people with disabilities statewide. The state of Alaska, through the Division of Senior and Disability Services, is playing an increasing role and support to SILC. The Resource Centers currently offer information and referral services, eligibility screening, assistance in gaining access to long term support services for private pay consumers, comprehensive assessment for those seeking publicly funded services, programmatic eligibility determination for long term support services, and access to the Division of Public Assistance for Medicaid financial eligibility determination. The SILC continue to work with the Division of Senior and Disability Services and the Senior Housing Office to develop a management information system that tracks consumer intake, needs assessment, care plans, utilization, and costs. Formative and summative evaluations have been conducted by the Center for Human Development.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older and persons with disabilities of all types
Year Two and Three - Persons 60 and older and persons with disabilities of all types

Anticipated Outcomes: Resource Centers with streamlined access to long term support services; outreach to underserved populations; Centers effectively empowering individuals in need, or planning for long term supports, to make informed choices; an emphasis on supporting consumer-driven, home and community- based service options; and assistance with increasing the knowledge of health and long term support professionals and others providing services to the elderly and people with disabilities.

90AM2919 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Department of Executive Offices
Commonwealth of PA, Ofc. of Health Care Reform
4th Floor - Forum Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0302

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	359,080
FY 2006	396,400

Contact: Elaine S Smith (717)346-9713

Pennsylvania will plan and operate four demonstration Resource Centers located in diverse areas of the state to assist all consumers and family members who need information, counseling, assessment and assistance in applying for long-term care services. In two of the Centers, personnel from all relevant service agencies will be co-located at the Centers. In the remaining two Centers, relevant agencies will be connected to each other and the co-located Centers via the Internet, to provide uniform delivery of information, assistance and access services. A single application for services will be developed, the eligibility process will be streamlined, and a common assessment tool will be developed and utilized by all of the Centers. By the end of the project period, a plan will be established to expand the Resource Centers statewide, based on a comprehensive evaluation.

Target Population: Year One - All populations; Year Two and Three - All populations

Anticipated Outcomes: Simplified and streamlined access to long-term care that ensures each individual's need for services is determined and addressed promptly; maximized consumer choice and service provisions in a consumer friendly manner, respecting and ensuring dignity of all served; and a more balanced system of long-term care, which includes more home and community-based services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2993 Alabama Aging and Disability Resource Centers

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Avenue RSA Plaza, Suite 470
Montgomery , AL 36104

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Lori Frazier (334)353-8320

Alabama Aging and Disability One-Stop Centers will be accessible to every community through ElderConnect, allowing individuals to make informed choices through a single point of entry access to long-term care (LTC) support programs and services. Alabama's ADRC project, in conjunction with partnering agencies, will empower individuals to make informed decisions regarding LTC living support programs and services by offering information and access to an array of local resources at a single point of entry. The Alabama Department of Senior Services will be responsible for oversight and coordination, and will: 1) establish two ADRCs - Pilot I will be housed in the South Central Alabama Development Commission AAA comprised of six counties. Pilot II will be housed in the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission AAA comprised of ten counties; 2) create standardization of a state-wide screening and eligibility tool for LTC; 3) expand the existing management information system, Elder Connect, to capture and disseminate pertinent information on services for the elderly and mentally disabled that fully supports the functions of the ADRC grant; 4) advance outreach; and 5) establish state and local advisory boards.

Target Population: Year 1- individuals aged 60+ ; Years 2 & 3 - ages 60+ and persons with mental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) Alabamians will have easy access to information regarding LTC and will enjoy the freedom to choose the services that best fit their needs; 2) reduction in multiple transfers of persons to and between agencies, by streamlining access and eligibility process, thereby raising client satisfaction, and providing better management of private/public resources; and 3) increased awareness of ADRC services through several aggressive outreach strategies.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2994 Arizona Aging & Disability Resource Center

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Aging & Adult Administration
1717 W. Jefferson PO Box 6132
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Melanie Starns (602)542-4446

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, in partnership with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, will implement the Arizona Aging and Disability Resource Center (AzADRC). This ADRC will create a single, coordinated system of information, assistance, and access for all persons seeking long-term care services. A web-based tool, the Uniform Assessment Instrument (UAI), will be used for eligibility determination across all target populations and across all agency services to streamline services for consumers. Additionally, established community sites will provide counseling services and assistance with long-term care options. This grantee's target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include an increase in public knowledge of AzADRC locations, functions, website and contact information, and the completion of a UAI that meets the needs of all provider agencies.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2995 Colorado State Unit on Aging Application for the Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

1575 Sherman Street, 10th Floor

Denver, CO 80203

Contact: Jeanette Hensley (303)866-2636

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Colorado's State Unit on Aging, with the assistance of the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, the Senior Health Insurance Program, Area Agencies on Aging, the Single Entry Point Agencies (SEP), and the 211 Network, will collaborate to create one urban and one rural Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot site. The ADRC will be implemented by developing an online interactive database of resources and a sustainable statewide information and assistance network with a "no wrong door" approach for consumer questions regarding long-term care services. The ADRC's target populations are persons 60 and older and adults living with disabilities.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2996 DC Aging and Disability Resource Center

District of Columbia, Department of Health (DOH)

Medical Assistance Administration (MAA)

825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 5135

Washington, DC, DC 20002

Contact: Jeff Anderson (202)442-5972

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	367,947

The District of Columbia's Department of Health proposes to expand its current Resource Center to continue the process of systems change for citizens seeking long-term care options. The goal of the proposed project is to expand public awareness of the Center and its services. The proposed approach will boost the visibility of the new Resource Center, further develop and enhance its website, plan for sustainability, and address identified housing issues of people with long-term care needs. The project involves four objectives: 1) to expand public awareness and market the Resource Center by hiring an outreach coordinator; 2) to streamline access to long-term care by upgrading the planned beta website to make it interactive, with future online application capacity; 3) to initiate a sustainability plan by obtaining consultation regarding a fee schedule for private payers for those above Medicaid eligibility; and 4) to address long-term care choices by conducting a strategic analysis of the housing needs of the target population, with recommendations for change.

Target Population: Year One - Individuals age 60+ and adults with physical disabilities; Years Two & Three - 60+ and individuals with physical disabilities, dementia, developmental disabilities/mental retardation

Anticipated Outcomes:

- increased collaboration among aging and disability organizations
- a three year marketing and public awareness plan
- an increase in requests for information and referral
- an increase in the number of persons enrolled in home and community-based services
- an analysis of the housing resources and unmet needs will be completed

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2997 Community Choice Resource Center Network

GUAM DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR
Individuals With Disabilities

Office of the Director Pacific News Building Suite 702
Hagatna, GU 96910

Contact: Rosanne S Ada (671)642-0038

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,599

The Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities is the lead agency for the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), and has established a partnership with Guam's Developmental Disabilities Council. The goal of the project is to create a highly visible "Community Choice" Resource Center to serve the aging and physically or developmentally disabled in 26 villages. The proposed Community Choice Resource Center Network will build on Guam's 20 Community/Senior Centers and will enable rural consumers to easily find, access, and enroll in home and community-based services. The objectives of this project are: 1) to create Guam's first publicly accessible, online directory of long-term care services and information; 2) to establish 20 physical Resource Centers co-located within the island's Community/Senior Centers; 3) to hire and train out-stationed counselors in outlying areas; and 4) to implement an Internet-based information, referral, screening and assistance tool that will serve as a screening tool and client management information system for the project. The tool will enable Resource Center staff to manage and coordinate services across the territory and provide data to identify service needs and gaps in order to develop an effective community long-term care service system and a meaningful alternative to institutional care. The Community Choice Resource Center Network will serve as the primary entry point to the long-term care system.

Target Population: Year One - individuals aged 60+
Years Two & Three - 60+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Improved access to services for seniors and individuals with disabilities,
- Enhanced consumer choice
- Increased coordination of services across agencies
- A reduction in the number of individuals placed in off-island institutions

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2998 Hawaii Aging and Disability Resource Center

EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING
State of Hawaii Department of Health
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Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Contact: Pat Sasaki (808)586-0100

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Hawaii's State Executive Office on Aging, in partnership with the Hawaii County Office of Aging and the City and County of Honolulu Elderly Affairs Division, will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) on the Island of Hawaii and on Oahu. The overall design is to build the ADRC from the core functions of the local Area Agencies on Aging. In collaboration with other aging and disability agencies, the ADRC will co-locate services in a centralized facility that will offer a one-stop shop for information and resources on long-term care. The Centers' target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant are a high user satisfaction, and a reduction in the intake and referral process.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM2999 Community-Based Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE

PO Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720

Contact: Michele I Turbert (208)364-1946

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare will be the lead agency in developing an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) that will service three communities. Idaho's 211 CareLine service will function as the single point of entry to long-term care services. Benefits counseling, eligibility screening and determination, and assistance with accessing private and public long-term care funds are some of the services this ADRC will provide to improve the coordination of service delivery between local and state agencies. Target populations this grantee will service are persons 60 and older, and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include the increased use of programs and benefits that can help consumers remain in the community, and an increase in public awareness of both private and public long-term care support options.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3000 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING

503 S. Kansas Avenue

Topeka, KS 66603

Contact: Janis DeBoer

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

The Governor of Kansas selected the Department of Aging to serve as the lead agency to develop an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC). Center pilots will provide a variety of highly visible, easy to access services from a coordinated system of services, which will improve access to Medicaid and state funded programs. The target populations this grantee will serve are persons 60 and older and adults who have serious mental illnesses. The anticipated outcomes of this project include a 20% decrease in time between applying for and receiving benefits, a 10% increase in referrals to Community Mental Health Centers (CHMCs), and a 25% decrease in time to get screenings referred to CMHCs.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3001 Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Initiative

KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

Aging Services

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Frankfort, KY 40621

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Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Kentucky will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot at the Northern Kentucky Area Agency on Aging. This site will service both rural and urban consumers and will establish a collaborative relationship with the local independent living centers, the faith-based community, United Way and mental health and mental retardation providers. The Resource Center will provide consumers with web-based information and referral resources and collaborate with the Real Choice Systems Change grantee to provide a seamless system for clients to access both private and public long-term care sources of support. The supportive services this ADRC will provide include housing, employment, and eligibility and determination assessments. The target populations the ADRC will serve are persons 60 and over and adults with developmental disabilities.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3002 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Michigan Department of Community Health

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Lansing, MI 48913

Contact: Jane Church (517)335-0276

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

The Michigan Office of Long-Term Care Supports and Services, the State Unit on Aging & state Medicaid agency, will create a network of aging and disability resource centers (ADRC) to: 1) establish comprehensive resources of long-term care; and 2) provide information and assistance in accessing services, & planning for long-term care financing and delivery, benefits outreach and proactive choice counseling. ADRCs will serve as the single point of entry (SPE) for elderly and physically disabled adults to Michigan's Medicaid-funded long-term care system. The ADRC will conduct medical and facilitate financial eligibility determinations for Medicaid-funded supports and services provided in nursing facilities and the MI Choice waiver. Use of the ADRC/SPE will be mandatory for individuals seeking access to Medicaid-funded nursing facility programs. Objectives include: 1) offering consumers more options; 2) establishing quicker access to services through streamlined eligibility and assessment; 3) reducing unnecessary institutionalization through diversion and transition; and 4) integrating consumers' voice into organizational governance.

Target Population: Year 1 - individuals aged 60+ ; Years 2 & 3 - age 60 + and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Creation of modular assessment tool to be used across programs/systems/settings
- Financial eligibility determination meets federal standard of promptness requirements
- Fragmented intake processes integrated into a single coordinated process
- Decreased numbers of individuals who are being served in institutions, as a result of transition services
- More collaboration and involvement of local organizations in the long-term care supports system

Products:

- Print and web-based directory of long-term care resources
- ADRC materials in multiple languages

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3003 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Mississippi Department of Human Services
Division of Aging
750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39212

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Patricia Kelly (601)359-4925

The Mississippi Department of Human Services' Division of Aging and Adult Services, in collaboration with the Governor's Medicaid Division and the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, will create an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) with a single point of entry for culturally competent, coordinated services where consumers can get information and advice about a wide range of long-term care resources. Information concerning health care, income security, housing, and financial management will also be provided via a streamlined, easy to access one-stop pilot in Central Mississippi, which will service seven rural and urban counties with diverse consumer populations. This ADRC's target populations are persons 60 and older and adults with disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include a sustainable coordinated system of information and access for all persons seeking long-term support; higher customer satisfaction; an increase in elderly and disabled living in their own homes; and an increase in early planning for long-term care.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3004 Nevada Long-Term Care Connection

State of Nevada
Health and Human Services
3100 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 103
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Tina Gerber-Winn (702)486-3520

Nevada's Division for Aging Services plans to develop three physical Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) sites in Las Vegas, Reno and Elko. The physical location of the Las Vegas pilot will be with the Medicaid caseworkers under the Division's Community-based Care Program and co-located with the State Health Insurance Programs Director. In addition to providing information and referral on long-term care services and targeting Hispanic seniors and caregivers, this ADRC will also provide information about transportation and housing, and will collaborate with the state Medicaid office to provide streamlined access to public benefit programs. The grantee's target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this project are an increase in customer satisfaction of the long-term care system and enhanced individual choice and informed decision-making.

90AM3005 Building Seamless Entry Points for Consumers: Establishing Aging and Disability Resource Centers for Ohio

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 12/31/2008

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,601

Contact: Sharon Evanich (614)466-7246

The Ohio Department of Aging, endorsed by Ohio's Medicaid agency, will develop a structure for Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) in Ohio and pilot the creation of ADRCs in the Cleveland area. The objectives of this project are to: 1) create multiple avenues by which consumers and their caregivers can access the ADRC network; 2) build linkages between local and regional entities to create a seamless process for consumers; 3) publicize and promote the existence of the ADRC; 4) create a common set of ADRC standards, protocols and procedures that can be used to replicate ADRCs throughout Ohio; 5) evaluate the ADRC pilot and incorporate formative learning into the expansion of the ADRC network; and 6) establish a functioning ADRC, serving elders and younger Ohioans with physical disabilities in Cuyahoga County beginning with the second year of the grant, and functioning ADRCs in the surrounding four counties at the beginning of the third year. Anticipated products include software that integrates critical ADRC functions and provides a core set of information on service providers; a media campaign to publicize the existence of the ADRC; a common set of standards, procedures and protocols for ADRCs to follow; and a formal program evaluation of ADRC effectiveness.

Target Population: Year 1 - individuals aged 60+ ; Years 2 & 3 - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) consumers and their caregivers will experience a seamless process in accessing information and services on both long term services and supports and related services, such as housing, transportation, & employment; 2) consumers will be able to access the ADRC in person, via phone, and over the Internet; and 3) financial and functional eligibility determination processes will be integrated.

90AM3006 Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability
500 Deaderick Street, Suite 825
Nashville, TN 37243-0860

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Belinda Bruns (615)741-2056

The goal of the initiative is to develop models of "one-stop," single entry, highly visible Resource Centers in two areas of the state, which will reach out to the public to foster understanding and use of all forms of long-term support. The public will have easy access by phone, Internet, and visitation, to information, counseling and assistance, and linkages to a full range of long-term services. Consumers and caregivers will receive counseling on long-term care and health needs, and options that support them in making informed decisions, regardless of payment source. The First Tennessee Area Agency on Aging and Disability (AAAD) and the Greater Nashville AAAD will set up the Resource Centers within their service areas. The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability (TCAD), with other state and local agencies, will work to streamline and simplify intake and eligibility processes; eliminate duplicate information gathering; enhance exchange of data between the systems, and select the best technology and location of staff to bring appropriate services to the consumer, efficiently and effectively. TCAD and the AAAs will collaborate with consumer and advisory groups, key referral sources, support systems, providers of services in their areas, and other state agencies, to make the Resource Center a true one-stop approach for the consumer.

Target Population: Year 1 - individuals aged 60 & older; Years 2 & 3 - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Consumers, providers and concerned citizens will know the Center as the place to contact for long term support information and assistance.
- Consumers refer others based on their own good experience at the Center.
- Consumers receive the help they need, conveniently and effectively.
- Consumer's self-identified needs are recognized and addressed.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3007 Texas Aging and Disability Resource Centers Program

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Access and Intake
701 W. 51st Street
Austin, TX 78751-2312

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,599

Contact: Jeffery Seider (512)438-4245

The Texas Aging and Disability Resource Center will be strategically placed in three pilot areas to provide consumers with information, referral and counseling, case management, and eligibility determination for public and private pay individuals with long-term care needs. Products from these pilots will include intake and assessment tools, outreach, training and resource materials, reports, surveys and project evaluations. Streamlining efforts will include shared intake, assessment and referral protocols with other agencies, and coordinated efforts with State Health Information and Assistance Programs and the state Medicaid agency.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older; Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disability, mental retardation and developmental disability

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) individuals who are older and individuals with a disability, including cognitive disabilities, in the targeted communities will have an identifiable single point of entry to long-term care supports; and 2) an increase in the percentage of individuals served through the Aging and Disability Resource Centers, who will report an improvement in their ability to access long-term care supports.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3008 Vermont Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Program

Vermont Department of Disabilities, Aging &
Independent Living
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-2301

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Camille F George (802)241-2427

The Vermont Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living [DAIL] proposes to develop a system of Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) to provide seamless access to long-term care information, referral and assistance for older Vermonters, younger adults with physical and developmental disabilities or traumatic brain injury, by improving and expanding the functions performed by the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). DAIL is the lead agency for long-term care services for the target populations and is part of the Agency of Human Services, Vermont's single state Medicaid agency. Project goals include: 1) improving the information, referral and assistance system for older Vermonters; 2) planning two pilot ADRCs serving additional populations; 3) designing a streamlined eligibility process for Medicaid and Medicaid long-term care; and 4) designing a seamless link between the ADRCs and Medicaid eligibility determinations.

Target Population: Year One - Individuals age 60+; Year Two - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities and traumatic brain injury (TBI); Year Three - 60+, adults with physical disabilities, TBI and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) informed choice about long-term care options for elders and younger adults with disabilities; 2) streamlined access to long-term care eligibility for elders and younger adults with disabilities; 3) easier access to home and community-based services; and 4) a sustainable ADRC model that can be expanded statewide.

90AM3009 Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Initiative

Commonwealth of Virginia
Department for the Aging
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	442,274

Contact: William Peterson (804)662-9325

Virginia will implement a "no wrong door" approach to long-term support through the creation of decentralized Resource Centers, piloted in nine regions, to improve client and community level outcomes for older adults, adults 18 and over with physical disabilities, and family caregivers. The Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA), the state Medicaid agency (DMAS), the Virginia Department of Social Services (DSS), and the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) will partner on the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) initiative. The ADRC project unites all of the public sector components of Virginia's long-term support system in partnership with the private sector, including SeniorNavigator Information and Referral, Dominion Virginia Power (Dominion), RTZ Associates, nine local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and many local private service providers. SeniorNavigator, a statewide private sector partner, will help each region coordinate its information and referral function by maintaining and expanding its online database and by implementing and supporting a web-based information system. Each region will demonstrate a public-private partnership model incorporating Virginia's Uniform Assessment Instrument, SeniorNavigator's online database, GetCare (RTZ Associates' web-based care management system), and local multi-disciplinary coalitions of public-private service providers. The second and third years of the project will bring six additional regions into the statewide system being proposed under this grant.

Target Population: Year 1 - individuals age 60+; Years 2 & 3 - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Older adults, adults with disabilities, and family caregivers will know where to turn for long-term support information, assistance, and services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3010 Washington State Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

WA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Aging and Disability Services

PO Box 45600

Olympia, WA 98504-5600

Contact: Meg Evans (360)725-2418

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Through the successful establishment of one Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot site, Washington state will expand the capabilities of the aging information, referral and assistance system to serve persons of all ages, disabilities, and financial circumstances and to connect them seamlessly to home and community-based services. The objectives of this project include developing a model ADRC and providing seamless coordination between the pilot ADRC and specialized entry points that require financial eligibility determination, needs assessment and/or individualized service authorization.

Target Population: Baseline - individuals age 60+; Year One - adults with functional disabilities; Year Two - adults with functional disabilities and people of all ages with developmental disabilities; Year Three - people of all ages with functional disabilities and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) a statewide "virtual" Resource Center combining an information and referral resource database and client management software, coordinated with Medicaid eligibility determination, Benefits CheckUp technology, the 211 call center, and incorporated into the Comprehensive Assessment Reporting and Evaluation (CARE) Tool; and 2) compelling policy direction to continue ADRC program development statewide.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center

90AM3011 Wyoming Aging and Disability Resource Center

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

Wyoming Insitute for Disabilities

Department 4298 - 1000 E. University Avenue

Laramie, WY 82071

Contact: Sandy Root-Elledge (307)766-2762

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,601

The Wyoming Institute for Disabilities (WIND) will develop a one-stop Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) in Wyoming that will assist individuals, their family members, or those planning for long-term care. WIND will partner with Wyoming Independent Living & Rehabilitation (WILR), an established center for independent living with an extensive history of working with the target population of older adults (50+) and adults (21+) with physical and developmental disabilities, to develop an ADRC in Casper, with a satellite office in rural Glenrock. Connect Wyoming will become the statewide web-based database for long-term care information and referrals. WIND will administer the grant, and develop marketing, evaluation, and management information systems. WILR will be contracted to plan, implement and operate the Casper and Glenrock ADRCs work with a local task force of stakeholders; train staff; and develop the one-stop concept. Wyoming ADRC goals include: improving access to long-term support services; increasing consumer choice; and transforming information technology.

Target Population: Year one - Individuals age 50+; Year two - 50+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities; Year three - 50+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities and serious mental illness

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) continuing increase in the number of individuals who access the services of the one-stop center over the grant period; 2) decrease in unnecessary institutionalizations; 3) increase in the use of home and community-based care services; 4) increase in number of Medicaid beneficiaries who choose self-directed service; and 5) delay in long-term institutional care or a reduction in acute care episodes.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3041 Care Consultation Results in More Effective Utilization and Patient/Caregiver Psychosocial

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 12/30/2008

BENJAMIN ROSE INSTITUTE
850 Euclid Avenue, Suite 1100
Cleveland, OH 44114-3301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	74,935
FY 2006	75,000

Contact: Sharen K Eckert (216)791-8000

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, a partnership was developed among the Benjamin Rose Institute, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the MetroHealth Medical System, and the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging to establish an intervention linking managed health care services and community-based services. Year 2 funding allowed the partners to expand a "care consultation" intervention, which involves telephone-based coaching and coordinating to empower seniors and their families to find and use community services, to include an additional 153 MetroHealth patients who are also members of Anthem Senior Advantage. The intervention was expanded to include participants from diverse backgrounds with various chronic health conditions. A randomized control design will be used to test the overall efficacy and sustainability of care consultation, as well as the feasibility of partnerships among the three participating service providers. The target population for the care consultation intervention includes Anthem Senior Advantage participants with diagnosed depression, dementia, or two or more major chronic conditions, whose primary care physician is at MetroHealth Medical Center. Because MetroHealth serves a culturally and economically diverse population, it is expected that the intervention population will reflect this diversity. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) decreased hospital admissions, emergency department visits, and visits to specialty physicians among intervention participants; 2) increased use of and satisfaction with community services by program participants and their caregivers; 3) improved health outcomes and quality of life among participants and their caregivers; and 4) an assessment of effectiveness of intervention and partnerships among service provider organizations.

Program: Alzheimer's National Call Center

90AZ2766 National Alzheimer's Call Center

Project Period: 08/01/2003 - 07/31/2010

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Assoc., Inc.
225 N. Michigan Avenue, 17th Floor
Chicago, IL 60601

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	993,500
FY 2004	1,001,177
FY 2005	979,104
FY 2006	977,130
FY 2007	963,500
FY 2008	963,500

Contact: Catherine Sewell (312)335-5191

The Alzheimer's Association will enter a cooperative agreement with the Administration on Aging to operate an Alzheimer's National Call Center for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and their families, delivering personalized, timely information, care consultation, crisis intervention, and referral to local services, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A single 1-800 line, web site, and e-mail address will link callers seamlessly to information experts and care consultants in local Association chapters nationwide, with default to the national Center when local responders are unavailable. All national and local Center personnel will receive uniform training and retraining and utilize a common computer-based repository of information, care protocols, and materials. The Center's goal is to improve the quality of life of persons with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Callers will have an increased understanding of and ability to deal with Alzheimer's, and success in finding local services. Center performance will exceed industry standards. The Center will expand its reach to consumers, particularly in minority and limited English-speaking populations.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Social Research Project**

90AZ2791 Alzheimer's Disease Social Research Project

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

AGING IN NEW YORK FUND, INC.

2 Lafayette Street
New York, NY 10007

Contact: Robin Fenley (212)442-1375

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	2,943,530
FY 2005	2,937,312
FY 2006	2,931,390

The Aging in New York Fund (ANYF), in collaboration with the New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA) and its partners at Zachary and Elizabeth M. Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation (FCARF), New York University (NYU), and Rockefeller University (RU), will work to address the complex needs of New York City's diverse Alzheimer's community through education, technology, and research. These partnerships will address the needs of both patients and families via a variety of approaches, advancing research and service provision. The objectives and approach are: 1) to educate the multicultural community on Alzheimer's disease (AD), caregiving, and related long-term care issues (ANYF/DFTA); 2) to develop and strengthen AD knowledge in the aging workforce (ANYF/DFTA); 3) to measure the effectiveness of professional trainings through research and knowledge tests (ANYF/DFTA); 4) to conduct a national marketing and outreach campaign for the alzinfo.org website (FCARF); 5) to develop AD awareness programs for MDs and the general public (FCARF); 6) to explore the efficacy of individualized comprehensive, patient-centered care (NYU); and 7) to continue laboratory research to develop more effective treatment methods targeting agitation in AD (RU). Expected outcomes are: increased awareness in the multicultural community on AD, caregiving, and related long-term care issues; growth in an AD educated aging workforce and community; increased access to information through technology and consumer and physician education; evidence of the efficacy of non-pharmacologic therapies to improve patient care; and advanced understanding of the brain's function and responses. Products from this project will include: reports; analyses of dementia workforce development and non-pharmacologic research; multilingual AD materials; articles for publication; and abstracts and presentations for conferences.

Program: **Eldercare Locator Program and the National Aging Information & Referral**

90AM2746 The Eldercare Locator Program & the National Aging Information & Referral Support Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 07/31/2010

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

1730 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Helen M Eltzeroth (202)872-0888

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	1,174,979
FY 2004	1,374,937
FY 2005	1,174,937
FY 2006	1,201,230
FY 2007	812,176
FY 2008	812,176

The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging's (n4a) goal is to redesign and reposition the Eldercare Locator so that current and future older adults and caregivers have the information they need about the choices they have in order to maintain their independence and quality of life. To achieve this goal, the objectives for the Eldercare Locator are to: 1) implement seamless connections to resources at the national, regional and local level for callers; 2) restructure and enhance the Eldercare Locator website and its content so users can connect to state and local databases and have the information they need to assess their needs; 3) maintain and develop strategic partnerships, both public and private, to promote and market the new direction of the Eldercare Locator; and 4) develop and implement a comprehensive marketing plan that focuses on the new direction of the Eldercare Locator. The outcome of this program will be that callers and web site users will have the information they need about aging services in order to make informed decisions.

Program: National Center on Senior Benefits Outreach and Enrollment

90SB0001 Meeting the Need: Proposal to Create a National Center on Senior Benefits Outreach and Enrollment

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2009

National Council on Aging, Inc.
1901 L Street, NW - 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	1,939,514

Contact: Marisa Scala-Foley (202)479-6976

The National Council on Aging proposes a National Center on Senior Benefits Outreach and Enrollment (the Center) that will: fund and establish Benefits Enrollment Centers (BECs) in 10 areas of the country; foster the use of cost-effective benefits outreach and enrollment strategies by BECs and others in the aging and disability services provider networks to find and enroll people with limited means, in public benefits; increase the use of web-based decision support, screening and enrollment tools among the aging and disability services networks, consumers, families and caregivers; maintain, update, and enhance the usability of current benefits screening and enrollment systems; provide training and technical assistance to BECs and to the larger aging and disability networks regarding cost-effective, promising practices and other topics related to benefits outreach and enrollment; and develop an online information clearinghouse on promising practices related to benefits outreach and enrollment. Center goals: to be the nationally recognized source of timely and useful information and assistance on benefits outreach and enrollment for the aging and disability networks; to increase participation of seniors and younger adults with disabilities in public benefits programs; and to position the aging network as the hub for person-centered enrollment for public benefits. Expected Center outcomes: the development of a national network of BECs; increased numbers of consumers and caregivers receiving information, counseling and enrollment assistance with public benefits; increased use of web-based benefits screening and enrollment tools; and increased numbers of professionals receiving training and technical assistance about benefits outreach, screening, enrollment, and follow-up strategies, as well as other issues related to public benefits.

Program: Retirement Planning and Assistance for Women

90AM2801 Center to Educate Women About Retirement Security

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 07/31/2010

WOMENS' INSTITUTE FOR A SECURE RETIREMENT

1146 19th Street, NW Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Cindy Hounsell (202)393-5452

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	248,376
FY 2004	248,376
FY 2005	248,376
FY 2006	248,376
FY 2007	245,520
FY 2008	241,470

WISER, with assistance from strategic public-private coalitions, is organizing a one stop information gateway that can provide traditionally hard to reach women (i.e. average and low income women, women of color and women with limited English proficiency), "user friendly" financial management tools. The ultimate goal of the 36 month project is to provide women with access to information that promotes their efforts to attain secure retirements. A state-of-the-art clearinghouse/lending library and satellite resource centers accessible to the Aging Network, faith-based organizations (FBO), state & community agencies, financial institutions, and business & government agencies are being established. Staff conduct training sessions & information panels nationwide; and provide access to a variety of financial planning tools, including fact sheets & other online resources. Major partnerships and coalitions have been formed with a range of private sector organizations to target low-income and minority women. Diverse private sector organizations include: MANA, National Latina Women's Organization, Mother's Voices/Multi-Ethnic Community Retirement Project, Coalition of 100 Black Women, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Profit Sharing Council of America, MetLife, MFS Investment Management, and the Society of Actuaries. Public sector partners include FDIC, SSA, US DoL Women's Bureau, USDA Extension Service, and Comptroller General of the US. Year 2 plans: continue strengthening public and private partnerships at the national & community levels; establish satellite resource centers accessible by community-based organizations (CBO), FBOs, non-profits, finance and business to encourage inclusion of women's financial security as an integral part of the agenda; initiate 2 new programs on a) financial planning for health care in retirement, and b) senior indebtedness; partner with insurance companies to develop materials about annuities for women; and continue outreach.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2773 Chronic Disease Self-Management with African-American Urban Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

PHILADELPHIA CORPORATION FOR AGING

642 North Broad Street

Philadelphia, PA 19130-3409

Contact: Bethea Eichwald (215)765-9000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	180,000
FY 2004	180,000
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	50,000

Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, Center in the Park, Albert Einstein Healthcare Network, and the Community and Homecare Research Division, Jefferson College of Health Professions, will demonstrate an evidence-based disease prevention program (the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, developed by Stanford Patient Education Research Center), with a target population of African American urban elders. Five hundred elders will participate over three years. The goal is to enable participants to assume a major role in managing their chronic health conditions. The objectives are: to increase lifestyle skills that assist in managing chronic conditions; to increase knowledge of personal risk factors associated with chronic disease; and to increase personal responsibility in the management of chronic disease. Expected outcomes are: improved health status, behavioral change, improved self-efficacy, and reduced health care utilization. A team approach to chronic disease self-management, that can be replicated within the aging network, will be demonstrated. Results will be disseminated.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2774 Preventive Nutrition Education Cardiovascular Disease Program

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2008

LITTLE HAVANA ACTIVITIES & NUTRITION CENTERS OF DADE CO

700 SW 8th Street

Miami, FL 33130

Contact: Ramon Perez-Dorrbecker (305)858-0887

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Centers of Dade County, Inc. (LHANC) is conducting an evidence-based nutrition and cardiovascular health program targeting Hispanic elders, a group at high risk for cardiovascular disease and obesity. Specifically, this program will target the 1,800+ Hispanic elderly participants of the 14 LHANC senior centers throughout Miami-Dade County, Florida. The goals of this project are: to increase knowledge of nutrition among Hispanic elders who are at risk for cardiovascular disease and obesity; to foster behavior change through group sessions and interactive activities; and to test whether the American Heart Association guidelines and materials can be utilized in a dietitian led model targeted to Hispanic elders. Participants will be screened for cholesterol and weight, and 100 to 125 seniors at risk for cardiovascular disease will be included in an intensive nutrition education and counseling program. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) a reduction in participants' dietary fat consumption, saturated fat and cholesterol, using the American Heart Association Eating Plan for Healthy Americans; 2) a reduction in participants' body weight by 5% and/or BMI to 27 or less; and 3) participants' total cholesterol lowered by 6%.

90AM2778 A Community-Based Medication Management Intervention

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2008

PARTNERS IN CARE FOUNDATION, INC

732 Mott Street, Suite 150

San Fernando, CA 91340

Contact: **W. June Simmons (818)837-3775**

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

Partners In Care Foundation will conduct a three-year medication management project for seniors receiving a continuum of community-based social service programs in Los Angeles. The goal of the evidence-based medication management intervention is to identify, prevent, and resolve medication errors among seniors identified at high-risk. The objectives are: to implement the intervention in at least three senior centers and at least two Medicaid-waiver programs; to evaluate the outcomes of the intervention that include assessment and recommendations and follow-up by a pharmacist; and to disseminate findings and lessons learned through a medication management website and other strategies. Products include a software screening tool, a comprehensive web-based toolkit, evaluation tools, a final report, and manuscripts for publication. These products will be disseminated to direct service organizations and Area Agencies on Aging.

90AM2779 Active Start! Increasing Physical Activity Among Sedentary Older Adults in Los Angeles

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 03/31/2008

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF AGING

3580 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 300

Los Angeles, CA 90010

Contact: **Laura Trejo (213)252-4023**

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	125,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The City of Los Angeles Department of Aging will implement a project to increase physical activity among sedentary older adults over a three year period. The project will recruit older adults in the West Adams/West Wilshire area of Los Angeles through OASIS centers, Jewish Family Services, and Delta Sigma Theta Center for Life Development Nutrition Centers, and Tenet California's Brotman and Centinela Medical Centers. Health classes and activities will encourage them to incorporate physical activity into their lives. Expected outcomes include: an increased number of older adults indicating an intention to increase physical activity in order to help control and/or manage existing chronic health conditions; increased fitness levels in older adults participating in exercise classes; improved attitudes toward physical activity; and increased time (minutes) engaged in weekly physical activity. Products will include recruitment materials through a community-wide public awareness campaign, a refined project curriculum, evaluation tools and methodologies for practical application, web page information, and manuscripts for publication and professional conference presentations. These products will be made available throughout the aging services network.

90AM2793 Evidence-based Prevention Programs-National Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 08/31/2010

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE AGING
1901 L Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Bonita L Beattie (202)479-6698

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	600,000
FY 2004	600,000
FY 2005	685,000
FY 2006	687,500
FY 2007	725,000
FY 2008	925,000

The National Council on the Aging has established a National Resource Center to support prevention demonstration grantees to successfully implement evidence-based disability and disease prevention programs; engage the aging services network (and others) in evidence-based programs and facilitate their adoption; and assist AoA to further develop an evidence-based prevention program. The outcomes of this 3-year project will be replicable programs that can positively affect the health and function of older adults, and increased support for the aging network's contributions in addressing prevention needs. The Center will leverage NCOA's experience in strengthening the capacity of aging service providers to offer evidence-based programming and provide multiple types of resources and technical assistance. Bringing complementary skills and knowledge are the Center's partners: the Aging Blueprint Office, the Healthy Aging Research Network of CDC's Prevention Research Centers, UCLA's Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology Program, a leading communications and dissemination firm, and leading national aging organizations.

90AM2810 Improving Self-Management of Chronic Disease in the Elderly

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2008

AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF WESTERN MICHIGAN
1279 Cedar NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503-9503

Contact: Nora Barkey (616)222-7012

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	150,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan, partnering with a managed care plan, four community aging services providers, and a university evaluator, will conduct a three-year program using the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and enhanced outreach. The project seeks to show how the aging network, in partnership with a health care plan, can improve the health outcomes for older adults. Six hundred adults ages 60 and older, with one of four common chronic conditions, will be randomly assigned to receive standard care from managed care or aging services providers, or to receive the CDSMP and enhanced outreach intervention, 200 per group. Measures of health outcomes will be taken at three intervals. Expected outcomes are: positive inter-system collaboration; increased chronic disease self-management knowledge and skills for the community aging service provider (CASP) workers; positive health behaviors, self-efficacy, and health outcomes for participants compared to non-participants; and demonstrated cost and service benefits for older adults. Products will include the final report, manuscripts for publication, and presentations to both aging and health care audiences.

90AM2812 Healthy Ideas: Evidenced-Based Disease Self-Management for Depression

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 07/31/2008

SHELTERING ARMS SENIOR SERVICES

3838 Aberdeen Way

Houston, TX 77025

Contact: Jane Bavineau (713)685-6506

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	150,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The overall goal of this three year initiative is to build on the Healthy IDEAS (Identifying Depression, Empowering Activities for Seniors) program developed by a regional team of professionals in aging services, geriatric care, mental health and health services research and introduced into the Houston community in 2002. This project targets community dwelling elders, with a special focus on underserved and minority subgroups. The specific goals of this proposal are to: prevent or detect depression through effective, evidence-based screening and health promotion education; promote more effective treatment through appropriate mental health referrals; decrease symptoms and improve functioning in depressed elders who participate in the depression self-management program; improve linkages between community aging service providers (CASPs) and community-based healthcare practitioners; and prevent recurrence of the disease through regular depression screening. Expected outcomes include: more effective partnerships among community aging service providers, healthcare organizations, academic researchers and consumers; and refinement of the evidence-based depression self-management intervention to increase recognition, promote effective treatment, and prevent excessive functional disability due to depression. Evaluation outcomes, intervention materials and educational products will be disseminated among CASPs, community health providers, consumer advocacy/support groups.

90AM3111 Living Well in Wisconsin

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services

Disability and Elder Services

1 West Wilson Street PO Box 7850

Madison, WI 53708-7850

Contact: Gail Schwersenska (608)266-7803

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Service's Divisions of Disability and Elder Services and Public Health (Arthritis Program, Diabetes Prevention and Control Program, and Injury Prevention Program), in collaboration with four AAAs, local county/tribal aging agencies, public health departments, health care providers, and the Wisconsin Medical Society, are collaborating to accomplish the following goals and objectives. The primary goal is to develop state infrastructure to support evidence-based prevention programs that feature the widespread availability of Chronic Disease Self-Management (CDSMP) and Fall Prevention (Stepping On) workshops. These sessions will empower adults 60 years and older to carry out healthy behaviors that reduce the risk for chronic conditions, improve self-management of diseases and conditions, reduce risk and fear of falls, and increase quality of life. Objectives are to: 1) promote self-management of chronic conditions through the CDSMP by building and enhancing the existing infrastructure; 2) develop and provide culturally competent CDSMP for Hispanic and Native American populations; 3) implement Stepping On in at least one planning service area; 4) evaluate program infrastructure, and monitor workshop fidelity; and 5) design a network to increase program awareness, and disseminate material. Expected outcomes are: 1) 116 additional active trainers, health professionals and lay leaders; and, 2) an additional 1,700 older persons will attend CDSMP sessions and 560 older persons will attend Stepping On sessions.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3112 IL: Empowering Older People To Take More Control of Their Health

Illinois Department of Public Health
Office of Health Promotion
535 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Thomas J Schafer (217)782-3300

The Illinois Department of Public Health, in partnership with the Department on Aging, proposes to implement evidence-based disease prevention programs for older adults. The goal is to provide the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and the Strong for Life (SFL) exercise program to persons over age 60 through community-level, not-for-profit aging services provider organizations. The objectives are: 1) to begin implementing the CDSMP in three, and the SFL program in one, Planning and Service Area (PSA) as defined by the Older Americans Act, through AAAs; 2) to begin developing the infrastructure and partnerships necessary to effectively embed these programs for the elderly within statewide systems of health and long-term care; 3) to promote and refer to clinical preventive services through these programs; 4) to evaluate the efforts and monitor the fidelity of each program; and 5) to disseminate the results and findings. The expected long-term outcomes will be: potential improvement in the quality of life for older people; reduction of older people's risk of disease, disability and injury; positive lifestyle and behavioral changes for older persons; reduction in the use and cost of health care over time; and the increased availability and accessibility of evidence-based programs at the community-level for older persons .

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3113 Living Longer, Living Stronger: The Oklahoma Project

Oklahoma Department of Human Services
Aging Services Division
2400 North Lincoln Blvd. State Capitol Complex - Sequoyah Building
Oklahoma City, OK 73125

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Zach Root (405)521-2907

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services Aging Services Division, in partnership with the State Department of Health, will develop and implement the Living Longer, Living Stronger project for persons 60 years and older in four rural regions. The partnership includes AAAs, aging services nonprofit providers, the Chickasaw Nation, and others within the collaborative network. The goal of the project is to increase the quality of life and decrease the complications of arthritis, heart disease, stroke, and obesity among persons residing in Oklahoma by providing the EnhanceFitness and Chronic Disease Self Management Programs.

The project objectives are to: 1) develop and sustain quality implementation of two evidence-based health prevention programs for individuals 60 years of age and above; 2) improve collaboration in providing services among health, public health, and aging services network agencies at the state and local level; and 3) evaluate the program, document activities, and disseminate the results.

Project outcomes are to: 1) provide evidence-based health prevention programs to 2,800 individuals over 60; 2) develop over 100 permanent program sites over three years; 3) improve health outcomes among 80% of participants; and 4) sustain the program once federal funding ends. The Oklahoma Project will produce an interagency advisory committee; a final report; marketing materials; articles for publication; data reflecting participants in Oklahoma; models for rural and tribal regions; and abstracts and workshops for national conferences.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3114 Texas Healthy Lifestyles

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Policy Analysis and Support- Mail Code W-578
701 W. 51st St.
Austin, TX 78751

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Jeffrey Kaufmann (512)438-5471

The State of Texas, through the Department of Aging and Disability Services and the Department of State Health Services, under the umbrella of "Aging Texas Well," (ATW) and in cooperation with the Bexar AAA, the Brazos Valley AAA and Neighborhood Centers Inc., propose to expand regional public/private evidence-based health promotion to help seniors take control of their lives and reduce their risk of disease and disability. The goal is to create a focal point at the state level for evidence-based programs under the Aging Texas Well Initiative and expand the scope of these programs through the faith-based community, in rural areas, and non-traditional partnerships. The planned interventions are the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, the Matter of Balance fall prevention program, and EnhanceFitness.

The objectives are: (1) to develop a foundation of knowledge of the risks associated with chronic disease and the benefits of a healthier lifestyle; (2) to help older persons learn to take responsibility for day to-day self management of their disease; (3) to increase awareness of local resources for a healthier lifestyle; (4) to reduce the burden of chronic illness across the participating regions of Texas; (5) to incorporate a more comprehensive approach to chronic disease management as part of ATW; and (6) to disseminate project information at the conclusion of the grant term. The outcomes will be: improved self-efficacy (for chronic disease management), improved self-reported health status and symptom management, improved health behaviors, reduced utilization of healthcare resources, and stronger community resources to support non-medical chronic disease management.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3115 Evidence-Based Prevention Programs for Older Adults in Oregon

Dept. of Human Svcs, Seniors & People w/ Disabilities
676 Church Street
Salem, OR 97301-1076

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

Contact: Elaine Young (503)373-1726

The Oregon Dept. of Human Services, Seniors & People with Disabilities and the Dept. of Human Services, Health Promotion, and Chronic Disease Prevention propose to implement an evidence-based (EB) disease prevention initiative with the goal of promoting the health and independence of community-living older adults in four diverse areas in Oregon. The interventions: Tai Chi and the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program will promote active self-management of chronic conditions, promote physical activity, and reduce falls. The objectives are to: 1) reach at-risk seniors with EB programs through new and expanded partnerships between aging, health, private, and public agencies; 2) maintain fidelity to the design and research outcomes associated with the selected interventions; 3) increase awareness and use of EB health promotion programs focused on older adults; and 4) develop systems that can be used in sustaining, replicating, and expanding the use of such programs in Oregon. The anticipated outcomes are: new and expanded community partnering to offer EB to at risk older adults; increased participation by high risk older adults in EB programs to impact chronic disease self-management, physical activity, and falls prevention; and expansion of the three projects to additional counties, as a result of dissemination efforts. Products: final report, including data on participation & reach, and systems development; articles that may be written about the project; and logic models for implementation of each program, as well as abstracts for any conference presentations on the project.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3116 NJ Empowering Older People To Take More Control of Their Health

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services
PO Box 360
Trenton, NJ 08625-0000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	192,300
FY 2007	192,300
FY 2008	192,300

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The NJ Dept. of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) proposes to develop statewide capacity for local delivery of low-cost, evidence-based disease prevention programs (EBDPP). The grant will build upon NJ's model for healthy aging, which is based upon leadership and coordination within the Area Agency on Aging, program delivery through local community-based providers, and strategic partnerships with public health & other health care providers to assure the quality of health-related activities. Year 1 goal: empower seniors to reduce modifiable risk factors for disease and disability by establishing the infrastructure to effectively deliver the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in Atlantic, Cape May and Warren Counties, and the Healthy IDEAS program in Essex and Union Co. Objectives include: 1) establishing local partnerships for service delivery; 2) certifying master trainers and class leaders for CDSMP; 3) developing and delivering training for Healthy IDEAS; 4) implementing programs and integrating them into the counties' service delivery system; and 5) conducting a comprehensive evaluation. In addition, state level intra and inter-departmental partnerships will establish CDSMP in related networks, including Medicaid, Disabilities and Chronic Disease Services. Outcomes will be achieved on three levels: 1) participants will be empowered to better manage their chronic diseases through skill development and enhanced self-confidence; 2) the local service delivery system will have strengthened provider relationships and integrated delivery of EBDPP; and 3) the state will have a more fully developed model to support healthy aging statewide. Target audiences are underserved populations, including African-Americans, Latinos, frail individuals and those with access barriers. Products include: evaluated templates for model replication, reports detailing evaluation outcomes, & written materials distributed electronically via listservs and websites.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3117 Healthy Aging Partnership - Empowering Elders (HAP-EE)

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Executive Office on Aging
Hawaii Department of Health
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Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

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Hawaii's Executive Office on Aging (EOA), in partnership with the Department of Health, three of Hawaii's four AAAs (Honolulu's Elderly Affairs Division, Hawaii County Office of Aging, Kauai's Agency on Elderly Affairs), and OAA-funded service providers and health and research partners in each of these three counties, propose to implement a Healthy Aging Partnership-Empowering Elders (HAP-EE) initiative. This project builds on Hawaii's Healthy Aging Partnership (HAP), a broad partnership established in 2003 to improve older adult health by building aging network capacity to implement evidence-based (EB) prevention programs in Hawaii's multi-ethnic environment. Since its inception, HAP has trained 40 aging network partners in four counties (in needs assessment, EB programming, logic modeling, and evaluation), and three of four counties successfully piloted programs to enhance physical activity and healthy eating among meal site participants. Our current statewide goals are to: 1) continue building the aging network capacity in EB programming; and 2) effectively embed two EB programs: Stanford's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and the EnhanceFitness (EF) Program in our Aging Network. Over three years, we will: 1) expand the HAP Steering Committee and Evaluation Subcommittee; 2) enhance planning and evaluation skills of 40 Aging Network partners; 3) develop 30 leaders and/or master trainers for CDSMP and EF; 4) replicate with fidelity CDSMP by five OAA-funded providers in Honolulu County, and EF in eight nutrition sites in Hawaii County and six nutrition/recreation sites in Kauai County; and 5) engage 460 older adults in EB programs, 180 in CDSMP and 280 in EF.

90AM3118 SC: Implementation of Evidence-Based Intervention Programs Statewide

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Main Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Terri Whirrett (803)734-9908

The SC Lt. Governor's Office on Aging and its partner, the Department of Health and Environmental Control will continue to provide proven prevention programs with the following goals and objectives: Goal 1) - Increase the quality and years of life for older adults with chronic diseases or fear of falling. The objectives for goal one are to: 1) expand the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) statewide; 2) implement A Matter of Balance fall prevention program (MOB) in two regions; 3) train additional Group Leaders and Master Trainers; and 4) expand health promotion strategies and materials to reach diverse groups, including underserved populations; and 5) continue to evaluate the reach, fidelity, and impact of the programs. Goal 2) - Maintain and expand the infrastructure of partnerships to embed these programs in state health and long-term care systems. The objectives for goal two are to: 1) strengthen and expand the local partnership base; 2) provide leadership, consultation, and ongoing support to local partners; 3) sustain and expand the commitment of funds and resources from public and private sectors; and 4) strengthen and expand the SC Partnership for Healthy Aging. Participant Outcomes: CDSMP participants will report increased self-confidence, improved health status, and increased self-management behaviors. MOB participants will demonstrate a reduced fear of falling and increased mobility. System Outcomes: increased number and reach of evidence-based prevention programs for older adults in the state, and reductions in health care utilization and costs.

90AM3119 Ohio's Evidence-Based Prevention Program Initiatives

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Ohio Department of Aging
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Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

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The Ohio Departments of Aging (ODA) and Health (ODH), AAAs and community-based health care and aging service organizations are working to build a collaborative infrastructure aimed at improving the health of older Ohioans by implementing evidence-based prevention programs at the local level. We are proposing to implement and evaluate three different interventions focusing on Chronic Disease Self-Care, Physical Activity, and Fall Prevention in multiple regions of the state. In Chronic Disease Self-Care, the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-management Program (CDSMP) will be extended to four regions of Ohio. Over the three year period, we will conduct 113 CDSMP courses, reaching 1165 older adults. Our Physical Activity intervention intends to sustain and expand the Active Living Every Day Program (a.k.a. Active for Life) in Southeastern Ohio. Over the three year period, we will conduct 15 Active Living Every Day courses, reaching 225 older adults. The Fall Prevention intervention will offer A Matter of Balance/ Volunteer Lay Leader program in Cuyahoga County. Over the three year period we will conduct 56 Matter of Balance courses, reaching 420 older adults. Six regional coalitions have joined ODA and ODH to implement these interventions, including Cleveland (PSA 10A), Akron (PSA 10B), Cincinnati (PSA 1), Columbus (PSA 6), Toledo (PSA 4) and Southeastern Appalachian Ohio (PSA 8).

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3120 Empowering Older Mainers to Take More Control of Their Health

Maine Dept. of Health & Human Services
Office of Elder Services
11 State House Station 442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

Contact: Mary Walsh (207)287-9207

The Office of Elder Services (Maine's State Unit on Aging) submits this proposal with the full commitment of the Maine Center of Disease Control and Prevention (the State Health Agency known as the Maine CDCP). Goal: to empower older people to take more control of their health and reduce their risk of disease and disability. Objectives: 1) expand access to and delivery of four evidence-based prevention programs; 2) expand and develop a network of volunteers trained to deliver the Matter of Balance/Volunteer Lay Leaders (MOB/VLL) program and the Chronic Disease Self Management Program (CDSMP); 3) develop four new EnhanceFitness sites; 4) expand EnhanceWellness to one new site; and 5) further develop the system of communication among health care providers, community service organizations, aging and disability resource centers, and the aging and long-term care system. Target Population: older people with chronic conditions, who could improve their health through participation in these programs. Significant Partners: the Maine CDCP; AAAs; MaineHealth's Partnership for Healthy Aging; Aging and Disability Resource Centers; and community organizations already participating in evidence-based wellness programs. Proposed Activities: 1) cross-train existing MOB/VLL coaches to administer the CDSMP and develop a network of sites at which both programs are co-located and available; and 2) expand EnhanceFitness and EnhanceWellness programs at pilot sites. Outcomes anticipated: increased number of older Mainers who make healthy lifestyle changes; a network of people skilled and available to coach older Mainers in attaining and maintaining a healthy lifestyle; and increased communication and referrals among health care providers, community service organizations, and older adults.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3122 CA Initiative to Empower Older Adults to Better Manage Their Health

California Department of Aging
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Sacramento, CA 95834

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

Contact: Janet Tedesco (916)419-7500

The California State Departments of Aging and Health Services, local AAAs, public health and non-profits throughout the state, are proposing to implement the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and/or Matter of Balance (MOB), a fall prevention program in five geographic areas and in several Multipurpose Senior Services Programs, introducing Medication Management and Healthy Moves. The goal is to create an effective infrastructure that includes both state and local partnerships to implement sustainable evidence-based prevention programs for older people within the state's aging network. The objectives are to: implement the CDSMP and/or MOB in geographic areas that represent 40% of the state's seniors; disseminate two additional evidence-based programs for frail, dually eligible seniors in at least six communities; and provide technical assistance to the identified local partnerships as prototypes for further expansion. The anticipated outcomes are to create a sustainable network to provide community education and evidence-based programs for diverse older adults; integrate evidence-based programs into at least five geographic regions; and conduct outreach that will successfully recruit approximately 6,000 high risk seniors to the initiative .

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3123 Iowa Healthy LINKS

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
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Des Moines, IA 50319

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

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The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs (DEA) and Department of Public Health (IDPH) have partnered with the following three Planning Service Areas (PSA): Aging Resources of Central Iowa, Heritage Area Agency on Aging and Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging to implement the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and EnhanceFitness. The initiative will be called the Iowa Healthy Links and its goal is improving the health of older Iowans with chronic diseases and increasing Iowa's capacity to provide evidence-based health promotion programs for older adults.

All three areas will participate in program evaluation, creating the benchmarks and measuring the changes in participant's quality of life, health care utilization, chronic disease self-efficacy, fruit and vegetable consumption, physical activity and strength, along with program sustainability, dispersion, and capacity building. The Des Moines University will coordinate program evaluation. Anticipated outcomes include improvement in quality of life measures, health behaviors and a reduction in health care utilization, which will facilitate system development for sustainability. Results from the evaluation will be provided to the Iowa Department of Human Services (state Medicaid agency), Senior Living Coordinating Unit, State Board of Health, State Legislature and private organizations to impact policies and obtain funding for sustaining evidence-based preventive programs. The Iowa Healthy Links will provide a model for implementing evidence-based health promotion programs in other PSA's with other community partners.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3124 Empowering Older New Yorkers To Take More Control of their Health

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Marcus Harazin (518)473-5705

The NY State Office for the Aging and its partner, the Department of Health, propose to implement evidence-based health promotion programs with the goal of building the capacity of local service delivery systems in New York State to incorporate and sustain implementation of the Chronic Disease Self- Management Program (CDSMP) and the Active Choices, physical activity program. Objectives: (1) successfully implement CDSMP and Active Choices programs in three regions and reach 1,800 persons over age 60 over a three year period for CDSMP, and 3,300 persons for Active Choices; (2) ensure fidelity to program protocols, encourage on-going quality improvement and guide systems change at the state and local level, thereby increasing the likelihood of sustainability upon the completion of the project's funding; and (3) disseminate a model for implementation and sustainability of evidence-based programs.

Anticipated Outcomes: (1) improvement in health promotion participation and outcomes for residents over age 60; (2) integration of evidence-based programs into the health promotion offerings of the State and particularly in Point of Entry (POE) and Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Supportive Services Program Development; (3) greater integration of AAA and County Health Department efforts; and (4) new public/private support for evidence-based health promotion programs.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3125 Living Well -Take Charge of Your Health

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Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

The Maryland Department of Aging and its partners, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, Office of Service and Volunteerism, Rural Maryland Council, Towson University, and two health insurance companies will implement this initiative. The goal is to encourage older people to take charge of their health through the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in six Planning Service Areas (PSAs), and the Active for Life program in one of those six. The approach is to develop state and local partnerships, including AAAs, aging services provider organizations (ASPO), local health departments (LHD), health care providers, faith-based organizations, and other agencies in their jurisdictions to provide the CDSMP in many settings, promoting the program and making it widely available. The objectives are to: 1) enhance capacity to provide the CDSMP through licensing and training; 2) develop new and enhance existing partnerships for broad application of the CDSMP and for sustainability; 3) provide opportunities for 2,661 participants in CDSMP and 75 in Active for Life; 4) develop outreach and referral for potential leaders and participants; 5) evaluate the projects for quality and effectiveness; and 6) disseminate project information nationally and statewide. The expected outcomes include: 1) CDSMP will be available to participants in a variety of settings; 2) health care providers will make referrals to the EB projects; 3) participants will demonstrate outcomes as expected by the interventions; and 4) local partnerships, led by AAAs, ASPOs, and LHDs, will act as mentors to non-participating jurisdictions to enable them to develop EB projects in their areas.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3130 Empowering Older People to Take More Control of Their Health: Evidence-Based Prevention

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
Public Health and Environment
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Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

The Colorado State Unit on Aging (SUA) and the Dept. of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) support this Healthy Aging Partnership Project in collaboration with the Consortium for Older Adult Wellness (COAW). The goal: expand the existing infrastructure of the partnership of the SUA, CDPHE, and COAW to implement and sustain the delivery of evidence-based (EB) prevention programs through community aging service providers. The objectives: 1) create a sustainable delivery system for EB program training and implementation, coordination, technical support & fidelity oversight of the Chronic Disease Self- Management Program (CDSMP) and A Matter of Balance (MOB) in three geographical areas of Colorado, and all 16 AAA regions by August '07; 2) modify significant factors caused by chronic diseases or conditions in a minimum of 68% of participants who enroll in CDSMP and/or MOB, by project's end; 3) expand the communication network of OAA community-based service providers that encourages the sharing of resources and increases the opportunity for collaboration; and 4) make this expanded system sustainable by and beyond August '09. Expected outcomes: 1) expand accessibility for older adults to the CDSMP and other evidence-based programs (EBP); 2) embed an EBP service system into three regional health service providers that collaborate with regional communities for training, networking, and resource sharing; 3) train ten certified, regional, Master trainers in CDSMP and 50 paired community leaders per year, who will implement the program; 4) reach 3,500 participants in CDSMP/Matter of Balance; 5) obtain AAA support to sustain EB programs by using Title III-D funds/private funding; 6) analyze data for evaluation on health indicators, participant reach, and program satisfaction through evidence-based disease prevention software; and 7) build upon existing networks with additional EB self-management interventions in physical activity, nutrition, and fall prevention.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3134 Arizona On The Move For Healthy Aging

Arizona Department of Health Services
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Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

The Arizona Department of Health Services and its partner the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Aging and Adult Services (ADES-DAAS) through the Arizona on the Move for Healthy Aging Project will implement the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and EnhanceFitness (EF) programs in Pima, Santa Cruz and Yavapai counties over three years. The goals are to: 1) implement evidence-based prevention programs targeting adults 60+; and 2) build and strengthen state and local healthy aging partnerships focused on prevention services targeting older adults. The objectives are to: develop a resource of CDSMP and EF trainers at the state and local levels, establish CDSMP and EF programs in three counties and integrate evidence-based prevention programs into planning and policy in state public health and aging networks. The outcomes of this project will be increased training and prevention program resources in two rural and one urban county, along with strong partnerships at local and state levels to increase capacity and infrastructure for prevention services targeting adults 60 years and older. An additional outcome will be the availability of data demonstrating the benefit to adults 60 years and older of participation in chronic disease self-management programs. The products from this project will include: a final report, evaluation results from the courses, data on health status and outcomes of participants to be used in fact sheets for policy and decision-makers, abstracts for national aging and public health conferences, and project information and resources available on the Healthy Aging Communication Network website and through the Arizona Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3135 Michigan's Older Adults: On the PATH to Better Health

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Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

The Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) support this grant. The goal is to create a sustainable statewide infrastructure that can facilitate the integration and embedding of evidence-based disease prevention programming into the local aging and public health networks. The objectives are to: expand and enhance the capacity of the existing statewide group, Partners on the PATH (Personal Action Toward Health); form community coalitions to oversee local provision of services; ensure these coalitions have a sustainable business plan; recruit and train program leaders; develop a universal system to use for evaluation and to monitor fidelity; provide follow-up and referral to participants; and disseminate project information and develop a template for other area agencies on aging to recreate. The expected outcomes of this project are: Partners on the PATH will become a line item in the state budget and will be instrumental in making recommendations on state policy concerning chronic disease; local coalitions will have a sustainable marketing plan and oversee classes offered; seniors who participate in classes will reduce their risk of developing chronic diseases; seniors with chronic diseases will adopt better health practices that will improve their quality of life; pre-and-post testing will reflect an increased knowledge in dealing with chronic diseases; and documented fidelity to the programs will be realized.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3136 Idaho Lifestyle Interventions for the Elderly

Idaho Department of Health and Welfare
Bureau of Community & Environmental Health
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Boise, ID 83720-0036

Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

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The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, in collaboration with the Idaho Commission on Aging, Area Agencies on Aging, and senior centers in Idaho, plan to implement health promotions programs for seniors on chronic disease self-management and nutrition education. The goal is to provide comprehensive programs in three health districts by incorporating evidence-based programs into an existing infrastructure that has successfully delivered physical activity/fall prevention classes for older people in rural and resource-poor areas. The objectives are to: 1) provide a Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP); 2) contract with senior centers that are hosting other programs to add the CDSMP in their site and in other sites in their communities; and 3) train peer leaders for the Healthy Eating for Successful Living in Older Adults (HE) program. The outcomes will include: 1) CDSMP offered at nine senior centers in three local public health districts; 2) HE program introduced; 3) enhanced quality of life and greater control over health outcomes experienced by CDSMP participants; and 4) improved nutritional status of HE participants.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3137 MA Empowering Older People to Take More Control of Their Health

Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Policy and Program Development
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Boston, MA 02108

Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	250,000

Contact: Sandra Tocman (617)222-7512

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs (Elder Affairs) and its partner, the Department of Public Health Office of Healthy Aging/Health and Disability (MDPH) is proposing to implement evidence-based prevention programs. The goal is to develop a sustainable infrastructure within the Commonwealth to implement high-quality evidence-based disease prevention (EBDP) programs that provide the maximum number of at risk older adults and people with disabilities the tools to maintain healthy and active lifestyles. Elder Affairs and MDPH will partner with community-based organizations and provide leadership for the implementation and evaluation of the following EBDP programs in three geographic areas: 1) Stanford University's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program in the Northeast Area; 2) A Matter of Balance in Boston; and 3) Healthy Eating for Successful Living in Older Adults in the South Suburban area. The major objectives are to: 1) build and sustain private/public partnerships at the state and local levels to deliver EBDP programs; 2) create protocols and guidelines for implementation, evaluation, and reporting; 3) provide EBDP programs to reach older adults and people with disabilities; 4) monitor the project's progress, fidelity, and outcomes; and 5) effect statewide and local policy and systems to sustain the project. The expected outcomes are: existing public/private partnerships will expand their capacity to integrate EBDP programs into local and statewide systems; older adults and people with disabilities will report improvements in falls; better strategies for coping with diseases; better food choices; and increased levels of physical activity.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3138 Arkansas Empowering Older Adults Project

Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services
Division of Health
P.O. Box 1437, H- 41
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Becky Adams (501)661-2334

The Division of Health (DOH) of the Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services (ADHHS) proposes to initiate the Arkansas Empowering Older Adults Project. The DOH has the following partners: ADHHS/Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS), the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Reynolds Institute on Aging - Arkansas Aging Initiative, AAAs, the Aging and Disability Resource Center, aging service providers in each region, and local Hometown Health Improvement coalitions. The goal is to empower older Arkansans to take greater control of their health through lifestyle changes and to reduce their risk for chronic diseases and disability by delivering evidence-based prevention programs. The two proposed programs to be implemented are the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program in two regions and the Active Living Every Day, physical activity program statewide. The objectives are to develop program infrastructure; train facilitators and master trainers; implement the programs; provide opportunities for physical activity for older adults; maintain fidelity to the original design; assess the impact of programs; and disseminate project information. The expected outcomes are for participants to demonstrate positive lifestyle changes; increase their ability to cope with challenges and barriers to exercise; decrease chronic disease risk factors; and successfully collaborate and mobilize project partnerships.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3139 Minnesota's Evidence-Based Health Promotion Initiative

Minnesota Board on Aging
Dept. of Human Services
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St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

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The Minnesota Board on Aging in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Health will work with public and private partners at the state and community levels to build a sustainable, statewide-coordinated evidence-based health promotion initiative. The objectives are to: 1) implement three highly visible, evidence-based health promotion programs: The Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, Matter of Balance, a fall prevention program, and EnhanceFitness, a physical activity program; 2) collaborate with strategic partners who can ensure identification of at-risk individuals and consistent referrals to these programs and who have a stake in the outcomes; 3) refine and expand data and quality assurance systems that can be used by all aging services providers to track participation in these programs and assure fidelity of implementation; and 4) build a business case for these approaches to ensure their long-term sustainability. The expected outcomes of this initiative are: 1) older Minnesotans will have fewer falls and fall-related injuries, maximizing their independence and quality of life; and 2) more older Minnesotans will adopt self-management skills and work with their health care providers to more effectively manage their chronic conditions, contributing to improvement of health status, independence and quality of life.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3140 Empowering Older People to Take More Control of Their Health

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
(NCDHHS)

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Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	149,380
FY 2008	149,380

The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services and the Division of Public Health are fully committed to the goal of mobilizing a statewide campaign to implement and sustain the Stanford University Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) to reduce the risk of disease and disability among seniors (outcome). The promised permanent full-time position to coordinate evidence-based health promotion symbolizes this strong commitment. The objectives are: to train 3564 participants in three geographic regions and to target low-income, racial/ethnic minority, and/or rural older adults; (2) to work with at least 3 different target settings and delivery agents in each of the regions to deliver the CDSMP; (3) to assure that all sites deliver the program with fidelity; (4) to determine the extent to which participants benefit across race/ethnicity, poverty level, gender, age or geographic location; (5) to create a statewide infrastructure for ongoing sustainability and quality assurance; and (6) to evaluate the economic impact of the CDSMP.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3141 CT Empowering Older People To Take Control of Their Health

State of Connecticut, Department of Social Services

Department of Social Services

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Hartford, CT 06106

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Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	250,000
FY 2008	200,000

The State of Connecticut Department of Social Services and the Department of Public Health is developing a collaborative and integrated network of state and local aging, health and non-profit organizations with the goal of empowering older people to take more control over their own health through lifestyle changes that have proven effective in reducing the risk of disease and disability. Its approach is to translate research evidence into programs at the community level by imbedding low-cost prevention programs within existing state and local programs. The objectives are to expand these efforts by: 1) developing and enhancing linkages across state and local aging, health, and nonprofit organizations; 2) augmenting uptake of prevention efforts by training professionals and older adults in the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP); 3) training community-based professionals and seniors in fall prevention; 4) progressively implementing CDSMP in the designated geographic area; 5) progressively implementing a fall prevention program in the designated geographic areas; 6) conducting an impact evaluation; and 7) disseminating the results to Connecticut and to other states. Key organizations include three AAAs, University of Connecticut, Yale University, and several local health, aging, and nonprofit organizations with Title III funding. The expected outcomes include increased knowledge and modified behaviors among professionals and seniors concerning chronic disease self-management and fall prevention.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3174 Evidence-Based Prevention Program

Project Period: 03/18/2008 - 07/31/2009

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	641,690

The Florida Department of Health, in collaboration with the Florida Department of Elder Affairs, supports a three year project entitled "Empowering Older People to Take More Control of Their Health through Evidence-Based Prevention Programs". The goal of the project is to provide evidence-based interventions for arthritis and other chronic conditions to the maximum number of people age 60 years and older who are at risk and can benefit from the interventions.

The objectives are: 1) to conduct master trainer and leader trainings for the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in three counties within three Planning Service Areas (PSA); 2) to conduct leader training for the Spanish Arthritis Self-Management Program (SASMP) in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties; 3) to conduct CDSMP and SASMP classes; 4) to evaluate the course through pre/post-tests and satisfaction surveys; 5) to ensure the fidelity of the implementation of the courses through direct observation of the classes and leader checklists; and 6) to disseminate project results.

The expected outcomes of this project are: 1) for the CDSMP, positive changes in health care utilization, social/role activities limitations, disability, energy/fatigue, self-rated health, exercise behaviors, cognitive symptom management, communication with physicians, and health distress; 2) for the SASMP, positive changes in self-efficacy, health care utilization, depression, disability, pain, energy/fatigue, self-rated health, exercise, cognitive symptom management, and use of mental stress management/relaxation techniques.

The intended products from this project are interim reports, a final report (including evaluation results), and abstracts for national conferences.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3127 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

INTER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF ARIZONA, INC.

2214 North Central Avenue, Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85004

Contact: Lee Begay (602)258-4822

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	127,669
FY 2007	127,669
FY 2008	125,098

The goal of this project is to develop accessibility of current and newly developed health promotional materials and disease prevention strategies for American Indian Elders, caregivers and Tribal, State and National Aging Programs. The objectives are: 1) to establish partnerships and coordination with three community-based and statewide organizations to pilot and adopt two successful models to provide accessibility to health promotional materials; 2) to develop a comprehensive plan to identify two existing health promotional materials and to replicate those programs to make them accessible nationwide; 3) to promote the availability of three quality health promotion materials for American Indian elders by cooperating with the broader health, supportive services, academic and professional communities to reach an increased number of elders with limited English speaking proficiency; 4) to develop three culturally competent and linguistically appropriate health promotional materials and make them available to American Indian elders; and 5) to target training and educational materials to isolated and hard-to-reach American Indian communities.

90AM3128 The National Minority Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

ASOCIACION NACIONAL PRO PERSONAS MAYORES

234 E Colorado Blvd, Ste 300

Pasadena, CA 91101

Contact: Carmela G Lacayo (626)564-1988

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	294,622
FY 2007	294,622
FY 2008	289,475

The project goal is to design a community-based health intervention project for limited English proficient Hispanic elders and their families, i.e. older Hispanic individuals and families with low income and low literacy. Objectives will promote the concept that knowledge is the best medicine by using diverse language and cultural competence approaches to disease prevention, health education and training. Major objectives include: 1) designing health promotion materials that emphasize appropriate cultural literacy levels for use by older Hispanics and their families; 2) enhancing the aging network's ability to provide culturally competent services to Hispanic older individuals; 3) enhancing the services of established faith-based organization (FBO) church volunteer programs as a community support system for low-income older Hispanics; and 4) establishing and sustaining partnerships with local targeted health care and Hispanic CBOs to develop and implement the goal and objectives of Project Punte. The project is being conducted in collaboration with national organizations and networks of the American Society on Aging, the N4A, Eastern Washington University Center on the Studies of Aging, Hispanic and FBOs, the Senior Community Service Employment Program partner national sponsors and their networks of multiple community health centers and nonprofit hospitals who have signed host agency agreements.

90AM3129 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

The National Caucus & Ctr. on Black Aged

1220 L Street, NW, Suite 800

Washington, DC 20005

Contact: Aundrette J Boddie (202)637-8400

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	294,622
FY 2007	294,622
FY 2008	289,475

The project goal is to reduce obesity as a risk factor leading to chronic diseases among older African Americans. The project focus is on reducing the risk for conditions such as cardiovascular disease, hypertension, diabetes, kidney failure, glaucoma, and other obesity related diseases. Strategy is based on the concept formally known as compression of morbidity. The concept is expressed in the reduction of the total period of disability, which is the main goal of prevention initiatives targeted to older individuals. Lifestyle changes that complement the strategy often reduce the risk of one disease, while delaying or reducing the risk of others as well. Project objectives: 1) increase the level of knowledge of African American seniors about self care strategies related to overweight and obesity; 2) increase awareness of African American seniors about health disparities in their communities; 3) achieve active weight loss among the seniors participating in the Healing Circle component of the project; 4) increase the level of physical activity among seniors participating in the project; and 5) engage Healing Circle participants in community health advocacy activities. Also, NCBA will implement the web site "Senior Health News Network" to serve as a realtime information portal for disseminating late breaking news, health and wellness related stories. The target population includes African American individuals age 50 and above, their families and caregivers. Partners include Group Ministries of Baltimore, MD and Buffalo, NY; AAAs in Richmond, VA, Detroit, MI, and Hinds County, MS; and the Aging and Title V Senior Community Service Networks.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3131 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Boat People SOS, Inc.
Family Services Department
6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100
Falls Church, VA 22041

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	102,273
FY 2007	102,273
FY 2008	91,427

Contact: Tiffany Nguyen (703)538-2190

The project goal is to increase seniors' awareness, affect their attitudes and sustain behavioral changes regarding health by disseminating information about diseases most prevalent among three (3) Indochinese subgroups of Asian American seniors: Vietnamese, Cambodians and Laotians. Through the IRIS Center and partnerships at the local level, BPSOS plans to focus on cancer, hepatitis B, diabetes, mental health and cardiovascular disease. Objectives are: 1) to provide Indochinese seniors accurate information about health issues and services in appropriate formats; 2) using the BPSOS network of branch offices, serve as a gateway to the Center's information on health ; 3) facilitate family members capacity as health advocates and navigators; 4) encourage senior associations and self-help groups to incorporate health-focused workshops into their regular activities; 5) facilitate faith-based and community organizations efforts to convey program messages to their respective constituents; and 6) assist local and state health care providers to disseminate linguistically appropriate health messages. The proposal builds on a pilot project funded by CareFirst, being implemented in the Washington DC metro area. In addition to funds provided by SAMHSA, HRSA, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the assistance of AmeriCorps, local partners include 12 branch offices that house technology centers. The project also plans to utilize collaborations established through the Senior Medicare Patrol project.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3132 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

National Asian Pacific Center on Aging
1511 Third Avenue Suite 914
Seattle, WA 98101

Project Period: 06/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	285,000
FY 2007	285,000
FY 2008	254,776

Contact: Kenneth J Bostock (206)838-8166

The project goals are to improve the health care outcomes and the quality of life for Asian Pacific Islander (API) seniors, as well as reduce API senior health care costs. Objectives will build on the strategy initiated with Medicare Prescription Drug outreach efforts by using a national multi-language toll free help line to provide assistance in four API languages. Three objectives are: 1) strengthen the effectiveness of health care advocacy efforts in API communities through healthy lifestyle promotion, disease prevention and outreach to improve health care success and health care outcomes for API seniors; 2) build national and local community capacity to address and reduce health disparities, and provide information, education and assistance; and 3) build partnerships to establish an inclusive network of API community-based health and service organizations and mainstream organizations that can provide information and technical assistance. The target population includes older Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in 13 API communities nationwide. Clayton Fong, Executive Director of the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA), is a member of the CMS national consumer advisory committee. Seattle based Project staff serve on the National Diabetes Education Program Older Adult Work Group. NAPCA staff based in Los Angeles serve on the boards of Pacific Islander Community Health Task Force, and the Los Angeles County AAA Advisory Committee.

Program: Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging-Nat'l Resource Center

90AM2768 Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging-National Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
11200 SW 8th Street, OE 200
Miami, FL 33199

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	460,369
FY 2004	460,369
FY 2005	460,369

Contact: Nancy Wellman (305)348-1517

The goal of the National Resource Center on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging (the Center) is to expand and strengthen the knowledge and service delivery capability of Older Americans Act (OAA) Nutrition Programs and the Aging Network in nutrition and physical activity programs for older adults. The objectives are to provide training and technical assistance to enable mini-grant awardees to implement programs and document outcomes from nutrition and physical activity programs; disseminate information through the Center's website and build knowledge through publications and presentations; and provide training and technical assistance to the aging network on nutrition issues. Year 1 products include: (1) ten \$10000 mini-grant projects with measurable outcomes; (2) an annual report of Nutrition and Physical Activity Mini-Grant Projects; (3) National Mini-Grantee Workshop -Town Hall meetings at National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs, Meals on Wheels Association of America, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging; (4) a website that comprehensively covers nutrition, physical activity, and aging - posting biweekly highlights to 3 Center-managed listservs; 5) a regularly updated Older Americans Nutrition Program Toolkit; and (6) at least 2 journals, 4 newsletters, and 2 Ask the Experts articles; 1 set of meeting backgrounders, proceedings; & 4 Aging Network presentations. In addition, the Center will provide technical assistance to the aging services network through telephone calls, and e-mails, as well as meeting consultations.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3079 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of Hawaii
2530 Dole Street
Sakamaki Hall D-200
Honolulu, HI 96822

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	120,000
FY 2007	120,000
FY 2008	117,904

Contact: Paul Kakugawa (808)956-4054

The University of Hawaii at Manoa proposes a project to establish Ha Kupuna, the National Resource Center for Native American Elders, focusing on Native Hawaiians, in collaboration with national and regional community partners and elders. Our goal is the development and dissemination of knowledge on Hawaiian elders and their health and long-term care preferences and patterns, in order to improve access to and the delivery of services to them. Our objectives are to: 1) establish a sustainable core organizational structure to achieve the vision and direction of this Center; 2) begin to establish a national database of Native Hawaiian elders and their caregivers in health and long-term care; and 3) enhance the community's knowledge of Native Hawaiian health and long-term care needs through the dissemination of research, and the provision of training and technical assistance to professionals. Our outcomes include increased collaboration among providers of eldercare and Native leaders in Hawaii; increased knowledge of providers of eldercare services for Native elders; and increased knowledge of Native civic leaders about aging. Our products include a database and Resource website on Native Hawaiian elders and their caregivers in long-term care; national and regional conference abstracts; a report, including project evaluation; and articles for publication.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3080 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of North Dakota
School of Medicine and Health Sciences
501 North Columbia Road
Grand Forks, ND 58202

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	341,995
FY 2007	383,998
FY 2008	336,020

Contact: Twyla Baker-Demaray (800)896-7628

The National Resource Center on Native American Aging, located at the Center for Rural Health, University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences has been of service to American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiians since 1994. The Center's efforts have concentrated on the goal of "raising the quality of life for Native elders to the highest possible level" through technical assistance, training, conducting needs assessments, and research. To reach that goal, the Center is proposing three continuing objectives: 1) continue to assist an increasing number of the 561 federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations with determining the needs of their elders by conducting the Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders. Assist with new locations and with those who have already conducted the needs assessment by re-administering the survey to help collect longitudinal data during the 2006 - 2009 project period; 2) continue to provide feedback for those who have conducted the Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders and to improve that feedback by providing information regarding best practices, exemplary projects and promising innovations; and 3) continue to conduct training for service providers working with elders on a regular basis at national and regional conferences and monthly seminars hosted by, but not limited to, the Administration on Aging Regional Offices, Kauffman and Associates and the National Indian Council on Aging.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3081 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of Alaska Anchorage
College of Health and Social Welfare
3211 Providence Drive, Suite 205
Anchorage, AK 99508

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	221,995
FY 2007	221,995
FY 2008	218,116

Contact: Kanaqlak (George) P Charles (907)786-4329

The National Resource Center for American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiian Elders at the University of Alaska, Anchorage will have three goals: 1) empowering Native communities to incorporate traditional ways of treating Elders within community care systems; 2) providing technical information to promote culturally sensitive and appropriate services to maintain social well being within a spiritually Elder-focused environment; and 3) increasing visibility of Native Elder-care issues. Outcomes will include: 1) defining Native Elder values to better understand appropriate Native Elder-care standards; 2) defining clinical and behavioral needs of Native communities and assisting them in conducting assessments of Elder's desires for their own care; and 3) identifying "best, promising and emerging practices" of the current culturally based Native Elder-care services. Products will include: 1) conferences of Elders to gather cultural value narratives; 2) an Elder-care needs assessment and technical assistance "tool box" for use by Native communities; 3) summer field institute to train families and health care professionals working with Elders; 4) narratives describing cultural values and summary papers on "best, promising and emerging practices", "Elder mistreatment/prevention" and "long-term care"; and 5) a web site to further disseminate all information produced.

90OP0001 Planning a Nationwide Evaluation of Evidence-Based Programs for Seniors

The Texas A&M University System HSC Research Foundation
Social and Behavioral Health
400 Harvey Mitchell Parkway South, Suite 100
College Station, TX 77845

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Marcia Ory (979)458-1373

The Texas A&M Health Science Center School of Rural Public Health, with support from the Centers for Disease Control's Prevention Research Center-Healthy Aging Research Network, will develop a comprehensive plan for a nationwide evaluation of evidence-based programs (EBP) for seniors. The four major objectives are: 1) to assess the current state of knowledge about EBP practice and evaluation; 2) to identify strengths and gaps in reaching aging populations, delivering EBP services, and building training and evaluation capacity; 3) to recommend a nationwide evaluation plan, specifying design, measurement, desired outcomes, and other critical elements; and 4) to indicate key players/areas of expertise needed to conduct the proposed evaluation plan.

The primary outcome will be a recommended plan to evaluate EBPs for older adults nationwide, in collaboration with the National Association of State Units on Aging, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and aging services provider organizations. Secondary outcomes are to improve the implementation and delivery of EBPs in terms of reach and adoption, treatment fidelity, cost-effectiveness, and sustainability, ultimately leading to the enhancement of seniors' health and well-being.

In addition to summary briefing reports and scholarly publications, specific products include a: research update, plan for online evaluator training modules, guidebook for applying cost-effectiveness methodology, and compendium of best practices. The intent of the project is to mobilize key stakeholders in synergistic partnership to help define and facilitate implementation of a nationwide evaluation effort developed with input from the aging services network, public health arena, and health care sector.

Program: Unsolicited

90AM3142 Aging Strategic Alignment Project for the Aging Network

Project Period: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2010

BENJAMIN ROSE INSTITUTE
11900 Fairhill Rd., Suite 300
Cleveland, OH 44120

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	399,915
FY 2008	300,000

Contact: (216)373-1600

Benjamin Rose Institute Aging Strategic Alignment Project (Roadmap) key issues:

The 2006 Amendments to the Older Americans Act included important new provisions related to long-term care that underscore the national role of the Aging Services Network in home and community-based services. Through a cooperative agreement, the Benjamin Rose project will establish a roadmap that will help the Aging Network understand the significance and long-range vision inherent in the new long-term care provisions, and identify strategies and tactics that the various components of the Network can use to advance a coordinated approach to implementing the new provisions. The Benjamin Rose project identifies systematic work with the NASUA Planning Grants, N4A readiness assessments, Lewin Group ADRC technical assistance, Cash & Counseling, evidence-based disease and disability prevention, and the nursing home diversion grants, as critical components to a successful Roadmap.

Major objectives: 1) develop a communication strategy for AoA and the Aging Services Network for the implementation of the new OAA long-term care provisions; 2) complete an aging network readiness review, working with the Aging Services Network, applicable National Associations and AoA grantees/contractors; 3) finalize and commence roll-out of the Roadmap for the Aging Services Network's role in long-term care; 4) provide technical assistance to the Network; 5) conduct information/training sessions with AoA headquarters staff and regional office staff to ensure consistent communication messaging to the Network (on-going). Benjamin Rose will work with AoA headquarters staff and select regional administrators to ensure successful project management.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2692 Consumer-Directed Services for Families of Persons with Alzheimer's Disease

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2009

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
PO Box 95044
Lincoln, NE 68509-5044

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	326,000
FY 2004	278,300
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	225,000

Contact: Janice Price (402)471-9106

This project will use a consumer-directed approach to serve persons with mild to moderate forms of Alzheimer's Disease (AD), and their caregivers. The first goal of the project will be to enable consumers to make effective decisions about care for their relatives and allow them to remain at home as long as possible. The second goal of this project is to offer caregivers a mentor who will provide information and support, mental health support, if needed, and expanded education/training opportunities. Partnerships will be formed with existing community services and religious and rural coalitions to coordinate and enhance services for caregivers and to reach the currently under-served population of caregivers in a five county area. The anticipated outcomes are: a consumer-directed approach for AD patients; caregivers for AD patients; family and relative integration; increased support for AD persons to stay at home and in their community; a mentor assigned for each AD person; and mental health support for each AD person. The product is a final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2693 Dementia Outreach Lexington: Diagnosis/Treatment and Services for African-Americans

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Human Support Services
275 E. Main Street, 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40621

Contact: Phyllis E. Culp (502)564-7194

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	212,970
FY 2004	189,029
FY 2005	189,029
FY 2006	189,029
FY 2007	294,394

Kentucky's Office of Aging Services, in collaboration with the Sanders Brown Center on Aging and the Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, will conduct a three-year program to increase awareness of dementia and utilization of dementia care services by the African-American community. The objectives of the project are: (1) to increase awareness of dementia in the Lexington/Fayette County African-American population; (2) to provide dementia diagnostic services for African-Americans in their community setting; and (3) to offer two separate services through churches, e.g., support groups and a Best Friends care program - to complement programs already in place. Expected outcomes are: increased use of diagnostic and treatment services already in place in an African-American neighborhood, and an increase in sense of satisfaction with caregiving efforts. Products are: a final report; informational materials on dementia and available services; training materials for coaching caregivers and patients; evaluation tools; and manuscripts for publication.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2694 Rural Respite Program - Group Socialization and In-home Respite

Utah Department of Human Services
Aging and Adult Services
120 North 200 West, Room 319
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

Contact: Sonnie Yudell

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000

This project plans to expand access to community-based respite services and to develop a system of in-home respite care that is volunteer driven, for persons with Alzheimer's disease (AD) and related dementias and their caregivers within rural areas of the state and/or minority communities where no such program exists. The goal is to develop relationships with diverse organizations and faith based programs to mobilize and train volunteer respite companions. Culturally sensitive volunteer training materials will be developed to reach a wide range of volunteers and clients. The objectives are: 1) to train volunteer companions who will provide respite care supplemented by home health care; 2) to prepare professionals to teach basic dementia care to participating families; 3) to develop a model for a two-pronged program with parallel development of a plan for community awareness and educational presentations and a program for recruiting and training volunteers and clients; and 4) to provide respite for caregivers, while providing care and socialization for their family member with Alzheimer's. The expected outcomes are: increased access to community-based and in-home respite services; increased use of volunteers for AD persons; increased number of rural caregivers; trainings for AD volunteers and caregivers; and improved access to dementia care services for families with AD persons. The product is a final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2695 Early Intervention and Continuous Supportive Services Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2009

IDAHO COMMISSION ON AGING

PO Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720-0007

Contact: Lois S Bauer (208)334-3833

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	320,348
FY 2004	305,298
FY 2005	293,217
FY 2006	287,174

Idaho's Alzheimer's Disease (AD) project creates a collaborative model, the "Stand By You Program". The goal is to provide a network of services and a single point of entry for people with AD and their families. The objectives are to offer: 1) an array of community services, through a family advisor; 2) monthly orientations to Alzheimer's Disease and a nine-week, in-depth training course; 3) individual, couple and family counseling; and, 4) access to responsive paid and informal respite and companion services. The anticipated outcomes are: dementia-specific training for the network of providers and a peer group; shared best practices; quality improvement processes explored; sustainability and capacity building methods implemented; and purpose and values of the "Stand By You Program" articulated by a professional, community advisory group to the professional communities they represent. The products are: a final report, and training materials on AD.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2696 Home And Community Based Support Services for Hispanic Cultured Persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their Caregivers

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 08/31/2008

Puerto Rico Ombudsman for the Elderly

P. O. Box 191179 Old San Juan Station

San Juan, PR 00919-1179

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-4560

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

The Office for Elderly Affairs for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will conduct a 3-year demonstration project titled: Home and Community-Based Support Services for Hispanic Cultured Persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their Caregivers. The two primary goals are to: 1) develop and provide a comprehensive home-based support model for Hispanic Persons with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and their Caregivers; and 2) improve receptiveness of existing Senior Centers and the long-term care service networks toward persons with AD and related disorders (ADRD). The objectives are to: 1) provide a variety of respite services, home health care, companionship, homemaker services and case management; 2) provide information and training to strengthen their skills and well-being; 3) provide both community service networks with "know-how" information and training, which will result in increased knowledge, sensitivity and receptiveness of persons with AD; and 4) incorporate community organizations and government agencies as part of its Advisory Council, which will play an active role in planning, implementation and evaluation activities. The expected outcomes are: increased family home support for Hispanics with AD in Puerto Rico; and increased sensitivity towards Hispanics with ADRD. The products are a final report, and AD Hispanic training materials.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2723 Reaching and Empowering Alzheimer's Clients Together (REACT)

Connecticut Department of Social Services
Social Work and Prevention
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Contact: Kathy Bruni (860)424-5872

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 12/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	250,000
FY 2004	250,000
FY 2005	250,000
FY 2006	250,000

The Connecticut Department of Social Services is developing this 3-year Alzheimer's Disease (AD) project in partnership with the Connecticut AD Association, AAA, and the Capitol Region Conference of Churches. The goal of this AD project is to conduct community outreach, awareness, and clinical supportive services for AD persons and their families. The objectives are: 1) to provide community-based and in-home clinical assessment/counseling/treatment; 2) to develop materials and treatment strategies; 3) to conduct outreach and increase participation of underserved populations; 4) to conduct program and service integration; and 5) to expand current services/support systems. The projected outcomes are: increased participation of underserved seniors; creation and dissemination of outreach and educational materials; fewer barriers, inc. access and availability of resources and services to families; expanded service/care/support network; increased services and treatments; and a connection to services for isolated self-neglecting AD persons. The program products are web accessible and include a final report; brochures; evaluation/assessment tools; training manuals; and a treatment manual.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2767 North Dakota Alzheimer's Demonstration Project: Working Together

ND ST DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Aging Services Division
600 East Blvd. Ave., Dept. 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

Contact: Sheryl R.H. Pfliger (701)328-4645

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	261,150
FY 2005	261,150
FY 2006	261,150

The goal of the North Dakota Working Together project is to build an alliance between the medical community, parish nurses, OAA and community services to increase dementia identification, treatment and caregiver respite, with a special focus on rural areas and American Indian reservations. A University of North Dakota dementia curriculum will be used to train a pool of Qualified Service Providers (QSPs) with expertise in dementia care. Two medical systems will provide protocols, tools and training to the medical community to facilitate assessment, treatment and referral for enhanced respite services.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2768 Staying the Course in Alzheimer's Care

Vermont Department of Aging and Independent Living
Disability and Aging Services
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-1601

Contact: Maria Mireault (802)241-3738

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The Vermont Department of Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) will develop and implement a three-year project that provides supportive, educational and/or direct service interventions for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD), helping those with ADRD remain in their homes and communities. The project will serve 450 households, targeting family caregivers with low incomes, caregivers residing in rural, underserved areas of the state, and supportive services teams caring for people with ADRD and developmental disabilities. Vermont's DAIL will link project activities to: a) Vermont's community-based long-term system, enhancing existing services and developing new resources, such as case management and eldercare mental health within primary care practices; b) dementia care capable developmental service teams; and c) caregiver wellness and supportive services projects.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2771 AoA Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

Commonwealth of Virginia
Virginia Department for the Aging
1610 Forest Ave., Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Contact: Janet H Schaefer (804)662-9333

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	304,473

Based upon the feedback that the Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA) received during its first Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grants to States Program (ADDGS), VDA will initiate three new projects to improve services to the 107,403 older Virginians and their families impacted by Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD), and to better integrate Alzheimer's Disease programs into the long-term care services system. The first project will award grants to the four Alzheimer's Association chapters in Virginia to provide respite care to families caring for persons with AD. The second project will demonstrate the viability of the systems changes that will result from the development of a Comprehensive Virtual Center on Alzheimer's Disease. The third and final project will initiate the development of affordable driver assessment and rehabilitation programs in Virginia targeted to drivers in the very early stages of AD. VDA will also reactivate the state-level Alzheimer's Disease Response Task Force (ADRTF), created under the department's first ADDGS grant, to provide ongoing guidance during the implementation and evaluation of the three projects.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2772 Alzheimer's Community Outreach, Education and Capacity-Building Project

Minnesota Board on Aging
PO Box 64976
St. Paul, MN 55164

Contact: Donna K Walberg (651)431-2565

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The goal of the Minnesota Working Together project is to engage in a three-year systems change effort to connect the medical and community care systems to create an integrated service system for caregivers and individuals with dementia, in order to increase dementia identification, assessment, treatment and caregiver respite.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2773 Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

State of Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs
412 North 4th Street - 3rd Floor
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Contact: Sharon Buchert (225)342-7100

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs and community partners, the Alzheimer's Association and Alzheimer's Service of the Capital Area, will improve the responsiveness of Louisiana's overall system of home and community-based care to the needs and preferences of persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers. The major objectives of the partnership are: to streamline access to information and services that support persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers; increase consumer control in service options; empower individuals and their caregivers with increased skills and tools to self-advocate and manage needs; and increase services to the underserved through outreach to rural and minority residents. The expected outcome is that persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers will have increased access to information and services that are culturally appropriate and geographically/physically convenient. The proposed activities to achieve these objectives include: more availability and consumer direction for National Family Caregiver Support Program participants; increased respite services and caregiver education; diversity outreach efforts for minority and rural caregivers; and mobile day services to offer innovative respite options.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2774 Expanding Culturally Appropriate Adult Day Care to Minorities and Mid-Late Stage Clients.

State of Iowa
Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
510 East 12th Street, Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Terry Hornbuckle (515)725-3309

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs (IDEA) will conduct a three-year program to increase the capacity of Adult Day Health and Respite (ADR) providers to deliver culturally appropriate service to persons with dementia and to emerging minority populations in rural settings. Goals include: 1) convene statewide committee to evaluate and develop ADR training; 2) increase use of direct services for ADR care; 3) provide assessment and intervention services and staff education to ADR provided by a Memory Loss Nurse Specialist (MLNS); and 4) evaluate and develop culturally sensitive education, training materials, classes, and services. Expected outcomes include: increased numbers of higher level dementia clients receiving adult day/respite services from trained staff; expertise of a MLNS for assessment and education; dementia specific adult day/respite centers meeting new state rules and regulations; and increased client/family satisfaction with services. Products will include a web site, a culturally specific training manual, educational and evaluation tools, and research manuscripts. These will be disseminated to community colleges, direct service organizations and Area Agencies on Aging and introduced at state, local and national conferences.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2775 Focus on Families

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
Division of Aging and Adult Services
PO Box 1437, Slot S530
Little Rock, AR 72203

Contact: Susie Keesling (501)682-2441

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/27/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	281,150
FY 2005	275,754
FY 2006	275,754

The Arkansas Division of Aging and Adult Services' project is called Focus on Families. The project combines models of direct care for underserved populations, use of faith-based and other volunteer organizations, plus innovative methods for improving access to services, information, and supports. The goals are: to focus services/support at the home and community level for people with Alzheimer's Disease (AD)/related disorders and their family caregivers; develop additional services; and make access to services easier and resource information more readily available. Major objectives include: developing and implementing a bridge fund to make home and community-based waiver services available pending eligibility determination; developing a web-based information system; implementing two models of direct care; providing faith-based volunteer services; televising family caregiver training; holding annual symposiums for AD caregivers; and exploring the needs of people who have both AD and developmental disability through a stakeholders' committee. The overall approach includes enhancement of current systems change initiatives, focus on minority and rural populations, and collaboration with key partners and community organizations. Products from the project include broadcast-based training materials, web-based information, direct care and volunteer service models, bridge fund procedures/outcomes, symposiums, and reports.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2776 Walk of Friendship Program

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 08/31/2008

AZ ST DEPT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

1789 West Jefferson Street (950A)

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-4446

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	276,059
FY 2005	276,059
FY 2007	317,024

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, Aging and Adult Administration will build upon its Walk of Friendship model of assistance to address the need for care systems that are dementia-capable and culturally sensitive for individuals with dementia, their families, and their caregivers. The goals of the program are to expand culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate services and materials for persons with dementia and their caregivers and to improve coordination and service delivery of home and community-based services at the state and local level. Expected outcomes are: underserved populations with the disease and their caregivers will have increased access to dementia-capable services; family caregivers will have an increased awareness and knowledge of Alzheimer's disease and available resources; individuals and families will better cope with and plan for disease progression and memory loss; persons with the disease and their family caregiver will have enhanced quality of life and better social supports; and community engagement in dementia capable delivery of services will be improved. Products will include an evaluation report, final report, and web page information.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2778 D.C. Awareness and Care Program (DC AACP)

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/30/2008

District of Columbia Office on Aging

441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 900 South

Washington, DC 20001

Contact: Roxanne Ando (202)724-5622

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	263,768
FY 2005	263,768
FY 2006	263,768
FY 2007	249,961

The District of Columbia Office on Aging (DC OoA) plans to conduct a three-year program mobilizing the African American faith community to create community coalitions that elevate awareness of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD) and increase utilization of services by African Americans. Goals include: reaching African Americans who are not linked to services; testing an approach to link caregivers to direct services; and providing Montessori-based Activities for Persons with Dementia at adult day care centers. Expected outcomes are: amplified awareness of ADRD; increased number of caregivers linked to services; and improved level of functioning in ADRD elders. Products include educational videos, culturally sensitive training manual, assessment/evaluation tools, and web page information that are disseminated to public and private service organizations. Key partners include Home Care Partners, Alzheimer's Association, and DC OoA lead agencies and day care programs.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2779 Alzheimer's Demonstration Project

State of Missouri
Missouri Dept of Health and Senior Services
920 Wildwood Drive - P.O. Box 570
Jefferson City, MO 65109

Contact: Diane Brown (573)751-6014

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	230,523
FY 2005	230,523
FY 2006	230,523
FY 2007	325,000

This initiative will focus on promoting the climate for a systems change. Efforts will be directed to improving the quality of life for persons in Missouri, through expansion of real options to individuals, as they make choices about their lives. It will embark on the following three components:

- "Empowerment Groups" - An innovative community respite model for individuals in the earlier stages of Alzheimer's, based on their capacity to self-direct care, and supporting a sense of purpose and value for the individual.
- A security support program, addressing difficulties with wandering behavior.
- "Staying Home" grant funding to expand care support options for those individuals in the later stages of a dementia.

Contracting with the four chapters of the Alzheimer's Association, Missouri will strengthen the mounting movement towards strength-based care, responsiveness to individual philosophy of life and bolstering opportunities to remain in the home longer.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2780 (STARS and Beyond) Support through Alzheimer's Relief Systems and Beyond

State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs
Division of Volunteer & Community Based Services
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 315
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The goal of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs proposed Alzheimer's Demonstration Project, "Support through Alzheimer's Relief Systems (STARS) and Beyond," is to increase access to services for individuals with dementia, their caregivers and families residing in traditionally underserved rural, minority and culturally diverse communities. Project objectives are: providing direct services, wanderer registration and related services for dementia clients and their caregivers; developing a prioritization system for improving services to dementia clients and caregivers; recruiting faith-based organizations to conduct community-outreach activities; conducting community outreach activities through faith-based organization volunteers; conducting community education presentations; establishing a task force of professionals and agencies serving dementia clients; and expanding 24/7 crisis-intervention, information and referral telephone services. The project approach will emphasize collaborative partnerships among service agencies to minority, elderly and culturally diverse dementia clients and their caregivers in rural areas, found in the nine service counties. Major products will include culturally sensitive dementia awareness and services brochures, and an Alzheimer's Disease "caregiver sensitive" service prioritization form.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2781 Alzheimer's Disease in Rural Maine

Maine Dept. of Health and Human Services
442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333

Contact: Romaine M Turyn (207)287-9214

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	297,121
FY 2005	297,121
FY 2006	297,121
FY 2007	300,000

The Bureau of Elder and Adult Services proposes to increase access to an array of services provided to caregivers of people with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) in rural Maine through a collaboration between providers within Maine's Home and Community Based Care System (HBCS), the Aging Network, and Real Choice System Change Initiatives. The project will expand the pilot caregiver companion program to rural counties and add mental health, end of life care and hospice referral services for clients/families affected by AD, served by the HBCS and Area Agencies on Aging. The project will expand the focus of the ADRC's to include family caregivers. Priority will be on increasing end-of-life care and hospice services in aging programs. Finally, the project will recognize direct care workers trained in dementia care, in collaboration with the Direct Care Workforce Demonstration. Outcomes include: an increase in the numbers of caregivers receiving companion services, mental health counseling and hospice services; and a reduction in the degree of caregiver burden, stress and depression. Products include screening tools, training materials, Web site information and intervention strategies that reduce stress.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2782 Project Care (Caregivers Running on Empty)

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Aging and Adult Services Division
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Contact: Karisa Derence (919)733-8390

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services will implement a new three-year program of consumer-directed respite for dementia caregivers in ten counties, building upon prior successes. The program goal is to improve the quality, access, choice, and use of respite services. The aging service delivery system will be bolstered by the integration of dementia-capable resources into the Family Caregiver Support Program, the new Aging and Disability Resource Centers, and the State long-term care plan. Expected outcomes include: 1) expanded availability of dementia-specific training, education, and resources; 2) increased family awareness of the value and availability of respite; 3) greater family control over services; and 4) increased use of dementia-specific respite care services by low-income rural and minority families. Products to be disseminated include: dementia-specific materials on family decision-making and consumer-directed service use; guidelines on how to respond to caregiver anger; materials on rural and minority family care topics; visiting tips for faith-based volunteers; and a policy paper based on the grant experience and literature review. Project staff will report findings to local evaluation and planning committees.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2784 ADDGS Project Expansion and Integration in Nevada

NEVADA DEPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
Division of Aging Services
3100 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 103
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Contact: Melvin L Phillips (702)486-3545

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

Nevada's Division of Aging Services will fund and coordinate four dementia-related service providers. These providers will target Nevada's rural residents, those with early state dementia, and both urban and rural underserved minorities. These and all other dementia-related services will be integrated into all home and community-based services (HCBS) networks through the Division's computerized Single Point of Entry (SPE) system. SPE is based on a robust software platform ("SYNERGY") that integrates databases, including those providing resources and referral options.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2785 Memory Care Connections

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services
Disability and Elder Services
1 West Wilson Street
Madison, WI 53707

Contact: Cathy Kehoe (608)266-2907

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

This Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) will fund four demonstrations of Memory Care Connections, a model of local collaboration aligning dementia services provided by diagnostic clinics, Aging/Disability Resource Centers, Alzheimer's Association chapters and service providers. The goal is to provide individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's Disease with the information, medical diagnosis and management, caregiver support and services needed to achieve improved quality of life through closely connected local dementia services networks. Local sites will be funded to deploy nurses and/or social workers to link consumers with the dementia service network.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2786 Tennessee Alzheimer's Demonstration: System Building through Adaption of Best Practices

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability
500 Deaderick St., Suite 825
Nashville, TN 37243-0860

Contact: Tabitha Satterfield (615)741-2056

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability will provide respite services for about 300 persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers in five (5) counties. Also, this demonstration brings about the following system level outcomes: implementation of the coping with caregiving REACH (Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health) model in Tennessee; health promotion/disease prevention provided to Alzheimer's caregivers in collaboration with the National Family Caregiving Support Program; a media campaign to assist the project; implementation of family-directed care in the Tennessee Aging Services; and exploration of potential program enhancements for Tennessee in-home services, making them more responsive to the needs of caregivers. Project evaluation will be the responsibility of the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2787 Asian and Pacific Islander Dementia Care Networks

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/30/2008

State of California
Department of Aging
1300 National Drive, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95834-1992

Contact: Janet Tedesco (916)322-5290

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	324,925

The California Department of Aging (CDA), in coordination with the California Department of Health Services (CDHS) and a coalition of community organizations, proposes to develop and expand culturally and linguistically competent services for Asian-American, dementia-affected families in Northern and Southern California. The project's goal is to enhance the capacity of local health and social service providers to serve Vietnamese, Korean and Chinese dementia-affected families. The project's strategy is to build community capacity through coordination of community-based collaboratives; training for ethnically diverse professional providers; and service coordination for caregiving families via bi-cultural, paraprofessional Care Advocates. Products will include linguistically appropriate educational materials, an updated replication manual, tip-sheets for working with the target populations derived from focus group findings, and a manuscript on culturally competent dementia services for Asian-Americans.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2788 Continuing Partners in Care

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs

John O. Pastore Center

35 Howard Avenue

Cranston, RI 02920

Contact: Joan M D'Agostino (401)462-0507

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 12/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	294,050
FY 2005	294,050
FY 2006	294,050
FY 2007	325,000

The Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA), in partnership with three community-based services organizations, will support RI's Systems Change Initiatives, particularly the new Aging and Disability Resource Center, by developing and strengthening statewide resources for Alzheimer's Disease (AD) families, especially minority families and those at or near the poverty line. Changes in RI's overall home and community-based system of long-term care will result from streamlining access to services and family caregiver support services for AD families. An interagency Project Advisory Group, comprised of advocates and consumers, as well as AD and aging professionals, will guide and oversee this three-year effort. Process and outcome evaluation will be performed; best practices models will be developed; and results will be disseminated locally and nationally.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2789 (Indiana) Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States

Indiana Disability, Aging and Rehabilitation Services

Bureau of Aging & In-Home Services

402 West Washington Street MS-21 PO Box 7083

Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083

Contact: Patty Matkovic (317)232-0811

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

Indiana's Bureau of Aging and In-Home Services will enhance support to the Alzheimer's Disease caregivers in Indiana. The objectives of this project involve the expansion of the video monitoring technology that allows caregivers to monitor persons with Alzheimer's Disease through video cameras and computer software from an off-site location. Indiana will seek funding approval through the In-Home Services network, including Medicaid Waivers for the technological services that will assist with long-term viability of these services. The Powerful Tools Training that "trains the trainer" will be offered statewide to Area Agency on Aging and state staff. Caregivers will learn how to take care of themselves, and to access help and community services. Development of a Volunteer Respite Program that targets Alzheimer's caregivers will further increase the support tools available. A volunteer coordinator will recruit community help to provide respite care. The availability of these support programs will enhance the support statewide for the caregiver.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2790 New Mexico Alzheimer's Program

New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department
Community Involvement Bureau
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

Contact: Lynne Anker-Unnever (505)222-4503

The State of New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) proposes to develop and implement respite care services, particularly community-based adult day care, targeting underserved communities and tribes in rural New Mexico. ALTSD will provide regional caregiver support services to be coordinated by Area Agencies on Aging throughout New Mexico. AAAs will employ regional care coordinators, who will provide individual client services, training and advocacy. Care coordinators will receive many of their referrals from the ALTSD Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2792 Empowering Underserved Colorado Alzheimer's Families through Training, Support, and Respite

State of Colorado/Colorado State University
Tri-Ethnic Center, Psychology
2002 Campus Delivery
Fort Collins, CO 80523

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 10/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Bo Bogdanski (970)491-5574

The State of Colorado's Colorado State University Tri-Ethnic Center for Prevention Research will conduct a three year Alzheimer's training, targeting family caregivers of rural, Hispanic, African-American, and developmentally disabled adults with dementia. Families recruited for the project (500 total) may receive grants (up to \$1000 annually) as reimbursement for adult day care, in-home care, or short-term overnight respite. With the goal of expanding the Alzheimer's Association CO Chapter (AACC) services to underserved populations, objectives include: training caregivers; providing follow-up supportive services; starting new adult day care programs; promoting respite through the grants to individual families; exploring service delivery across state lines; and using a Coordination Task Force to recommend policies for streamlining service delivery. Expected outcomes include expanded AACC services to underserved populations and improved well-being and use of services by participating families.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2793 IL Rural and LEP Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2009

Illinois Department of Public Health
535 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761-0001

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	289,992

Contact: Claude A Jacob (217)782-4977

The Illinois Department of Public Health and their partners will incorporate a systems change approach to expand and build on existing systems by coordinating and integrating services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias (ADRD) and their families/caregivers. The project will expand on knowledge gained from the past project about effective methods of reaching and educating underserved populations. The goal of the project is to support the person with ADRD and their family/caregivers through increased access and use of home and community-based services.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2794 MD Respite, Outreach, Support and Education (ROSE) Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 09/30/2008

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1102

The Maryland Department of Aging will conduct a three-year program of interventions emphasizing active engagement of Alzheimer's family caregivers. The goal of the ROSE Project is to work within the National Family Caregivers Support Program (NFCSP) to enable families to develop and rely on natural supports within their families and communities, developing community partners that are capable of assisting families with dementia.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2795 Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant

Michigan Department of Community Health
320 S. Walnut Street, 5th Floor
Lansing, MI 48913

Contact: Marcia J Cameron (517)335-0226

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 12/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	241,597
FY 2006	241,597
FY 2007	241,597

The Michigan Department of Community Mental Health (MDCH) will promote a collaborative approach among mental health, public health and aging services systems; primary care physicians; and Alzheimer's Association chapters in developing community models of support for people with dementia and family members involved in their care. The project builds upon strategies outlined in the Michigan Dementia Plan, fits with MDCH systems change objectives and incorporates strategies posed by the Governor's Medicaid Long-Term Care Task Force. It is designed to ensure the needs of individuals with dementia and their caregivers are incorporated in the emerging infrastructure of Michigan's Long-Term Care System.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2796 Montana Proposal for an Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services
Senior and Long-Term Care Division
P.O. Box 4210 111 Sanders
Helena, MT 59604

Contact: Traci Clark (406)444-6995

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 09/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

The Montana Department of Health and Human Services will develop sustainable respite care programs and provide caregiver support services for a frontier/rural population. This will be accomplished by: (1) addressing systemic issues that impede the efficient delivery of respite services; (2) increasing awareness to respite care in frontier/rural areas by implementing mechanisms for consumers to share in the cost of providing respite care; and (3) educating Alzheimer's caregivers and the general public about the disease, the need and availability of respite services, and providing caregivers skill-based training.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2797 Coordinated Care Alzheimer's Demonstration Project

New York State Office for the Aging
Local Program Operations
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 09/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	258,933
FY 2007	235,069

Contact: Marcus Harazin (518)473-5705

The project goal is to enable New York State to integrate services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders (ADRDs), who are living in rural and ethnically diverse small cities, into the State's long-term care systems change initiatives. Key objectives address: integration in system change efforts; delivery of evidence-based direct services; meeting identified needs; workforce development; disseminating project findings; and attracting alternative funds. Two counties at the forefront of Point of Entry development will work with partners to develop a new model for ADRD care that advances systems change and diversion from institutional care.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2798 Texas Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Access and Intake - Area Agencies on Aging
701 W. 51st Street W352
Austin, TX 78751-2312

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	225,000
FY 2006	225,000
FY 2007	162,112

Contact: Jeffery Seider (512)438-2481

This project will expand service options and improve access to information, training and support services. The overarching project goal is to improve the ability of informal caregivers to sustain their caregiving role by expanding service options, and streamlining system access to improve service delivery by reducing duplication and eliminating silos. The project will implement innovative approaches and serve as a vehicle for advancing changes to the state's overall system of home and community-based care. Major objectives include the development of collaborative partnerships; implementation of a "system navigator;" expanded service options, including education and training; and program evaluation to determine the effectiveness of the project. Products will include intake and assessment tools, outreach, training and resource materials, reports, surveys and project evaluations, which will be shared with the aging network.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2799 Dementia Partnerships for Service Integration

Washington State Department of Social & Health Services
Aging and Disability Services Administration
P.O. Box 45600
Lacey, WA 98503-1045

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Lynne Korte (360)725-2545

This project will improve the responsiveness of Washington State's system of home and community-based services to the needs and preferences of individuals with dementia and their family caregivers by integrating dementia capable services into existing state systems. These new and expanded services will be closely connected through local dementia partnerships that work collaboratively to utilize the infrastructure of the statewide Family Caregiver Support Program, the expertise of the Alzheimer's specific organizations, and the service potential of the model dementia day service providers. Objectives include a local dementia partnership model to improve access to and utilization of family caregiver support and respite care services; dementia day services; dementia-specific family consultation services; and family caregiver counseling services. Products will include standards of care for dementia day services; a "How-to" Guide for each dementia-specific service; recommended indicators for referral to each service; assessment and evaluation tools; and a final report on project outcomes.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2800 West Virginia Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant

West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305-9169

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Jan Bowen (304)558-3317

The objectives of the WV Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant are: to develop and implement a multi-faceted project that will address the challenge of providing a continuum of information in order to increase the knowledge and coping skills of up to 500 families of persons with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) in the most rural areas of the state; to initiate a re-assessment of Hospice admitting criteria for people with AD in two counties and provide earlier access to grief and bereavement counseling to families; and to continue to support, enhance and/or expand respite care in up to 16 counties. This project will build upon and become an integral part of the state systems change initiatives for their home and community-based services. This includes the AoA/CMS ADRC grant and The Robert Wood Johnson Cash and Counseling grant. Products will include a project manual; assessment and evaluation tools; and a late stage Alzheimer's care curriculum.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2801 Environmental Tools for Dementia Care

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services
Division of Aging & Community Services
P.O. Box 807
Trenton, NJ 08625-0807

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 12/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

Contact: Barbara Fuller (609)292-7874

This multi-intervention project will work to improve access to dementia-related education, support and services for individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders (ADRD) living in low-income, underserved African-American communities in Camden and Salem counties and Hispanic/Latino communities in Middlesex County. The project will promote changes in the state's home and community-based service system, to achieve more culturally and linguistically competent services for individuals with ADRD and their caregivers from diverse populations. Products will include a project evaluation, and a report with recommendations from a state-level task force for sustaining and replicating successful project components.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2802 The Pennsylvania Long Term Living and Alzheimer's Association Partnership Project

Pennsylvania Department of Aging
Bur. Home & Community Based Services
555 Walnut Street, 5th floor
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1919

Project Period: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	243,500

Contact: Patricia M Clark (717)783-7110

The goals of the project are to: (1) develop a sustainable working partnership between the Alzheimer's Association Greater PA Chapter and the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)-participating agencies; (2) provide targeted training on Alzheimer's related caregiving; and (3) provide direct care services to Alzheimer's consumers in previously underserved regions of Pennsylvania. Objectives include: (1) cross-training and consumer referral activities between Alzheimer's Association chapters and ADRC partners, which include AAAs, County Mental Health/Mental Retardation offices, provider agencies, and other nonprofit and advocacy agencies; (2) regional training in providing direct or hands-on care for persons with dementia to family caregivers and direct care workers, thereby expanding the resource base of direct care workers trained in providing consumer-directed, dementia-related care; and (3) provide direct services for Alzheimer's consumers and their families who will fall into existing service gaps, are awaiting eligibility determination for other home and community based services programs, or are receiving Family Caregiver Support Program services and could benefit from supplemental services in regions served by ADRCs and Alzheimer's Association chapter.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2803 Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant to Improve Access to Services for Individuals with Alzheimer's Disease/Related Dementia

Project Period: 07/01/2007 - 10/31/2008

SC LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ON AGING

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	325,000

The first goal of this project is to improve access to home and community-based services for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia by targeting underserved minority and rural populations. Objectives are to implement strategies that build familiarity and trust among underserved minority populations; provide outreach and screening through a mobile ADRC in the Trident region; provide outreach and education through Family Consultants who are part of the Reid House of Christian Service network; provide medical screening by the Medical University of South Carolina Alzheimer's Disease Clinical Core Research Group (MUSC-ADCCRG) at Reid House; and provide vouchers that allow increased services through the South Carolina Alzheimer's Association, the ADRC, and the Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP). The second goal of this project is to expand consumer choice and consumer-directed long-term care support for caregivers through the ADRC, FCSP, and Alzheimer's Association, to affect systems change. Objectives are to use vouchers for families to select services from an expanded list of providers, including possible family members or neighbors, and provide information on options about community-based services. The project will evaluate the impact of interventions and disseminate project information.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2805 Caregiver Assessment: Providing the Right Service at the Right Time

Project Period: 07/01/2007 - 12/31/2008

Georgia Dept. of Human Resources

Div. of Aging Services

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Atlanta, GA 30303

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	325,000

The goal of this project is to implement and assess the impact of a care management protocol, developed by Dr. Rhonda Montgomery and colleagues at the University of Wisconsin. The objectives of this project are to: (1) train care managers to use uniform caregiver assessment tools and implement a care management process; (2) expand the array of caregiver resources appropriate for diverse caregiver needs; (3) increase care manager knowledge of and access to enhanced caregiver services; (4) increase number of caregivers using services, as recommended through care plans; (5) evaluate caregiver burden and depression; and (6) evaluate caregiver satisfaction with services.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2807 Translating Evidence-Based Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Direct Services into Practice in California

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

California Department of Aging
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	338,885

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The California Department of Aging (CDA), in collaboration with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), the Alzheimer's Association and the University of Texas, Health Science Center, proposes to implement a Spanish language transformation of the Savvy Caregiver program, called "Cuidando Con Respeto" and deliver this program throughout California to better serve the State's ethnically diverse Latino caregivers. The project's goal is to improve the availability of this evidence-based program for Spanish-speaking Alzheimer's caregivers by imbedding it into the State's service delivery network for older adults.

The project's strategy is to transform the Savvy Caregiver Program for a low-literacy level, ethnically diverse Spanish-speaking caregiver population to: 1) yield high caregiver satisfaction; 2) increase caregiver knowledge; and 3) reduce caregiver distress.

The culturally relevant training program will be offered through Alzheimer's Association chapters and one of the state's Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers. Products to be developed and disseminated include Spanish and English versions of a trainer manual and a participant manual, an article for submission to a peer-reviewed journal, and a cost assessment methodology outlining estimated costs of project start-up and operating costs.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2808 Putting into Practice Environmental Skill-Building for Caregivers of Persons with Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementia

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2009

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services
Health and Senior Services
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	187,500

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The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services (NJ-DHSS), in collaboration with the Mercer County Office on Aging (AAA) and Thomas Jefferson University, will develop a practical application of the Home Environmental Skill-Building Program (ESP). The goal is to increase the capacity of AAAs to implement ESP for families of people with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia (ADRD), demonstrating the benefits of a home-based program in managing challenging behaviors.

Objectives are to: 1) train and certify Occupational Therapists (OTs) to provide direct ESP services; 2) develop linkages with the AAA and local aging services organizations for ESP service delivery; 3) create assessment tools and marketing materials; and 4) develop and disseminate a cost assessment methodology for program start-up and operation costs and a "how-to" manual for program replication.

The expected outcomes of this project are: 1) demonstration of benefits of a home-based program for ADRD caregivers in managing challenging behaviors and creating a safe home environment supportive of persons with ADRD; 2) reduction of the stress and physical burden of caregivers, decreasing the likelihood of burnout and premature institutionalization of persons with ADRD; and 3) improvements for the caregiver (less upset with troublesome behaviors, less need for assistance from others, improved mood, and enhanced mastery and self-confidence) and the care recipient (reduced frequency of occurrence of problem behaviors and slowed rate of functional decline).

**90AZ2809 MN Evidence-Based Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias Direct Svc.
Research to Practice**

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

Minnesota Board on Aging
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	381,045

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The Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) proposes to apply the evidence-based New York University Caregiver Intervention (NYUCI), in cooperation with the Alzheimer's Association MN/ND Chapter, four Area Agencies on Aging, a county public health agency, medical clinics and a memory disorders clinic. The goal of this evidence-based direct services application is to impact the ability of the caregiver to withstand the difficulties of caregiving and prevent or defer the need for institutionalization of the patient through improving social support and minimizing family conflict.

Primary objectives: 1) caregiver coaches at three rural sites and one urban site will apply the NYUCI with 51 families. The intervention consists of six counseling sessions (2 individual, 4 family), ad hoc counseling phone calls/in-person visits and participation in dementia caregiver support groups; 2) members of the NYU Psychological Research and Support team will work with the Minnesota team to adapt the current caregiver coach curriculum to include formal and ad hoc counseling and train implementation site staff, Minnesota caregiver coaches and Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS) memory care sites; 3) current ADDGS Memory Care Sites will implement the NYUCI within the scope of their developing sites with 30 spouse caregivers; and results will be compared to the original NYUCI study by evaluators.

The outcomes to be achieved include: delay in time to institutionalization; reduced negative impacts of caregiving behaviors; decreased level of depression; enhanced support network composition and effectiveness; and caregiver self-efficacy, fidelity and cost effectiveness. Products will include: intervention guidelines, forms, protocols; a promotional package; a "how-to" manual; and evaluation and cost analysis reports.

90AE0320 The Georgia REACH Project

Georgia Southwestern State University
Rosalynn Carter Institute
800 GSW Drive
Americus, GA 31709

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	730,724

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This project is a collaborative effort of the Rosalynn Carter Institute at Georgia Southwestern State University, Middle Flint Council on Aging, Lower Chattahoochee Area Agency on Aging, The Georgia Alzheimer's Association and three local affiliates serving the target area, the Mattie Marshall Alzheimer's Center, and the Georgia Department of Aging Services. The goal of the project is to implement REACH II in rural Georgia and to evaluate its effectiveness in practice according to the RE-AIM framework.

The objectives are to: 1) develop a working team (Steering Committee) representing key stakeholders and procedures to facilitate the adoption, implementation and evaluation of REACH II; 2) successfully install the program in a provider agency of the Aging Network in rural Georgia; 3) fully implement the program to serve a minimum of 150 families using the REACH II intervention with fidelity and evaluate its impact on participants; 4) adapt the program as necessary in light of evaluation results and real world experience; 5) assure the long-term maintenance and continued effectiveness of the program in Georgia; and 6) develop materials and information that support successful adoption by others.

The expected outcomes of the project are that Alzheimer's caregivers will have reduced strain, reduced burden and depression, and increased social support along with improved health behaviors and improved quality of life at program conclusion.

The products from this project will be manuals and other materials to support implementation, a final report of evaluation results, presentations at national conferences, articles for publication, and an analysis of program startup and operations costs.

90AE0321 Maine Savvy Caregiver Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

Maine Office of Elder Services

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Augusta, ME 04333

Contact: Romaine Turyn (207)287-9214

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	714,391

Maine Office of Elder Affairs, in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association and the Aging and Disabilities Resources Centers, will implement the Savvy Caregiver project to help individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and their families avoid unnecessary nursing home placement through increased utilization of community-based services. The objectives of this project are: 1) to strengthen the referral network between the collaborative project partners; 2) to enhance capacity of the Aging Disability Resource Center to identify people at risk of spend down to Medicaid and who exhibit Alzheimer's symptoms; 3) to raise awareness among health and human services professionals regarding long-term care options counseling; 4) to increase expertise of long-term care options counselors in recommending services to individuals with Alzheimer's Disease; 5) to increase the expertise of Alzheimer's Association in long-term care options counseling; 6) to increase capacity of agencies to serve people with early stage Alzheimer's Disease; 7) to provide services to targeted families; and 8) to enhance the ability of targeted families to direct their own care.

Anticipated project outcomes include: 1) an enhanced referral network between collaborative partners; 2) enhanced ability to identify people with Alzheimer's Disease at risk of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend down; 3) a higher level of Alzheimer's Disease expertise among Aging and Disabilities Resources Center staff; 4) a replicable pilot for consumer-directed care for individuals with early stage Alzheimer's Disease; and 5) a replicable pilot for Alzheimer's Disease care at supportive day programs. Project products will include a list of lessons learned, a how-to manual, and a cost analysis.

Program: ADDGS Evidence Based

90AE0322 Creating Confident Caregivers: Michigan Dementia Program

Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
Department of Community Health
P.O. Box 30676
Lansing, MI 48909

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	656,193

Contact: Sally C Steiner (517)373-8810

The Michigan Office of Services to the Aging, in collaboration with Michigan's Alzheimer's Association chapters and Michigan's aging service network, will implement the "Creating Confident Caregivers: the Michigan Dementia Project." The goals of the project are to assess the implementation factors of providing the Savvy Caregiver program in community aging services and support dementia caregivers, primarily in rural areas, through an approach that uses a cadre of master trainers to train workshop leaders and caregivers.

The project objectives are to: (1) train staff from selected aging and Alzheimer's organizations to be master trainers; (2) use master trainers to train other staff and volunteers to provide SCP in local settings; (3) evaluate the implementation of Savvy Caregiver program in a variety of settings using RE-AIM; (4) assess Savvy Caregiver Program's effectiveness with caregivers using participant surveys; (5) assess the cost-effectiveness of dementia caregiver training in various settings; (6) disseminate project information.

The expected outcomes are: the Savvy Caregiver Program will be added to services for family caregivers by Alzheimer's and aging service providers; caregivers will report enhanced caregiver knowledge, skills and reduced caregiver distress on participant questionnaires; aging services will increase their reach and ability to support dementia caregivers especially in rural areas.

The anticipated products will include: a final report on key findings/lessons learned based on the RE-AIM evaluation model; an implementation how-to manual; a cost analysis; an article for publication.

Program: ADDGS Evidence Based

90AE0323 Minnesota ADDGS Evidence-based Intervention Expansion Grant: New York University Caregiver Intervention

Minnesota Board on Aging
Minnesota Dept. of Human Svc.
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St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	1,030,906

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The Minnesota Board on Aging, in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association (Minnesota-North Dakota Chapter) and nine community-based health care and aging service agencies, will expand the evidence-based New York University Caregiver Intervention to include additional sites, coaches, and families. The goal of this project is to improve spousal caregiver well-being and social support systems. Minnesota's aging network and the Alzheimer's Association resources will be used to recruit families to participate in this project.

The project objectives include: 1) serving an additional 200 families; 2) meeting original New York University Caregiver Intervention participant outcomes; 3) demonstrating workability in a range of community settings; 4) maintaining fidelity; and 5) embedding the intervention into ongoing Minnesota Caregiver Coach practice.

The expected project outcomes are: reductions in caregiver depression and burden, reduction in the negative impacts of care receiver behaviors, and strengthening support network effectiveness. As with the original intervention, the long-term expected outcome is delayed nursing facility placement. The anticipated products are: a how-to manual, standardized forms, MinnesotaHelp integrated online assessment tool, marketing materials, articles/publications, a web site section, and conference presentations.

90AE0324 Florida Evidence-Based Intervention: Community REACH II

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	733,214

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The State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs, in partnership with the University of Miami Center on Aging, United Home Care Services, the Alliance for Aging (Miami-Dade and Monroe), and the Southeast Florida Alzheimer's Association, will demonstrate the translation of REACH II (Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health II) into an effective and sustainable community-based program, called community REACH II. The goal of the project is that by September 30, 2011, research-based intervention outcomes of REACH II will be met or exceeded through Community REACH II. This intervention will aim to provide a community-based program, in Miami, Florida, for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders and their caregivers.

The objectives are: 1) to identify essential evidence-based intervention components of REACH II for translation into an effective, community-based service program; 2) to provide a 6-month multi-component psychosocial service intervention to 150 caregiver/care receiver dyads of low income and minority descent; 3) to demonstrate at 6-month follow-up, significant differences in modifiable risk factors in five caregiver measures; and 4) to partner with original researchers in translating REACH II into widespread community adoption, implementation and maintenance.

Anticipated project outcomes among caregiver/care receiver dyads include: improved quality of life, decreased depression, decreased problem behaviors (among care recipients only), decreased burden (among caregivers only), and increased service utilization and support.

Anticipated project products include: a final report describing key findings and lessons learned; a replication manual, to include modifiable templates of a program brochure, training tools, assessment instruments, and surveys; and a cost analysis providing estimates for Community REACH II start-up, operational and long-term service delivery costs.

90AE0325 North Carolina's Evidence-Based Caregiver Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	936,187

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The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services, in collaboration with Area Agencies on Aging, State Alzheimer's Association Chapters, Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services, Duke Family Support Program, University of North Carolina, and the University of Michigan, support the implementation of the Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health (REACH) project.

The goal of the project is to translate the clinically tested REACH II intervention for feasible and effective use at the community level with the following objectives: 1) to train seven interventionists across nine AAA regions on the REACH II model; 2) to address disparities through outreach to low-income rural and minority families caring for a person with dementia at home; 3) to deliver intervention services through five program sites to 23 counties; 4) to ensure fidelity in program implementation, while adapting it for cultural sensitivity and contextual relevance; 5) to ascertain program benefit for targeted populations; 6) to analyze cost effectiveness in implementation; and 7) to further build upon the existing infrastructure for ongoing sustainability and maintenance of evidence-based programs in North Carolina using the RE-AIM framework.

Expected caregiver outcomes are: enhanced ability to manage depression and burden; improved skills for self-care and healthy behaviors; better use of social support networks; reduced risk for care recipients; and increased capacity for family care at home.

Products will include: a report on key findings and lessons learned; a how-to manual to assist with program replication; fidelity assessment tools; and a cost analysis report.

90AE0326 California's Evidence-Based Intervention Grant to Better Serve People with Alzheimer's Disease

State of California, Department of Aging
California Department of Aging
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Sacramento, CA 95834

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	714,311

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The California Department of Aging, in collaboration the Alzheimer's Association, California Southland Chapter, the Dr. Ken Hepburn and Partners in Care Foundation, the local Alzheimer's Association chapters, and the local Area Agencies on Aging, will implement the evidence-based Savvy Caregiver Program to the diverse population of English-speaking caregivers across California. The goal of this project is to demonstrate that the Savvy Caregiver Program can be implemented at reasonable cost and with effects similar to those found in earlier intervention research using this program.

Project objectives include: (1) further developing the capacity of California's dementia service providers in the Aging Services Network to deliver the Savvy Caregiver Program; (2) delivering and evaluating the program's impact on ethnically diverse, English-speaking caregivers; 3) disseminating project findings through presentations at conferences and the preparation of an article for submission to a peer-reviewed journal English-speaking caregivers.

The expected outcomes of this project on the individual level are that ethnically diverse caregiver participants, similar to previously studied Caucasian caregivers, will experience greater role mastery, increased sense of competence and less loss of self. The site level outcome is that Alzheimer's Association, Area Agencies on Aging, and other community partners adopt and sustain the program.

Intended products of this project include a lessons learned report, a replication manual, and a cost analysis.

90AE0329 Reducing Disability in Alzheimer's Disease in Ohio

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	680,827

Contact: Marc Molea (614)752-9167

The Ohio Department of Aging, in collaboration with Area Agencies on Aging, local Alzheimer's Association chapters, senior services providers and evaluators from the Margaret Blenkner Research Institute of the Benjamin Rose Institute, will replicate the Reducing Disability in Alzheimer's disease program, an evidence-based program that provides physical conditioning and behavior modification in the home for persons with Alzheimer's disease. The goal of the project is to pilot the Reducing Disabilities in Alzheimer's disease program in the Alzheimer's Association, Northwest Ohio Chapter's 24 county service area, with the intention of expanding the program to other regions within Ohio.

The project objectives are: 1) to train 10 master/ lead trainers; 2) prepare 20 field trainers; 3) teach 450 persons with dementia or Alzheimer's disease/caregiver dyads; 4) replicate outcomes from the original research; 5) develop the necessary training and support infrastructure to implement the program statewide; and, 6) offer a model for replication nationally and internationally.

The outcomes of the project are: increased levels of activity, improved physical health and function and less depression among persons with Alzheimer's disease; successful implementation of exercise and behavior modification protocols in the home; and, satisfaction and acceptance of the program by persons with dementia/Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.

The products from this project are: a final report, with evaluative results; a web site; articles for publication; a cost analysis detailing start-up and maintenance to support the program; and, an implementation manual and training materials for replication.

Program: ADDGS Evidence Based
90AE0330 Arizona REACH Out

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Economic Security
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Phoenix, AZ 85007

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	250,000

Contact: Melanie Starns (602)542-6572

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Aging and Adult Services, in a collaborative partnership with the Arizona Area Agencies on Aging, the local Alzheimer Association, and Arizona State University, will develop a practical application of the Coping with Caregiving program. The goals of this project are to translate the program tools and strategies of the Coping with Caregiving intervention into a community based program called REACH Out, and to assure the intervention is accessible to diverse populations of caregivers throughout Arizona.

The primary objectives of this project are: 1) to expand the reach of empirically-based caregiver interventions in Arizona by ensuring adequate reach to diverse populations; 2) to assure the elements of Coping with Caregiving that were used in REACH are implemented faithfully into REACH Out, while making the intervention more accessible and practical; 3) to ensure REACH Out's effectiveness by faithfully rendering the program in all service settings through consistent training and focused workshop site selection; 4) to utilize formative evaluation to obtain ongoing feedback regarding ways to improve the delivery and adoption of REACH Out with underserved populations; 5) to maintain and expand delivery of the REACH Out intervention to allow caregivers throughout Arizona an opportunity to learn new coping skills.

The expected caregiver outcomes include: 1) significant reduction in depression; 2) increased use of positive, adaptive coping strategies; 3) reduction in use of negative coping strategies; and 4) reduction in negative interactions with others. The product projects will include a final report, training and operation manuals, additional materials required for replication, presentations and papers for both lay and professional audiences.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0001 Expanding Service Usage in Early Stage Alzheimer's: Project LEARN

State of Missouri
Health and Senior Services
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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,327

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The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, in collaboration with the four Missouri Alzheimer's Association Chapters and the Missouri Association of Area Agencies on Aging, propose an 18 month innovative project designed to increase service usage by individuals in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease. The project goal is to provide individuals in the early stage and their families tools that can increase ability to manage the disease through implementation of the Learn model. The approach is to wrap a comprehensive set of services into a non-threatening program that is offered to individuals in early stage through existing care provider pathways. Objectives are to: 1) establish a referral process for Area Agencies on Aging, physicians and other professional care providers that requires limited effort for the provider and is non-threatening to the family; and 2) provide Project Learn, a comprehensive set of services for individuals in the early stage and their families, through the formulation of an individualized consumer directed plan that builds coping skills and addresses emotional, educational and planning needs. Expected outcomes are: 1) increased sense of competence and coping strategies in navigating the needs and challenges of Alzheimer's disease; 2) increased number of individuals with early stage dementia using services; and 3) family preparedness for continued home-based care through implementation of individualized action plans. The products from this project are: 1) a final report, including evaluation results and summary of key lessons learned; 2) a manual for program replication; 3) a tested screening tool used within the Area Agency on Aging network; and 4) a cost analysis.

90AI0002 Maine's Alzheimer's Diversion Initiative

Office of Elder Services - ME DHHS
Dept. of Health & Human Services
442 Civic Center Drive 11 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0011

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,236

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The Maine Office of Elder Services, in partnership with Maine's five Area Agencies on Aging, the Maine Alzheimer's Association, and the Muskie School of Public Service, will develop the Alzheimer's Diversion Initiative, a program to provide specialized services to rural Maine caregivers of adults with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) who are at imminent risk of institutional placement and not yet eligible for Medicaid. The project has a number of innovative features including: developing screening protocols for adults at imminent risk; expanding an evidence-based model, Healthy IDEAS (HI), to a broader group of caregivers and testing its effectiveness in institutional diversion; and formalizing referral protocols for adults with challenging behaviors. The primary goal of the program is to divert people with ADRD from nursing home or residential care placement.

The objectives of the program are to: (1) develop an organizational structure that can sustain the initiative; (2) target adults at imminent risk; (3) extend Healthy IDEAS to include caregivers who are not currently receiving respite; (4) increase the effectiveness of screening and referring people with ADRD with challenging behaviors; and (5) assure caregivers have greater access to appropriately targeted services.

The intended outcomes of the project are a reduced rate of admissions to nursing homes and residential care facilities, and reduced rate of enrollment in Medicaid.

The products developed through this project will include a summary of lessons learned, a how-to-manual, a cost analysis, and an evaluation report.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0003 COMPASS: Early Stage Directions Program

Oklahoma Department of Human Services
Aging Services Division
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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	152,975

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The grantee, Oklahoma Dept. of Human Services, Aging Services Division (ASD), is collaborating with the Alzheimer's Association, OK Chapter (AA); the Tulsa Area Agency on Aging (TAAA); the Muscogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma; OASIS Adult Day Services; and the College of Allied Health of the U. of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. The project goal is to reach persons with dementia (PWD) in the early stages (ES) of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD), and their families, and to equip and support them, mitigating later crises. The approach is to develop and expand innovative evidence-based psychosocial and training interventions. Objectives: 1) establish the COMPASS: Early Stage Directions Program, a system of supportive interventions for the consumer, meeting consumer needs for information & support, and increasing the voice and self-direction of ES PWDs; 2) build and strengthen relationships among community agencies; 3) expand community awareness of ES issues, identify more ES families, and increase access to ES programs; 4) evaluate impact of added services; and 5) disseminate project information. Expected outcomes of the dementia demonstration project are for ES PWDs and their families to report increased knowledge of the disease and care options, as well as increased ability to cope and plan effectively for future needs as the disease progresses. Project evaluations will reflect positive results. Products to be disseminated: a final report including evaluation results; a summary of the key lessons learned during planning & implementation; a how-to manual allowing program replication; a cost analysis allowing others to estimate program costs; abstracts for national and state conferences; and results from the caregiver strain study.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0004 Empowering Elders by Enhancing Cognitive Health Outcomes: The ECHO Program

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus , OH 43215

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	238,452

Contact: Richard LeBlanc (614)644-7967

The Ohio Department of Aging, in collaboration with the Benjamin Rose Institute and community-based health and social service providers, will develop and evaluate the feasibility, acceptability, and efficacy of the Enhancing Cognitive Health Outcomes (ECHO) intervention. The ECHO intervention was designed especially for dyads (in which one individual had early-stage dementia and the other is their caregiver), with the goal of improving cognitive functioning, alleviating late-life depression, and enhancing dyadic well-being.

The primary objective of the ECHO project is to test the feasibility, acceptability, and efficacy of this intervention with 80 dyads in Ohio.

The intended outcomes of the project are: 1) to build cognitive reserve to slow the rate of decline in the individual with dementia; 2) to treat the symptoms of late-life depression that often occur in early-stage dementia; 3) to increase the dyad's current understanding of dementia and dementia-related resources; 4) to improve communication and support between the dyads; 5) and to improve the current mental health and quality of life among the dyads.

The intended products of the project include: 1) a summary of lessons learned; 2) treatment and training materials; 3) a cost analysis; 4) a half day workshop to train professionals in the aging network in the ECHO program; and 4) fact sheets, peer reviewed publications, policy recommendations, and other literature for developing the ECHO program in other communities.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0005 Strengthening Linkages: In Support of Persons with Alzheimer's Disease

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	301,672

Contact: Hamilton Brown

This project will establish a partnership between a newly funded, university-based statewide network of education and support for medical providers and the state's aging services network in North Carolina, with the goal of improving care for persons with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD).

The primary objectives of the project are: 1) to develop and implement mechanisms to strengthen the linkages between primary care medical providers and aging service network in two state regions by increasing the number of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD) receiving services; 2) to provide counseling for all new clients and ongoing respite services for additional clients through the project; and 3) to evaluate the effectiveness of the project using the RE-AIM model to plan and disseminate the program. More specifically, the project will target underserved rural counties with high proportions of African Americans.

The primary outcome of the project will be to provide a more integrated service network for individuals with ADRD and their caregivers to reduce the negative impacts of dementia on their lives.

The products from the project will include methods and materials for developing stronger linkages between medical and aging services and early ADRD support models specifically tailored for rural and minority populations.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0006 Caregiver Assessment and Nursing Home Diversion: Improving Long-Term Care Options for Persons with Alzheimer's Disease

Georgia Department of Human Resources
Division of Aging Services
2 Peachtree Street, NW 9th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	252,672

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The goal of this project is to enhance the Tailor Caregiver Assessment and Referral (TCARE) program, and integrate it with Georgia's Nursing Home Diversion (NHD) project to improve the state's long-term care options for persons with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias (ADRD) their caregivers.

The objectives of this project are to: expand the scope of the TCARE program; increase services to current NHD project participants; create a hyperlink between TCARE and another service database; test and refine a web-based version of TCARE; expand the number of TCARE care managers in Georgia; and extend the current randomized study of TCARE.

Expected outcomes: 1) identification of persons who are current TCARE participants at risk of nursing home placement; 2) identification of additional caregivers of persons with ADRD at risk of nursing home placement; 3) increased support for caregivers of persons at risk of nursing home placement; 4) more avoidance of nursing home admission for TCARE caregivers/ADRD than those that receive usual services; 5) lower levels of burden and depression for TCARE caregivers; 6) greater caregiver satisfaction with services for TCARE caregivers and their care receivers; 7) to develop a listing of common terms to link the TCARE program to other applications that can be replicated in other states or communities; and 8) a cadre of care managers proficient in utilizing the web-version of TCARE in Georgia.

Products will include a summary of lessons learned, a manual, and a cost analysis that will enable other state and local entities to replicate the integrated program.

90AI0007 Washington State ADDGS Nursing Home Diversion Grant

Washington State Social and Health Services
Aging and Disability Services Administration
640 Woodland Square Loop SE
Lacey, WA 98504-8600

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	289,497

Contact: Lynne Korte (360)725-2545

Building on the new Tailored Caregiver Referral and Assessment (T-CARE) protocol and upon successful elements of the Dementia Partnerships Project, the WA State Department of Social and Health Services and WA Aging and Disability Services Administration will demonstrate an effective approach to avoiding premature institutionalization among individuals with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia (ARD).

The objective of the project is to develop and pilot a screening process, building upon the TCARE protocol, within Washington's single-entry point system (i.e., Senior Information & Assistance/Family Caregiver Support Program) that identifies persons with ARD who are at risk of Medicaid spend-down, and targets their family caregivers for assistance in maintaining the person with dementia at home.

Specific project outcomes will be to: 1) demonstrate the utility of the TCARE protocol in establishing consumer-directed plans specific to needs of the ARD caregiver; 2) refine and implement Memory Care & Wellness Services (MCWS); 3) enhance and implement Dementia Family Support Consultation; 4) evaluate outcomes related to Memory Care & Wellness Services and Dementia Family Support Consultation; and 4) increase awareness and outreach about ADDGS services and nursing home diversion efforts, and issues which could lead to nursing home placement in those with dementia.

At conclusion, the Project Director will develop a report on the key lessons learned, a guide to each of the core components of the project, a cost-based analysis, and a final report from an independently contracted client outcome evaluation.

90A10008 Minnesota's Early Stage Dementia Initiative

Minnesota Board on Aging
Minnesota Dept. of Human Svc.
PO Box 64976 540 Cedar Street
St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,253

Contact: Jean Wood (651)431-2563

The MN Board on Aging will augment the State's existing infrastructure for identifying and supporting individuals with dementia and their caregivers through the implementation of Early Stage Dementia practice guidelines. The goal of Minnesota's proposal is to give people in the early stages of dementia and their caregiver's optimal control over their lives by building on the state's framework for identification, diagnosis, joint medical/community care planning, and caregiver support.

Project objectives include: 1) screening 1,000 individuals for early stage dementia; 2) ensuring Early Stage Dementia practice guidelines are developed and implemented effectively; 3) ensuring health care and other organizations with natural connections to individuals with early stage dementia incorporate the Early Stage Dementia practice guidelines; 4) ensuring 100 hard to reach people with early stage dementia are identified and supported through the coordinated implementation of the practice guidelines in medical and social service organizations; and 5) ensuring the Early Stage Dementia practice guidelines are embedded in the MinnesotaHelp Network (ADRC), community medical clinics, Minnesota Caregiver Coach practice, state policy and exported to other states.

Intended project outcomes include sustained cognitive function and the prevention of premature decline among individuals with Alzheimer's and related dementias, as well as reduced negative impacts on caregivers.

Products include the Early Stage Dementia practice guidelines, a report of key lessons learned, a how-to manual, and a cost analysis.

90AI0009 Indiana Alzheimer's Innovation Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Family and Social Services Administration
402 West Washington Street Room W454
Indianapolis, IN 46204

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	218,714

Contact: Andrea Vermeulen (317)234-1749

The IN Division of Aging supports the 18 month Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS) Program. The goal of the project is to demonstrate innovative community-level approaches for providing respite care to caregivers of individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD). Program participants will include those: with early stage ADRD and their caregivers; at imminent risk of nursing facility placement without these services; and Medicaid ineligible. The IN Division of Aging will partner with Area 9 In-Home & Community Services Agency, an Area Agency on Aging, and the IN Respite Coalition.

Objectives are to: 1) supply early ADRD individuals and caregivers with technologically innovative services that will provide respite relief; 2) enhance local volunteer respite programs through training, and education; 3) track mental and physical benefits of direct services; and 4) evaluate the cost-benefit and fiscal impact of home and community-based intervention programs compared to early institutional placement.

The expected outcomes of this project are: 1) a reduction in stress and burnout among ADRD caregivers; 2) a reduction in the number of acute emergency episodes among project participants; 3) a model for recruitment, education and partnership for a Volunteer Respite Program; and 4) a cost benefit analysis of early intervention programs vs. institutional placements.

Products will include: 1) a pre and post project evaluation on caregiver stress; 2) a summary of key lessons learned; 3) a manual of the Volunteer Respite Program development, including training materials; and 4) a cost-benefit analysis of the early intervention program.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0010 Self-Directed Activities for Individuals with Early Stage Alzheimer's Disease

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
RI Dept. of Elderly Affairs
John O. Pastore Center 74 West Road Building #74
Cranston, RI 02920

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	182,809

Contact: Paula A Parker (401)462-0546

The Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs will be collaborating on the Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States with the Alzheimer's Association of RI, the RI Aging and Disability Resource Center, The Point, and the RI Executive Office of Health and Human Services. The goal of the project is to modify and expand a successful, innovative pilot program (Live and Learn), and expand statewide delivery of meaningful activities, in mainstream community settings, to individuals in the early stage of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, while simultaneously providing respite to their family care partners. The objectives of the project are to: 1) empower those with early stage Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias to advocate for themselves and to take an active role in the design and implementation of the Live and Learn program; 2) provide care partners with respite time while the person with the diagnosis is engaged in safe and productive activities; 3) improve the quality of life and the sense of purpose for program participants through cognitive challenges, emotional support from other participants, and the maintenance of lifelong interests in sports, exercise, lifelong learning and outdoor activities; 4) establish ongoing linkages with community agencies; 5) disseminate project information, and 6) support participants and their families in the transition to more extensive services. The products from this project will be: 1) a final report, including evaluation results; 2) a manual on how to design and implement similar social programs; and 3) data on the effectiveness of the transition program component developed during this grant period.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0011 Community Care for Individuals with Alzheimer's Disease

Louisiana's Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs
Home & Community Based Service
PO Box 61 412 N. 4th Street
Baton Rouge, LA 70821-0061

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,253

Contact: Sharon B Buchert (225)342-3570

The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, Caddo's (Northwest) COA/ADRC, the Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's Services, Capital Area's Area Agencies on Aging, and Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs), and The Office of Aging and Adult Service will improve Louisiana's overall system of home and community based care to better serve the preferences of people with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD) and their caregivers. The goal of the partnership is to help individuals with ADRD who are not eligible for Medicaid, but who are in imminent risk of nursing home placement and spend down.

The specific project objectives are: 1) to develop and expand Single Point of Entry at two ADRC's to identify and serve targeted at-risk individuals to avoid Medicaid spend-down; 2) to provide timely, flexible services to targeted individuals, so that as their needs change the service package can adjust; 3) to implement a consumer-directed care option services to empower consumers to control the types of services they receive and the manner in which they are provided; and 4) to develop/refine infrastructure policies, targeting, tracking, and reporting models for the aging network, so that project replication can be expanded throughout the State. The expected outcome is that persons with ADRD and their caregivers will have the information and services needed to aid them in remaining at home and in the community.

The expected products of this project are interim and final reports, a summary of key lessons learned, marketing and promotional materials, a how-to manual, and a cost analysis.

90AI0012 Utah Caregiver Well-Being Program

Utah State Department of Human Services

Human Services

120 North 200 West, Suite #325

Salt Lake City, UT 84103

Contact: Sonnie Yudell (801)538-3926

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	292,355

The Utah Division of Aging and Adult Services, the Alzheimer's Association Utah Chapter, statewide Area Agencies on Aging and the Utah VA Geriatric Health-Care Program will collaborate to provide care consultation with geriatric health care services in early stage dementia. The goal is to provide a multi-component care consultation intervention to improve competency and well-being of caregivers (Caregiver Well-Being Kit) and increase self-efficacy of persons with early stage ADRD using an in-home "Cognasium" (gymnasium for the brain). Objectives are: (1) establish dementia care consultation sites at Area Agencies on Aging; (2) train Area Agency caregiver support staff as dementia care consultants; (3) initiate care consultation statewide for caregivers and persons with early stage ADRD to identify strengths, solve problems, and develop a collegial or family care system; and (4) provide statewide, standardized skills-building and life-enhancing workshops to implement (a) "Maintain Your Brain" self-care and cognition training, (b) "Partnering with Your Doctor", (c) early stage support groups dividing persons with early stage ADRD into their own groups emphasizing social engagement and "cognasium for the brain" program, and (d) community-based approach versus a single statewide conference. Outcomes expected are: (1) greater satisfaction with health care services; (2) reduced crisis utilization of acute health and behavioral care; (3) decreased caregiver depression and care-related strain; and (4) improved self-efficacy and delayed functional decline of persons with ADRD. Products include a "how to" manual for replication, a model "cognasium" (gymnasium for the brain) for persons with ADRD and those at risk, & a caregiver well-being kit as a self-administered strengths-based tool for caregivers in the earliest phases of dementia care.

90A10013 Tennessee ADDGS: Innovation Grants to Better Serve People with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Aging & Disability, Tennessee Commission on
500 Deaderick Street, Suite 825
Nashville, TN 37243

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,253

Contact: Cynthia G Minnick (615)741-2056

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability, in collaboration with the Area Agencies on Aging and Disability, the Tennessee Respite Coalition, and the Alzheimer's Associations, will develop an intervention with the goal of extending the length of time caregivers can function effectively in their role.

Objectives: 1) increase the likelihood that a person with Alzheimer's disease can remain at home; 2) decrease caregiver stress; 3) empower caregivers to make informed choices about care using natural networks; 4) utilize single entry points for all populations needing assistance thru Area Agencies on Aging and Disability; 5) increase awareness & knowledge of Alzheimer's disease among African American communities, specifically churches; 6) design an evaluation plan to consider the fidelity of program implementation, measure consumer satisfaction, make recommendations regarding program improvement and project expansion, and monitor program quality; 7) reduce long-term care costs & Medicaid spend down; and 8) identify continuation funding.

Intended caregiver outcomes include less burden and stress related to caregiving role, increased satisfaction with family-directed respite care, increased choice & flexibility in managing respite services for loved ones, increased family-directed respite care and other services (especially among African Americans), increased use of natural networks, increased involvement of clergy and lay leaders in African American churches, and increased awareness and use of Alzheimer's diagnostic services and resources.

Project products will include a summary of lessons learned, a how to manual & materials, and a cost analysis.

90AI0014 Community-Based Alzheimer's Care Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Commonwealth of MA, Executive Office of Elder Affairs
One Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02180

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	234,627

Contact: Ruth Palombo (617)222-7512

Massachusetts Elder Affairs, in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association and Aging and Disabilities Resources Centers (ADRCs), will develop an intervention targeting individuals and families impacted by dementia. The goal of the project is to help individuals with Alzheimer's disease (AD) and their families avoid unnecessary nursing home placement though increased utilization of community-based services.

Project objectives are to: 1) strengthen the referral network between the Alzheimer's Association and ADRCs; 2) enhance capacity of ADRCs to identify people who are at risk of spend down to Medicaid and who exhibit Alzheimer's symptoms; 3) raise awareness among long-term care professionals regarding Long-Term Care Options (LTCO) counseling; 4) increase expertise of LTCO counselors; 5) increase expertise of Alzheimer's Association in LTCO; 6) increase capacity of agencies to serve people with early stage Alzheimer's disease; 7) provide services to targeted families; and 8) enhance the ability of targeted families for self-directed care.

The outcomes of this project are: 1) an enhanced referral network between ADRCs and the Alzheimer's Association; 2) enhanced ability to identify people with Alzheimer's disease at risk of nursing home placement and spend down to Medicaid 3) a higher level of Alzheimer's disease expertise among ADRC staff; 4) a replicable pilot for consumer-directed care for early stage Alzheimer's disease; and 5) a replicable pilot for Alzheimer's disease care at supportive day Programs.

The products of this project will include a list of lessons learned, a how-to manual, and a cost analysis.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0015 South Carolina ADDGS Innovation Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Lt. Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais St., Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29209

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	383,912

Contact: Anne Wolfe (803)734-9900

The SC Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging supports this Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States in collaboration with the SC Alzheimer's Association (SCAA), Trident Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), and the Medical University of SC Alzheimer's Disease Clinical Core Research Group (MUSC- ADCCRG).

The overall goal is to improve access to home and community-based services for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia by targeting underserved minority and rural populations. Objectives are to: implement strategies that build familiarity and trust among underserved minority populations; provide outreach and screening through a mobile ADRC in the Trident region; provide outreach and education through Family Consultants who are congregants of local churches; provide medical screening by MUSC-ADCCRG; and provide vouchers that allow increased services through the SCAA, the ADRC, and the Family Caregiver Support Program. Additionally, expanded outreach will be conducted through primary care physicians to provide education and training and facilitate referral of patients to the ADDGS case manager for assistance with identified needs, to include advanced directives and information on long-term care insurance. This is especially crucial to those patients in early stage Alzheimer's disease, so they are able to be a part of the decision-making process for themselves.

Expected outcomes are: increased access to services and information; increased consumer control; increased trust, familiarity and willingness to use services; and effectiveness of interventions in meeting outcomes. Products will include a summary of lessons learned, a manual that will allow others to implement the demonstrated program, and a cost analysis providing an estimate of the cost of program start-up and operation.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0016 Developing Early Stage Alzheimer's Interventions

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Avenue
Montgomery, AL 36130

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,253

Contact: Julie Miller (334)242-5770

The Alabama Department of Senior Services, in partnership with West Alabama Regional Commission (WARC) and other professionals in the field of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) and long-term care, will develop community-based Alzheimer's interventions targeting those diagnosed in the early stage of ADRD and their caregivers. The project goal is to identify consumers of early onset ADRD; provide them with education, long-term care choices, and services to remain in their homes; and to improve the health and well-being of caregivers. The proposed interventions will target newly diagnosed consumers and their caregivers, providing them with information, planning tools, and resources. The proposed project will focus on cognitive wellness programs; and community outreach programs to enhance awareness of cognitive disorders, including a checklist on when to talk to your medical doctor. Training modules, outreach materials, person-centered planning tools, and other educational resources will be developed, evaluated, & packaged for best practices in the statewide Alabama Cares, ADRC, and Medicaid Home and Community-Based Waiver programs. Products will also include a statewide registry of geriatric professionals and ADRD resources through Virtual ADRC, Alabama Connect. Expected outcomes: an improvement in Alabama's overall long term continuum of care by incorporating the needs and choices of persons with early onset ADRD and their caregivers into the Alabama long-term care system and reducing the potential for premature placement in nursing homes.

90AI0017 Virginia ADDGS Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING

1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100

Richmond, VA 23229

Contact: Bill Peterson

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	236,253

The goal of this project is to enhance Virginia's ability to identify persons with early stage dementia and provide interventions to their caregivers that will increase their ability to cope with the challenges they encounter throughout the care giving process. This project will be a collaboration between the Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA) and five community organization partners.

The objectives of this project are: 1) to provide interventions that result in relief or respite to families dealing with early stage dementia, with preference given to families with limited English proficiency and members of traditionally underrepresented groups; 2) to test the impact of Mindfulness-based interventions to provide coping skills and relief to caregivers of persons with early-stage dementia; and 3) to create continuing systems change by enhancing Virginia's Virtual Alzheimer's Center and AlzPossible website to address early stage dementia and to incorporate the Center's resources into the Commonwealth's ongoing systems change efforts through Virginia's local Area Agencies on Aging.

The intended outcomes of this project will be the continued transformation of Virginia's long-term support system to better identify persons with early stage dementia and provide support for their caregivers; an increase in the availability of respite services or other interventions that provide relief for families dealing with early stage dementia; and a better understanding of how Mindfulness-based interventions can provide coping skills to caregivers dealing with early stage dementia.

The products resulting from this intervention will be a summary of the key lessons learned, a how-to manual for replicating Mindfulness-based interventions, and a cost-analysis of the three objectives.

90A10018 California's Innovation Grant to Better Serve People with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders

State of California, Department of Aging
California Department of Aging
1300 National Drive
Sacramento, CA 95834

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	234,382

Contact: Janet Tedesco (916)928-4641

The California Department of Aging (CDA), in partnership with local Alzheimer's Association chapters and a coalition of community organizations, will develop an intervention to better serve ethnically diverse caregivers and improve early identification of the disease. Specifically, this project's goal is to enhance the capacity of the State's aging services providers to better serve Vietnamese and Latino dementia-affected adults and their caregivers, with a special emphasis on earlier identification and early stage support for affected Latinos.

The project's objectives are: (1) to improve state policies and practices on dementia care, including building the capacity of four new Aging and Disability Resource Centers; (2) to increase access to home and community-based care for Latinos and Vietnamese people with dementia and their families; (3) to expand Latino services to increase earlier identification and development of supportive programs for an Early Stage population; (4) to provide direct respite and relief to families caring for people with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias; and (5) to disseminate lessons learned.

Project outcomes will include an expansion of the two existing community collaborative that assist families in accessing dementia-related services and the development of culturally appropriate services for the target populations. In addition, Alzheimer's Association chapters will partner with new Aging and Disability Resource Centers to provide training.

Products for dissemination include: a summary of lessons learned, a Dementia Care Network replication manual, a referral protocol to be used by California's Aging and Disability Resource Centers to assist dementia caregivers whose loved ones are at risk of nursing home placement, and a cost analysis of the project.

Program: ADDGS Innovation Projects

90AI0019 ADDGS Innovative Grant: Early Stage Dementia Project Telehealth Early Phase Patient and Family Support Program (TESP)

State of Nevada Division for Aging Services
Health and Human Services
1860 E Sahara Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89104

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	110,857

Contact: Jeff Doucet (702)486-3545

The grantee, Nevada Division for Aging Services, along with its partners, supports this eighteen month Innovation Grant to Better Serve People with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders. The goal is to establish early intervention service delivery to Alzheimer's (dementia) patients and caregivers in rural and underserved communities of Nevada. The Center for Cognitive Aging Alzheimer Disease Diagnostic and Treatment Center has the capability of telemedicine. The Alzheimer's Association of Northern Nevada will provide specialty training through a telemedicine video for persons who are in the early stage of Alzheimer's disease. Support groups in rural areas will be utilized to train patients and families, reducing the burden associated with long-term care costs through early intervention. Participants will be encouraged to bring their primary caregiver to participate, and an early stage support group for caregivers will form as a result.

A special emphasis will be given to Hispanic and American Indian populations, which are spread over the 95,763 square miles in the rural and frontier areas of Nevada. Sessions will include: an overview of early stage dementia, medical and research updates on early stage dementia, legal and financial planning, managing change, family relationships, and advocacy and planning for the future. Topics such as safety concerns, including three particular risks of falling and home safety will be covered. Project outcomes will be measured with an evaluation model in which participants will be asked to rate their knowledge gain and confidence level. The products from this project are a final report, validation of telemedicine use for rural and frontier areas, and abstracts from the project for national conferences.

Program: Multigenerational Civic Engagement

90AM2770 The National Center for Family and Friends

The National Council on the Aging
300 D Street, SW, Suite 801
Washington, DC 20024

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 12/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	980,584
FY 2004	980,584
FY 2005	980,584
FY 2006	980,584

Contact: Adam Brunner

The National Council on the Aging, Inc., in partnership with Temple University Center for Intergenerational Learning, proposes to enhance the Family Friends program through the development, operation, and management of the National Center for Family Friends (NCFE). In brief, Center objectives are: 1) to establish six or seven new model Family Friends projects; 2) facilitate viable Family Friends projects through effective training, technical assistance and guidance; 3) design and test an expansion of the Family Friends model that uses senior volunteers to assist at-risk youth; and 4) improve the well-being of older volunteers, parents, and children/youth participating in Family Friends sites and increase the understanding of the impact of the program on Family Friends participants. Orientations for program directors will be provided, site visits to projects conducted, and training/technical assistance offered. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) expansion of a national network of viable Family Friends projects; 2) more effective strategies of older volunteers helping at-risk children and youth; 4) improved NCFE and project performance; and 3) a positive impact on program volunteers, families and children. Products include improved web and e-group sites, a lessons learned manual, a program evaluation, annual conferences, and publications such as Newsline and E-/FaxNews.

Program: Multigenerational Civic Engagement

90AM3152 National Technical Assistance Center for Multi-Generational and Civic Engagement Projects

National Council on Aging, Inc.
Civic Engagement
1901 L Street, NW, 4th Floor
Washington, DC 20036

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	980,584
FY 2008	952,301

Contact: Thomas Endres (202)479-6621

The National Council on Aged, in partnership with the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging, Temple University's Center for Intergenerational Learning, the National Assembly and Easter Seals, and in collaboration with the Corporation for National and Community Service and Atlantic Philanthropies, will develop a national technical assistance center to foster the development of effective multigenerational and civic engagement models. The Center objectives include: 1) soliciting and awarding up to 24 competitive grants for replicable, innovative, local, multigenerational and civic engagement projects; 2) providing up to two Vista volunteers for each grant; 3) providing grantees with training and technical assistance, to include the use of web based tools; 3) developing a baseline on best practices for mobilizing older volunteers; and 4) assisting AoA to develop a civic engagement page for its website. Project site visits will be conducted, training and technical assistance provided, and an annual conference arranged. Products include program and best practices materials, and other publications.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90AM3154 Connecticut's Model Approach to Consumer-Directed Long-Term Care

State of Connecticut Department of Social Services
Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

Contact: Margaret Gerundo-Murkette (860)424-5322

The CT Department of Social Services and its State Unit on Aging, in partnership with the Agency on Aging of South Central CT and community providers, will operate "Choices at Home" with the goal of helping consumers who are at high risk of nursing home placement, but not yet eligible for Medicaid, to remain in their own homes. The objectives are to: provide consumers in the south central area with flexible service options, utilizing a Cash and Counseling (C & C) model with funds from the Federal Caregiver and State Respite Care Programs; target services to individuals in the area who are at risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid; develop a Single Entry Point (SEP) system in the area that provides access to long-term care services and supports; and conduct a process evaluation and design and implement a model comprehensive performance measurement program.

The expected outcomes of this project are: consumers have a C & C option through the Caregiver and Respite programs; consumers can receive screening, assessment, LTC options counseling, and services for at risk target groups through the fully functioning SEP in the south central area; individuals at risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid will be effectively and efficiently identified through an assessment tool and served through existing programs; change can be sustained beyond the grant period and incorporated into the state's overall system of LTC and rebalancing effort. Also anticipate a cadre of trained staff, consumers, and providers.

The expected products include an expanded website, an assessment tool, a screening tool, training manuals, web-based training materials, an educational video and pod casts, and evaluation results.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90AM3155 Maryland's Nursing Home Diversion Project

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Room 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

The Maryland Department of Aging, in collaboration with five local Area Agencies on Aging and the state Medicaid agency, submits this proposal to plan and implement a Nursing Home Diversion Project. The Project will create a protocol to identify and target older adults who are at risk of long-term nursing home placement and Medicaid spend down and offer those individuals a self-directed spending benefit to purchase services that will assist them to remain in the community. Specific objectives are to: (1) design and implement a targeting and assessment protocol that identifies high risk people for early intervention; (2) restructure funding from Older Americans Act, Title III B and E programs, and selected state funded programs for a flexible spending option; (3) develop a protocol that results in a self-directed support plan that quantifies the cost of paid and informal supports; (4) assure that the restructured funding and targeting protocol are self sustaining; (5) evaluate the program to measure outcomes, demonstrate effectiveness of the interventions, and assure quality, while planning for other jurisdictions, and programs; and (6) integrate the restructuring accomplished under the Project with other Maryland, AoA, and CMS rebalancing and long-term care initiatives. At the end of the grant period, we expect to have: a flexible spending benefit for existing services; a minimum of 50 people who meet the risk criteria and are participating in the flexible spending benefit; an established Single Entry Point protocol for local AAAs to target high risk individuals for early intervention; and evaluation and quality assurance methodologies to monitor the project and measure the effectiveness of the interventions.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90AM3156 Expanding the Cash and Counseling Model to Two AAA's for Consumer-Directed LTC Services

Arkansas Department of Human Services
Department of Human Services
700 Main Street, P.O. Box 1437, Slot S530
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

Contact: Debby Ellis (501)682-8082

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

The Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS), the State Unit on Aging for the State of Arkansas, supports the Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grants in collaboration with two of the State's Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). The goal of the project is to expand service delivery options available through the AAAs, thereby providing Arkansans with increased consumer-directed long-term care service options.

The objectives are to: (1) create a new assessment instrument and process which targets individuals at risk of nursing home placement; (2) to develop and pilot a Medicaid spend down screening tool; and (3) for two of Arkansas's AAAs, to offer Cash & Counseling as a service model option.

The expected outcomes of this grant project are: (1) an infrastructure necessary to support increased use of the US DHHS/Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Cash & Counseling model, resulting in additional consumer-directed service options for Arkansans; and (2) targeted methods used by the AAAs with a priority on serving Arkansans at risk of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend down.

The products from this project are: (1) a financial eligibility screening tool, used to predict risk for Medicaid spend down; (2) an evaluation report describing the success of the newly developed application assessment process as a predictor of risk for institutionalization; and (3) training materials on how to operate and develop a Cash & Counseling program, shared to encourage replication of the model by additional AAAs across the state.

90AM3157 NJ Nursing Home Diversion Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2010

NJ Dept of Health and Senior Services
240 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08625-1002

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

Contact: Nancy E Day (609)943-3429

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, with the Department of Human Services, will use the Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grant to focus on adults who are not eligible for Medicaid, yet are at risk of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down.

Building upon the Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) model, the project will implement an approach that supports consumers to direct and control their care planning process; and, through a Cash and Counseling option, offers flexible service dollars allowing consumers to purchase services to meet their care needs. To maximize the number of persons served under OAA funds, NJ will introduce a cost-share sliding scale for home and community-based services (HCBS). Camden County AAA and its ADRC partners, will pilot the Cash and Counseling option. NJ is committed to implementing the Cash and Counseling option and cost-share for OAA programs statewide by 2010.

Goal 1: transform the way the NJ allocates existing OAA funds and State funded HCBS, from agency-based contracts to flexible service dollars, through a Cash and Counseling option. Objectives: (1) build upon eligibility criteria, cost-share, and fiscal infrastructure of State programs to transform OAA funds to support Cash and Counseling Option; (2) integrate Division of Aging and Community Services (DACS) Medicaid waiver Quality Strategies across OAA programs; and (3) implement an evaluation strategy to achieve desired success. Goal 2: redesign the aging network's system to facilitate consumer direction and control. Objectives: (1) integrate the ADRC model to screen, assess, and educate non-Medicaid consumers on HCBS; (2) educate consumers to direct and control the planning process; and (3) counsel participants on their role and responsibilities as an employer.

90AM3158 Nursing Home Diversion through Cash and Counseling Enhancement

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/30/2010

Illinois Department on Aging
421 East Capitol, Suite 100
Springfield, IL 62701-1789

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	491,760

Contact: Ross G Grove (217)524-7627

The Illinois Department on Aging (IDoA) administers the Community Care Program (CCP), which was established in 1979 and became a state entitlement by a federal court consent decree in 1983. The program provides home and community-based services to frail elderly age 60 and older who meet nursing home eligibility requirements. During state fiscal year 2007, the CCP provided services to more than 60,500 frail elderly, thereby successfully diverting or delaying those individuals from nursing home placement. The proposed project will serve an additional 300 seniors through consumer direction.

Partners in the My Choices program will include the Northeastern IL Area Agency on Aging in Kankakee, the Central IL Agency on Aging in Bloomington, the East Central IL Area Agency on Aging in Peoria, and the Southwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging in Belleville. The Health and Medicine Policy Research Group in Chicago will evaluate the program, and the Illinois Public Health Association will provide ongoing assistance and training for case managers.

The Illinois Department on Aging will offer consumer direction statewide to Illinois seniors by March 2009. The proposed program will expand the existing Illinois My Choices/ Cash and Counseling demonstration project to include flexible state and Older Americans Act Title III funds, and develop a new methodology for targeting older individuals at-risk of Medicaid spend-down to prevent premature nursing home placement. As one of few states contributing more than \$300 million to cover Home and Community-Based Waiver Services beyond the Medicaid eligible population, Illinois is in a unique position to respond to this funding opportunity.

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90AM3159 Georgia's Nursing Home Diversion Project

Georgia Department of Human Resources
Division of Aging
2 Peachtree St NW 9th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

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Georgia's Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging Services, proposes this Nursing Home Diversion Project to be implemented with support from the Department of Community Health and in collaboration with the Atlanta Regional Commission, the designated Area Agency on Aging for the ten-county Atlanta Region. The goal of the proposed project, Georgia's Consumer Support Options (CSO), is to support the rebalancing of Georgia's long-term care system. The objectives are: (1) to divert persons at risk of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down; (2) to establish targeting criteria for the intake and screening process through the Gateway system - the single entry point (3) to initiate the modernization of the Atlanta Region's aging services network by reallocating Title III and other non-Medicaid funds to support flexible spending options; and (4) to develop a consumer-directed model of care, allowing older adults and their caregivers to tailor their services to their individual needs. Anticipated outcomes are: (1) delay or avoidance of admission to nursing homes for persons at risk of placement and Medicaid spend down within 180 days; (2) individual understanding of flexible spending options available under the Consumer Support Options, facilitating access to services and products that support their personal care plans; and (3) consumer management and exercise of maximum choice in their selection of support services and products. The deliverables are: (1) a Flexible Spending Fund Pool to support Consumer Support Options; (2) marketing and promotional materials; (3) a CSO Operations Manual; (4) a CSO Consumer Manual; (5) interim and final reports; and (6) a model program that can be replicated statewide.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90AM3160 Vermont Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Project

Vermont Dept.of Disabilities,Aging & Independent Living
103 South Main Street Weeks Building - 2nd Floor
Waterbury, VT 05671-1601

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 12/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

Contact: Veda Lyon (802)241-2628

The VT Dept. of Disabilities, Aging & Independent Living (DAIL) 18 month grant will develop a comprehensive nursing home diversion program targeting individuals 60+ who currently are clinically-eligible for the Medicaid-funded Choices for Care program, but do not yet meet the Medicaid long-term care financial eligibility criteria. Caregivers of the target population will also be served. The goals of this initiative are to build upon the new provisions within the Older Americans Act, supporting Area Agencies on Aging, in partnership with DAIL, to build consumer-directed flexible supports that enable Vermonters to live independently in the community and avoid unnecessary nursing home placement.

Project objectives are to: (1) develop a non-Medicaid Flexible Choices PLUS cash & counseling program administered through select Area Agencies on Aging; (2) develop targeting criteria to ensure services are available to individuals most at-risk of Medicaid spend-down; (3) expand existing support brokerage functions used for the current Flexible Choices option; (4) expand/modify the role of current AAA staff to perform options counseling for the targeted population; (5) develop a comprehensive options counseling curriculum based upon the work completed by the National Assn. of State Units on Aging and the Independent Living Resource Utilization to facilitate the development of an interactive and informed decision making process; and (6) develop a training program on consumer self-directed care to support AAA and other aging network staff to translate into practice and service delivery the new language in the Older Americans Act regarding "self-directed care". Project outcomes are to: (1) establish an effective and sustainable nursing home diversion program, eventually statewide; (2) transform and modernize funding to support flexible, services; and (3) strengthen the State's capacity to reach older adults before they enter a nursing home.

90AM3161 Michigan's Nursing Home Diversion Program

Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
MI Dept. of Community Health
PO Box 30676
Lansing, MI 48909-8176

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

Contact: Peggy J Brey (517)241-0988

The MI Office of Services to the Aging is partnering with three Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) to submit this Nursing Home Diversion (NHD) grant. The grant transforms aging service dollars through the following goals/objectives: 1) implement identification and targeting strategies for older adults "at risk" of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down, re-engineer reporting systems to support person centered planning (PCP) and self-directed care, referred to as self-determination (SD) in Michigan, track "at risk" adults, and evaluate effectiveness of target indicators; 2) increase consumer control with redirection of Federal and State funds for flexible spending, enhance PCP/SD trainings, & evaluate effectiveness of PCP/ SD systems; 3) implement single entry point systems to improve access to aging services, through peer mentoring of PCP/SD and implementation of collaborative learning processes. Outcomes include: "at risk" consumers will be identified; risk factors will be identified and integrated into practice; consumers will have options for flexible spending and control of funds, & a choice of where they receive services. AAAs will utilize single entry point functions to serve "at risk" consumers. Products include: re-engineered systems; risk assessment tools; polices; standards; IT systems; sustained learning protocols; and PCP/SD training curriculum.

This program was conceived and initiated through consumer input and collaboration with partners, particularly the Office of Long-Term Care and Supports Services (OLTCSS). Through an AoA grant, the OLTCSS is developing a statewide approach to determine functional eligibility for all consumers. The NHD grant will wrap around these efforts and prepare the State for comprehensive and seamless long term care reform.

90AM3162 Kentucky Consumer Directed Homecare Pilot

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Aging and Independent Living
275 East Main Street 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40521

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	333,485

Contact: Phyllis Culp (502)564-6930

The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, Department for Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) requests \$333,485 to expand the consumer-directed approach to community-based care by applying a consumer-directed model to the state funded Homecare Program in two Area Agencies on Aging in the state. Kentucky has been a leader in the development of this approach for its Medicaid waiver programs and the DAIL has been contracted by the Department of Medicaid Services to implement the Consumer-Directed Option program.

Goal: To expand options for those at risk of spending down to Medicaid eligibility and those who would become nursing home residents, through the development of a consumer-directed approach to the state funded Homecare program.

Objectives: 1) to explore the effect of utilizing a consumer-directed approach for services provided through the state funded Homecare Program on nursing home diversion; 2) to provide education to clients about the efficacy of utilizing a consumer-directed model to access services, goods, and assistance; 3) to divert clients from spending down to Medicaid nursing home eligibility through the expansion of the consumer-directed model to increase service units and consumer satisfaction; 4) to develop and strengthen the network of community providers; 5) to use project data to expand the consumer-directed model to include all Kentucky Homecare clients; 6) to evaluate the effect of critical goods and services on the diversion of clients from Medicaid spend down and nursing home placement.

Outcomes: Will measure client's satisfaction and perception of actual diversion and the effects of expanded service options.

90AM3165 Customized Services in NH: A System Reform Strategy

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 09/30/2009

NH Department of Health and Human Services
129 Pleasant St.
Concord, NH 03301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

Contact: Kathleen Otte (603)271-4680

The New Hampshire Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services, in partnership with the Institute on Disability at the University of New Hampshire (UNH), proposes to implement a consumer-directed model as a central change strategy, to shift from a primarily state-controlled, provider-driven model of care to a consumer-driven model, to support older adults at risk of institutional placement to remain at home. The project goal is to modernize and transform family caregiver support funds into flexible, consumer-directed service dollars managed locally at the ServiceLink Resource Centers (SLRC's) to support nursing home diversion for persons identified as being at risk of nursing home placement and spend down to Medicaid.

The objectives are to: 1) establish an infrastructure to divert nursing home placement that is integrated into the SLRC system; 2) develop fiscal intermediary and information technologies to support individual budgeting and accounting; 3) devolve spending authority for caregiver support funds to the SLRC's; 4) implement evidenced-based caregiver education and skills training; and 5) evaluate the efficacy of the program.

The expected outcomes include: 1) 100 participants will receive timely and flexible intervention to prevent spend-down to Medicaid and nursing home admission; 2) 100 caregivers will receive training and support to help them sustain caregiving roles for longer periods of time; 3) a fiscal intermediary will be established; and 4) existing funding structures will be streamlined to authorize spending at the local level.

The anticipated products are: an evaluation and final report, an established fiscal intermediary service, a template for flexible funding, informational materials, media briefs, and a replicable caregiver training program.

90AM3166 FAIR Plus: West Virginia's Nursing Home Diversion Project

West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services

Program Unit

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Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	400,000

West Virginia's Nursing Home Diversion project is: "FAIR Plus: providing self-directed funds to caregivers in a state respite program (FAIR); diverting individuals with Alzheimer's or related dementias from nursing home placement & Medicaid spend-down." Building upon strong support from the WV Governor and Legislature to expand existing and create new senior programs, the Bureau of Senior Services (BoSS) will partner with Upper Potomac Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and its new, state-funded Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) to provide self-directed funds in the Family Alzheimer's In-Home Respite (FAIR) Program. BoSS will also collaborate with 15 predominantly rural county aging providers, the Alzheimer's Assn., the state Medicaid agency, and a fiscal intermediary to meet the program's goal of providing self-directed funds to 50 caregivers and to divert 50 care receivers from nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down.

Objectives are fourfold: to design, implement, and evaluate FAIR Plus, & strengthen current state long-term care rebalancing efforts by introducing a new diversion program, recommending systems change, educating policymakers, and empowering the ADRC to become fully functional. Outcomes: improved quality of life for the client (caregiver) through supports, services, & goods; lengthened time in home & community for the care receiver; & a recognized single point-of-entry role of the ADRC in the state's LTC system. Products from FAIR Plus will include targeting, assessment, & quality tools; policies & procedures manual; articles for publication; required reports; & marketing materials, including a brochure. West Virginians are historically self-reliant. FAIR Plus is an innovative, easily replicable, client-centered program, allowing caregivers to retain self-reliance by giving them knowledge & flexibility to make responsible informed choices for themselves and loved ones.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90AM3167 Minnesota Nursing Home Diversion Project

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 03/31/2010

Minnesota Board on Aging

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	500,000

The goals of Minnesota's Nursing Home Diversion Project are to: 1) further develop flexible service options for older adults and family caregivers who are eligible for Medicaid (Medical Assistance) and other public programs, as well as those who will fully private pay; and 2) develop a more consistent, effective and evidence-informed process to identify and triage individuals who are at high risk of nursing home placement and Medical Assistance (MA) spend down. More specifically, Minnesota (MN) intends to use this funding opportunity to achieve the following objectives: 1) develop triage and follow-up processes and protocols that can be replicated statewide; 2) identify older adults who have needs associated with risk of nursing home admission and MA spend down; 3) effectively link identified older adults and/or family caregivers to flexible service options to prevent or delay nursing home admission and MA spend down; 4) target Title III, Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States (ADDGS) and grant funds to identified high risk individuals, with an emphasis on consumer-directed services options; and 5) collect evidence that can inform the state's system development and service re-design. The expected outcomes of this project include: 1) earlier and more appropriate identification of older adults at risk for nursing home placement and MA spend down; and 2) increased numbers of individuals and family caregivers provided with flexible service options under the Alternative Care Program (AC) and Pre-AC Pilot Test (Title III, Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant). The products from this project are: a final report, including evaluation results; a consumer-directed services portal website; consumer outreach campaign materials; and counselor/support planner training curriculum modules.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90CD1178 Washington State's AoA Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Aging and Disability Services Administration

WA Social and Health Services

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	912,813

Washington State, in partnership with Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) and aging network providers, will build on the new Tailored Caregiver Referral and Assessment (TCARE) protocol to screen, assess and serve seniors through single entry points for the purpose of delaying or avoiding nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid. Services will be offered in a flexible menu promoting consumer choice funded by grant dollars, Older Americans Act and state funding. We will target individuals at risk who have a family or informal caregiver, and address consumers who do not have informal support. We view this opportunity as a system change process, and will pilot services within the 18 month timeline, while keeping the focus broad in scope. Goal: identify and pilot system changes necessary for Washington State to divert or delay individuals from nursing home placement and spend down to Medicaid. Objectives: 1) define "imminent risk" for the target population; 2) modify tools and processes which screen and assess at-risk individuals; 3) pilot tools and processes in Single Entry Points (SEP) in four Public Service Areas (PSA); 4) refine existing services into a system of flexible consumer-driven menu options; 5) develop an evaluation process, including objective measurements and consumer satisfaction components. Outcomes: 1) at-risk individuals screened through single entry points in four PSAs; 2) 364 at risk individuals will have delayed or avoided nursing home placement and spend down; 3) effective interventions identified that result in delay in nursing home placement and/or spend-down to Medicaid; 4) a credible methodology in place for determining and reporting cost avoidance and cost savings. Products: a final report, including outreach materials; screening and assessment tools; and an evaluation tool.

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90CD1179 "CHOICES At Home Phase II" - CT Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Project

Connecticut Department of Social Services
Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	649,398

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The Connecticut Department of Social Services and its State Unit on Aging, in partnership with the Agencies on Aging of South Central and Western Connecticut and community providers, will operate "Choices at Home". The goal is to help consumers who are at-risk of nursing home placement, but not yet eligible for Medicaid, to remain in their own homes. The objectives are: Provide consumers in the south central and western areas with flexible service options, utilizing a Cash and Counseling (C&C) model with funds from the federal Caregiver and State Respite Care Programs; target services to individuals in the areas who are at-risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid; enhance the Single Entry Point (SEP) established in the south central area and develop a new SEP in the western area that provides access to long-term care services and supports; develop and implement formal protocols across key stakeholder organizations supporting the rapid provision of HCBS to target populations; and design a comprehensive performance measurement program. Expected project outcomes are: consumers will have a C & C option through the Caregiver and Respite programs in the pilot areas; consumers can receive screening, assessment, LTC options counseling, and services for at-risk target group through the fully functioning SEP; and individuals at-risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid will be effectively and efficiently identified through an assessment tool and served through existing programs; and change sustained beyond the grant period and incorporated into the state's LTC system. Expected products include: enhanced assessment tool, screening tool, training manuals, web-based trainings, evaluation results, and a LTC workbook.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90CD1180 Georgia's Nursing Home Diversion Modernization through Support Options

GA Department of Human Resources
Division of Aging Services
2 Peachtree St., NW 9th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30303

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	590,755

Contact: Jamie Cramer (404)657-5322

The grantee, Georgia's Division of Aging Services (DAS), supports this 18 month Nursing Home Diversion Modernization project in collaboration with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), the designated Area Agency on Aging for the ten-county Atlanta region. The goal of this project is to modernize and strengthen the approach of the Aging Services Network in helping individuals who are at high risk for nursing home placement, but not Medicaid eligible, to avoid unnecessary out of home placement by offering wide variety of community based services and supports. The objectives are: (1) to implement and integrate the Support Options model into the operations of the DeKalb County Office of Senior Affairs (OSA); (2) to refine the Support Options policies and procedures for a regional approach developed by ARC through the first grant award; (3) to develop a Support Options model for replication at the county and local community organization level; (4) to develop a tracking system to collect data for measuring performance and evaluating Support Options, and; (5) to develop a quality assurance plan modeled on the CMS Quality Framework. The expected outcome is that a significant number of individuals at risk for nursing home placement, but not Medicaid eligible, will be able to delay or entirely avoid nursing home admission. The products of this project are: a replicable Support Options model for potential dissemination to counties and local agencies statewide; a system to collect and track performance measurement data; and evaluation data on the effectiveness of current assessment and consumer support plans, as well as the roles and scopes of the Support Options counselors.

90CD1181 Development and Implementation of a Nursing Home Diversion/Consumer Directed Model of Services

Virginia Department for the Aging
Virginia Department for Aging
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	759,493

Contact: Debbie Burcham (804)662-7047

The grantee of this 18 month Nursing Home Diversion (NHD) project is the VA Dept. for the Aging, working in collaboration with the Dept. of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS), and three PSAs. Their goal is to divert 55 at risk individuals, in three PSAs, from nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down by offering consumer-directed services in the form of a monthly flexible spending package of home and community-based services. The objectives: 1) design a program, policies, protocols and tools to meet this goal; 2) identify and enroll at least 55 eligible individuals before the end of month 9; 3) offer consumer-directed services & fiscal intermediary assistance to all participants, starting month 10; 4) evaluate and measure program success; 5) using lessons learned, expand consumer direction to other AAA regions of VA; and 6) educate policy makers on benefits of self-direction in LTC programs and the role of ADRCs in diverting individuals from nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down. Expected outcomes: 1) at least 55 individuals served; 2) at least 80% of individuals served will be diverted from nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down; 3) 85 % of care recipients and/or their caregivers will report a higher quality of life by using self-directed services and flexible funding; 4) 85 % of care recipients and/or caregivers will report an excellent or good experience with the No Wrong Door/Single Point of Entry (NWD/SEP). Anticipated products: a final report with evaluation results; data on consumers served; and new policies, protocols & tools that support consumer- directed services for seniors in the Commonwealth.

90CD1182 2008 FDOEA Nursing Home Diversion Modernization and VDHCBS Projects

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 315
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	927,710

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The Florida Department of Elder Affairs requests an 18-month grant to maximize nursing home diversion by providing timely, cost effective and person-centered interventions to non-Medicaid individuals. The project goal is to rapidly deliver services to divert individuals at imminent risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid, building upon the current aging-services single entry point system (SEP).

Project objectives: 1) effectively identify individuals at imminent risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid; 2) rapidly authorize and provide services that offer consumer direction and are responsive to the unique and changing needs of the target population, independent of funding sources; and 3) effectively track client outcomes and document the network's success in targeting imminent-risk individuals, avoiding nursing home placement and avoiding Medicaid spend-down.

Desired outcomes: 1) an effective & sustainable nursing home diversion model that identifies/serves people at imminent risk of nursing home placement & spend-down to Medicaid, and can be expanded statewide; 2) a seamless & flexible funding system supporting individual choice and establishing policy for pooling multiple funding sources to serve high-risk individuals targeted for this program; 3) cost savings to public programs, inc. Medicaid, compared to institutional care; and 4) decreased state Medicaid nursing home utilization.

Products include: 1) a screening tool to identify the targeted population; 2) tools and protocols; 3) memoranda of agreement with key partners; and 4) training, education and outreach materials on transitioning, consumer- directed care & cost sharing for case managers, care consultants, clients, caregivers and service providers.

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90CD1183 Texas Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grant Program

Texas Dept. of Aging and Disability Services (DADS)

Access & Intake

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Austin, TX 78751

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	923,708

In partnership with the Central Texas Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) and Scott & White Healthcare, the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services proposes to establish a nursing home diversion program for individuals at imminent risk for nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down. Objectives include: 1) modifying current administration of Older Americans Act funds to promote flexible budgeting and reporting; 2) creating a negotiated "monthly service budget" for consumers, funded through the coordination of a variety of funding sources; and, 3) implementing diversion strategies related to the early identification of and interventions for, high-risk consumers. With the ADRC serving as a single point of entry, all individuals will be assisted using a client-centered planning approach. Consumers will receive options counseling, supportive decision-making assistance and consumer-directed options, as well as assistance with accessing other community supports, including those available through other federal and state sources and private pay. The project will have two measurable outcomes: 1) a reduction in consumer risk for nursing home placement; and, 2) improvement in health-related quality of life indicators. To promote project replication and sustainability, DADS and its project partners will pursue other funding sources and will work through its Promoting Independence Initiative to relay best practices related to risk assessment and identification to other hospital systems throughout the state. Additionally, all assessment and risk profile tools, educational materials and protocols will be formalized for use by other ADRCs and/or communities in Texas. Finally, portions of the approaches described in this proposal will be used to develop the Veteran's Directed Home and Community-based Service Option.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90CD1184 Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Cooperative Agreement

NJ ST DIVISION ON AGING

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	565,151

The NJ Departments of Health and Senior Services, Human Services, and Military and Veteran Affairs, seek to offer a consumer-directed option for older adults at risk of nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down. By March 30, 2010, the number of unduplicated ADRC Cash and counseling enrollees will be 54, at a total cost of \$390,000. A "no wrong" door approach will be achieved through formalized protocols and information technology to facilitate a consumer-directed approach throughout the outreach, enrollment, planning, service delivery and quality management processes. NJ proposes to use the 2008 NHDM grant to continue building the infrastructure, business processes and delivery of LTC services needed to support the growing number of older adults, persons with disabilities, and veterans, regardless of income.

Goal: divert Morris and Somerset Co. elderly residents, individuals with disabilities, & veterans at risk of nursing home placement & Medicaid spend-down, by establishing an integrated, quality-managed single entry system to assist individuals & their caregivers with planning, directing and controlling their home & community-based services (HCBS). Objective 1: implement NJ's tested Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) protocols to integrate service systems to identify, screen, assess, and counsel targeted consumers for HCBS. Objective 2: expand and refine the ADRC cash and counseling model in two new counties. Objective 3: transform vendor contracting from fixed grants to fee-for-service for Older Americans Act Title III B/E to facilitate flexible, consumer-directed service budgets. Objective 4: enhance NJ's CMS-based quality management strategy.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization
90CD1185 Nursing Home Diversion Grant

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	1,000,000

The Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, in collaboration with the Office of Aging and Adult Services, Capital Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), and Northwest ADRC, propose to implement a Medicaid Diversion Project. The goal is for Louisiana's Aging Network to assist individuals at imminent risk of nursing home placement, but not eligible for Medicaid, avoid nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid. Specific objectives are to: 1) develop and expand Single Point of Entry (SPOE) at 2 ADRCs, to identify and serve targeted at-risk individuals to avoid Medicaid spend-down; 2) invest Older Americans Act (OAA) III-E dollars to provide timely, flexible services to targeted individuals, so that as their needs change the service package can adjust; 3) implement a consumer-directed care option for OAA services to empower consumers to control the types of services they receive and the manner in which they are provided; and 4) develop/refine infrastructure policies, targeting, tracking, and reporting models for the aging network so that project replication can expand throughout the State. The expected outcomes are that individuals: 1) who are identified at imminent risk of nursing home placement but not eligible for Medicaid, will avoid nursing home placement & spend-down to Medicaid through timely service provision; 2) will be offered consumer direction for services; and 3) will have established SPOE that can readily authorize an integrated, flexible, consumer-driven service plan across public and private funding streams. The expected products are: interim and final reports, a Medicaid Diversion Operations Manual, marketing and promotional materials, and model programs that can be replicated statewide.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization
90CD1186 Consumer-Directed Approach to NH Family Caregiver Service Delivery: System Reform Continued

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	649,398

The New Hampshire Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS), in partnership with the Institute on Disability (IOD) at UNH, proposes to expand its current nursing home diversion project piloted in two areas in New Hampshire, focusing on a consumer-directed model supporting informal caregivers caring for older adults at risk of placement in a nursing facility and ultimate spend down to Medicaid. The project goal is to shift control from a primarily state-controlled, provider-driven model and transform Federal Title III-E and State funded Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD) funds into flexible, consumer-directed service dollars managed locally at the Service Link Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC's). This was initiated in the pilot Nursing Home Diversion Modernization (NHDM) project and expanded to three additional ADRC's. Objectives: 1) expand recently established infrastructure under NHDM to three additional ADRC's; 2) expand the established Agency With Choice fiscal agent model to the proposed areas; 3) expand the devolution of the spending authority for Title III-E and ADRD funds; 4) expand evidence-based caregiver education and consumer-directed training to the proposed areas; and 5) evaluate the efficacy of the program. Expected Outcomes: 1) participants' abilities strengthened through evidence-based training and support to prevent spend down to Medicaid; 2) staff trained in person-centered approach in supporting family caregivers; 3) expanded Agency with Choice fiscal agent coverage area; 4) streamlined funding structures; and 5) established single point of entry for family caregivers to access services. Anticipated products: an evaluation; a final report; informational materials; participant and staff manuals; media briefs; and a replicable consumer-directed family caregiver support model.

90CD1187 Arkansas Nursing Home Diversion Program

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Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	569,437

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The Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS), the State Unit on Aging for the State of Arkansas, currently administers a Nursing Home Diversion program and is committed to strengthening and expanding this program as a part of the state's efforts to rebalance its long-term care system and provide Arkansans with additional choices in how and where they receive long-term care services and supports. The goal of the project is to expand and strengthen the state's current Nursing Home Diversion program, in order to enable non-Medicaid eligible Arkansans, at imminent risk of nursing home placement and spend-down to Medicaid, to remain in the community and out of the nursing home. The objectives of this project are to: (1) expand the current Nursing Home Diversion Modernization (NHDM) program; (2) work in collaboration with the Single Entry Point and AAAs to identify additional participants for the program; (3) develop and refine nursing home diversion and spend-down targeting criteria; (4) continue providing services to the 150 participants in the current Nursing Home Diversion program and add up to 52 new enrollees to the program. The anticipated outcomes of the project are to: (1) provide services available under the NHDM program to additional Arkansans; (2) assess Arkansas's NHDM assessment and screening tools; (3) produce a report detailing the outcomes of the Nursing Home Diversion project; and (4) provide training opportunities and materials to the state's AAA network on the philosophy and implementation of Cash & Counseling models.

90CD1188 New York State Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	927,710

Contact: Gail Koser (518)474-4425

The goal of this NY Office for the Aging project is to support consumer long-term care needs & preferences, as well as nursing home diversion & Medicaid spend-down prevention thru the development of rapid response, seamless, consumer-directed service delivery in 3 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). Objectives: (1) implement targeting and screening standards and protocols; (2) set aside Federal and State monies to support consumer directed approaches to targeted populations; (3) develop protocols, training, and quality assurance strategies to ensure effective & seamless delivery of consumer-directed approaches; and (4) develop policies and an implementation package to facilitate greater use of consumer-directed approaches. Overall Approach: three AAAs, representing a range of urban, suburban, and rural communities, will sponsor the screening of over 100 persons (approximately 12% of the eligible population in the 3 counties) who are at-risk for nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down. Individuals will be screened by NYConnects, linked to AAA care coordinators, and offered a choice of consumer-directed or traditional services (such as - personal care, adult day care, home delivered meals & nutrition counseling, caregiver support including training, evidence-based health promotion, transportation, housekeeping, and chore services). Federal grant, Titles III-B, III-C-2 and Title III-E and state-funded EISEP/CSE/SNAP funds will be set aside to support rapid and seamless service. Fiscal intermediaries & continuous quality improvement procedures will ensure effective & satisfactory delivery.

Measurable Outcomes: (1) diversion of persons at-risk for nursing home placement and for Medicaid spend-down; (2) realignment of funding; (3) quality delivery; and (4) replication/sustainability. Products: final report including evaluation results; policy implementation; and dissemination of toolkit for all AAAs in New York.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90CD1189 Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Elder Affairs

One Ashburton Place

Boston, MA 02180

Contact: Ruth Palombo (617)222-7512

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	885,165

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs requests support over an eighteen month period to develop a comprehensive nursing home diversion initiative targeting individuals, and their family caregivers, at risk of nursing home admission, but ineligible for long-term care Medicaid. Goal 1: establish Aging and Disability Resource Consortia (ADRCs) throughout the state, with Long Term Care Options (LTCO) as a core service. Objectives: (1) recruit, train and support ADRC staff to provide LTCO counseling; (2) connect clients with community-based services; and (3) establish protocols to support referrals. Goal 2: identify and prioritize people at risk for nursing home placement and spend down to Medicaid. Objectives: (1) assess to determine those in greatest need; (2) reach out to hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation facilities and Medicare Enrollment Centers to promote referrals; and (3) distribute materials explaining benefits of LTCO counseling and ADRC services. Goal 3: incorporate support services for caregivers as part of nursing home diversion. Objectives: (1) modify how respite dollars are allocated to support family caregivers; (2) incorporate caregiver training, and support into ADRC referral network. Goal 4: develop the infrastructure necessary to support consumer-direction. Objectives: (1) train ADRC staff in consumer-directed care counseling; and (2) create a policy that all ADRCs will promote consumer-directed services. Project outcomes are: (1) an established infrastructure to support consumer-direction across community-based programs; (2) a statewide network of ADRCs serving as Single Points of Entry for long-term services and supports; (3) a sustainable LTCO counseling model; and (4) strengthened capacity to provide information and services to help individuals remain in the community.

Program: Nursing Home Diversion Modernization

90CD1190 Michigan's Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Grants, Including A Special Funding Opportunity to Serve Veterans

Office of Services to the Aging

Department of Community Health

300 E. Michigan Avenue, 3rd Floor P.O. Box 30676

Lansing, MI 48909-8176

Contact: Bonnie Graham (517)373-9060

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	649,398

The Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) designed this 2008 Nursing Home Diversion (NHD) project to build on the work and success of year one of the MI Nursing Home Diversion Modernization program. The 2008 NHD project will include the three current partner Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), and seven new AAAs. Project Goal: transform Michigan's aging network to fully embrace self-direction (SD); re-engineer infrastructure and direct the use of funding sources to serve NHD eligible individuals (at imminent risk of nursing home placement) & their caregivers. Overall approach: 1) institutionalize new policies, protocols, and minimum service/operating standards; 2) refine targeting strategies & tools; and 3) improve integration/access to aging services through single entry point systems. Objectives: 1) new state standards, policies and protocols for rapid referral/service and availability of flexible service options, including self-direction; 2) refined NHD criteria to precisely target NHD eligible individuals, including veterans; marketing and outreach strategies; short-term care management capacity and enhanced reporting systems to support service provision; and 3) development of new referral sources; integration and delineation of ADRC/SPE/AAA roles; enhanced person-centered planning (PCP) and SD care training and effectiveness evaluation. Outcomes: sustainable statewide systems/culture change; validated indicators to identify those at imminent risk; consumer choice and flexible service options; and person-centered multi-level care management assessment. Products include: re-engineered systems, polices & standards, information and technology systems to identify and monitor at-risk consumers; model PCP and SD training curriculum; change model built on a proven culture change methods; and outreach and marketing tools to increase referral to the program. OSA also applied to work with the Veteran's Directed Home and Community-Based Service Program Option.

Program: **Nursing Home Diversion Modernization**
90CD1191 Ohio's Nursing Home Diversion Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 03/31/2010

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus , OH 43215

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	610,265

Contact: Marc Molea (614)752-9167

The Ohio Department of Aging (ODA), in collaboration with the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) will serve older adults in ten south/central Appalachian counties. The goal of the Nursing Home Diversion Project (NHDP) is to include non-Medicaid individuals who are at imminent risk of nursing home admission and Medicaid spend-down in long-term care system transformation efforts currently under way. Objectives of the project are to: (1) design prioritization processes that identify non-Medicaid older adults at imminent risk of nursing home admission and Medicaid spend-down; (2) expand Single Point of Entry to accommodate screening of high-risk, non-Medicaid individuals; (3) coordinate with Money Follows the Person transition coordinators to identify non-Medicaid nursing home residents who are at imminent risk of Medicaid spend-down and permanent admission; (4) enhance the technological infrastructure support of diversion activities; and, (5) incorporate self-directed care planning of HCBS, based on the Choices Medicaid Waiver (with elements of the Cash & Counseling) model, for the Care Coordination and National Family Caregiver Support programs. Expected outcomes are that non-Medicaid individuals at imminent risk of nursing home admission and Medicaid spend-down are diverted to community based services; appropriate screening, protocols, and self-directed care planning services are managed, resulting in increased nursing-home diversion; and policies developed reflect the role of nursing home diversion in the seamless unified long-term care system transformation underway in Ohio. Deliverables include an analysis of the nine-month project planning period; an evaluation of data collected in provision of diversion services; project training materials for state-wide replication; abstracts for national conferences; cost analysis of the project implementation; and a final report.

Program: **Open Solicitation**
900P0002 Technical Support for Consumer-Directed Programs

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2011

Trustees of Boston College
Graduate School of Social Work
140 Commonwealth Avenue
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Diane Fabrizio (617)552-6873

The grantee, the National Center for Consumer Direction (NCCD) at the Boston College Graduate School of Social Work, supports the goals enunciated in the Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006 and will provide valuable assistance to the Aging Network as it works to increase choices and consumer-directed options for high risk individuals that help to keep them in their homes and communities. The goal of the project is to help states and Area Agencies on Aging increase the consumer direction options available to their constituents. The objectives are: 1) to help programs identify consumer direction status, technical assistance needs and plans in their areas; 2) to provide states and Area Agencies on Aging with opportunities to participate in regular training sessions to increase their knowledge about and ability to provide consumer directed/flexible service options; 3) to identify leaders, both consumers and professionals, to help advance the development of consumer directed options; and 4) to develop linkages with and among Area Agencies on Aging and other programs working in the areas of consumer direction. The expected outcomes of this project are: that at least ten programs will develop basic support structures for consumer directed programming; at least eight programs will increase the degree to which consumer-directed options are available; and a network of consumer directed champions will be developed to advocate for and assist in the development of consumer direction. The products from this project will include: educational materials, including webinars and content for use at national conferences; a minimum of three Promising Practice Reports; and core performance indicators for consumer direction specific to the Aging Network.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects

90AM3023 AARP Foundation Technical Support for Legal Assistance Grants

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

AARP Foundation
601 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20049

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	100,000
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	116,438

Contact: Shoshanna Ehrlich (954)472-0997

The AARP Foundation proposes to provide training, capacity building and technical assistance to the Administration on Aging (AoA) funded legal assistance grants around the country. The goal of the project is to increase access to legal assistance for seniors by supporting legal services providers in their innovative delivery of the highest quality legal services. The Technical Support Project is integral to assuring that the delivery innovations planned by the legal assistance grantees operate efficiently and adhere to proven effective practices. The objectives are: to provide technical support to AoA legal assistance grantees via site visits, on-call and e-mail consultation, telephone and live web conferences, websites, e-groups, and newsletters; and to expand knowledge and support of grantee innovations through outreach to and collaboration with Title IIIB providers via the legal helpline library, website, e-groups, newsletters, conference presentations, data collection, and legal needs and client outcome studies. The target population is older Americans, with particular emphasis upon low-income, minority, rural, homebound and limited-English speaking populations. Anticipated outcomes include provision of assistance to the AoA Legal Assistance grantees in their work to increase access to senior legal services, as measured by a Project Evaluation Survey; and increased acquisition of knowledge by the aging and legal services network on the legal needs of seniors and the effectiveness of the legal assistance grants, through original research conducted by the project. The AARP Foundation and its Technical Assistance Project for Legal Assistance Grants are integrally involved with community-based organizations in each state, which are instrumental in helping older individuals find solutions to their legal problems. Major products include a Project Evaluation Survey and Senior Legal Hotlines Annual Reports.

Program: National Center on Elder Abuse

90AM2792 National Center on Elder Abuse

Project Period: 09/20/2003 - 11/30/2007

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNITS ON AGING
1201 15th Street, NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005-2842

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	815,250
FY 2004	815,250
FY 2005	815,250
FY 2006	815,250

Contact: Diane Justice (202)898-2578

The National Association of State Units on Aging, in partnership with an alliance of four nationally recognized and respected collaborating organizations representing the many disciplines in elder abuse prevention, will execute a 3-year program to continue the work of the National Center on Elder Abuse. The continuing goal is to provide information, training, and technical assistance about elder abuse trends, policy and legislative developments, research that impacts on prevention, promising practices, and key issues for the field - in a variety of formats, to all segments of the population. The expected outcomes are: 1) timely, high quality information to support state and local capacity building and innovation; 2) increased professionalization of adult protection and elder abuse service networks; and 3) increased knowledge of the extent and causes of elder abuse and skills and practices for prevention. Products include: a comprehensive web site, monthly newsletter, listserv for professional dialogue and exchange, a web-based clearinghouse, a searchable database of promising practices, a training lending library, specialized workshops and best practice exchange, state statutory analysis, issue briefs on local and state network development and outreach to rural and minority communities, a brochure and PowerPoint module for faith-based communities, and other support materials.

90AM3144 NCEA Option II Training - National Adult Protective Services Foundation/NAPSA

Project Period: 09/01/2007 - 06/30/2010

NATIONAL ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOUNDATION

920 Spring St Ste 1200

Springfield, IL 62704

Contact: Kathleen Quinn (217)523-4431

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	199,475
FY 2008	199,475

The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) is a multi-disciplinary consortium of equal partners with expertise in elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation. Their goals are to: (1) develop & disseminate information for targeted groups of professionals to increase identification and reporting of elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation, and to guide programs that protect older people; (2) provide tools to increase the ability of professionals, especially those of the aging network & community-based agencies who have access to frail seniors on a daily basis, to identify, address, and prevent elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation; and (3) promote systems change by fostering development of programs, models, and initiatives that measurably decrease the incidence of elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation.

The National Adult Protective Services Association will execute a 3-year program as a collaborator in the NCEA, and undertake the following activities to promote the above goals: (1) conduct a national needs assessment to identify both the elder abuse training needs of, and currently available training for, targeted professionals; (2) develop a feasible, long range strategic plan to address gaps identified in the needs assessment; (3) continue to maintain & expand the national elder abuse/APS training library; (4) continue to develop & disseminate training materials for personnel engaged in preventing, identifying, and treating elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation; (5) conduct 4 annual, national webcasts on elder abuse/APS to disseminate information for targeted professions; and (6) annually prepare & distribute an annotated bibliography of recent elder abuse research. Expected outcomes are: (1) timely, high quality information to support state & local capacity building and innovation; (2) increased professionalization of adult protection & elder abuse service networks; and (3) increased knowledge of the extent & causes of elder abuse and skills & practices for prevention.

90AM3145 Empowering Elder Abuse Organizations through Local, State, and National Collaborations

Project Period: 09/01/2007 - 06/30/2010

National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
1612 K Street NW Ste 400
Washington, DC 20006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	300,000
FY 2008	300,000

Contact: Megan Wiley (202)682-4140

The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) is a multi-disciplinary consortium of equal partners with expertise in elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation. The goals of the NCEA are to: (1) develop and disseminate information for targeted groups of professionals to increase the identification and reporting of elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation, and to guide programs that protect older people; (2) provide tools to increase the ability of professionals, especially those of the aging network and community-based agencies who have access to frail seniors on a daily basis, to identify, address, and prevent elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation; and (3) promote systems change by fostering development of programs, models, and initiatives that measurably decrease the incidence of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

In support of the NCEA goals, the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse will execute a 3-year program as a collaborator in the NCEA and undertake the following activities to encourage and enhance development of comprehensive elder justice systems: (1) award mini-grants of approximately \$10,000 each year to support the creation and promote the sustainability of multidisciplinary local and state elder abuse networks; (2) provide technical assistance to states and AAAs to promote the widespread development, implementation, and sustainability of new or existing local and state elder abuse networks; (3) maintain and augment the Promising Practices Clearinghouse; and (4) develop analyses of state statutory issues and track federal laws that impact elder abuse detection, intervention, and prevention & disseminate that information. The expected outcomes are: (1) timely, high quality information to support state and local capacity building and innovation; (2) increased professionalization of adult protection and elder abuse service networks; and (3) increased knowledge of the extent and causes of elder abuse & skills and practices for prevention.

Program: National Center on Elder Abuse

90AM3146 NCEA Co-Manager

University of Delaware
Ctr Comm Research & Service
210 Hulihan Hall
Newark, DE 19716

Project Period: 09/01/2007 - 06/30/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	264,998
FY 2008	264,998

Contact: Judith Trefsger (302)831-2629

National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) is an equal partner, multi-disciplinary consortium with expertise in elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation. Goals: develop & disseminate information for professionals to increase elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation identification & reporting, and guide programs that protect older people; provide tools to increase professional ability, especially aging network & community-based agencies, with daily access to frail seniors, to identify, address, & prevent elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation; and promote systems change thru development of programs, models, & initiatives that measurably decrease elder abuse, neglect, & exploitation incidence.

As a 4 yr NCEA program collaborator, U. of DE will support these goals and increase national awareness of elder abuse & NCEA resources and services, and: 1) promote public awareness materials; 2) create a strategic social marketing plan & implement select elements; 3) develop & disseminate products to enhance public & professional response to elder mistreatment; 4) foster coordination/communication among entities addressing elder mistreatment; 5) provide effective managerial support to NCEA. Products: online user- searchable, public awareness resource inventory; strategic social marketing blueprint; podcast; customizable fact sheets, issue briefs, & educational/outreach materials; elder abuse listserv maintenance; monthly e-newsletters; self-service article/research database. Anticipated outcomes: 1) increased national awareness of elder abuse as a social problem requiring action; 2) enhanced awareness/use of NCEA resources/ services; 3) improved prevention & intervention strategies by practitioner use of NCEA resources/services; and 4) expanded capacity to respond to elder abuse field, media, & policymaker needs thru efficient & effectively managed NCEA.

Program: National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center

90AM2806 National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center

AMERICAN HEALTH QUALITY FOUNDATION
1155 21st Street, NW, Suite 202
Washington, DC 20036

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	368,750
FY 2006	300,000

Contact: Candice Griffin

American Health Quality Foundation, in partnership with the Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging, maximizes the effectiveness of Senior Medicare Patrols (SMPs) through the management of the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center. The "Center" objectives are to: assess SMP needs/capabilities; inform SMPs about top Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse issues; ensure that SMPs can effectively reach special target populations; and support SMPs in addressing volunteer and program management issues. Deliverables include: a written profile of SMP needs and capabilities; a written summary of top error, fraud and abuse issues; a national Online Resource Center with a Best Practices and FAQ database; project toolkits; and materials translated for use by special populations. The Center has been in the forefront of informing SMPs about the provisions of the 2003 Medicare Modernization Act and the new prescription drug benefit. This action educated beneficiaries about the provisions of the Act and allowed them to avoid costly enrollment errors and provider scams. Outcomes for this FY will include a standardized method for volunteer certification to insure that volunteers are aware of the program mission and sensitivity of data collected.

90AM2807 National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 08/31/2010

HAWKEYE VALLEY AREA AGENCY ON AGING

2101 Kimball Avenue, Suite 320

Waterloo, IA 50702

Contact: Shirley Merner (319)358-9402

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	645,000
FY 2008	909,997

This grant supports operation of the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center through a cooperative agreement with the American Health Quality Foundation. The Center provides health care fraud control outreach and education to the Administration's SMP projects. There is at least one SMP project in each state, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. These projects recruit and train retired professionals to conduct community-based outreach and fraud control education to Medicare/Medicaid recipients, families and caregivers. The goals of the "Center" are: 1) to enhance SMP project's abilities to conduct outreach to vulnerable beneficiaries - particularly those with limited English proficiency, disabilities, or who reside in rural areas - and to reduce or recoup improper payments; 2) insure that best-practices are shared in a wide variety of platforms, such as national conferences, web-based seminars, or other online or offline resources; an (3) administers SMART FACTS data collection and reporting to the HHS OIG and others. The grantee maintains and updates smpresource.org which contains current fraud alerts, the SMP locator, and a platform for dissemination of best practices to the projects or other interested parties.

90AM2690 National Long-Term Care Ombudsman Resource Center

Project Period: 06/01/2003 - 05/31/2010

NATIONAL CITIZEN'S COALITION FOR NURSING HOME REFORM

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 801

Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Sarah Wells (202)332-2275

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	550,000
FY 2004	550,000
FY 2005	550,000
FY 2006	550,000
FY 2007	550,000
FY 2008	537,444

This is a three year cooperative agreement between AoA and the National Citizens' Coalition for Nursing Home Reform. The project goal is to equip the long-term care ombudsmen to carry out their responsibilities under the Older Americans Act as the ombudsman. Responsibilities are to: 1) address the problems and complaints of residents of long-term care facilities; and 2) represent residents needs and interests. To attain these goals, the Center will provide support, training and technical assistance to the ombudsman network that daily responds to requests for assistance from facility residents, their families and the public. The five objectives are: 1) to direct training and training materials to enhance ombudsman skills; 2) to develop specific products and dialogue forums; 3) to conduct daily technical assistance, and provide information and referral services on program management, program promotion, training, and pertinent national and state long-term care issues; 4) to promote the ombudsman program; and 5) to collaborate on efforts to strengthen ombudsman involvement in state and national initiatives. The anticipated outcomes include: transmittal of current and accurate information to ombudsmen and State Agencies on Aging directors, to improve their state training, management, program promotion and advocacy functions; and full utilization of the Center's technical assistance and products. Products include a final report; training materials; data base enhancements; and conference materials.

90AP2645 Furthering a Commitment to Legal Services

American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education
Commission on Law and Aging
740 15th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 10/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Holly Robinson (202)662-8694

The ABA Fund for Justice and Education is the grantee for this three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights (NLAER) Project. The goal is to enhance State and Area Agencies on Aging capacity to support elder rights and improve the quality and accessibility of legal assistance for vulnerable elders and limited-English speakers. The objectives are: 1) to identify issues and resources and provide a forum for consultations; 2) to enhance elder rights using education and training; 3) to provide assistance on substantive legal and ethical issues; and 4) to support legal assistance and elder rights advocacy systems. The anticipated outcomes of this NLAER project are: 1) State and Area Agencies, Title III B (Older American Act) attorneys, private attorneys and state bar associates will have improved their knowledge and awareness of legal issues and resources affecting older persons; 2) Legal Assistance Developers, State Long-Term Care Ombudsmen, and bar section and committee chairs will have received legal publications; and 3) consumers will have benefited from materials and technical assistance from advocates, thereby retaining their housing, preserving their health, and/or strengthening financial decision-making authority - receiving benefits to which they are entitled, and avoiding scams. The products of this NLAER program are a final report, bulletins, publications, fact sheets, consumer's tool kits, brochures (Spanish), and articles.

90AP2646 AARP Foundation National Legal Training Program

AARP Foundation
601 E Street, NW - Suite B4--240
Washington, DC 20049

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Julia Stephens (202)434-2197

The AARP Foundation is managing this three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights (NLAER) Project. The AARP Foundation's National Legal Training Project (NLTP) provides comprehensive training to legal service providers, AAA staff, and other advocates through national on-site and web-based trainings, quality written training documents, and periodic national conferences. In addition to direct training, the project provides follow-up technical assistance to training participants through individualized help and free materials. The goal of the NLTP is to enhance the leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging in order to support vulnerable elder rights and to improve the quality and accessibility of legal assistance and information provided to elders. Yearly anticipated outcomes are: 1) 1000-1,600 advocates will have increased knowledge and confidence in their ability to use their legal knowledge and advocacy skills in their work as elder advocates; 2) 5,000 users of NLTP legal materials will have increased knowledge of elder rights issues; and 3) 16,000 advocates will have increased knowledge of resources and tools available to assist their clients. These outcomes will be achieved by: delivering 15-20 customized, on-site trainings in elder law and advocacy skills; expanding use of training module "Law Enforcement and the Elderly" to bank tellers and staff; implementing a "Reach Out to Indian Country" project for American Indian and Alaskan Natives; providing TA to past training participants and to those seeking TA in strategic planning and coalition building; developing and updating written materials on elder law topics and advocacy skills; publishing and disseminating a quarterly newsletter; maintaining a website with information; and serving as the lead coordinator for the National Aging and Law Conference.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90AP2647 National Legal Resource Initiative for Financially Distressed Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

National Consumer Law Center
77 Summer Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Willard P Ogburn (617)542-8010

The National Consumer Law Center's (NCLC) 3 year project partners with private bar associations, volunteer attorneys, and others. NCLC improves legal assistance to older Americans whose finances and economic independence are threatened by scams & abuses in the marketplace, by providing training, legal practice aids, and in-depth case consultations to elder law attorneys & other elderly serving advocates. This project addresses the most pressing consumer problems faced by the elderly, inc. challenges to sustaining home ownership, fraudulent & exploitive sales practices, and debt management & financial decision-making. The National Legal Assistance & Elder Rights (NLAER) project's goal is to help older Americans avoid or remedy economic exploitation, understand their financial options, and make reasoned, informed consumer decisions to prolong independence. Objectives: 1) increase the # of qualified local providers; 2) share NCLC's consumer law expertise with legal assistance providers representing elderly clients; 3) disseminate legal and consumer education materials on the pressing consumer law needs of older Americans (designed to empower elders) to attorneys & advocates; 4) improve communication & coordination on consumer law topics; 5) expand NCLC expertise; and 6) evaluate NCLC effectiveness in meeting consumer law needs of older Americans. Expected outcomes: specialized legal training; advice and co-counseling; improvement in quality & accessibility of legal assistance for older Americans; a decrease in elders who fall prey to consumer scams and abuses in the marketplace; and intensive, substantive workshops. Products: NCLC reports; training workshops; legal practice packages, inc. detailed practice manuals with legal pleadings; a final report and an evaluation; as well as informational mailings, website postings, and other consumer education materials.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90AP2648 National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 12/31/2008

THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY, INC
2307 Shelby Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	166,438

Contact: Penelope A Hommel (734)665-1126

The goal of this National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights Project (NLAER) project is to enhance legal assistance and elder rights advocacy programs to ensure seniors' access to essential services and benefits. The objectives are: 1) to enhance the leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging to support elder rights activities; 2) to improve the quality and accessibility of the legal assistance provided to older people; and 3) to coordinate and collaborate with AoA, the Legal Services Corporation (LSC), other NLAERPs, and other non-legal organizations. The anticipated outcomes are: enhanced leadership of state Legal Assistance Developers; increased focus/resources by the LSC; outcome measures for legal assistance programs; critical guidance to state and local legal programs through an expanded/updated Comprehensive Guide to the Delivery of Legal Services; and enhanced coordination of legal assistance and community-based long-term care programs.

90AP2649 National Support for Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS LAW CENTER

1101 14th Street, NW Ste 400

Washington, DC 20005

Contact: Thomas M Smith (202)289-6976

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

This is a three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights Project. The goal is to increase the well-being of older persons by enhancing the quality and accessibility of legal assistance and advocacy available to them, especially the most vulnerable, including minorities and limited-English speaking populations. The objectives are to: 1) publicize the availability of substantive assistance; 2) provide effective case consultations; 3) produce and disseminate written information to the aging network; 4) offer training workshops; and 5) facilitate, review, assess, and work to improve this system. The target populations are attorneys and other advocates working with legal assistance providers funded under Title III, and constituents of the National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc., National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA), the National Health Care Association (NHCA), and the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging. The project outcomes are: enhanced leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging and faith-based organizations to support elder rights activities and improve the quality and accessibility of the legal assistance provided to older people. Examples of products to meet these outcomes are: a model consumer guide to assisted living; a newsletter and 4 practice issue alerts with updates on new legal developments; outreach and technical assistance to state and local area agencies on aging; technical assistance and case consultations to legal assistance providers for at least 500 individual cases per year; and trainings for the network.

90LA0001 National Legal Resource Center Option 4: Information and Resource Development & Dissemination

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2011

American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education
740 15th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	150,000

Contact: Holly Robinson (202)662-8694

The American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education, through the ABA Commission on Law and Aging, will develop and disseminate a wide range of information and resources on law and aging as the primary activity under funding Option IV: Information and Resource Development and Dissemination. The ABA will make informational materials and other resources available to professionals and advocates in law and aging including: Title III-B attorneys, LSC attorneys, LADs, pro bono attorneys, elder law and consumer law attorneys in the public and private sectors, members of the judiciary, law enforcement, aging services staff of area agencies on aging and ADRCs, employees and volunteers of organizations providing legal and aging services to older persons (including low income minorities and Native Americans), older consumers, and other professionals and advocates within organizations serving older persons.

The informational materials and other resources on law and aging to be developed and/or disseminated will include: research and findings on cutting edge issues of elder law; newsletters; fact sheets; issue briefs; self-help manuals; educational and outreach materials; results of demonstration projects impacting aging and legal systems; and models of innovation in legal and aging service delivery. In addition, a primary activity under Option IV will involve the administration of a professional listserv.

Anticipated Outcome: The project will support the leadership, knowledge, and systems capacity of states, legal services providers, area agencies on aging, ADRCs, and other organizations serving older persons and enhance the quality, cost effectiveness, and accessibility of legal assistance and elder rights programs provided to older persons.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights
90LA0002 National Elder Rights Training Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2011

National Consumer Law Center, Inc.
77 Summer Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA 02110-1006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	150,000

Contact: Odette Williamson

National Consumer Law Center will train aging & legal service providers & advocacy networks as the primary activity under funding Option II: Training on Law & Aging. Training & education will be available to advocates & professionals in law & aging, inc.: LADs, Title III-B attorneys, LSC attorneys, pro bono attorneys, elder law & consumer law attorneys, judiciary members, law enforcement, Area Agencies on Aging & ADRCs, employees & volunteers of org.'s providing legal or aging services to older persons (inc. low income minorities and Native Americans), older consumers, & other professionals & advocates serving older persons. Partnering with the National Senior Citizen's Law Center, training topics include: 1) application of laws on LTC in institutional and community-based settings; financing health care through Medicare/Medicaid; financing health care through appropriate private pay options; guardian/conservator & surrogate decision-making; housing & public benefits; Older Americans Act services; predatory mortgage lending; home foreclosure; & vulnerable older adult abuse, neglect, self-neglect, & exploitation; 2) application of laws on fraud, targeting older consumers, inc. identity theft, investment fraud, & other financial crimes; 3) proper identification/referral of legal & elder abuse issues by aging & legal service providers; 4) coordination/integration of legal & aging service delivery systems, inc. enhanced linkage of legal services with ADRC's; 5) target & enhance access to legal services for older persons in most social & economic need; 6) development of measurable outcomes for legal service delivery systems that quantify beneficial impact of legal services on older persons; and 7) collaborations to enhance access to quality legal & aging services for older persons most in need. Anticipated Outcome: enriched quality, & improved cost effectiveness & accessibility of legal assistance & elder rights programs for older persons.

90LA0003 Building the Legal Capacity of the Aging Network through Case Consultations

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2011

National Senior Citizens Law Center
1444 Eye Street NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Lynda Martin-McCormick (202)289-6976 207

The National Senior Citizens Law Center (NSCLC) will provide case consultation as the primary activity under funding Option I: case consultation. NSCLC will make case consultation available to professionals and advocates in law and aging, including: Title III-B legal assistance providers, Legal Services Corporation (LSC) providers, LADs, elder law and consumer law attorneys in the public and private sectors, members of the judiciary, aging services staff of area agencies on aging and ADRCs, and other professionals and advocates within organizations serving older persons. NSCLC will provide intensive and tailored advice in the following legal subject matter areas (in partnership with the National Consumer Law Center):

Healthcare benefits

Long term care in institutional or home and community based settings

Older Americans Act services

Social Security (including SSI and SSDI)

Medicare (including Medicare Part D)

Medicaid (including the financing of home and community based care)

Housing (including defense against foreclosures or evictions)

Pension benefits

Abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation of vulnerable elders

Consumer fraud/scams

Guardianship (including the defense of guardianship)

Insurance benefits

Debt collection harassment

Mortgage fraud and predatory lending

Credit repair and counseling

Anticipated Outcome: The project will support the leadership, knowledge, and systems capacity of states, legal services providers, Area Agencies on Aging, ADRCs, and other organizations serving older persons, and enhance the quality, cost effectiveness, and accessibility of legal assistance and elder rights programs provided to older persons.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90LA0004 National Legal Resource Center: Option III-Technical Assistance (TA) for Legal and Aging Systems Development

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2011

Center for Social Gerontology Inc, The
2307 Shelby Ave
Ann Arbor, MI 48103-3803

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	150,000

Contact: Penelope A Hommel (734)665-1126

The Center for Social Gerontology (TCSG) provides technical assistance in the design, implementation, administration, and evaluation of legal assistance delivery and elder rights advocacy systems. The grantee works with states, Area Agencies on Aging, ADRCs, and legal services providers to improve the delivery of legal assistance and elder rights programs, with an emphasis on the implementation of well-integrated and cost effective legal service delivery systems. TCSG provides technical assistance in the following areas: (1) technical assistance to states, AAAs, ADRCs, and legal providers involved in the Model Approaches demonstration projects; (2) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of intake and assessment tools; (3) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of needs assessment tools; (4) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of systems capacity assessment tools; (5) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of outreach strategies; (6) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of outcomes measures and reporting/data collection systems; (7) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of legal service delivery strategic plans; (8) technical assistance to state and local organizations in the development of legal service delivery standards; (9) technical assistance to AAAs, ADRCs, and local legal service providers, in the integration of legal assistance programs into community based service delivery systems; (10) technical assistance to state and local agencies and organizations on guardianship issues; and (11) technical assistance to state and local organizations on innovative funding sources for legal assistance and elder rights programs.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90LA0005 Legal Services National Technology Assistance Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2009

Legal Services National Technology Assistance Project
2118 Wilshire Blvd. #292
Santa Monica, CA 90403-5784

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	75,000

Contact: Kathleen Brockel (505)332-3107

The Legal Services National Technology Assistance Project (LSNTAP) will create an online resource for professionals and advocates in aging and law providing essential information on creating effective legal services delivery systems related to aging communities. LSNTAP will develop content for the National Legal Resource Center (NLRC) website, which will include: (1) description of core support functions accessible through NLRC, including full written description of the type of support available, its intended target population, examples of how the support has benefited other professionals in law and aging, and the ability to request support services on line; (2) profiles of collaborating organizations including their history and background, staff directories, general services and resources available through the organizations, and their support function served within the national legal assistance support system; (3) descriptions and resource directories of vital components of the legal services network; (4) descriptions and resource directories of vital components of the aging services network; (5) the drafting of and/or linking to informational resource materials related to essential topics in law and aging; and (6) content for NLRC website section highlighting innovations in law and aging. Anticipated Outcome: development of website content in conformance with subject matter guidance provided by AoA.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights
90LA0006 Center for Elder Rights Advocacy (C.E.R.A.)

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2011

Elder Law of Michigan, Inc.
3815 W. St. Joseph St. Suite C-200
Lansing, MI 48917

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Katherine B White (517)853-2375

The Center for Elder Rights Advocates (CERA) will provide direct technical assistance to state and local organizations in the design, implementation, administration, and evaluation of senior legal helplines as the primary activity under funding Option III: Technical Assistance/Legal and Aging Systems Development. The applicant proposes to work with states, area agencies on aging, ADRCs, and legal services providers to expand and improve well integrated and cost effective legal service delivery systems that involve legal helplines and interface seamlessly with the aging services network.

Anticipated Outcomes:

The project will support the leadership, knowledge, and systems capacity of states, legal services providers, area agencies on aging, ADRCs, and other organizations serving older persons and enhance the quality, cost effectiveness, and accessibility of legal assistance and elder rights programs provided to older persons.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects
90AM3148 Mid-America Pension Rights Project

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

Elder Law of Michigan, Inc.
3815 W. St. Joseph St., Suite c-200
Lansing, MI 48917

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	157,500
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Christa Schofield (517)485-9164

The Mid-America Pension Rights Project, led by Elder Law of Michigan, Inc., proposes to expand on the success of the Great Lakes Pension Rights Project and remodel the project into a centralized regional pension counseling project. The approach utilizes specialized toll-free telephone service with "quick call" responses from attorneys who are pension specialists, a project website, and pension-specific/exclusive outreach. Objectives are: 1) to establish a regional approach to the five-state area using a centralized toll-free number, a common website and joint marketing materials; 2) to implement creative outreach strategies to reach all pensioners, including those who have limited English proficiency, cognitive impairments and profound health problems; and 3) to provide intensive and consistent pension counseling services to Michigan and Ohio, with expansion into Pennsylvania and Kentucky and, in year 3, Tennessee. The main goal is to provide equitably distributed pension counseling and information services to individuals in Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Kentucky and Tennessee. Expected outcomes include: 1) improvement of the financial situation & security of retirees and their spouses; 2) enhancements in the understanding of pension benefits, rights, and options; and 3) increases in the availability of, and access to, high-quality pension counseling and information in Kentucky, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. Telephonic outcome-based client and stakeholder surveys will reflect the positive results from the planned intervention. Products will include: scripts for telephone system recordings for basic information for limited English proficiency clients, posters and flyers for outreach to Social Security offices and literacy coalitions, and new substantive pension materials for hospice patients and rural retirees.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM3149 The Mid-Atlantic Pension Counseling Project

South Brooklyn Legal Services
105 Court Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201-

Contact: Deborah Alexander (646)442-3302

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	157,500
FY 2008	200,000

Legal Services for the Elderly, the grantee, proposes to continue its operation of the Mid-Atlantic Pension Counseling Project. The goal of the project is to provide pension counseling and information for the New York and New Jersey region. The objectives are: 1) to resolve the caller's pension problem by providing specialized services, ranging from information to direct counseling and assistance; 2) to reach people throughout the region; 3) to collect information about the services rendered; and 4) to share the experiences of the project. The expected outcomes are: 1) increases in clients' financial stability; 2) increases in clients' informed decision-making; and 3) provision to clients of specialized, expert assistance. The products from this project will be periodic and final reports, three years of data concerning clients and the services they need, and a dramatically improved website. This model will target retired workers and pension claimants with focused outreach and services. Isolated and homebound clients will be targeted for outreach through telephone access and through the use of radio and newspapers for outreach concerning pension services. Non-English speaking clients will also be targeted through the use of bi-lingual staff and on-demand translators.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM3150 New England Pension Assistance Project - Pension Counseling and Information Program

University of Massachusetts Boston
Gerontology Institute
100 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, MA 02125-3393

Contact: Paula Noonan (617)287-5371

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	157,500
FY 2008	200,000

The Gerontology Institute of the University of Massachusetts Boston proposes to continue its operation of the New England Pension Assistance Project, which provides free assistance to individuals from all six New England states (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont) who have questions or problems with their pensions. The goal of the project is to increase workers' and retirees' knowledge of, and access to, retirement benefits. The objectives of the project are: 1) to maximize individuals' retirement standard of living; 2) to educate older workers, retirees, and the community about pensions and retirement income, as well as issues affecting eligibility; 3) to identify recurring problems faced by workers in obtaining adequate pensions; and 4) to target outreach to women, low-income and minority workers and retirees, and elders with limited English proficiency. The project will accomplish its goal through a program of individual counseling and referrals, case investigation, legal research, community education, and outreach. The expected outcomes are to help clients secure the benefits to which they are entitled and to increase awareness of pension rights, issues and problems among clients and the general population. The expected products are: a final report, including evaluation results; semi-annual newsletters; published press articles; and an enhanced website.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM3151 Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project

Minnesota Senior Federation
1885 University Ave, W, Suite 171
St. Paul, MN 55104

Contact: David Bonello

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	157,500
FY 2008	200,000

The Minnesota Senior Federation proposes to continue its operation of the Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project in a three-year initiative to strengthen its goal of providing quality, comprehensive pension counseling, information, and referral through a coordinated, regional service model to the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota. Through a revitalized partnership among the Minnesota Senior Federation, Iowa Legal Aid, Legal Services of North Dakota, and the University of South Dakota Elder Law Forum, the following objectives and activities will be implemented: 1) deliver pension counseling services, including detailed legal analysis of claim viability, obtain documents, assist with survivor benefit and former spouse pension issues, draft claims and appeals, conduct lost pension searches and refer to employee benefits professionals, legal aid, and law school clinics; 2) conduct outreach activities that will include intake and referral through partnerships with the Aging and Disability Resource Centers, Area Agencies on Aging, Legal Services, and Social Security field offices, as well as a targeted initiative to labor, rural, and immigrant communities; and 3) increase operational efficiency by identifying, sharing and implementing effective pension counseling practices, and collect and report on project and client outcome data, consistent with the overall Administration on Aging Pension Counseling Program. Expected project outcomes and products will include an increase in overall economic self-sufficiency of retirees served, heightened consumer awareness of pension counseling, information and referral services, increased efficiency and improved project outcome data, semester and final reports, and a restoration of legal rights to pension benefits by participants who can least afford it.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM3153 Senior Legal Hotline Pension Counseling & Information Project

Legal Services of Northern California
Senior Legal Hotline
517 12th Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Contact: David Mandel (916)551-2142

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	157,500
FY 2008	200,000

Legal Services of Northern California proposes to provide comprehensive regional pension information, counseling, casework and referrals, initially in California, then expanding to include Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii. The new service will be jump-started through efficient co-location with the grantee's existing statewide senior legal hotline, adding a module to the hotline's high-tech phone system, sharing administrative and support functions, but creating a distinct identity with separate outreach, specialized principal staff and volunteers. Project outcomes will be the creation of an efficient new avenue by which individuals in the region can obtain the information they need to discover, understand and obtain pension rights and benefits; and greater consumer awareness about common pension problems and where to find assistance. These, in turn, will contribute to greater financial security and effective planning among beneficiaries, helping to maintain optimal health and independence among a vulnerable population. Products will include outreach and educational materials, as well as activity, outcome and evaluation reports detailing findings, lessons and recommendations to others undertaking similar work.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90PC0001 South Central Pension Rights Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

Texas Legal Services Center
815 Brazos, Suite 1100
Austin, TX 78701

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Paula Pierce (512)477-6000 128

Texas Legal Services Center proposes provision of pension counseling, information, and advocacy services in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Missouri as the South Central Pension Rights Project. The goal is to establish a regional pension counseling and information project to serve the South Central region in an effort to protect financial security and foster independence in retirement. The project's objectives are to provide regional pension counseling and information services, and outreach, in a manner programmatically consistent with other projects funded by the Administration on Aging (AoA) through: 1) individual counseling; 2) case investigation and non-litigation client advocacy; 3) regional intake and referral services; 4) specialized outreach; 5) dissemination of specialized publications; 6) staff development; 7) use of volunteers and law students; 8) data collection, analysis and reporting; and 9) shared learning across the AoA-funded pension projects. Expected outcomes include increased: 1) access to regional pension counseling services; 2) access to pension counseling by low-income, non-English speaking, Native American, minority, rural and females workers, retirees, and beneficiaries; 3) financial well-being of retirees; 4) awareness of project services among potential referral sources; 5) and awareness of pension rights among workers and retirees in the service region. Products will include brochures, posters, and publications informing individuals about their legal rights regarding retirement income, a website, operations manual, regular reports, and a final report.

Program: Pension Technical Assistance Project

90AM2798 National Pension Assistance Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 12/31/2007

PENSION RIGHTS CENTER
1350 Connecticut Avenue, N.W, Suite 206
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	400,000
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	346,000
FY 2006	346,000

Contact: John Hotz (202)296-3776

The Pension Rights Center is in the process of expanding its Technical Assistance Project into a National Pension Assistance Resource Center, supporting not only AoA's Pension Counseling and Information Program, but a nationwide pension information and assistance network as well. Goals of the applicant are to: 1) strengthen pension counseling skills and capacities of AoA's Pension Counseling Projects, State and Area Agencies on Aging, and legal service providers for older Americans; and 2) design and implement PensionHelp America, the first nationwide network of pension information and assistance resources, accessible through the Internet. Objectives are: to provide technical support services through training events, onsite consultations, telephone, and e-mail communications to develop a nationwide dataset of pension assistance resources; and to produce a basic set of recommendations and strategies for advancing pension assistance on a national level. Products will include training manuals and videos, e-newsletters, and a national pension assistance database.

Program: Pension Technical Assistance Project

90AM3147 National Pension Assistance Resource Center: Supporting the Pension Counseling and Information Program

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2010

Pension Rights Center
1350 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 206
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	294,460
FY 2008	360,000

Contact: John Hotz (202)296-3776

The Pension Rights Center proposes to continue its operation of the National Pension Assistance Resource Center, which has two primary goals: to enhance the capabilities of the Administration on Aging's (AoA's) Pension Counseling and Information Projects, and to advance AoA's vision of a nationwide pension assistance network. Objectives of the project will be to: 1) deliver legal training and technical assistance to AoA's pension counseling projects and an extended community of legal services providers; 2) conduct nationwide outreach for the Pension Counseling Program through coordinated media relations and a web-based information and referral application; and 3) manage the sharing and implementation of identified best practices across the AoA pension counseling projects, and track overall program outcomes through field-based data-collection tools and methods. Outcomes will include increased competency and effectiveness for those projects that receive training and technical assistance; increased consumer and advocacy community awareness of, and access to, pension information and assistance services nationwide; and improved operational efficiencies, data collection and reporting practices across the pension counseling projects. Products will include: customized field-based training events and annual training conferences; training materials; case consultations and legal backup services; web-based resources for advocates, including fact sheets, press releases, project brochures and other outreach materials, a nationwide pension information and referral resource for consumers; newspaper and magazine articles, and radio and television appearances; an online pension counseling data-collection and reporting tool; and a pension counseling listserv and other shared-learning resources.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM2794 Consumer Law Project for Seniors

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2008

NEW HAMPSHIRE LEGAL ASSISTANCE
1361 Elm Street, Suite 307
Manchester, NH 03101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	90,000
FY 2004	90,000
FY 2005	90,000

Contact: John/Cheryl Tobin/Driscoll (603)644-5393

New Hampshire Legal Assistance (NHLA), in collaboration with key legal, community, and faith-based organizations, will develop a 3-year project titled "The Consumer Law Project for Seniors" (CLPS), to improve and expand the delivery of legal services to New Hampshire seniors victimized by consumer-related abuses and financial exploitation. The project will train service providers, police, and judges; outreach to minority and rural elderly and legislators; create a pilot consumer law clinic and self-help office; and recruit and train private attorneys to handle pro bono and reduced fee consumer cases. NHLA anticipates the following outcomes: 1) increased availability of affordable legal services to seniors in consumer areas; 2) increased referrals to the Advice Line/CLPS by service providers, police, and judges; and 3) increased prevention and remediation of consumer abuses and financial exploitation of seniors in New Hampshire. NHLA target audiences will include rural, isolated elderly; non-English speaking elderly; elder care providers; social workers; police and other law enforcement officials; district court judges; private attorneys; Health Insurance Counseling, Education Assistance Services network; and the Division of Adult and Elderly Services. Products will include a final report.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access
90AM3097 North Dakota Senior Legal Hot Line

ND Department of Human Services
Aging Services Division
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

Contact: Lynne Jacobson (701)328-4613

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

The Aging Services Division of the North Dakota Department of Human Services proposes to develop a fully-integrated system for the delivery of senior legal services, with particular efforts directed toward Native Americans, immigrants, rural and disabled seniors. Partnerships include tribal court judges, the Immigration Law Council (comprised of leaders of immigrants and refugees in their respective North Dakota communities), Community Access Television (CATV), University of North Dakota law clinics, and pro bono or reduced-fee programs. The goals of the project are integration and expansion of existing services. Project objectives include: coordination of the efforts of all senior legal services providers in the state; addition of expertise in Native American and immigration law; utilization of a single, toll-free number to access all senior legal services programs in North Dakota; aggressive and culturally-sensitive promotion of the helpline in the Native American, immigrant, disabled and rural communities; and increased access to pro bono and reduced fee-legal services. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) Native American and immigrant seniors gaining confidence/trust in the legal system; 2) the helpline growing in quality and cultural competence, benefiting the target populations; and 3) one-stop access to legal services for seniors.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access
90AM3098 Alabama's Model Approach to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Ave
Montgomery, AL 36130

Contact: Kathleen Healey (334)242-5743

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 12/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

The goal of Alabama's Model Approach to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems is to establish a statewide, low-cost legal assistance system which improves and expands the current delivery of legal services to better protect the rights and financial security of older Alabamians, enhancing their choice and independence. Partnerships include an Elder Rights Advisory Board, the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives, Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama, AARP, and several university law school clinics. Targeting will be focused on the three most vulnerable elderly populations in the state: Hispanic, African American, and rural seniors. Alabama's Disaster Legal Hotline will be expanded to include an elder law helpline. Building on this model, a statewide legal assistance system will be created to directly challenge current barriers. Major barriers include poverty levels of Alabama seniors (3rd highest in the nation) and rural factors (9th highest in rural status). Anticipated outcomes include: 1) an increase in the number of seniors receiving statewide legal assistance, resulting in improved health and wellness among Alabama's elderly; and 2) professionals in various fields will have greater awareness of elder rights and remedies, thereby increasing referrals of seniors to appropriate service providers. An Elder Law Guidebook will be disseminated among the 13 regional Area Agencies on Aging and other community organizations that provide senior services.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3099 Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project

State of Iowa
Iowa Dept. of Elder Affairs
510 E. 12th Street, Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319-9025

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Deanna Clingan-Fischer (515)725-3319

The Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project will develop and implement an integrated and comprehensive state legal assistance delivery system for older Iowans that will fully integrate Iowa's existing senior legal helpline with all of Iowa's Title III-B legal services providers and other available resources. Target populations are older Iowans who are low-income, minority, non-English speaking, rural, homebound or otherwise disadvantaged or vulnerable. The Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project Statewide Planning Group will include Area Agencies on Aging, Iowa Legal Aid and the other Title III-B providers, Iowa's two law schools, the Long-Term Care Ombudsman, various volunteer lawyer projects, the Senior Health Insurance Information Program, the Attorney General's Office, and the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs. Objectives include the expansion of services provided to older Iowans by private attorneys, the development of statewide standards to improve the quantity and quality of legal assistance to older Iowans, and an analysis of the effectiveness of follow-up services. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) many more Iowans will make better informed decisions regarding critical legal issues (such as health care directives and consumer protection), since direct legal assistance to older Iowans will increase by more than 57% over existing services; and 2) thousands of other older Iowans will increase their ability to deal with legal issues through increased training and community legal education that will provide self-help legal offices in over 200 senior centers. The project will also develop a model plan and materials to encourage and assist the senior networks in eight other Midwestern states to develop an integrated state legal assistance delivery system for older adults.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3100 Model Approaches to Developing Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Virginia Department for the Aging
Long-Term Care
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	92,000
FY 2007	92,000
FY 2008	92,000

Contact: Janet James (804)662-7049

The Virginia Department for the Aging proposes to incorporate low-cost legal assistance mechanisms in a comprehensive, statewide program. Partnerships include AARP, seven law schools, and the Virginia Elder Rights Coalition. Targeting will be focused on Virginia's most vulnerable seniors, specifically those in rural areas, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, disabled elderly living in the community, and non-English speaking seniors. The goals of the project are to strengthen its existing program by involving stakeholders in statewide planning and collaboration and, in conjunction with these stakeholders, to create statewide standards to define measurable units of legal assistance for individuals aged 60 and older. The objectives are to enhance the relationship between Area Agencies on Aging and legal aid programs, to foster collaboration with the private bar and law schools, to establish a system to reach specific target populations including rural, non-English speaking and those in long-term care facilities, and to develop a statewide system to collect data and report performance results. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) consistent and meaningful participation by stakeholders in statewide planning and coordination of legal assistance services for older Virginians; and 2) a successful model (that can be duplicated in other States) for providing seniors access to more comprehensive services and less frustration in obtaining legal assistance, whether directly from an Area Agency on Aging, a legal aid program, or a combination of both.

90AM3101 Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

Idaho Commission on Aging
3380 Americana Terrace, Suite 120
Boise, ID 83706

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Sarah Scott (208)334-3833

The goal of this project is to create an integrated, statewide legal services delivery system that will target and more efficiently serve larger numbers of low-income Idaho seniors and related social service organizations. The project will target low-income and limited-English proficiency seniors in rural areas, migrant worker seniors, Hispanic seniors, and Native American seniors. A Senior Legal Resources Advisory Committee will guide project implementation. Stakeholders will include AAAs, ombudsmen, senior centers, the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Association, the U. of Idaho College of Law, and the Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program, in addition to the ID Commission on Aging and Idaho Legal Aid Services. Activities will include an assessment of the current legal needs of Idaho seniors, review of Idaho's existing legal services delivery system, and development of a plan to effectively incorporate low-cost mechanisms to address Idaho's seniors community needs, including: 1) re-establishment of a statewide senior legal hotline with full-time attorney staff; 2) creation of the nation's first web-based senior legal form library linked to document automation and assembly software; 3) an increase in senior-related materials available through the Idaho Legal Aid Services website and offices; and 4) greater coordination of services between senior legal service providers. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) an increase in the numbers of low-income Idaho seniors, their caregivers, and the social service organizations that assist them, who are served by an integrated, statewide legal services delivery system; and 2) pro bono attorneys, senior caregivers and service providers will be aided by the resources of the helpline and the senior library in serving seniors and resolving their legal problems. Products will include a senior legal form library, consisting of replicable legal forms and applications converted into document automation software.

90AM3102 Maryland Statewide Legal Assistance Project: A Collaborative Effort to Expand Maryland Legal Services

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street - Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

The Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with the Legal Aid Bureau (Senior Legal Helpline and Maryland Legal Assistance Network), proposes to coordinate among various aging programs, Area Agencies on Aging, and legal services providers, a more integrated legal services system targeting underserved seniors in two critical legal areas: advance directives and assisted living. Additional partners include the Maryland State Bar Association, the U. of Maryland's Geriatric and Gerontology Education & Research Program, Johns Hopkins U. Elder Health Plus Program, various faith-based organizations, and Mid-Atlantic LifeSpan, the largest senior care provider association in the Mid-Atlantic. The populations that will be specifically targeted are Spanish-speaking and Asian language seniors and elders living in assisted living settings. Proposed objectives include: 1) significant expansion of legal advice including preparation of customized documents for seniors speaking Korean, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese or Spanish; 2) an additional 100 assisted living residents helped each year (total of 300 residents); 3) creation of an online Resource Center on Assisted Living targeted to assisted living providers; and 4) two law outlines on advance directives and assisted living issues to guide helpline attorneys. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) increased numbers of seniors will be educated and provided legal review and planning on advance directives and the healthcare proxy guide; 2) non-English and low-English proficiency seniors will receive improved legal services; and 3) assisted living residents will have increased resolution of their legal problems. Work products will include: a statewide needs assessment; an online Resource Center with model policies and procedures, law outlines, and 3,000 advance directive booklets distributed by healthcare, faith-based, and other providers; and multilingual materials (printed and online).

90AM3164 Center Legal Assistance Services for Seniors

State of Nevada
Health & Human Services
445 Apple Street #104
Reno, NV 89502

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Sally Ramm (775)688-2964 253

Nevada Division for Aging Services (DAS) will partner with Nevada Legal Services, Inc. (NLS) and Washoe County Senior Law Project (WCSLP) to pilot a project aimed at increasing the access of seniors to civil legal services throughout Nevada (including the city of Las Vegas in year two). The innovation of this model is to use Central Legal Assistance System for Seniors (CLASS), a statewide telephone system, as a "single point of entry" for the senior population through: 1) direct legal advice to callers while on the phone; 2) intake and immediate connection for further legal representation by NLS, WCSLP, other legal services, State Bar Lawyers Referral and Information Services; 3) referral to other resources; and 4) cooperation with senior centers statewide, providing their clients with legal assistance using Project NEON (Nevada Elders on the Net) computers.

Outcomes: The intended outcome of the project is increased quantity and quality of civil legal services for seniors to improve the independence and security of their lives. Measures to be tracked are: 1) the number of callers; 2) the level of services provided; 3) the breadth of legal information on NevadaLawHelp.org addressing those problems identified in the needs assessment; and 4) personal feedback from callers and senior service providers.

90AM3168 New Hampshire Senior Legal Access Network

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services
Bureau of Elderly & Adult Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3857

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	97,582
FY 2008	97,582

Contact: Mary J McGuire (603)271-4725

Project Objectives: 1) to increase access to the helpline and to increase the number of cases handled for extended representation by Title IIIB and pro bono programs; 2) to meet the legal needs of seniors subject to financial exploitation; 3) to enhance the presence and integration of the helpline and Pro Bono program in aging and disability resource centers; 4) to conduct needs assessment and develop a statewide legal service delivery plan; 5) to evaluate the impact of proposed interventions; 6) to disseminate project and evaluation information.

90AM3169 Project Senior Connect: Linking Legal Resources for Older Kentuckians

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
Aging and Independent Living
275 East Main Street 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40621

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Phyllis Culp (502)564-6930

The goal of Kentucky's (KT) Model Approaches project is to strengthen the relationship between the legal services provider and older Kentuckians, enabling older Kentuckians in underserved areas of the state to better receive needed legal services.

Objectives: 1) to improve the collaborations between legal service providers, AAAs, and Aging and Disability Resource Markets (ADRM); 2) to develop a blueprint for mapping what the consumers need and what the providers can offer; 3) to enhance consumer awareness, through education, training, list serve, and website information, of legal assistance available through both public and private attorneys willing to provide low cost or pro bono services; and 4) complete a survey of existing legal assistance sources in both the public and private sector, with the information included in the ADRM web directory of services.

Outcomes: 1) KT seniors will have access to a wider array of comprehensive and integrated services and face fewer barriers to obtaining legal services; 2) KT seniors will receive high quality legal assistance based on the results of the data collected from surveys of both consumers and providers; 3) more KT seniors will have access to pro bono legal services by private attorneys referred by AAAs, ADRMs or a legal aid office; 4) KT seniors in isolated rural areas will have greater access to legal assistance; and 5) more KT seniors will receive high quality legal services based on the results of empirical data.

90AM3170 Model Approach to Pennsylvania's Legal Assistance System for Seniors

Pennsylvania Department of Aging
State Government
555 Walnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101-1919

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Anne Kapoor (717)783-0509

The Pennsylvania Department of Aging (PDA), in partnership with SeniorLAW Center and its Pennsylvania HelpLine, proposes to improve the quality and quantity of legal services for Pennsylvania seniors. The goal of the three-year project is to create an integrated delivery system of legal services for seniors that will reduce the disparity in services statewide and strive to ensure that older Pennsylvanians, particularly underserved language, racial and ethnic minorities, the homebound, persons with disabilities and rural and low-income populations, receive the legal assistance they need.

The objectives are: 1) to strengthen Pennsylvania's current system of legal services for seniors by enhancing the continuity of services offered by Pennsylvania's Area Agencies on Aging and identifying unmet legal needs; 2) to develop a plan to maximize existing resources and develop new cost-effective legal service mechanisms to meet those needs; 3) to expand the SeniorLAW HelpLine to provide legal counseling, referrals and limited advocacy to increased numbers of seniors and their families; 4) to educate seniors, their caregivers, and aging services providers on seniors' legal rights, proactive protection, and accessing resources; and 5) to maximize resources and reach more seniors by creating pro bono and other legal resources.

Expected outcomes include: 1) improved access for seniors, particularly underserved populations; 2) expanded legal services and resources; 3) strengthened and newly-created relationships with community, faith-based, cultural and other organizations that serve vulnerable senior populations; and 4) increased awareness by seniors, their families and service providers of seniors' legal rights and protections, and where they can turn for help.

90AM3171 Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance

State of Connecticut Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Marie Peck-Llewellyn

Connecticut's (CT) Model Approaches project is a collaboration between the State Unit on Aging and CT's legal service Consumer Law Project (CLPE).

Goal: to create a comprehensive legal assistance delivery system for seniors by fully integrating CT's legal helpline with all the components of the State's Title III-B and other legal and aging service providers.

Objectives: 1) to develop a comprehensive statewide system of low cost legal services, focusing on seniors with consumer problems; 2) to strengthen CT's system for protecting senior's rights and financial security; and 3) to increase access to services for underserved populations.

Outcomes: 1) a developed, statewide system of low cost legal services focusing on seniors with consumer problems; 2) a strengthened CT system for protecting senior rights and financial security; 3) increased access to services, particularly for seniors traditionally underserved due to geographic, cultural, language, and/or physical isolation; and 4) increased legal assistance and information resources.

90AM3172 Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 315
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2338

The goal of Florida's AoA Model Approaches project is to develop a coordinated system of high quality, accessible, and targeted legal services for Florida's seniors.

Project objectives: 1) ensure the ability of the FL Senior Legal Helpline (Helpline) and statewide system of Aging Resource Centers (ADRCs) to provide a convenient point of access to a coordinated legal services delivery system; 2) improve the quality of referrals to legal services providers through development of a follow-up system; 3) promote and enhance the Helpline and Title IIIB legal services programs by coordinating with a broader aging services delivery system; 4) integrate the Helpline and Title IIIB legal services with the pro bono legal services network; 5) integrate the Helpline and the Title IIIB legal services with various self-help resources; 6) develop statewide standards to ensure consistent levels of quality among & between legal services providers; 7) establish a meaningful statewide reporting system to capture data needed to improve efficiency & maximize resources; and 8) target services appropriately to those most in need.

Anticipated Outcomes: The department expects to improve access to, and quality of legal services for elders by achieving the following measurable results: 1) a 10 percent increase in the number of elderly served through the Helpline and Title IIIB legal services; 2) a 25 percent increase in the number of elderly clients who felt they were appropriately referred & served through the legal services delivery system, including the pro bono network; 3) a 15 percent increase in the number of FL elders who use self-help resources to take independent action to advocate for themselves, thereby reducing need for direct legal services; and 4) consistent levels of satisfaction & levels of service ensured among seniors in need of legal services; and legal services that will certainly reach those most in need or otherwise disadvantaged.

90AM3173 Coordinated Legal Assistance in Michigan for Seniors (CLAIMS)

Michigan Office of Services to the Aging
Mich. Dept. of Community Health
Chandler Building Plaza 300 E. Michigan Avenue
Lansing, MI 48933

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 05/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	115,043
FY 2008	115,043

Contact: Lynne W McCollum (517)373-7692

The MI Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) proposes the Coordinated Legal Assistance in Michigan for Seniors (CLAIMS) Project. The overall goal is to coordinate and integrate current programs and services into a seamless web of legal and aging services to keep older adults economically secure and independent. The cornerstone of the service delivery model will be an updated Legal Hotline for Michigan Seniors (LHMS), augmented with resources from the private bar, local law schools, and lay advocates.

Objectives: 1) convene an Elder Rights Coalition (ERC) to coordinate services between aging, legal & private bar resources, prioritizing legal services around elder abuse, financial exploitation, predatory lending, tax foreclosure, bankruptcy, identity theft, consumer fraud, unclaimed public benefits & other identified needs. The Elder Rights Coalition partners, led by OSA, include: the LHMS, Title IIIB and LSC legal services, Area Agencies on Aging, the Long Term Care Ombudsman Program, Adult Protective Services, the State Health Insurance Counseling Program (aka MMAP), Michigan Poverty Law Program, Legal Services Association of Michigan, Michigan State Bar Foundation, and other key legal & aging advocates; 2) conduct a senior citizen legal needs assessment; 3) modify Title IIIB service delivery standards & the reporting system to promote outcomes-based service delivery; 4) craft and implement an integrated service delivery plan; and 5) reshape the LHMS from a call-back to a direct answer system.

Products: 1) a comprehensive state plan for integrated legal and aging services; 2) a senior citizen legal needs survey; and 3) a statewide outcome-based reporting.

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) improvements in the financial well-being of clients; 2) increased access to legal information & services for older adults; and 3) implementation of an integrated and accountable delivery system that serves an additional 4,000 older adults, a 33% increase.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3082 Health Awareness Program for Immigrants (HAPI)- Vietnamese Americans

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Boat People SOS, Inc.
6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100
Falls Church, VA 22041

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Nguyen D Thang (703)538-2190

This is the final year of a two year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to support a project for the Boat People SOS, Inc. (BPSOS). The goal is to reduce the incidence of Medicare (and Medicaid) errors, fraud and abuses affecting Vietnamese seniors. Key objectives are to: make the Vietnamese seniors in the target population aware of Medicare fraud and of fraud prevention services; enable Vietnamese seniors to access SMP programs through Vietnamese-speaking staff and volunteers; teach Vietnamese seniors affected by or witnessing fraud to file reports; encourage Vietnamese faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs) and self-help groups of seniors to take part in the project and develop their own SMP services; incorporate project activities into BPSOS' existing programs for seniors, for long-term sustainability; and secure additional funding to support partnerships between Vietnamese FBCOs and SMP programs. The expected outcomes are: Vietnamese seniors will become aware of the risk factors, be able to detect signs of fraud, and know how to protect themselves and seek help; BPSOS branch offices will develop the capacity to connect Vietnamese seniors with existing SMP programs; changes in attitude will occur in the community, including among Vietnamese-American FBCOs and media organizations; and Vietnamese seniors will actively identify and combat Medicare fraud and abuses. The products of this project will include: project reports, including evaluation results, as required; a set of Vietnamese-language outreach and training materials in diverse formats (print, audio and video), a replication manual, a website, published articles, radio and television programs, and a training workshop at BPSOS annual conferences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3083 Integration of Additional Responsibilities for the Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 12/31/2008

Maine Department of Health and Human Services
11 State House Station
442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333-0011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	90,000
FY 2007	90,000

Contact: Mary P Walsh (207)287-9200

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to support an integration project with the state Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP) and the Maine Attorney General's Office (AG). The goal is to further strengthen SMP's mission to educate Mainers about Medicare's durable medical equipment and prescription drug benefits, including the identification and reporting of errors, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: operate in conjunction with the Area Agencies on Aging to provide outreach to communities statewide, including long-term care facilities and home health agencies; collaborate with LTCOP to educate their staff and volunteers and the staff of long-term care facilities statewide; continue to collaborate with Health Care Alliance of Maine (HCAM) to provide outreach to those receiving home health care; develop commercial television advertisements to reach homebound and those living in rural areas; and work with the AG's office to provide a website link from their health care crimes site to the existing SMP website. The expected outcome is: an increased knowledge of Medicare's durable medical equipment and prescription drug benefits, including the identification and reporting of errors, fraud and abuse by Medicare beneficiaries, their families and caregivers who receive home health services, reside in long-term care facilities or are homebound, live in rural areas of the state, and/or those who utilize computers for information, as well as Products will include a final report with evaluation results, new brochures on each of the two topics, posters, presentations, commercial television advertisements and work on new website link.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3084 SUMMIT, Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Oklahoma Insurance Department
2401 NW 23 Suite 28
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	90,000
FY 2007	90,000

Contact: Cindy Brown (405)521-6632

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Oklahoma Insurance Department to support an integration project, whose goal is to educate Oklahoma consumers and others on how to avoid becoming a victim of Medicaid fraud and Medicare Part D scams. The Oklahoma SMP has launched an aggressive statewide public awareness campaign to contact the unserved and underserved, non-English speaking, and minority populations. The objectives are to: collaborate with Oklahoma Seniors Against Fraud (OK SAF) and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) to present two one-hour broadcasts on Oklahoma's public television station, OETA, which reaches all 77 counties in Oklahoma; and coordinate an aggressive print ad campaign focused on rural, American Indian, and Hispanic newspapers, and appropriate public service announcements for radio stations that serve rural, Hispanic, and American Indian populations. The expected outcomes include: an increased number of consumers reached through television, newspapers, radio, and distributed printed materials, resulting in an increased number of calls to report suspected attempts of fraud and scams. Products will include: videotaped PBS broadcasts; posters, brochures, and flyers; newspaper ads and radio public service announcements; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3085 American Indian and Alaskan Native Focus of the SMP Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 03/31/2009

Great Lakes Intertribal Council, Inc.
2932 Highway 47 North; Post Office Box 9
Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Wendell Holt (715)588-3324

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant. As part of the "Saving Tribal Assets and Resources" (STAR) program, the goal is to enhance program efforts to reach targeted rural, isolated and hard-to-reach American Indian and Alaskan Native (AI/AN) populations in Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota. The objectives and activities are to: continue to serve the Great Lakes Intertribal Council (GLITC) tribal service area of Wisconsin and Michigan, focusing on integrating Indian Health Services (IHS) and Tribal Health Plans (THP) contracted care in four communities; expand the project to hard-to-reach AI/AN populations residing in urban areas by including an AI/AN urban health center in the program; and expand the project into another state through collaboration with Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) and the Minnesota Indians Area Agency on Aging (MIAAA). The expected outcomes will be: improved education and inquiry resolution for AI/AN beneficiaries; decreased costly billing errors; decreased fraud, and avoidance of unnecessary medical interventions; improved beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for IHS and THP; increased beneficiary education among 80-90% of AI/AN Medicare and Medicaid recipients, and 50% of all IHS recipients; increased number of complaints reported through improved awareness of the STAR program as a culturally sensitive avenue for the vulnerable AI/AN; and improved methods of reporting complaints by collaborating with the statewide SMP program using the new sponsored common reporting system. Products will include an AI/AN-specific American Indian Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Manual, documenting a model of health care fraud integration that can be replicated by other tribes and tribal organizations on a national basis and project reports, as required.

90AM3086 SMP Program Coverage for Native Hawaiians/ Asian Pacific Islanders

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Executive Office on Aging
250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Adele Ching (800)296-9422

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant. The goal of this two-year project is to strengthen current outreach to Native Hawaiian, Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander communities, and caregivers by collaborating with stakeholders to more effectively integrate educational efforts within these underserved populations. The objectives are to: integrate education efforts on financial, consumer, and healthcare fraud within Native Hawaiian communities; integrate education efforts on financial, consumer, and healthcare fraud within Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander communities; and use an intergenerational approach to plan, develop and disseminate educational materials for family caregivers of elderly individuals to recognize and prevent healthcare fraud. The expected outcome is a measurable increase in the number of individuals educated in consumer, financial, and healthcare fraud in Native Hawaiian, Southeast Asian, and Pacific Islander communities. Products will include translated brochures in Native Hawaiian, Ilocano, Tagalog, Samoan, and Chukeese; a video/DVD; and a web-based video and DVDs in interactive format.

90AM3087 Enhanced Reporting of Medicare & Medicaid Fraud & Abuse in the Chinese-American Population

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Research Foundation of CUNY/Hunter College of CUNY
230 West 41st Street
New York, NY 10036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Marianne C Fahs (212)481-5420

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Brookdale Center on Aging to support this project in collaboration with community partners, Asian Americans for Equality in New York City and Organization of Chinese Americans-New Jersey Chapter. The goal is to enhance reporting of Medicare, Medicaid and other health care error, fraud and abuse by expanding Medicare's SMP program to populations previously unaware of and/or unable to participate because of linguistic and/or cultural barriers, specifically Chinese Americans. The objectives are to: identify, recruit and train bilingual volunteers to assist non-English speaking Chinese Americans receiving Medicare, Medicaid or other health care benefits on how to recognize and report error, fraud and abuse; develop and translate training/outreach materials into traditional Chinese; design and carry out a media campaign using Chinese-language media to raise public awareness in Chinese communities; involve community-based agencies in outreach activities; establish procedures for non-English speaking trainees to access the assistance of bilingual volunteers in reporting suspected error, fraud and abuse; establish an infrastructure to track project activities; evaluate the impact of the project by collecting data of all reported suspected error, fraud or abuse; and disseminate project methods and products. The expected outcomes are: increased awareness of health care error, fraud and abuse; training of bilingual volunteers; an increase in fraud and abuse complaints; and savings generated from Medicare/Medicaid complaints from Chinese American (estimate based on type of complaint/inquiry made). Products will include: final report; translated materials; abstracts for national conferences; and a model community partner plan.

90AM3088 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Integration

National Asian Pacific Center on Aging
1511 Third Avenue, Suite 914
Seattle, WA 98101

Contact: Kenneth J Bostock (206)838-8166

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging to support a project which targets limited English speaking seniors who face linguistic and cultural barriers, to raise their awareness of Medicare error, abuse and fraud. The goal is to develop outreach strategies to raise awareness of Medicare error, abuse and fraud in the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community in at least four states. The objectives are to: improve API communities' understanding of health care fraud and strengthen their effectiveness in identifying, and reporting error, fraud and abuse; build national and local community capacity to address and reduce health care fraud by providing trusted points of contact to API seniors where they can obtain information, education and assistance; and build partnerships to establish an inclusive network of API community-based and social services organizations and mainstream organizations that can share information and provide technical assistance. The expected outcomes are: regular, reliable, and timely information provided through measurements of the capacity of targeted communities; a resource network with a multilingual helpline as the core, established to ensure accurate and appropriate information to seniors and the API community; and established collaborations between API community-based and social service organizations with cognizant SMP projects. Products will include: project reports, including evaluation results; news articles and releases; a newsletter; a listserv; and a website.

90AM3089 Reaching Elders with Alzheimer's Disease and Their Caregivers

Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly
100 N. 17th Street, Suite 600
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Contact: Diane A Menio (215)545-5728

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

This is the final year of a 2 year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE) to partner with the Alzheimer's Assn., DE Valley Chapter (The Association). The goal: demonstrate an effective, replicable model of outreach & education for caregivers of persons with dementia, resulting in increased awareness of healthcare fraud/abuse, and increased reporting of potential fraud and savings to Medicare & Medicaid programs. Objectives: increase program visibility and awareness in PA, Southern NJ, and DE through on-site outreach activities, inc. caregiver support groups; utilize media to educate caregivers and elderly with dementia on fraud & abuse prevention; train support group leaders as a resource for and provide health care fraud information to caregivers; develop and submit articles for publication in Assn. newsletters; utilize CARIE and Assn. websites for consumer education & promotion; develop professional and consumer education resources and provide to the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center; provide consultation and complaint resolution resources for consumers, caregivers, & service providers; and achieve measurable outcomes that demonstrate the project's effectiveness in combating healthcare fraud, waste, & abuse. Expected outcomes: educated, caregiver support group leaders who will conduct group trainings; increased knowledge & ability to report healthcare fraud; increased # of caregivers reached with fraud information & materials through support groups, newsletter articles, and public events; increase in persons reached through media placements; increased caregiver reports of potentially fraudulent situations; and increased Medicare program savings. Products include: a caregiver flyer, 1 page calendar, group leader training curriculum, group participant evaluation form, Excel tracking forms, and project reports, inc. evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3090 Russian/Ukrainian Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 11/30/2008

Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO)
10301 NE Glisan Street
Portland, OR 97220

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000

Contact: Jeff MacDonald (503)234-1541

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) to support the Russian Ukrainian SMP. The goals are to educate and empower isolated, non-English speaking Slavic refugees to understand their Medicare/Medicaid rights and responsibilities and to understand and question their Medicare Summary Notices. The objectives are to: outreach to build trust in the community and to recruit volunteers; train volunteer trainers; recruit a target population; and provide workshops and education in partnership with Oregon and Washington Aging and Disability Services (ADS), and Slavic-serving churches and social services and business organizations. Expected outcomes are to: recruit and train at least 30 new volunteer trainers; provide at least 50 volunteer-led sessions; reach at least 3,000 - 5,000 people in community education and sessions for beneficiaries; and reach over 200,000 in media outreach. Products will include: Russian language materials and project reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3091 Senior Medicare Patrol Program for the Homebound

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Suburban Area Agency on Aging
1048 West Lake Street, Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	102,000
FY 2007	102,000

Contact: Jonathan Lavin (708)383-0258

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to AgeOptions, the Suburban Area Agency on Aging. The goals are to: develop materials customized for the targeted population and then test their effectiveness; and 2) disseminate these materials and increase the visibility of the SMP Integration program through local, state and national partners. The objectives are to: develop outreach and education materials designed to reach low health literacy and homebound seniors; partner with the United States Postal Service to reach communities in Illinois and Wisconsin; partner with Dominick's/Safeway Pharmacies; partner with Meals on Wheels Association of America (MOWAA); disseminate outreach strategies, approaches and materials developed for the target population with the integration grant; and evaluate ongoing strategies and approaches to the implementation of the Integration project. The expected outcomes are: cross-state distribution of our message through collaborations with our partners; improved/increased access of the SMP message to people with low health literacy levels and those who are homebound; increased number of people reached and acting on the SMP message; and development of best practices for reaching target populations. Products include: public education presentation developed for postal customers, home delivered meal clients and pharmaceutical customers; training protocols for postal workers and home-delivered meal drivers who serve as Gatekeeper; semi-annual project reports and a final report; and a printed report on the evaluation of best practices.

90AM3092 Diocese of Providence Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Diocese of Providence, Office of Community Service
184 Broad Street
Providence, RI 02903

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

Contact: Kathleen M McKeon (401)421-7833

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island to support a project in the Diocese of Providence Office of Community Services. The goal of this project is to more fully integrate beneficiary education and awareness of health care error, fraud and abuse to homebound elders throughout the state of Rhode Island. The objectives are: to recruit and train "Friendly Visitors" throughout the Diocese of Providence, on Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; to develop culturally sensitive materials for distribution; to develop linkages with other religious, community and state agencies; to evaluate the impact of the project; and to disseminate project information to appropriate community, state and federal partners. The expected outcomes include: homebound individuals will have an increased understanding of Medicare and Medicaid errors, fraud and abuse; individuals will be more likely to detect and report errors, fraud and abuse; homebound beneficiaries will increase the number of complaints that will result in some action and savings to the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Products will include: a data collection tool; recruitment flyer; pamphlet on "How to Start a Friendly Visitor Program"; Diocesan newspaper articles and project advertisements; a guidance toolkit for SMP projects; and project reports, as required.

90AM3093 WA Multi-Service Center SMP Integration - LTC Resident Focus

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 10/31/2008

Multi-Service Center
PO Box 23699
Federal Way, WA 98093-0699

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Janalee Naughton (253)835-7678

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Multi-Service Center. The goal is to conduct outreach and education for the state's most vulnerable elders, in order to strengthen their ability to detect and report potential Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse. Project objectives are to: develop innovative outreach methods to train resident leaders; provide outreach to Hispanic and Latino caregivers; determine Alaskan resident leadership capacity; pilot a follow-along, in-home service in rural southeast Washington; expand assessment and intervention services; and disseminate project information. Expected outcomes: resident leaders will become fraud and abuse advocates and will serve as a resource for residents in their home facility; Hispanic and Latino caregivers will be educated about Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse, indicators of identification, and ways to report via the Alzheimer's Association El Portal program; Alaskan resident leaders will be identified through a needs assessment of selected Alaskan long-term care facilities; and capacity will be strengthened to identify and stop abuse or refer to the criminal justice system those providers who continue to abuse residents. Products will include project reports, as required; a website; and a model outreach toolkit that can be replicated in other states, with an emphasis on rural residents in long-term care facilities.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3094 Latino/Hispanic Health Care Disparities

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner
PO Box 40256
Olympia, WA 98504-0256

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Tobi Johnson (360)725-7218

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Washington State Office of Insurance Commissioner, Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) HelpLine to support collaboration with sub-grantee contracts, state agencies, and community-based and faith-based organizations. The goal is to advance collaborative and innovative approaches to integrate Medicare and Medicaid fraud awareness and prevention activities in rural Latino/Hispanic communities in Adams, Asotin, Benton, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, and Yakima Counties (southern and eastern Washington) and in Clark, Minidoka, Owyhee, and Power Counties (southern Idaho). The objectives are to: provide public education to Latino/Hispanic seniors, their families, and community leaders about fraud, waste, and abuse via bi-lingual peer volunteers; develop culturally and linguistically appropriate public presentation tools, materials, and distribution strategies that support high-quality service; develop and maintain partnerships that increase capacity and support sustainability; and evaluate communication materials, strategies, and outcomes to share best practices with the SMP network and other stakeholders. The expected outcomes are: Latino/Hispanic Medicare beneficiaries and their families will be better educated on how to prevent, monitor, and report potential fraud, waste, and abuse; and trusted networks will exist to support Latino/Hispanic communities. Products will include: project reports as required; social marketing and public education tools, materials, and distribution strategies, developed specifically for the target audience; and service evaluation and feedback tools.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3095 Senior Latino Medicare Patrol Integration Program for Medicare/Medicaid Beneficiaries

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc.
422 Debbie Lane PO Box 935
Millville, NJ 08332

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	79,747

Contact: Harry M Paraison (609)703-5806

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc. The goal of the project is to mobilize Latino Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and senior-serving partner organizations across two states (New Jersey and Delaware) in collaboration with Administration on Aging (AoA) resources for training, technical assistance and support aimed at controlling health care error, waste and fraud. The objectives are to: establish and maintain a consortium of community-based agencies in southern New Jersey (DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc.), central New Jersey (New Jersey HAVE), and Delaware (Latin American Community Center) to assist in planning and implementing the project while working in close partnership with an interdisciplinary team of federal, state, and local resources; recruit, train, and support retired individuals in three communities in two states to serve as peer advocates and to provide public education and outreach to Latino seniors and their families in small towns and rural areas in Cumberland county, NJ and in New Castle county, DE; apply considerable experience and expertise with electronic and print media to create a culture and language-appropriate, community-based public education and information program to modify beneficiary knowledge, attitudes and behaviors associated with identifying and reporting health care error, abuse and fraud in the target populations; participate in national and local assessment of the project's process, impact and outcomes; and participate in AoA's system of posting program materials electronically on its anti-fraud and abuse web page, in order to facilitate the sharing of resources. Expected outcomes are: strong partnerships with aging and fraud networks that span two states, three underserved Latino communities and integration of two successful SMP programs. Products will include: CD ROMS of all materials and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3096 ABCD's Initiative for Minority Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Action for Boston Community Development, Inc
178 Tremont Street
Boston, MA 02111

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	71,587
FY 2007	71,587

Contact: Ruth Blackman (617)348-6340

This is the final year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) for support of an initiative for Medicare patrol access through cultural translation, the IMPACT Project. The goal is to engage low-income minority populations in the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The objectives are to: assess the cultural and linguistic competency of participating SMP sponsors; train an initial cadre of outreach specialists using the cultural translation model; and test this approach through a minimum of five community partnerships in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Expected outcomes are: gains in basic health literacy among participating minority elders; gains in basic knowledge about SMP; changes in participant attitudes about handling health care problems; increased participation by targeted minority communities in SMP; and increased rates of complaints received, and referred for follow-up, thereby resulting in Medicare dollars saved. Products will include: a checklist for assessing SMP agencies' cultural/linguistic capacity; instruments for community linguistic needs assessment; train-the-trainer manual for the IMPACT cultural translation approach; volunteer advocates training curriculum; a community outreach toolkit; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90SM001 Puerto Rico SMP Integration Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2010

PR GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ELDERLY AFFAIRS

PO Box 191179

San Juan, PR 00919-1179

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-6121

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,000

The goal of the Puerto Rico Office of the Ombudsman for the Elderly (PROOE) and the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration Project is to enhance the capacity of its SMP, Alert to Fraud Project (PR-ALF/SMP), to deliver its fraud awareness message to Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, caregivers and their families residing in isolated and hard-to-reach rural areas. Objectives are to: extend the PR SMP program's network of collaborative partners to include programs serving hard-to-reach rural communities; develop a cadre of 15 local volunteers geared toward conducting outreach activities in select hard-to-reach rural communities in their municipalities; establish distribution links through AAAs to disseminate fraud awareness and prevention materials to participants in programs serving beneficiaries in rural areas; establish distribution links through senior centers for Medicare/Medicaid fraud awareness and prevention material to reach participants residing in rural areas; and develop and deliver media outreach activities aimed at reaching isolated, hard-to-reach residents in rural communities. Expected outcomes are: an increase in the number of one-on-one counseling sessions and group educational sessions offered to beneficiaries residing in rural areas; an increase in the number of Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries residing in rural areas who show awareness regarding healthcare error, fraud, and abuse; and an increase in the number of inquiries and complaints received by the SMP project originating from beneficiaries from rural communities that result in some action. Products include: educational materials in Spanish; radio presentations; newspaper articles; and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90SM002 Wisconsin SMP Rural and Tribal Outreach Project

Wisconsin Department of Health Services

Health Services

1 W. Wilson Street P.O. Box 7850

Madison, WI 53707-7850

Contact: James Schmidlkofer (608)266-5364

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,000

The Wisconsin Rural and Tribal Outreach Program goal is to raise awareness of the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) fraud message among Wisconsin's rural and tribal elderly population, and serve as a conduit for persons interested in volunteering for the program. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage by utilizing components of the aging network and non-aging partners, such as the University Extension Agents, Farm Bureau Rural Electric Cooperatives and other organizations in contact with rural hard-to-reach elderly; foster national program visibility and consistency; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes are: an increased number of rural and tribal elders who are educated about healthcare fraud, waste, error and abuse; an increased number of partner organizations willing to work on educating consumers; an increased number of consumers reporting healthcare fraud concerns to the SMP; and a greater involvement of the aging network and Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) in conducting outreach and public education. Products include: educational materials; materials suited for Tribal elders; and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90SM0003 SMP Integration Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2010

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Room 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Donna Smith (410)767-1271

The goals of the Maryland Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration Grant are to expand the reach of the SMP program, using the SMP fraud prevention message, to educate rural, isolated senior Marylanders and tribal elders who are Medicare beneficiaries; and to strategically partner with Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), and Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) in outreach initiatives. The objectives are to: identify isolated populations in rural and tribal areas; ensure that the SMP fraud message reaches rural isolated senior Marylanders and tribal elders; provide necessary skills, knowledge and tools to help prevent fraud, error or abuse in healthcare, and empower seniors to take action to report instances of suspected fraud, error or abuse; develop regional outreach in counties that do not have the SMP program (Calvert, Charles, Cecil, Allegany, Garrett, Washington); ensure coordination in targeted counties where there is an ADRC already partnered with an AAA; develop and implement a rural outreach plan with the Rural Maryland Health Council; develop new partnerships with Native American organizations in Southern Maryland; identify and test best practices to reach the isolated populations in rural and tribal areas; provide customized training and education in rural and tribal areas; recruit and train volunteers in rural and tribal areas; and foster program visibility and consistency. Expected outcomes: two regional SMPs established in coordination with the existing ADRCs in rural western Maryland and the lower Eastern Shore; an outreach sub-committee created to assist and advise the creation and implementation of an outreach plan targeted to rural, isolated senior Marylanders and tribal elders; and a SMARTFACTS data system in use. Products will include: a targeted outreach plan; customized SMP educational materials; media samples; and a final report, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90SM0004 SMP Integration

Project Period: 09/17/2008 - 06/30/2010

MA ST DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS
1 Ashburton Place, 5th floor
Boston, MA 02108-1518

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,898

Contact: Richard Miranda (617)222-7439

The goal of the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration Project, in collaboration with the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA), is to develop innovative strategies to expand the SMP program message to reach and educate isolated elders in rural areas and in counties with high American Indian/Native American presence. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage by developing strategic approaches in collaboration with the Massachusetts' aging network; foster national program visibility and consistency in the dissemination of the SMP program message of preventing healthcare errors, fraud and abuse; and target training and education about the SMP program message to isolated and hard-to-reach populations, such as rural elders and American Indians/Native Americans, in order to facilitate ongoing outreach and education of geographically isolated populations in Massachusetts. Expected outcomes: program message integrated into four statewide programs administered by EOEA--Protective Services, Money Management, Family Caregiver Support Program and Long-term Care Ombudsman Program; MP outreach broadened and education efforts expanded to rural, insular and American Indian/Native American populations across Massachusetts, through community presentations, public forums, and targeted local media; increased awareness of the SMP program message and imminent changes in Medicare/Medicaid reimbursement policy reforms; and an increase in the number of inquiries, complaint and referrals made to the MA SMP program. Products include: culturally appropriate PSAs; articles for newsletters; a survey; culturally sensitive training modules; and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90SM005 Delaware SMP Integration Project

Department of Health and Social Services
Health and Social Services
1901 N. DuPont Highway
New Castle, DE 19720

Project Period: 09/17/2008 - 06/30/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Cynthia Allen (302)255-9390

The grantee and state unit on aging, Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Disabilities, supports this two-year SMP integration project in collaboration with the State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, Delaware Aging, Network, Latin American Community Center, and Retired Senior Volunteer Program. The goal is to expand coverage of the existing projects through partners and volunteers by using innovative techniques, in providing education and developing responsible healthcare advocates in the prevention of healthcare fraud. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage; foster national program visibility and consistency; target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes: an increased number of beneficiaries educated in rural, isolated, and hard-to-reach areas; an increased number of volunteers recruited and trained; and an increase in the number of inquiries and complaints of potential fraud, error, and abuse received. Products include: a divisional website; state plan; three display panel brochures for general outreach to seniors, volunteers, and baby boomers; an outreach kit developed from a Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Rolling Councilor (MARC) pilot project; and reports that include evaluation results, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90SM006 Ohio SMP Integration Project

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus , OH 43215

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	99,551

Contact: Erin Pettegrew (614)995-0882

The goal of the Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) and the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration Project is to develop a cooperative network of state and local partnerships that informs and trains senior volunteers, aging network personnel, health care providers, and others in contact with seniors, their families and caregivers to prevent Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error, and abuse. The objectives are to: expand the capacity of local partners who assist rural, elderly consumers to recognize potential Medicare fraud; develop effective outreach strategies that overcome regional barriers to communication with consumers; create and disseminate educational materials to elderly consumers and their representatives; and utilize lessons learned as models for expanding the project statewide. Expected outcomes: increased number of aging network professionals trained to work with consumers on how to identify potential Medicare waste, fraud or abuse; increased number of consumers reporting Medicare concerns to the Ohio SMP; increased knowledge base of local partners; and an expanded number of cable television stations airing a training segment. Products include: a training video; pre-and post-surveys; and educational materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90SM007 Integration with Current SMP Project to Empower Seniors to Prevent Healthcare Fraud.

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 06/30/2010

AR Dept of Human Services, Div of Aging & Adult Service

700 Main Street

P.O. Box 1437, Slot S530, AR 72203

Contact: John Pollett (501)682-8504

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	57,403

The Arkansas Department of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR) Integration project will focus on expanding and integrating program coverage within one of the poorest, most rural areas in the nation, the Arkansas Delta, via an innovative community outreach, education and research model that can be successfully replicated by other SMPs across the country. Partnerships with organizations in the Arkansas Delta, the Tri-County Rural Health Network, and the one-of-a-kind Senior Justice Center will facilitate this initiative. The objectives are to: determine what underserved Medicare beneficiaries want and need to know, and to educate them about Medicare benefits and the potential for healthcare fraud associated with those benefits; and conduct a research study to determine the best method(s) for reaching out to rural seniors, either through personal inquiry in their homes or in focus groups. Expected outcomes: a better understanding of how rural seniors prefer to receive health-related information; increased beneficiary awareness of the need to prevent healthcare fraud and abuse; changes in beneficiary behavior as they apply what they have learned about preventing healthcare fraud, avoiding becoming the victim of healthcare scams prevalent in the Delta, and accessing benefits to which they are entitled. Products will include the results of data collection and analyses shared with AoA, other SMPs, the Aging and Disability Resource Network, and the nationwide aging network via a study report to be published in a scientific journal dedicated to aging issues.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2929 Senior Medicare Patrol-NM Seniors Saving Medicare/Medicaid

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

New Mexico Aging & Long-term Services Department

2550 Cerrillos Road

Santa Fe, NM 87505

Contact: Deborah Armstrong (505)476-4755

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation grant to the New Mexico Aging & Long Term Services Department to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the NM Aging and Long-Term Services Department Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program is to strengthen client self-advocacy by increasing beneficiaries' knowledge of their rights and their ability to recognize and react to Medicare and Medicaid (M/M) error, fraud, and under/over utilization. The objectives are to: 1) continue to foster national and statewide program coverage; 2) improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for many areas of health care fraud, with special focus in New Mexico on Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse and Medicaid long-term care initiatives; 3) continue to foster national program visibility and consistency; 4) increase operation and quality measures to improve the efficiency of the SMP program; and 5) target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes: an established presence & an active volunteer base in the greater Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Las Cruces areas and in some smaller communities in the state; recruitment of Spanish and Navajo speaking volunteers; a toll-free help line accessible throughout the state; expanded knowledge of Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud & abuse through most of the state; an increase in the number of volunteers proficient in M/M issues; a high-percentage of seniors informed about Part D Medicare program enrollment procedures; and the recovery of thousands of dollars. Products will include a new Medicare/Medicaid packet; an updated volunteer training manual; an on-line volunteer training module; and on-line fraud alerts specific to the basics of Medicare, Medicaid, home health care, and Medicare prescription drug coverage and Medicare health plans. All products will be bilingual.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2930 Massachusetts Medicare & Medicaid Outreach and Education Program "Senior Medicare Patrol Project"

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.
360 Merrimack Street, Building #5
Lawrence, MA 01843

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Lucilia Prates (978)946-1368

This is a continuation of the Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc. grant to support the Massachusetts Senior Medicare Patrol (MA SMP) project. The goal is to continue to broaden and increase its outreach and education efforts throughout the state to reach low income, vulnerable, isolated, and limited English-speaking (LEP) populations about their health benefits eligibility, and how to identify Medicare and Medicaid errors, fraud and abuse. The objectives are: 1) to foster national and statewide program coverage; 2) to improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; 3) to foster national program visibility and consistency; 4) to improve the efficiency of the SMP Program whole, increasing the results for both operational and quality measures; and 5) to target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are: 1) an increased linguistic capacity of the Massachusetts Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders (SHINE) Program in the 13 regional SHINE programs; 2) an increased number of SHINE counselors in the 13 regional programs; 3) increased outreach, education services, and benefits counseling to at least 250,000 beneficiaries across the state; and 4) LEP populations reached throughout Massachusetts through a multi-pronged, multi-ethnic media campaign. Products include: website; training materials in different languages; and reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2931 Senior Medicare Patrol Projects

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Aging and Adult Services
P.O. Box 1437, Slot S530
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	179,533
FY 2006	179,530
FY 2007	179,530
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Herb Sanderson (501)682-2441

This is a continuation of the Arkansas Division of Aging & Adult Services to administer the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project in collaboration with regional partners committed to consumer education and the protection of the aging and disabled populations of the state. The goal of the project is to empower senior beneficiaries to identify, prevent, and report healthcare fraud, waste and abuse. The target populations are the vulnerable and underserved, such as those impacted by low literacy, low income, cultural barriers and geographic isolation. The objectives are to: train partners and volunteers to present the Arkansas SMP (ASMP) message; educate and empower seniors to prevent healthcare fraud; collaborate with the aging, minority and disability communities to reach underserved populations regarding healthcare fraud and health literacy; package the ASMP healthcare fraud and abuse message and health literacy message together with information the public wants and needs; and share all educational materials developed with seniors across the state and with other SMPs. The expected outcomes are: 1) increased beneficiary awareness of healthcare fraud and abuse, as indicated in surveys returned after group sessions; 2) increased effectiveness of activities to reach minority, rural, low-literate and non-English speaking populations; 3) increased effectiveness of ASMP volunteers to educate beneficiaries in the areas of Medicare Basics (Parts A, B, C, & D); healthcare fraud, efforts, and abuse; volunteer reporting; low-income subsidies; and Medicare Rights.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2932 A Medicare Fraud Patrol Project With Underserved Rural-Urban Latino/Hispanic Communities

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2009

The National Hispanic Council on Aging
1341 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 4.2
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Maria Eugenia Hernandez-Lane (202)347-9733

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	178,809
FY 2006	178,809
FY 2007	178,809
FY 2008	10,000

This is the final year of a three-year grant to the National Hispanic Council on Aging to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) with Underserved Rural Latinos. The goals of the project are to mobilize senior Latino Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, and to collaborate with AoA resources for training, technical assistance, and support services aimed at identifying, reporting, and reducing health care error, waste, and fraud. The objectives are to: recruit and provide training to volunteer peer advocates; establish and maintain partnerships and linkages with community-based organizations; develop a culture and language-appropriate, community-based public education and information program to reach older and disabled Latinos; assess project goals using process, impact and outcome measures; and disseminate project activities and outcomes through a national network of organizations, consumers, service providers and Medicare beneficiaries. Expected outcomes are: an increased number of peer advocates recruited, and trained for each site; new partnerships established at the community level for each site; and an increased number of beneficiaries and family members detecting and reporting fraud and waste. Products will include: case studies on lessons learned from partnerships; culturally-appropriate education materials; tips on training/managing volunteers; a validated Hispanic beneficiary survey instrument; survey results with "before" and "after" and demographic comparisons; and project reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2933 Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Georgia Department of Human Resources
2 Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Contact: Erika Lawson (404)651-6314

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of the Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR), GeorgiaCares Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of this project is to empower Georgians to become better informed healthcare consumers, who are able to recognize quality healthcare, fraud, error, abuse and waste. The project objectives are: 1) to increase awareness of fraud and the SMP among Georgia's citizens; 2) to increase capacity of outreach through the expansion and development of partnerships; 3) to increase the number of active recruited volunteers; 4) to increase opportunities to provide new training methods to local, certified coordinators for program and volunteer management; and 5) to increase capacity to reach target populations. Expected outcomes: 1) 100% of all persons completing beneficiary surveys and training evaluations after attending SMP trainings and/or community education sessions will demonstrate an increase in awareness of Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; 2) increased number of active, recruited volunteers entered into the Aging Information Management System (AIMS); 3) increased program outcomes entered into SmartFacts, AoA's web-based data management system; 4) increased outreach activities; and 5) increased capacity to reach target populations. Products will consist of: completion of the upgrade to the Aging Information Management System (AIMS) database to better capture and utilize client data; a final report, including evaluation results, client demographics, program monitoring, successes and areas needing improvement; shared website utilization with GeorgiaCares SHIP program to promote utilization of socially isolated populations to obtain needed and relevant information on Medicare/Medicaid fraud, error, abuse and waste reporting and resources.

90AM2934 Atlanta Senior Medicare Patrol Project

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

Aging Services Division

40 Courtland St., NE

Atlanta, GA 30303-2538

Contact: Cathie Berger (404)463-3235

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Atlanta Regional Commission to support the Atlanta Senior Medicare Patrol (ASMP). The project's goal is to change behavior of people on Medicare and others by educating them to take action to recognize, prevent and/or report potential healthcare/Medicare/Medicare fraud and scams. The objectives are to: educate seniors and others through presentations, one-on-one sessions and media outreach; provide outreach to a very diverse population of African-Americans, Asian-Americans (Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese), Caucasians, Hispanic-Americans, and Russian-Americans, and seniors who are socio-economically disadvantaged or underserved; add a new component to educate about fraud and scams that have occurred in the region during sales efforts by Medicare Advantage agents; and additional collaboration with Atlanta's GeorgiaCares unit. Expected outcomes are: 2,800 individuals will receive ASMP presentations about Medicare fraud, errors and abuse; 278,000 people on Medicare, their family members/caregivers and the general public will be educated about Medicare fraud, errors and abuse; at least 94% of presentation attendees will state they understand the importance of protecting Medicare; and at least 95% of presentation attendees will state they will read Medicare Summary Notices (MSNs) in the future. Products will include: educational materials; ASMP fraud call line; and reports, as required.

90AM2935 SMP of New Jersey

Jewish Family & Vocational Service of Middlesex County

32 Ford Ave 2nd Floor

Milltown, NJ 08850

Contact: Marci Fineman (732)777-1940

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of the Jewish Family and Vocational Services of Middlesex County grant to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project designed to improve the quality of healthcare for senior citizens in New Jersey. The goal is to reach out and to provide information so that seniors (with an emphasis on African-Americans and the homebound population) can take the appropriate steps to protect themselves from becoming victims of fraud. The objectives are: 1) to utilize staff and volunteers in order to reach as many seniors of the State as possible; 2) to partner with aging services professionals, law enforcement personnel and others to promote awareness of Medicare/Medicaid fraud; 3) to develop and disseminate consumer educational materials about and to prevent Medicare/Medicaid fraud; 4) to provide counseling and serve as consumer advocates in resolving billing disputes and errors; and 5) to receive and resolve complaints of suspected fraud and to make referrals to appropriate agencies. The expected outcomes are: seniors in New Jersey will become aware of the extent of fraud in the Medicare and Medicaid programs; seniors will review their Medicare Summary Notices to ensure that they are receiving the services for which Medicare is paying; seniors will take the necessary steps to call their providers to correct any billing disputes and errors; and seniors will report suspected cases of fraud to JFVS-SMP and to other agencies. The products will include: semiannual and final reports; Group Session Post Survey; press releases & articles for publication; television interviews; public service announcements on radio and television; and brochures, flyers, and tip sheets.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2936 Delaware Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1901 N. DuPont Highway, Main Annex
New Castle, DE 19720

Contact: Carol Barnett (302)255-9390

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	170,000
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	163,538

This is a continuation of the Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities (DSAAPD) support of the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, in collaboration with State of Delaware Department of Health and Social Services, ElderInfo (SHIP), Medicaid Fraud, and related fraud or Medicare groups. The goal of the project is continue to reach vulnerable and hard to reach Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries through trained volunteers by providing education, developing reading materials at a low reading level and maintaining federal, state, and local partnerships. The objectives are: 1) to continue to recruit and train culturally aware, bilingual, retired professionals with experience in health care, communication and education to teach Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and their families throughout Delaware; 2) to continue or to develop partnerships with Federal, State and local agencies with new and creative strategies for reaching out to the culturally diverse, low income, low literate, and isolated Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; 3) to develop and implement a marketing outreach plan, using research conducted to effectively reach and educate vulnerable and hard to reach diverse seniors. The expected outcomes: 1) increased number of contacts to the 800 number, by email, or other communication, due to our outreach efforts. The products from this project are: a semi-annual AoA progress report, Smart Facts generated OIG report with data assessment reports; a website; press releases and articles for publications; newsletters and flyers; and in-house training.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2937 Montana Medicare Waste Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Missoula Aging Services

337 Stephens Avenue
Missoula, MT 59801

Contact: Susan Kohler (406)728-7682

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of the Medicare Waste Project of the Missoula Aging Services, which will build on its nine years of experience in outreach and education to Medicare beneficiaries on the issues of waste, fraud and abuse and general consumer healthcare fraud through the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). The overall goals are to identify, report and reduce errors, fraud & abuse within the Medicare and Medicaid systems and focus on home health care, Medicaid and Medicare. The objectives are to: 1) inform and educate Medicare beneficiaries statewide by May 31, 2011 to identify potential healthcare error, fraud and abuse; 2) maintain 100 older adults as educators, counselors and advocates for Medicare beneficiaries, their families and the public; 3) enhance & expand relationships and collaborations with relevant state agencies and organizations on the issues of consumer healthcare fraud and Medicare/Medicaid; and 4) produce a library of self-training CD's for volunteers as well as beneficiaries. Expected outcomes: a higher level of beneficiary understanding, empowering them to identify and report healthcare waste, fraud and abuse, as demonstrated by survey returns; an increased number of professional outreach partnerships statewide, including SMP, resulting in a more recognizable message; and a greater number of volunteers receiving consistent and timely training. Products will include: project reports, as required; abstracts for state and national conferences; Montana- specific SMP brochures, healthcare journals and a website; a library of self-training CD's; ads and articles for publication; and training manuals for partners and volunteers.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2938 Oregon Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
676 Church Street, NE - 2nd Floor
Salem, OR 97301-1076

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Elaine Young (503)947-1199

This is a continuation grant to the Oregon Department of Human Services to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, in collaboration with the Oregon Senior Health Benefits Assistance Program (SHIBA), the Oregon Home Care Commission, the Governor's Commission on Senior Services, AARP, and the Oregon Department of Justice. The goals are to: 1) continue to provide information, outreach, education, resources and advocacy through utilization of retired professionals as volunteers to combat Medicare/Medicaid (M/M) errors, fraud, and abuse; 2) educate hard-to-reach M/M beneficiaries and those most vulnerable to elder rights violations by training in-home caregivers; and 3) enhance outreach to tribal and minority communities. The objectives are to: 1) improve SMP coverage area by gaining volunteers in Oregon's more rural areas through existing partnerships and new partnerships with retiree organizations and hospitals; 2) conduct targeted outreach to dual-eligible clients to more fully educate them regarding their benefits, fraud and abuse; 3) increase the SMP presence at the beneficiary level through direct beneficiary contacts, including distribution of the Oregon SMP newsletter; and 4) improve efficiencies in the program by bringing the program into a larger Medicare unit in the Senior and People with Disabilities Division. The expected outcomes of the project are an increase in the number of volunteers and volunteer sponsoring organizations and an increased number of clients educated about fraud, waste and abuse. The products will include a training product that can be downloaded from the web for volunteers and others to access at their convenience, and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2939 Senior Medicare and Medicaid Patrol of Florida.

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc.
9887 4th Street North, Suite 100
St Petersburg, FL 33702

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Sally Gronda (727)570-9696 266

This is a continuation of the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. (AAAPP) Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal is to build upon past experiences and expand outreach statewide through strategic partnerships representing a variety of programs whose missions coincide with the SMP. The objectives are: 1) to expand the Steering Committee statewide; 2) to establish new partnerships/collaborations to assist in expanding the program statewide and reaching underserved populations; 3) to develop and implement a marketing and outreach plan that is culturally competent; 4) to develop and implement innovative strategies to expand outreach and education statewide; 5) to expand volunteer recruitment efforts in the current project areas of Pasco and Pinellas counties; 6) to expand volunteer training to incorporate the new Medicare Modernization Act; and 7) to expand volunteer recognition efforts statewide. Expected outcomes include: 1) an increase in the number of complaints to the statewide SMP fraud hotline as a result of an expanded marketing and outreach campaign; 2) an increase in the involvement of retired professionals, particularly older minority individuals, in Medicare/Medicaid education and training; and 3) increased awareness/knowledge among seniors about fraudulent practices and Medicare Part D. Products include: a webpage; brochures and posters; data/results of community education; articles and interviews for publication; and a final report, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2940 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Legal Counsel for the Elderly
601 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20049

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Jan May (202)434-2164

This is a continuation of the Senior Medicare Error Patrol Project (SMEPP), a cooperative agreement project administered by the Legal Counsel for the Elderly, Inc. (LCE). Per the new program specifications of the Administration on Aging (AoA), LCE will expand the SMP District-wide. The goal of the SMEPP is to teach District of Columbia Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries how to detect and prevent healthcare fraud and waste. The objectives are to: 1) reach out to all 8 wards in the District of Columbia, particularly hard to reach segments of African American, Hispanic, and Asian Pacific American populations & institutions; 2) collaborate with DCOA and its Senior Service Network to realize healthcare system savings; 3) recruit and train diverse volunteers to enhance culturally-effective outreach; 4) improve data collection via a SMARTFACTS database and through updates and trainings from the National Consumer Protection Resource Center; and 5) increase SMP visibility through radio, television, print and online media, highlighting its successes. Expected outcomes are: a) increased awareness of healthcare fraud and abuse within hard-to-reach populations throughout the District; b) increased participation in multilingual & multicultural educational seminars; c) increased promotion of the SMP Hotline to ensure complaints were referred to proper authorities in a timely manner; d) increased dissemination of SMP materials through radio, television, print, and online media outlets; e) increased project effectiveness via SMARTFACTS; and f) increased documentation cost savings to the Medicare and Medicaid programs and beneficiaries. Products are: brochures, pamphlets, and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2941 Puerto Rico Alert to Fraud Project-Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMPP)

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

PUERTO RICO OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN FOR THE ELDERLY
P.O. Box 191179
San Juan, PR 00919-1179

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-6121

This is a continuation of a grant to the Puerto Rico Office of the Ombudsman for the Elderly to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the Puerto Rico Alert to Fraud is to enhance the capacity of the Puerto Rico SMP, Alert to Fraud project (PR-Alf/SMP) to recruit and train volunteers to educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, caregivers and their families to detect and report health care fraud. The objectives are to: 1) foster the national and program coverage; 2) improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; 3) foster program visibility to enhance its capacity to identify and refer suspected fraud; 3) improve consistency and accuracy in collecting and reporting program performance data; 5) improve the efficiency while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and 6) ensure the training and education of targeted isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are: 1) one major initiative per quarter in collaboration with Consortium members to produce anti-health care fraud strategies and activities; 2) volunteers and staff demonstrate at least 90% proficiency in knowledge relevant to prevention, detection, and reporting health care fraud; 3) at least 90% average on participants' evaluations during outreach educational activities; 4) 90% rate of compliance with performance objectives; and 5) less than 5% error rate in collecting and reporting program data in the SMARTFACTS system. Products from the project will include a final report; educational materials in Spanish; and outcome assessments of all strategies for outreach and education and web access to program information.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2942 2008-2009 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Consortium

State of Washington
Office of the Insurance Commissioner
P.O. Box 40256
Olympia, WA 98504

Contact: Tobi Johnson (360)725-7218

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation grant to the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner's (OIC) Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) HelpLine Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) HelpLine to support a Washington State Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the project is to prevent Medicare and Medicaid fraud, abuse, and waste by educating consumers on how to better monitor what these programs pay for on their behalf, and to identify and report potential discrepancies. The objectives are to: 1) recruit, train, and place retired professional people to provide service; 2) provide public education, counseling and outreach to seniors and their caregivers and those enrolled in Medicaid; 3) develop and distribute, via volunteers who specialize in fraud education and consumer protection, information statewide to the public targeting rural, diverse, and limited-English speaking populations; 4) develop effective fraud training curricula that supports high-quality service; 5) address the information gap by recruiting technologically-savvy volunteers and ensuring appropriate resources are available to enter information directly into the SMARTFACTS system; and 6) develop and maintain community partnerships that increase program capacity and sustainability. The expected outcomes are: 1) Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and caregivers better informed and educated on how to prevent, monitor, and report potential fraud and abuse; 2) more efficient tracking of fraud and abuse incidences and trends by partnerships; and 3) more trusted and competent volunteer networks to support rural, diverse, and limited-English speaking communities. Products will include: semi-annual performance measures and financial reports; and social marketing, public education, and specific fraud volunteer training materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2943 West Virginia Senior Medicare Patrol Project

AARP Foundation
601 E Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20049

Contact: Julia Stephens (202)434-2051

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a grant to the AARP Foundation, for support of the West Virginia Senior Medicare Patrol Project. The goal is to further reduce public funds lost to Medicare and Medicaid through error, waste, fraud and abuse by continuing to expand the efforts implemented in previous years. The project objectives are to: 1) recruit, train and support volunteer leaders and educators to provide education, training, and consultation about health care fraud and abuse to their peers in rural counties; 2) conduct a media campaign to promote the project and toll-free hotline using newspaper, radio, and television; 3) provide education to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; and 4) provide assistance through complaint resolution to those reporting suspected health care fraud and abuse. Expected outcomes: 1) reduction in error, waste, fraud, and abuse in the delivery of health care services within Medicare and Medicaid; 2) increased number of volunteer led workshops, beneficiaries educated, complaints received, providers trained, and savings to the Medicare and Medicaid programs; and 3) an increase in the number of people reached through public relations and marketing activities. Products will include a training film aired on cable access television, and required project reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2944 Tennessee Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Upper Cumberland Development District
1225 South Willow Ave.
Cookeville, TN 38506

Contact: Holly Williams (931)432-4111

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a grant to the Upper Cumberland Development District/Area Agency on Aging and Disability (AAAD) to administer a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program focusing on fraud, waste, and abuse monitoring in the Medicare and Medicaid systems. The goal is to enhance and expand the existing Tennessee Senior Medicare Patrol Project by focusing on recruitment of qualified volunteers, strengthening our community partnerships and expanding our joint Senior Medicare Patrol project (SMP) and State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Advisory Board. The objectives are to: expand and enhance the joint SMP/SHIP Advisory Board; hold statewide volunteer trainings to increase the volunteer base; develop new outcome measurement tools; produce a quarterly newsletter; enhance the SMP website; enhance media exposure; disseminate project information; and provide semi-annual reports to AoA. The expected outcome is increased awareness of the Tennessee SMP program. Products from this project are: required reports, including evaluation results; and magnifying glasses, fraud playing cards, and other volunteer recognition items.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2946 Senior Medicare Patrol Project - MOD Squad

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Better Business Bureau Educational Foundation
1333 West Loop South, Suite 1200
Houston, TX 77027

Contact: Candice Twyman (713)341-6141

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a grant to the Better Business Bureau Education Foundation to accomplish and continue to implement a collaborative effort utilizing volunteers and community stakeholders educating Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries to detect and report healthcare fraud, waste and abuse. The goal for the project is to combat Medicare fraud and waste by recruiting and training retired professionals as volunteer educators to reach other older adults throughout the Greater Houston area and empower them to become partners in the effort to end Medicare fraud, waste and abuse. The objectives are to: 1) develop and maintain collaborative efforts with eldercare agencies and service organizations; 2) engage older adults to actively participate in protecting themselves from consumer fraud; 3) recruit and train volunteers to provide education; 4) expand outreach to limited English-speaking populations; and 5) increase awareness and engage agencies and professionals in promoting the prevention of healthcare fraud. Expected outcomes: 1) increased understanding of Medicare benefits and fraud; 2) increased detection and reporting of healthcare fraud; and 3) increased awareness of consumer fraud. Products will include: educational materials for limited English-speaking populations; tools to reach low-literate beneficiaries; and training tools for professionals.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2947 Ohio Seniors Fight Fraud

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Pro Seniors, Inc.
7162 Reading Road, Suite 1150
Cincinnati, OH 45237

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	129,280
FY 2006	129,280
FY 2007	129,280
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Rhonda Y Moore (513)458-5506

This is a continuation of a grant to Pro Seniors to continue its Senior Medicare Patrol Project, Ohio Seniors Fight Fraud (OSFF), in Southwestern Ohio. The goal of this project is to empower beneficiaries and consumers to prevent health care fraud through outreach and education. The objectives are: 1) to establish SMP program coverage in all counties through strategic partnerships; 2) increase beneficiary education and inquiry resolution regarding Medicaid fraud; 3) to foster national program visibility and consistency by enhancing the capability of the Aging and Disability Resource Centers and other community-based organizations to identify and refer health care fraud to Ohio SMP (OSMP); 4) to improve the efficiency of Ohio SMP through effective use of SMARTFACTS; and 5) to use creative outreach strategies to reach isolated and hard-to-reach populations, including low-income, rural and limited English-speaking individuals. Expected outcomes are: 1) 50 volunteers will be recruited and trained to educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; 2) 12,500 Medicare beneficiaries, including 2,000 rural and 500 limited English-speaking populations, will be educated about health care fraud and inquiry resolution and will understand the importance of reading their Medicare Summary Notice (80%), protecting their Medicare and Social Security numbers (85%) and seeking assistance with billing questions (70%); 1,500 Medicaid beneficiaries will be educated about fraud and medical information documentation; 4) simple inquiries received by OSMP will increase 20% in the first project year, with a 90% resolution rate; 5) complex issues received by OSMP will increase 15% in the first project with, with dollars recovered or saving increased by 25% Products will include presentations about Medicaid fraud; health care journals and outreach materials targeted to limited English-speaking individuals; and required project reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2948 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Maine Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Elder Services
442 Civic Center Drive, 11 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Mary Walsh (207)287-9207

This is a continuation of the Maine Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Project, Maine Department of Health and Human Services. The goal is to educate beneficiaries, MaineCare (Medicaid) participants, their families and caregivers about Medicare benefits and empower them to identify and report health care errors, fraud and abuse. The objectives are: 1) to train SHIP/SMP volunteers and staff; 2) to provide statewide outreach and education through expanded collaboration with the Maine SHIP and statewide, regional and community organizations; and 3) to increase the number of health care fraud complaints referred to Medicare and MaineCare. The expected outcome is an increased number of educated Medicare beneficiaries, MaineCare participants, their families, and caregivers who are knowledgeable, responsible consumers who will detect and report health care fraud. Products will include flyers, presentations, brochures, information cards, health journals, posters, a Community Medicare Advocate's Handbook, a new on-line SHI/SMP training tool, training materials, and Medicare Bingo. A final report and presentations will be developed to share information with the AoA, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the National Consumer Technical Resource Center, other SMPs and SHIPs.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2949 Idaho Medicare Education Partnership

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

Idaho Commission on Aging
3380 Americana Terrace, Suite 120
Boise, ID 83706

Contact: Kim Toryanski (208)344-3833

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a cooperative agreement awarded to the Idaho Commission on Aging (ICOA). The Idaho Senior Medicare Patrol Project works with Senior Health Insurance Benefit Advisors (SHIBA), the Pocatello Area Agency on Aging, and the Hispanic Outreach Division of Canyon County Office on Aging, to use trained volunteers to educate beneficiaries in understanding and analyzing their Medicare billing information. The goal is further penetration into the senior community to expand consumer awareness of fraud by utilizing trained volunteers to educate and empower beneficiaries to scrutinize their Medicare billing information and flag unusual entries or charges, and to forewarn seniors on identity theft, consumer fraud and other health care scams. The objectives are: 1) to foster a statewide education program for Idaho beneficiaries and their caregivers in analysis of the Medicare Billing Summary Notices; 2) to carry forward this prevention approach in the context of other types of health care fraud, by partnering with other entities, such as the Idaho Health Care Association and Idaho private insurance carriers; 3) to extend the programs' visibility through the Aging and Disability Resource Center in Northern Idaho; 4) to improve efficiency by training staff and volunteers to fully utilize the SMARTFACTS SYSTEM; and 5) to forge relationships with harder to reach populations, such as Idaho's Native Americans and Hispanics. Expected outcomes are: increased frequency of reports by seniors in detecting instances of suspected fraud; and 2) reduced numbers of seniors falling prey to scams and fraudulent business practices. Products will include: a final report, including evaluation results; updates on the ICOA website; articles in the ICOA Newsletter and press releases; and regular program information disseminated through presentations at Senior Centers and during town hall events hosted by the Governor.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2950 Trusted Friend Network Project A Senior Medicare Patrol Project.

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Friendship House Association
619 D Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003-2711

Contact: BJ Brooks (202)546-7876

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Friendship House Association, a community-based social service agency in Washington, DC, to support a Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMPP). The goals of the project are to: increase the awareness of the hard-to-reach senior community in Wards 5, 6, 7 and 8 about fraudulent health care practices and scams; build on the heightened level of awareness to change attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors; develop vehicles which serve to reduce and/or prevent the incidence of such practices; and evaluate the impact of SMPP activities. The objectives are to: utilize retired persons to serve in the communities as volunteer experts, resources and educators to teach beneficiaries to detect and report error, fraud and waste in the Medicare system; increase public awareness of fraudulent practices; reduce and prevent the incidence of fraudulent practices; detect and punish wrongdoing; and create a Washington Metro Area SMP Resource Guide and database for seniors and local community-based providers. The expected outcomes will include: an expanded and well-trained volunteer base; education and training tools for seniors of varying literacy levels; and a citywide (integrated) system for achieving measurable outcomes and evaluating the universal impact of the SMPP in the District. Products will include project reports, including evaluation results; a community-based program model for replication; universal training and education materials; and standardized measures to evaluate and assess the program's effectiveness.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2951 Anti-Fraud Education Project

State of Colorado
Department of Regulatory Agencies
1560 Broadway Street, Suite 850
Denver, CO 80202

Contact: Liz Tredennick (303)894-7552

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	167,591
FY 2006	167,591
FY 2007	167,591
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of the Colorado Division of Insurance project, through its Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, in collaboration with 16 SHIP affiliates and Colorado Access to Benefits Coalition (ABC) members. The goals are: 1) to promote an understanding of Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse among consumers/caregivers; 2) to increase reporting when fraud and abuse occurs; and 3) to decrease the incidence of Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse in Colorado. The objectives are: 1) to provide consumer education on anti-fraud messages; 2) to assist consumers with fraud/abuse complaints; 3) to continue development of network of organizations and individuals delivering the message and assisting those who suspect fraud and/or abuse, with an emphasis on reaching out to rural and minority populations. The expected outcomes are: 1) increased placement of effective messages in applicable consumer publications; 2) expanded network (individuals, agencies, media) for dissemination of anti-fraud messages; 3) increased awareness of potential Medicare fraud among Colorado consumers; 4) a decrease in the incidence of undetected cases of Medicare fraud/abuse in the State; and 5) an increase in the resolution of reported cases of suspected fraud and/or abuse. The products from this project are SMP brochures, Personal Healthcare Journals, fraud alerts, consumer presentations, fraud messages in partner consumer-oriented materials, semi-annual narrative reports with evaluation data and financial reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2952 SUMMIT Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction

Oklahoma Insurance Department
2401 NW 23, Suite 28
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Contact: Cindy A Brown (405)521-6632

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a grant for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program, Summit Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction Program (SUMMIT). The goal is to reduce Medicare/Medicaid fraud, abuse and waste in Oklahoma. Objectives are to: 1) provide fraud information to Oklahomans using catalysts: general public (beneficiaries, family members, caregivers) through community presentations, public education, SMP training, with emphasis on geographically isolated rural/frontier elders; 2) provide Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients through the Literacy Resource Office's Life Skills module; 3) assist isolated elders through home delivered meals by utilizing the Oklahoma Senior Center Association, and SUMMIT, SHICP, and AARP volunteers; 4) educate college/university students through Oklahoma Campus Compact Service Learning; 5) inform Hispanic elders through Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; and 6) educate American Indians through Oklahoma Indian Council on Aging. The expected outcomes are: 1) TANF recipients learn civic responsibility in reducing Medicaid fraud; 2) more college/university students realize the urgency to preserve Medicare/Medicaid for future generations; and 3) all Oklahomans, including Hispanics, American Indians, isolated rural/frontier and homebound beneficiaries learn self-protection against healthcare fraud. Products: training/resource manual; brochures and resource flyers; lesson plan for Oklahoma Literacy Council Life Skills in audio & visual; fraud booklet written at 4th - 6th grade reading levels; a presentation for college/university Service Learning Coordinators; handouts in Spanish; and required reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2953 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Virginia Association of Area Agencies on Aging
24 E. Cary Street, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23219

Contact: Susan Johnson (804)644-5628

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of a grant to the Virginia Association of Area Agencies on Aging (V4A) to manage a statewide Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) to reduce public funds lost in Virginia due to Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse. The goal of V4A is to provide education about health care fraud, error and abuse, and prevention tools to beneficiaries, family members and providers. The approach will expand use of a toll-free hotline for questions, referrals, and the reporting of Medicare/Medicaid fraud; subcontract with local AAAs and ADRC programs for older volunteers to assist with public education and outreach activities; and collaborate with statewide organizations that reach target populations. Objectives are to: 1) disseminate 80,000 Medicare Medicaid Protection Toolkits through AAAS with SHIP/Virginia Insurance Counseling Assistance Program Activities, TRIAD chapters, Senior Navigator Centers, local Social Services, and other partners; 2) train staff and volunteers statewide; 3) establish systematic outreach plans to reach beneficiaries, caregivers, and residents in LTC facilities, and rural, low-income, and Hispanic populations; 4) collaborate with statewide organizations/agencies to enhance their participation in SMP-related activities; and 5) enhance responses to callers' inquiries and complaints. The expected outcomes are: 1) increased number of beneficiaries, caregivers, and family members will learn about health care fraud, preventing fraud, and reporting Medicare or Medicaid fraud; and 2) increased number of referrals to SMP by way of statewide partners. Products from this project will include: a Medicare/Medicaid fraud prevention toolkit; articles for media publication throughout the state; an updated website for public use; and a quarterly SMP communique for communication among AAA partners, and aging, health and consumer partners.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2954 Ferret Out Fraud - Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Aging and Adult Administration
1789 West Jefferson, 950A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Melanie Starns (602)542-6572

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	159,943
FY 2006	159,943
FY 2007	159,943
FY 2008	180,000

This is a continuation of the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Aging & Adult Administration, Arizona Senior Medicare Patrol Project (ASMPP) to address the need to educate and disseminate information about Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse in the health care system. The goals of the program are to build the capacity of the ASMPP to reach beneficiaries, with special emphasis on expanding culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate materials for beneficiaries and developing processes that will result in program improvement. The expected outcomes are: beneficiaries, including those who are culturally diverse, will have increased awareness and knowledge in order to detect and prevent Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff and volunteers will have increased knowledge to educate beneficiaries, their families and other professionals on Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; AAA staff will have an increased understanding of tools to improve the ASMPP; and Arizona Beneficiaries Coalition and Arizona Fraud Prevention Coalition members and other organizations will have increased opportunities to partner in efforts to educate and prevent Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse. Products of this project include: required reports, evaluation materials, and Spanish brochures.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2955 Senior Medicare Patrol

State of Alaska
Health and Social Services
3601 C Street, Suite 310
Anchorage, AK 99503

Contact: Jeanne M Larson (907)269-3669

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	149,482
FY 2006	149,482
FY 2007	149,482
FY 2008	149,996

This is a continuation of the Alaska SMP Project to recruit and train local senior citizens in each group of communities, to educate Medicare beneficiaries and their families about the importance of recognizing and reporting Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The goal of the project is to implement a statewide plan that empowers senior volunteers to assist older persons to become educated about their health care expenditures under Medicare in order to prevent error, fraud, abuse and waste. The objective: to reach vulnerable, isolated and limited English speaking Medicare beneficiaries through partnership with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Older Persons Action Group (OPAG), Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC), and the Anchorage Senior Center and other local senior centers throughout the State of Alaska. Expected outcomes are: 1) increased number of volunteer counselors; 2) increased awareness regarding healthcare error, fraud, abuse and waste; 3) increased number of complaints by beneficiaries or partner agencies; and 4) increased savings attributable to the project. Products will include voice enhanced CD-ROMs; PowerPoint training materials; video teleconferences; brochures; and reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2956 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Kansas Department on Aging
503 S. Kansas Ave.
Topeka, KS 66603

Contact: Tina Langley (785)368-7331

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2011

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	63,930
FY 2006	63,930
FY 2007	63,930
FY 2008	78,241

This is a continuation grant for the Kansas Department on Aging. The goal of the Kansas Senior Medicare Patrol Project is to increase understanding of fraud issues and increase the detection and reporting of errors, fraud, and abuse by beneficiaries. The objectives are to: 1) foster statewide program coverage through partnerships with volunteer networks and use of a toll-free number and interactive website; 2) improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for health care fraud in the Medicaid system; 3) foster national program visibility by working with the SHIP and ADRC programs and by utilizing a web-based data collection system; 4) improve the efficiency of data tracking and demonstrate an increase in program measures by utilizing SMARTFACTS; and 5) target education to low-income populations, residents in nursing facilities, and Spanish-speaking beneficiaries. Expected outcomes are: 1) an increase in the number of counties having trained SMP volunteers; 2) an increase in the number of volunteers conducting education activities; 3) an increase in the number of beneficiaries receiving education; 4) an increase in the number of "simple inquiries" received; and 5) an increase in the number of "complex issues" received. The products will include: OIG reports generated through SMARTFACTS; program materials developed for our target populations; narrative reports detailing strategies and results; and other reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3051 Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Utah Legal Services, Inc.
205 North 400 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	163,651

Contact: Sally Richardson (801)924-3388

This is the third year of a three-year grant to Utah Legal Services to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the three-year project is to educate and empower Utah seniors and caregivers to prevent and report health care fraud by recruiting and training volunteers to conduct outreach and education and to interact with law enforcement. The objectives are to: increase outreach to the Native American population through our sub-grantee, Utah State Ombudsman Program; increase the quality and scope of community education events and one-on-one sessions; increase the number of inquiries and rate of resolution of reported health care fraud; gather data for grant reporting; and increase statewide travel. The expected outcomes are: an increased awareness of health care fraud following educational presentations and one-on-one sessions; and an increased number of beneficiaries who read notices, report errors and seek assistance from this project. Products will include: project reports, as required; training materials; evaluation results; website; brochures; and a monthly newsletter.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3052 SMP- BE-SMART

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Lt. Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street - Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Gloria McDonald (803)734-9900

This is the third year of a three-year grant for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program administered by the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging-Division of Aging Services. The SMP program provides services that address fraud in Medicare/Medicaid through a statewide aging network with Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) as service providers in each of the ten regions of the state. The goal of the Senior Medicare Patrol project is to provide statewide fraud education and seminars to individuals and groups about Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The objectives are to: conduct ongoing seminars, submit fraud alerts to the media, make home visits and telephone contacts to inform beneficiaries and the public at large about Medicare health care fraud; establish a system for individuals to report suspected fraud/abuse and errors; recruit, train, and retain counselors to help individuals review and understand health care summary notices; collaborate with aging network, PalmettoGBA Benefits Integrity Unit and the Attorney General's Office to train counselors and to serve as a clearinghouse for suspected fraud; and disseminate project information, literature and promotional items. The outcomes of the project are to reach our diverse beneficiary's population with awareness of fraudulent tactics; and increase reading of or have caregivers review Medicare Summary Notices for fraud and errors. Products include: semi-annual reports; final report, including evaluation results; and educational and promotional materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3053 Mississippi Senior Medicare Patrol

Mississippi Department of Human Services
750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39202

Contact: Donald R Taylor (601)359-4500

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is the third year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS), Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS), to establish a statewide network of trained volunteers serving in their communities to educate and assist seniors in identifying and combating health care fraud, error and abuse. As the State Unit on Aging, DAAS will use oversight and coordination to provide services to Mississippi's older population through a system of Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). The three-year project will incorporate statewide partnerships and sub-grants to serve seniors in Mississippi's 82 counties. The project goal is to educate Mississippi's population to recognize, report and reduce fraud and abuse of Medicare recipients. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are: increased number of trained volunteers; increased number of volunteer presentations; increased number of Mississippians educated in fraud and abuse awareness; increased number of Medicare abuse/error complaint calls; and increased amount of dollars saved to Medicare, Medicaid or beneficiaries. Products will include: required reports, including evaluation results; low-literacy literature; and a volunteer training manual.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3054 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Hawaii Office of the Governor
Executive Office on Aging
250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Contact: Adele Ching (800)296-9422

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is the third year of a grant to establish SMP Hawaii in the State of Hawaii's Executive Office on Aging. SMP Hawaii works closely with partners in the aging network, law enforcement, and various community advocacy organizations. The goal of the project is to encourage seniors to become self-advocates, protecting themselves, their families and their communities from financial, consumer and healthcare fraud. Program objectives are to: establish working partnerships and multi-agency projects with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies; reach out to isolated, underserved, and non-English populations, i.e., Native Hawaiians, Southeast Asian, homebound; develop and replicate innovative outreach tools; and develop volunteer recruitment, retention, and training strategies. Expected project outcomes: conduct four advisory council meetings with representatives from law enforcement, regulatory, consumer advocacy, and aging network organizations; conduct fraud prevention and resource fairs on Oahu and neighbor islands (Oahu, Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai); develop and replicate a DVD to highlight various healthcare fraud schemes, i.e., durable medical equipment, home healthcare, HMO, Part D; recruit and train 10 volunteers in both Native Hawaiian and Southeast Asian communities; and develop and distribute a fraud prevention and awareness booklet. Products will include: a DVD; potholders with program information; brochures; fraud awareness and prevention booklet; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3055 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

California Health Advocates
5380 Elvas Ave., Suite 104
Sacramento, CA 95819-2300

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Julie Schoen (714)560-0309

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the California Health Advocates (CHA). The CHA Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) has statewide coverage and a national presence. The goals are to: collaborate with already established creditable organizations; utilize a statewide 800 number in partnership with the State Health Information Program (SHIP); refine relationships with other agencies to improve case tracking, communication and recoupment outcomes; participate in state/regional organizations; partner with California Medicare Coalition, Latino Health Access, Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, Office on Aging groups; provide necessary reporting forms and training materials via Internet; identify high profile cases that will substantiate credibility and value of the SMPs nationwide; maintain and improve our cohesive case tracking system; improve the efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; reach underserved populations by hiring staff with bi-lingual capabilities and proven track records in outreach and service; and be recognized collectively as a national program with the other Administration on Aging (AoA) SMPs and the National Technical Resource Center. Expected measurable outcomes: provide a minimum of 12 training sessions per year; ensure a volunteer base of 800 statewide; provide yearly conferences on fraud & abuse issues for managers; report a minimum of 24 cases of fraud annually; increase savings to Medicare from \$1.5 million to \$3.0 million; increase numbers of elderly educated from current average of 10,000 to 12,000 per year; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Products will include: a newsletter; fact sheets; placemats; website; brochures; flyer for hard-to-reach populations; and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3056 Nevada's Senior Medicare Patrol Project- Senior Nevada Advocates on Guard (SNAG)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 12/31/2009

Nevada Office of the Attorney General
555 East Washington Ave., #3900
Las Vegas, NV 89101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: JoAnne Embry (702)486-3154

This is the third year of the three-year grant to the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. The goals of the Nevada Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project are to: create training manuals and develop new materials with the new logo and tag line, and culturally competent materials for non-English speaking and Nevada's rural populations; maximize partner collaborations in order to improve outreach to Hispanic and rural populations; increase complaints to the program through the increased outreach; and incorporate the SmartFacts system to maximize program progress reporting. Expected outcomes will include increased complaints to our state-wide hotline and increased awareness of issues involving Medicare, Medicare Part D, and instances that may point to fraud, error or abuse. The products will include: brochures; training modules; placemats, key chains, pens, pencils, jar openers, notepads, refrigerator magnets, and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3057 Pennsylvania Health Care Fraud Education Project

Center for Advocacy for the Rights
and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE)

100 S. Broad Street, Suite 1500
Philadelphia, PA 19110

Contact: Diane A Menio (267)546-3434 244

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE) to support a Senior Medicare Patrol project for the state of Pennsylvania (PA-SMP). The goal is to detect, combat, and increase public awareness of health care fraud and abuse throughout the state of Pennsylvania, thereby reducing the incidence of such practices. The objectives are to: increase program visibility and awareness in Pennsylvania through onsite outreach activities; achieve comprehensive statewide coverage through a partnership with the state health information program (SHIP); recruit and train retired beneficiaries to provide outreach and education to their peers; provide consultation and complaint resolution to consumers; provide measurable outcomes and demonstrate the project's effectiveness; and utilize partners and an advisory committee to build a strong program. The expected outcomes include: several thousand individuals reached at health fairs and presentations leading to increased awareness of fraud and its prevention; a presence in each of Pennsylvania's 67 counties through newsletter articles, consumer education materials and giveaways, and direct contact with consumers; new volunteers who will be trained on health care fraud detection and prevention; increased numbers of consumers assisted with complaint resolution; and an increase in reporting and savings to the Medicare program. Products will include: a semiannual and final reports, as required; consumer education materials, including flyers, bookmarks, promotional items, and health care calendars; consumer materials targeted to non-English speakers, i.e., flyers in Spanish, Chinese, etc.; volunteer newsletters and alerts; and a comprehensive website.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3058 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

North Carolina Department of Insurance

11 South Boylan Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27603

Contact: Carla S Obiol (919)807-6900

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) to continue the North Carolina Senior Medicare Patrol (NCSMP) program. The goal of this program is to reduce Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse through statewide coordinated efforts of educational and promotional activities and to encourage reporting by Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries and caregivers. The objectives are to: provide and expand education/promotional activities to Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, caregivers, and traditionally underserved populations; recruit, train and retain volunteers; receive and resolve complaints of error, fraud and abuse; network with statewide partners to serve as advisors, trainers and to provide counseling assistance with resolving error, fraud and abuse issues; develop and disseminate educational materials to the SMP Resource Center and projects; participate in the SMP complaints management system and integration strategies; and evaluate program outcomes. The expected outcomes are: increased number of reported and resolved complaints; increased number of educational materials and strategies that will serve as examples for other SMP projects. The products from the project are written reports and evaluations; educational, promotional and training materials; and education and outreach activities.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3059 Missouri SORT: New Directions

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

District III Area Agency on Aging
PO Box 1078
Warrensburg, MO 64093-1124

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	179,426
FY 2007	179,426
FY 2008	155,423

Contact: Rona McNally (660)747-3107

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the District III Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for support of the Missouri Senior Medicare Patrol project (SMP). The goal of the Missouri SMP is to increase the awareness of Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse among beneficiaries, their caregivers, home health and in-home workers, and hard-to-reach populations in the state of Missouri. The objectives are to: conduct a statewide media campaign that semi-annually will focus on a topic of interest to Medicare/Medicaid recipients; refine and consolidate the training materials needed to train SMP volunteers; contract with each Missouri AAA and the Missouri state prescription assistance program to provide volunteer support and training; utilize the SMP Coalition's expertise to provide direction and support for the project; develop an educational series focused on home health care and in-home care workers that will increase the ability of these professionals to recognize and report potential fraud and abuse to the appropriate agency, as well as distribute fraud and abuse information to their clients; and collaborate with AAA's, local community groups and the state Office on Minority Health to reach targeted hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes are: two retired senior volunteers will conduct activities to educate beneficiaries about potential fraud and abuse in each county in Missouri; every county in the state will conduct a minimum of one group presentation and one media event; and beneficiary inquiries about health care error, fraud and abuse will increase by 25% in areas targeted for minority outreach. Products will include: educational toolkits, articles for publication, and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3060 New York State Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Deana Prest (518)474-2401

This is the third year of a three-year grant to New York State Office for the Aging to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal of this project is to ensure health care fraud control outreach and education in aging, social, health and law enforcement networks. The objectives are to: expand already established programs; expand the number of certified long-term care ombudsman and health insurance information counselors who are trained SMP volunteers; renew the contract with National Government Services, Inc. (NGS) to continue its role of maintaining a statewide toll-free hotline; work cooperatively with the NY Connects Program, which is an ADRC-type model with regard to staff development and community presentations; continue work with New York State Office of Medicaid Inspector General and the New York State Attorney General Medicaid Fraud Unit to increase enforcement and prosecution of fraud, error and abuse cases; work with long standing and new partners who are committed to reaching those in most economic and social need, who are particularly vulnerable to health care fraud, error and abuse due to social isolation; and develop multiple ways to disseminate SMP through a variety of conferences and symposiums. Expected outcomes are to: expand the network of SMP volunteers to include providers and seniors across residential and community-based systems; increase the awareness of isolated seniors; and reactivate the state workgroup. Products include: a final report consisting of a model for replication; a legislative proposal for whistleblower protection; data collection; a hotline number for general information; and updated outreach materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3061 Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Vernon Council on Aging, Inc.
200 North Third Street
Leesville, LA 71446-4016

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	128,900
FY 2007	128,900
FY 2008	128,900

Contact: Marvis L Chance (337)239-4361

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Vernon Council on Aging, Inc. to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program (LAMAPP). The goal of the project is to educate Medicare beneficiaries to detect and report fraud, error and abuse through use of trained volunteers. The objectives are to: provide an informative "user friendly" curriculum; ensure that the LAMAPP staff and volunteers have the expertise needed to expand the project; act as a data collection center for incoming complaints; keep website "user friendly" for both volunteers and the public; educate Medicare beneficiaries so that they may have the knowledge to fight fraud, error and abuse; continue to evaluate the impact of LAMAPP and its effectiveness; and demonstrate that the program can make a difference. Expected outcomes of the project are to: recruit, train and maintain 165 volunteers; reach rural population through use of two to six additional billboards; increase the number of complaints received from radio programs; and increase usage of website by volunteers and the public. Products from the project will include: required project reports; a website; educational materials; pamphlets and brochures; bumper stickers; and pens.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3062 Nebraska ECHO Project (Educating and Empowering Consumers of Healthcare Organizations)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Nebraska Health and Human Services System
P.O. Box 95044
Lincoln, NE 68509-5044

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000
FY 2008	150,000

Contact: Patty Pierson (402)471-9345

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Nebraska Office of Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program, Nebraska ECHO Project (Educating and Empowering Consumers of Healthcare Organizations). The goal of the ECHO Project is to increase awareness among Nebraska's beneficiaries on how to identify, report and prevent Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and waste and to empower and assist them in protecting their rights. This includes the right to be billed accurately for services received and to not be victimized by fraud schemes. The objectives of the Nebraska SMP are to: disseminate project information to beneficiaries, their caregivers, and the general public; recruit, train and support qualified volunteers and enlist their efforts on behalf of beneficiaries; develop and maintain a network of partnerships that will work together to eliminate healthcare fraud, error and waste; provide outreach and advocacy to the most vulnerable of beneficiaries; and provide targeted education to hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes of this project are: beneficiaries will have an increased awareness of healthcare fraud, error and waste, and initiate positive changes in their behavior; additional volunteers will be recruited and trained; and an increased number of inquiries and complaints will be resolved or result in some action, including the savings or recoupment of healthcare dollars. The products from this project will include: educational and promotional materials; a consumer website; and a summary of project data and accomplishments.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3063 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Department of Public Health and Social Services
P.O. Box 2816
Hagatna, GU 86910-2816

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000
FY 2008	75,000

Contact: PeterJohn Camacho (671)735-7102

This is the third year of this grant. The goal of the Guam SMP Project is to continue expanding and further enhancing the project for the purpose of educating Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, family members, and caregivers to actively protect themselves against fraudulent, wasteful and abusive health care practices and to report suspected errors. Guam SMP project objectives are to: train members of the American Association of Retired Persons, local chapter, to serve as Guam SMP project volunteer resources and educators; educate and provide community awareness of Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse; disseminate, in various formats, project information on Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse; foster current and establish new partnerships; and evaluate project activities and communicate project outcomes. Expected measurable outcomes are: an increased number of proficiently trained volunteers; increased numbers of education beneficiaries, families and caregivers; increased tracking of inquiries and the rate of inquiry resolution; and increased Medicare/Medicaid savings. Products will include consumer driven, culturally appropriate informational materials; volunteer training items, e.g. training manual, volunteer incentives and certificates of appreciation; evaluation tools, and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3064 CHOICES Medi\$ave Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Connecticut Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street 10th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Marie E Peck-Llewellyn (860)424-5244

The Connecticut Department of Social Services is in its third year of a three-year SMP project. The goal is to enable beneficiaries to become better health care consumers by increasing their awareness of Medicare, Medicaid, and other potential incidents of health care fraud, errors, abuse and scams in order to detect and reduce improper payments and prevent victimization of themselves and others by ferreting out fraudulent scams and practices. The objectives are to: enhance/create partnerships utilizing volunteers; improve program visibility through an awareness campaign; provide education to beneficiaries and professionals, specifically targeting homebound and other isolated and/or hard to reach populations; and improve project efficiency, while increasing both operational and quality measures. Targeted areas include seniors in urban and rural areas with a high concentration of underserved seniors, but which have produced a disproportionately low number of clients; African American and Hispanic seniors; and isolated homebound seniors. Expected outcomes include: increased awareness among consumers of health care fraud, abuse and related scams; increased accessibility, quantity and effectiveness of information available to help targeted populations from being victimized; increased awareness of fraud and abuse issues of those professionals involved with homebound/homecare clients; expanded programming for and participation of volunteers in community initiatives; increased beneficiary inquiries and reports of suspected fraud, waste or abuse that result in action and savings attributable to the project. Products from the project include a web-based training program, power point presentations, and outreach materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3065 North Dakota Senior Medicare Patrol Projects

Minot State University
Research and Sponsored Programs
500 University Avenue West
Minot, ND 58707

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Linda Madsen (701)858-3580

In the third year of a 3-year grant to Minot State University (MSU), the MSU Community Outreach Services of the N. Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities (NDCPD) will collaborate with AARP, ND Disability Advocacy Consortium (NDDAC), Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), and the ND Senior Health Insurance Counseling (SHIC) program to help ND rural seniors identify and report Medicare errors, fraud & abuse through a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal of ND SMP is to help all ND seniors, including those in the most rural counties and those with disabilities, review their Medicare bills to assure that no errors, fraudulent charges or abuse have occurred. Local volunteers, regional volunteer coordinators and disability adapted curricula will be utilized to educate underserved Medicare beneficiaries, including seniors in frontier counties, and individuals with disabilities on Medicare & Medicaid. Objectives are to: increase steering committee membership for comprehensive state input; sustain 8 regional volunteer coordinators and at least 80 volunteers statewide; continue training regional coordinators and volunteers to provide beneficiary assistance; implement SMP activities for at least 400 beneficiaries, including information dissemination, group training, and one-on-one beneficiary education and inquiry processes; provide ongoing guidance and technical assistance to meet individual needs; and evaluate the impact of the ND SMP project. Expected outcomes include: greater public awareness of potential Medicare errors, fraud or abuse; increased skills in examining Medicare charges; and increased inquiries and resolution of errors, fraud & abuse. Products will include a final report with evaluation results; an accessible website; web-based training materials with CD-ROM; adaptable and disability accessible volunteer and constituent training materials; paper and electronic presentations; and professional articles.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3066 Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Suburban Area Agency on Aging
1048 West Lake Street, Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Jonathan Lavin (708)383-0258

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Suburban Area Agency on Aging-AgeOptions, for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program for the state of Illinois. The goal of the program is to recruit and train volunteers to conduct health care fraud control, outreach and education. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes: statewide coverage through collaborations with all the Area Agencies in Illinois; a centralized intake system to report health care fraud; a statewide media campaign; expansion of the SMP message to people with disabilities through partnership with the Illinois Network for Centers for Independent Living (INCIL); improved targeting to ethnic and limited English speaking seniors through partnership with the Coalition for Limited English Speaking Elderly (CLESE); increased awareness about Medicare Part D and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) fraud; consistent branding of the program with the national SMP effort; an increased number of people reached with the SMP message; and suggested best practices for reaching and educating isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The products from this project are: project reports, as required, including evaluation results; a website; newsletters; SMP power point presentation; SMP posters; playing cards; a fraud prevention toolkit; and an SMP brochure.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3067 Senior Medicare Patrol Project for State of New Hampshire

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services
Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3857

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Karol Dermon (603)271-4925

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS) for support of a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the project is to recruit, train and manage a network of volunteers and counselors statewide to educate Medicare beneficiaries and their families about health care error, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: foster statewide and local SMP program awareness; provide outreach and education on health care fraud and abuse; conduct targeted outreach and assistance to people who are hard to reach; and improve operational efficiencies and ensure consistent quality of reporting systems. Expected outcomes are: increased statewide awareness of the Senior Medicare Patrol project; increased number of Medicare beneficiaries reached who are homebound, living in isolated or rural areas, who have low literacy, limited income and/or living with disabilities or chronic illnesses; more improved operationally efficient program; and an increase in the number of knowledgeable beneficiaries on matters of health care fraud, error and abuse and other scams. Products will include: brochures; newsletters; PowerPoint presentations; and project reports and evaluation, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3068 SMP Medicare Integrity Project

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100
Madison, WI 53718-6751

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Karen VonHuene (608)224-0606

This is the third year of a grant to the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups' (CWAG) Elder Law Center to build on the successful volunteer and partnering programs of its 9-year Senior Medicare Patrol Grant ("the project") and Integration Grant by expanding the project's scope to address healthcare integrity broadly. The goal is to train seniors to be better healthcare consumers and to increase the reports of healthcare error, fraud, waste, & abuse. Objectives: to enhance its statewide coverage, the project will continue to revise its volunteer structure by expanding the current regional system aligned with the CWAG nine districts to a county-based lead volunteer representative system and redesign the project's volunteer positions to reflect four distinct levels of involvement; to improve beneficiary education and problem resolution, staff will continue to create training materials and publications for use by our volunteers and project partners that teach seniors to be better healthcare consumers by identifying and reporting healthcare integrity problems; to foster national visibility, staff will continue to share materials and experiences with the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center; to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the project through increased complaint referrals, the project will encourage WI seniors to report suspected cases of healthcare fraud more broadly; and continue to focus educational and training opportunities for isolated & hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes include: an increase in the number of elderly individuals educated; an increase in the number of inquiries to the project and rate of inquiry resolution; and an increase in Medicare, Medicaid, and other healthcare savings. Products will include: project reports, as required; evaluation results; two websites, written articles for publication; data on performance outcomes; and presentations at national conferences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3069 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc.
106 West Adams PO Box BD
Riverton, WY 82501

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	169,987
FY 2007	169,987
FY 2008	169,987

Contact: Tamra I Ward (307)856-6880

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc. to conduct a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project to serve isolated and rural, low income, disabled, and Native Americans on the Wind River Indian Reservation. The goal of this project is to educate those persons who will benefit from Medicare fraud and abuse information, Medicare Modernization Act and Medicare Part D changes. The objectives are to: train SMP volunteers; educate beneficiaries and general public about Medicare fraud; test beneficiaries' knowledge through feedback survey to determine if information presented was beneficial; track data on number, types and results of referrals; recruit and maintain retired professionals, as well as one bilingual volunteer; educate seniors who do not visit senior centers; establish at least one coalition partner in each county; and update educational materials. Expected outcomes are: increased volunteer knowledge; increased awareness of the SMP program in the general population; increased identification of problems on health care bills and explanation of benefits; increased efficiency in tracking data; and increased savings of dollars in the Medicare program. Products from the project will include: brochures, posters, bookmarks, health care journals, playing cards, hand sanitizers, band-aid kits and other educational materials and reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3070 Senior Medicare Patrol Projects-Cooperative Agreement

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Virgin Islands Department of Human Services
Knud Hansen Complex Building A
Charlotte Amalie, VI 00802

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000
FY 2008	75,000

Contact: Michal Rhymer-Charles (340)774-8820

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Virgin Islands Department of Human Services. The grant will support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program which will recruit and train senior citizens, including retired professionals as volunteers, to educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and/or their caregivers on how to protect themselves from fraud and abusive health care practices. The primary goal of the SMP program is to continue to expand the program territory wide, through recruitment, outreach, referral, and follow-up. The objectives of the project are to: identify target populations, such as seniors in isolated and hard-to-reach areas; develop educational materials to serve the bilingual and culturally diverse and visually impaired, as well as those with limited literacy skills; develop a reporting system to report and follow up on any suspected fraud or abuse; implement program coverage strategies, such as web-based applications, media and outreach events; enhance beneficiaries' education through various collaborative efforts and group training sessions with statewide partners; and establish outreach outcomes for seniors at eight senior citizen centers territory wide, caregiver support groups, senior independent living communities, and assisted living facilities. The expected outcomes are an increased number of: volunteers recruited, training sessions, beneficiaries reached, and educational activities. Products will include: required reports, including evaluation results; brochures; and educational materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3071 Iowa Senior Medicare Program (Operation Restore Trust of Iowa)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging
2102 Kimball Avenue, Suite 320 P.O. Box 388
Waterloo, IA 50704

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	175,000
FY 2007	175,000
FY 2008	175,000

Contact: Shirley Merner (319)272-2244

The Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging (HVAAA) is in its third year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) grant application. The SMP's major partners include Iowa's Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), and Iowa EXPORT Center of Excellence on Health Disparities (Project EXPORT) located at the University of Northern Iowa. Through these partnerships, the SMP continues to achieve statewide coverage, expert knowledge of underserved populations, expertise in design of culturally-sensitive marketing and educational materials, and previously established community relationships. The project's goal is to recruit, train, and empower retired professionals to create responsible beneficiaries of healthcare statewide. The focus of this project is to increase outreach and education to include Iowa's isolated and hard-to-reach, underserved populations including African American, Asian, Hispanic, Native American, rural Iowans and other emerging populations. The objectives: improve program efficiency statewide; foster and nurture statewide coverage and increase outreach to target populations; increase public awareness to underserved populations; improve beneficiary healthcare education by focusing on underserved populations; and foster national SMP visibility and recognition for Iowa SMP's outreach project. The expected outcomes of this project are: our targeted elderly population will be equipped to be good stewards of healthcare dollars; recovery of misspent healthcare dollars will increase; and target populations will report healthcare concerns for resolution or investigation. The products from this continuation project include folders; informational handouts that are culturally sensitive; an updated ID theft brochure; give-away items for use at health fairs and presentations; and reports as required, including evaluation results. Project lessons learned will be provided to the AoA National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center (NCPTRC).

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3072 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Maryland Curb Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid (CAMM)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201-2374

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

This is the third year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project supported by the grantee, the Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA). The goal of the SMP project is to increase senior awareness of health care fraud, waste, abuse and error, to mobilize state and community resources to work together in resolving and publicizing health care fraud concerns, and to support the goals of the AoA Senior Medicare Patrol. The objectives are to: develop partnerships and collaborations to ensure statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; increase awareness for beneficiaries about the problem of healthcare, fraud waste and abuse; identify and test best practices to reach the hard-to-reach population; target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations; recruit and train volunteers with a variety of skills and education; foster program visibility and consistency; incorporate the new SMP logo and tagline in all MDoA and AAA SMP materials; and incorporate the use of the Smartfacts reporting system in Maryland's Senior Medicare Patrol Program. The expected outcomes are to: provide outreach to 12,000 Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and their families; receive 400 inquiries of suspected incidences of fraud, waste, error or abuse; document estimated savings attributable to the project; develop 3 new partnerships; assist 4,000 people on an individual basis; and recruit, educate and train a volunteer corps of 75 retired professionals. The products from the project will include: an assessment survey for Medicare beneficiaries; a paper on building partnerships with non-English communities; an updated training curriculum.; a new SMP brochure; and an enhanced web site.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3073 VT Medicare Partnership Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Community of Vermont Elder Affairs
PO Box 1276
Montpelier , VT 05601-

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Dolly Fleming (802)229-4731

This is the third year of a three-year grant to provide a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, Community of Vermont Elders. The goals of the project are to: build upon the current structure of collaborative efforts with professionals in Vermont's elder network who can assist with public education, identification of Medicare error and waste and referral; continue to utilize the media as a primary educational strategy, which effectively provides useful resource information to isolated and homebound beneficiaries; continue to identify opportunities to educate Vermonters about Medicare program benefits, rights and protections; and develop an outreach and education strategy to reach people with disabilities. The objectives are to: continue collaborative agreement with AAAs; collaborate with SHIP to form an educational strategy for people with disabilities; continue collaboration with the National Senior Service Corps; continue expansion of referral and reporting services; identify/train and incorporate an intern as a designated program outreach assistant; and strengthen/broaden representation and expertise on the Vermont SMP Advisory Council. The expected outcomes are: a reduction in Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; increased number of referrals received; an increase in the number of volunteers engaged in education; an increase in the number of beneficiaries and providers educated; addition of key stakeholders in Advisory Council; increased reporting; and increased public awareness about Vermont SMP and Medicare error, fraud and abuse. Products from this project will include: a final report, including evaluation results; public service announcements; and educational materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3074 Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol Project Senior ESP (Examine Services Provided)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

IAAAA Education Institute
5875 Castle Creek Pkwy N Dr.
Indianapolis, IN 46250-4331

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	179,969

Contact: Melissa Durr (317)598-9300

This is the third year of a three-year grant to the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging (IAAAA) Education Institute, Inc. to continue an education and training model, the Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal is to create an education and training model on Medicare fraud prevention, including Part D, for elder volunteers and others who work with underserved Medicare populations including rural, low income and African American groups. The objectives are to: continue working with established partners to foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are an increase in the beneficiary knowledge of Medicare fraud and abuse, and a 10% increase in the number of complaints reported/received over the life of the project. Products will include brochures, personal health care journals, Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) guides and informational sheets, project reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3075 Senior Medicare Patrol Program Grant

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Alabama Department of Senior Services
770 Washington Ave., Suite 470
Montgomery, AL 36130

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Robyn James (334)242-5743

This is the third year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project grant to the Alabama Dept. of Senior Services (ADSS) to support an SMP program, in collaboration with the 13 Area Agencies on Aging. The goal of the project is to educate beneficiaries and providers to identify errors in Medicare billing to combat healthcare waste, fraud and abuse. The approach is to educate beneficiaries and providers on fraud and abuse, as well as to track events and contacts on potential cases among older consumers. Objectives: educate beneficiaries and providers on how to identify errors in Medicare billing; provide publications to educate beneficiaries on identifying potential fraud and abuse; publicize a statewide 1-800 number for assistance; establish an effective reporting mechanism to track outreach events, as well as potential fraud and abuse cases; build partnerships with healthcare providers, Medicare carriers and fiscal intermediaries; and recruit & train volunteers. Expected outcomes: more rural, low-income, and non-English speaking aging consumers educated and aware of Medicare waste, fraud and abuse, with contacts/assistance should they suspect a problem; measurable outcomes with post-evaluations at seminars will show a marked increase in the awareness and detection of fraud and abuse positively affecting target areas; publications, and increased publicity on waste, fraud and abuse will be available statewide; volunteers will be recruited and trained in rural and underserved areas; and healthcare providers will begin to be trained to identify healthcare waste, fraud and abuse. Products will include: website with statewide resources; reference materials on waste, fraud and abuse; and community-based educational programs designed to provide tips on preventing and identifying waste, fraud and abuse, emphasizing the importance of protecting one's personal information; and required reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3076 Senior Fraud Patrol - Medicare Assistance Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

East River Legal Services Corporation
335 N. Main Ave., #300
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Candise H Gregory (605)336-2475

The East River Legal Services (ERLS) supports the third year continuation grant of the three-year South Dakota Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, in collaboration with the South Dakota State Health Insurance Program (SHIPP), Cooperative Extension Services, South Dakota Division of Insurance and South Dakota Attorney General's Office. The goal of the project is to provide education and information relating to Medicare fraud, as well as other types of health care and consumer fraud. The objectives are to: recruit and train volunteers from the network; educate seniors about Medicare benefits and how to recognize and report suspected fraud, error, waste and abuse; expand outreach to seniors in all 66 counties of the state; keep seniors advised in a timely manner of issues affecting their health and well-being; and increase inquiry resolution for seniors. The expected outcome is an increase in client contacts and households reached through media events. Products will include a final report of project results and statistical information; an interactive website; the Medicare Advantage handout; scam alerts; and a targeted newspaper column and additional self-help and information publications and tools to assist seniors with health care matters.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3077 Anti-Fraud Health Care Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Minnesota Board on Aging
P.O. Box 64976 540 Cedar Avenue
Saint Paul, MN 55164-0976

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Krista Boston (651)431-2605

This is the third year of a three-year health care anti-fraud demonstration project in partnership with the seven Minnesota Area Agencies on Aging and related organizations serving hard-to-reach populations. The goal of the project is to empower individuals to identify and report instances of error, fraud and abuse in the health care system with emphasis placed on Medicare and Medicaid programs. Objectives of the project are to: foster national and statewide SMP coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of SMP, while increasing results for operational and quality measures; and target training and education for hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes are: an increased number of Minnesotans who receive services from the Senior LinkAge Line who are aware of fraud, abuse and error issues and know how to identify and report them; increased number of consumers and professionals from helping agencies who know where to go for objective help with questions regarding health care fraud, errors and abuse; a decreased number of individuals who experience confusion and frustration when trying to report and resolve fraud, abuse and errors; and increased knowledge, skills and confidence of Senior LinkAge Line staff/volunteers to provide comprehensive health insurance counseling, as it pertains to health care fraud, abuse and error. Products will include: a new interactive Web site; secure instant message software and voiceover IP capability; automated statewide tracking of health care fraud, abuse and error grievances; virtual volunteer coordinator reference handbook; a cookbook; and a report, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3078 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
35 Howard Ave
Cranston, RI 02920

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000
FY 2008	170,000

Contact: Delia Rodriguez (401)462-0524

This is the third year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP). The goals are to recruit and train volunteers to provide a comprehensive, coordinated statewide information and referral system to educate groups of Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, their families and professionals about Medicare/Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The objectives are to: utilize the Rhode Island Adult and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) known as "The Point" as the central Information & Referral access for persons concerned about SMP issues; contract with six regional agencies to help coordinate SMP activities; partner with SHIP program by conducting a variety of co-sponsored educational community outreach events; recruit more counselors than expected; improve program visibility and impact (particularly in Providence); provide counseling to non-English speakers (especially Spanish); professionalize the training process of SMP counselors through structured certification; and access Dept. of Elderly Affairs' contacts and public awareness mechanisms in communicating the SMP message to the network and relevant community members. As with the successful activities of the past year, the expected outcome will be increased program centralization to assure that achievable and measurable activities occur every week. Products from this project are: a final report, including evaluation results; a resource guide; press releases; newspaper articles; brochures; and abstracts for national conferences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3133 SMP- Kentucky

Project Period: 01/01/2007 - 05/31/2011

LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT

810 Barrett Ave, 3rd Floor

Louisville, KY 40204

Contact: Eileen Goggin (502)574-6960 325

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	272,610
FY 2008	170,000

This is a continuation of a grant to the Louisville Metro Government Community Action Partnership (LMCAP) to continue to operate the statewide Senior Medicare Patrol program, the Kentucky Senior Medicare Patrol (KY SMP), through seven regional existing Retired Senior Volunteer Programs (RSVPs). The goal is to maintain a pool of volunteers (a target of 335 people age 55 and older) to act as Medicare educators throughout the state. The objectives are to: 1) broaden educational services to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries in all 120 Kentucky counties; 2) recruit and train 50 new senior volunteers; 3) integrate KYSMP services into 10 statewide Community Action Partnerships (CAPs) and 2 Legal Aid Offices in the eastern and northeastern counties of the state; 4) update training manual inserts; 5) identify new statewide partnerships for collaboration on community outreach events that focus on educating the general retiring public; and 6) research and develop strategies to reach English as a Second Language populations. Expected outcomes are: 1) an increase in the number of educational services to beneficiaries; 2) more established partnerships to preserve integrity of Medicare/Medicaid programs; and 3) an increase in the number of knowledgeable beneficiaries of healthcare fraud in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Products will include: project reports, including evaluation results, as required; educational materials for volunteers and beneficiaries; group session post survey results; personal healthcare journals; and data tracking reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3143 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 06/01/2007 - 05/31/2011

Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

6105 West St. Joseph Hwy Suite 204

Lansing, MI 48917

Contact: Stacey Platte (517)886-1242

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	160,000
FY 2008	160,000

The Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program picked up the third year of a three-year grant, originally awarded to the Area Agencies on Aging Association of Michigan. The goal for this continuation grant, the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP), is to increase prevention, detection, and reporting of Medicare and Medicaid fraud, errors, and abuse by Michigan's 1.5 million Medicare beneficiaries. MMAP will achieve this goal through statewide education, outreach, and prevention efforts. The objectives are: 1) to foster national and statewide program coverage; 2) to improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; 3) to foster national program visibility and consistency; 4) to improve the efficiency of the SMP program while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and 5) to target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes: 1) increased savings to Medicare, Medicaid, and individual beneficiaries; 2) increased number of active volunteers who counsel beneficiaries and conduct outreach about Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse; 3) increased number of beneficiaries who know how to prevent, detect, and report Medicare fraud, errors, and abuse; 4) increased referrals from state and local partners; and 5) increased and improved SMP services. Products will include: summary of innovative best practices in reaching traditionally underserved populations; press releases, flyers, and outreach presentations; SMP brochures; training materials; Internet-based SMP training and certification module.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3204 National Hispanic SMP Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 05/31/2011

The National Hispanic Council on Aging
734 15th Street NW Suite 1050
Washington, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	180,000

Contact: Maria E Hernandez-Lane (202)347-9733

The National Hispanic Council on Aging (NHCOA) supports this three-year project focusing on outreach and education in areas with high Hispanic populations. The goal for the project is to educate Hispanic older adults of Mexican, Cuban, Central American, South American, Caribbean, and other Latino origins about Medicare, Medicaid and home healthcare fraud and abuse prevention and reporting, by crafting comprehensive programs tailored to the specific characteristics and needs of all the different Hispanic groups in the country.

The objectives are to: 1) concentrate on outreach and education in areas with high Hispanic populations; 2) expand the education focus to include Medicaid and home health care; 3) lay groundwork for a nationwide social marketing campaign to promote behaviors that lead to the prevention and reporting of Medicare fraud; and 4) develop a web-based cultural competency course targeting healthcare providers and pharmacies.

Expected outcomes: 1) increased understanding of the Medicare, Medicaid and home healthcare systems, fraud and abuse and ways to report fraud; 2) increased avenues for reporting fraud and abuse among beneficiaries and their families; and 3) increased awareness of culturally-competent practices in relation to Medicare for Hispanic older adults. Products will include educational materials specific to each Hispanic population.

Program: Choices for Independence
90AM3126 Preparing the Aging Network for Administration on Aging Choices for Independence Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 06/30/2009

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A)
1730 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	364,839
FY 2007	514,345
FY 2008	521,917

Contact: Abigail Morgan (202)872-0888 18

To prepare to meet the goals of the Choices for Independence initiative, n4a proposes to establish a partnership with Scripps Gerontology Center to: 1) develop a relevant, accessible, and comprehensive AAA and Title VI program survey for the aging network; 2) create a National Center for Long-Term Care Business and Strategy in the aging network to assist the aging network implement the AoA Choices for Independence initiative; 3) institute a pilot program to assess the feasibility of establishing an inventory of Older Americans Act providers; and 4) create a web-based Board and Advisory Council training manual.

90OP0004 Comprehensive State Planning Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2009

National Association of State Units on Aging
1201 15th St., NE Suite 350
Washington, DC, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	300,000

Contact: Eric Risteen (202)898-2578

Comprehensive planning for State Units on Aging and Area Agencies on Aging is a key strategy for focusing the Aging Network on long-term care. Technical assistance is critical to using web-based planning models for aging services. The integration of information technology, e.g. GIS mapping, in the planning process will sharply focus service planning and disaster preparedness. The NASUA outcomes are important components of an effort to position the Aging Network to undertake the strategies and objectives of Project 2020 including:

Training of all State Units on Aging in the use of the web-based Planning Tool in comprehensive planning targeted to long term care reform.

Working in partnerships with n4a to include AAAs in comprehensive planning at the local level.

Enhancing technology (GIS mapping) for each SUA to further planning efforts, especially for emergency planning and disaster preparedness.

Provide the structure for NASUA to develop and analyze state profile information.

Program: Open Solicitation

90OP003 Moving Forward Together: Promoting State-of-the-Art Business Planning in the Aging Network

Miami University
Scripps Gerontology Center
500 E. High Street
Oxford, OH 45056

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 09/29/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	200,000

Contact: Tricia Callahan (513)529-1795

In "Moving Forward Together: Promoting State-of-the-Art Business Planning at the State and Regional Levels of the Aging Network", AoA HQ & Regional will work with Scripps to plan/coordinate 5 regional training events per year for SUA, and AoA central/regional staff. Scripps will arrange & contract with program experts directed by, and in consultation with, AoA; facilitate meeting discussions; prepare reports on LTC challenges, issues, & progress raised in each session; and coordinate cost reimbursements for hotel & travel.

In order to build on Scripps' research with AAA's & tribal organizations, this project with State Units on Aging & AoA will have a meaningful research component. Information on aging network modernization will be obtained at regional meetings; annual surveys of AAAs & Title VI organizations conducted; annual progress reports on LTC within the aging network provided; and 5 regional workshops will be held during 1 year. Scripps will work with AoA to assess training/technical assistance needs for state leaders, in part using data on meeting effectiveness collected from participants. This will be shared with AoA to improve & update meeting content.

To complete, Scripps will: 1) have at least 2 staff members present per meeting; 2) collaborate with AoA staff to provide appropriate level of support for meeting coordination, incl. travel arrangements and/or travel reimbursements for participants; 3) seek AoA input on training needs & a meeting assessment instrument; 4) provide a report on each regional meeting within 45 days - to include summaries of major issues & results of the training needs survey; 5) with AoA input, use information gathered at meetings to provide context for the interpretation of state and area level data about the aging network's role in long-term care modernization.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG001 Florida Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 315
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	59,942

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2338

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental. Its objectives are: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement surveys; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model being developed under Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a plan to assess the nursing home predictive value of performance measurement variables included in earlier POMP surveys. Florida will be assuming a leadership role in developing a plan to assess the predictive value of performance measures identified in earlier POMP surveys.

The overall outcome for the Next Generation: POMP project is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG002 Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measures (POMP)

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
NCDHHS
2001 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2001

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	60,000

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman (919)733-0440

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental. The objectives are: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement survey instruments; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model developed under Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a plan to assess the nursing home predictive value of key performance measurement variables included in earlier POMP surveys. North Carolina is assuming a leadership role in the development of longitudinal performance measurement instruments.

The overall outcome for the Next Generation POMP project is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG003 Massachusetts Next Generation Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP)

Commonwealth of MA, Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Executive Office Elder Affairs
One Ashburton Place, 5th Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	59,975

Contact: Ruth Palombo (617)222-7512

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental. Its objectives include: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement survey instruments; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model being developed under Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a strategy to assess the nursing home predictive value of key performance measurement variables from earlier POMP surveys. Massachusetts has assumed a leadership role for the development of "POMP TO GO."

The overall outcome for the Next Generation POMP project is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network. The objectives of this project are noted above.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG004 Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	60,000

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)486-2730

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental. Its objectives include: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement survey instruments; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model under development in Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a strategy to assess the nursing home predictive value of key performance measurement variables of earlier POMP surveys. New York will be assuming a leadership role for developing a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model developed under Advanced POMP.

The overall outcome for the Next Generation: POMP project is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG005 Ohio's Next Generation POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus , OH 43215

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	60,000

Contact: Robert Lucas (614)728-9133

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental. The objectives encompass: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement surveys; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the generic nursing home predictor model being developed under Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a plan to assess the nursing home predictive value of key performance measure variables in earlier POMP surveys.

The overall outcome for the Next Generation: POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG006 Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP)

Georgia Department of Human Resources
Human Resources
2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Suite 9-398
Atlanta, GA 30303-3142

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	27,651

Contact: Elaine Popham (912)449-4996

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement (POMP), is developmental. Its objectives include: 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement survey instruments; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the nursing home predictor model under development in Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a plan to identify nursing home predictive value of performance measurement variables included in earlier POMP surveys. Georgia is assuming a leadership role in the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit.

The overall outcome for Next Generation POMP is enhanced Performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network.

Program: Next Generation POMP

90NG007 Arizona Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Independent Living Support Unit
1789 W. Jefferson, Site Code 950A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Project Period: 09/30/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	52,224

Contact: Melanie Starns (602)542-4446

This project, the first phase of the Next Generation: Performance Outcome Measurement Project (POMP), is developmental and will encompass 1) the development of the "POMP TO GO" toolkit; 2) the development of longitudinal performance measurement surveys; 3) the development of a methodology to cross-validate the generic nursing home predictor model being developed under Advanced POMP; and 4) the development of a plan to assess the nursing home predictive value of key performance measure variables in earlier POMP surveys. Arizona is assuming a leadership role for the development of longitudinal surveys.

The overall outcome for the Next Generation: POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement capacity throughout the Aging Network. The specific objectives for this project are noted above.

90AM2874 New York Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

New York State Office for the Aging
3 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)474-5478

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	60,000
FY 2007	70,000
FY 2008	100,000

New York will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data New York is able to provide. New York, as co-leader of the Advanced POMP workgroup, will also be working closely with the project officer and technical assistance contractor to identify national data sources appropriate for comparison purposes. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act Services.

Anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model developed and tested; and 2) appropriate comparison group data from national surveys identified to enable nursing home diversion estimation.

90AM2875 North Carolina Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman (919)733-4534

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	49,500
FY 2007	70,000
FY 2008	100,000

North Carolina will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent to data that North Carolina is able to provide. North Carolina plans to use 27 month retrospective data to determine service utilization and identify reasons for terminated service. The data set will be compared with Medicaid claims data, to estimate cost savings. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) programs. Anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) Medicaid cost savings attributed to OAA programs will be estimated.

90AM2876 Rhode Island Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
The John O. Pastore Center
35 Howard Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920

Contact: Donna M Cone (401)462-0500

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	44,985
FY 2006	46,307
FY 2007	46,549
FY 2008	59,221

Rhode Island will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data Rhode Island is able to provide. In addition, Rhode Island is developing a protocol to measure the impact of congregate meal program participation on targeted health outcomes, improvement of healthy behaviors and the reduction of known indicators of nutritional risk. The Advanced POMP goals applicable to this project are Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) programs, and Goal 3: Demonstrate Effectiveness of OAA programs. The anticipated objectives of this project are to: 1) pilot test a nursing home predictor model to demonstrate cost benefits of Rhode Island home and community care programs; and 2) document impacts of congregate meal programs and estimate cost savings related to impacts.

90AM2877 Florida Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
Planning and Evaluation Unit
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	59,943
FY 2007	69,957
FY 2008	99,434

Florida is providing project leadership by independently developing a nursing home predictor model and sharing it with the grantee workgroup for broader testing. Florida serves as the co-leader of the Advanced POMP workgroup and has developed the vision for Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) Programs. Florida is currently expanding the nursing home risk model to predict risk of other adverse events such as hospitalization, emergency room visits and functional decline. Objectives are to: 1) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in nursing home placements due to use of in-home services; 2) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in hospital use due to use of in-home services; and 3) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in acute medical care due to use of in-home services.

90AM2879 Ohio Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

Contact: Marc Molea (614)728-9133 9133

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	55,271
FY 2008	65,271

Ohio will work on the development of a nursing home predictor model, using data available in Ohio and based, in part, on a high risk screening tool being developed for their Medicaid waiver program. They will use key factors determined to be statistically significant predictors for the Medicaid waiver population, and they will test the reliability of the high risk screening tool for the population receiving Older Americans Act (OAA) services. Once the tool is validated and introduced into use, cost savings estimates can be generated. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to OAA Programs. The anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) a high risk screening tool for OAA programs will be developed and tested.

90AM2880 Arizona Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1717 W. Jefferson, Site Code 010A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-4446

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	39,000
FY 2007	69,325
FY 2008	69,458

Arizona's Advanced POMP project is focusing on the efficacy of senior centers. They will conduct a 24 month longitudinal study of new senior center clients to assess the impacts of nutrition and health promotion/ disease prevention programs. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 3: Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Older Americans Act Programs. The anticipated outcome of the project is the design of a methodology to demonstrate the positive impact of select senior center services.

90AM2881 Georgia Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Georgia Department of Human Resources
Division of Aging Services
2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 9
Atlanta, GA 30303

Contact: Arvine R Brown (404)651-5278

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	11,250
FY 2005	18,772
FY 2006	21,381
FY 2007	37,635
FY 2008	37,635

Georgia will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data that Georgia is able to provide. Georgia will be the first state to test the Florida model. In addition, Georgia has an extensive database with detailed information on waiting list clients, which can be used to establish a comparison group. The applicable Advanced POMP goal for this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act Programs. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) waiting lists will be used as a comparison group to enable nursing home diversion estimation.

90AM2882 Iowa Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
510 East 12th St., Jesse Parker Bldg. Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)242-3301

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 08/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	60,000
FY 2007	70,000

Iowa will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data that Iowa is able to provide. In addition, Iowa will conduct an independent analysis of the optimal service case mix using data collected by the recipient survey conducted during an earlier POMP project, as well as administrative data. The applicable Advanced POMP goals for this project are Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) Programs and Goal 2: Demonstrate the Efficiency of OAA Programs. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed; and 2) the most efficient service mixes will be identified.

90AM3103 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)486-2730

The New York State Office for the Aging will work collaboratively with local AAAs and other grantees to enhance the utility of the POMP surveys for the Aging Network. Specifically, they will:

1. conduct validity tests for the Caregiver Support, Case Management and Physical Functioning surveys.
2. pilot test the statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. provide recommendations for performance measurement toolkits.

The products of this grant will be validated performance outcome measurement surveys, a pilot-tested statewide performance measurement protocol and performance measurement toolkits for posting on the POMP website.

90AM3104 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman (919)733-0440

The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services will work with national and state partners toward the three project objectives of validity testing, piloting a statewide performance measurement methodology and the development of a performance measurement toolkit. All of these build on previous initiatives with the overall goal of increasing national, state and regional knowledge of the impact of services and service packages. Working collaboratively with the national workgroup they will:

1. conduct validity testing for Caregiver Support, Transportation and Senior Center Surveys
2. pilot a methodology combining administrative data with minimal consumer surveys for statewide performance measurement and
3. develop a performance measurement toolkit for use by States and AAAs.

The products will include validated performance outcome measurement survey instruments, a pilot-tested statewide protocol and a performance measurement toolkit for posting on the POMP website.

90AM3105 Florida Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 03/31/2009

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	48,742

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs has an overall goal for this project of improving the ability of states to evaluate the effectiveness of their efforts to serve elders. The objectives/activities for their project are:

1. conduct validity tests for Caregiver Support, Case Management and Emotional Well-Being/Social Functioning surveys
2. pilot test statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. assist in the development of performance measurement toolkits

Florida will work collaboratively with AAAs and other state grantees toward the outcome: a model to assess program performance allowing comparability across states. This outcome will benefit states by providing a tested, reliable methodology allowing states to identify best practices and areas in need of improvement with respect to elder services.

90AM3106 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1717 W. Jefferson St, Site Code 010A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: Melanie Starns (602)542-6324

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) will refine its performance measurement system to achieve its goal of using performance outcome measurement to assess program effectiveness. In collaboration with AAA, Region and Maricopa County service providers, as well as the other grantees, DAAS will pursue the following objectives:

1. conduct validity tests on Caregiver Support, Case Management, Information and Assistance and Social and Emotional Well-Being surveys.
2. conduct pilot testing on statewide performance measurement methodology and
3. assist in the development of performance measurement toolkits for use by the Aging Network.

The outcomes will be refined tools and methodologies for performance measurement for use at the State, local and national level. Products will include validated survey instruments, a statewide performance measurement methodology that has been pilot tested and performance measurement toolkits for national use.

90AM3107 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
Planning and Administration
510 East 12th Street Jessie-Parker Building - Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)725-3309

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	49,745
FY 2007	49,745

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs, working in collaboration with Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging and the other grantees, will complete work on POMP developed performance measurement surveys and enhance their usefulness for the Aging network by:

1. conducting validity testing for the Caregiver, Case Management and Information and Assistance surveys
2. pilot testing the statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. participating in the development of performance measurement toolkits

The expected products of this project are the incorporation of outcome measures into existing program data tools. The outcomes will be enhanced and streamlined performance outcome measurement.

90AM3108 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

Contact: Bob Lucas (614)728-9133

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

The Ohio Department of Aging, working toward the goal of institutionalizing performance measures into state and local practice, will work collaboratively with the Council on Aging of Southwest Ohio, as well as the other grantees to pursue the following objectives:

1. conduct validity tests on the Caregiver Support, Home Delivered Meals and Physical Functioning surveys
2. conduct a pilot test of the grantee-developed statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. participate in the development of performance measurement toolkits

The products will be validated survey instruments, a pilot test of the statewide performance measurement methodology and performance measurement toolkits suitable for use at the state and local level.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3109 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Georgia Department of Human Resources
2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 9-398
Atlanta, GA 30303-3142

Contact: Charles R Edwards (229)430-6656

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	18,725
FY 2007	18,725

The Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging Services, will work collaboratively with the Heart of Georgia/Altamaha Area Agencies on Aging and the other grantees toward obtaining valid information to assess service provider performance and drive performance improvements. Specific objectives are:

1. conduct validity tests for Caregiver Support, Congregate Nutrition, Senior Center and Homemaker surveys
2. conduct pilot test of the grantee developed statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. participate in the development of performance measurement tools to be posted on the POMP website

The products of this project include validated survey instruments, pilot tested statewide performance measurement methodology and enhanced performance measurement tools. The outcome is improved and consistent performance measurement capacity across the Aging Network.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3110 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

The Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Planning/Program Development
One Ashburton Place, Fifth Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Contact: Wey Hsiao (617)222-7497

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	35,000
FY 2007	48,462

The Massachusetts Office of Elder Affairs is working collaboratively with local AAAs and other grantees to develop standardized performance outcome measures, methodologies and tools for the evaluation and improvement of Federal and State programs. The specific approach that will be followed is:

1. conduct validity tests for current POMP survey instruments for Congregate Meals, Information and Assistance and Caregiver Support
2. pilot test statewide performance measurement methodology
3. develop performance measurement toolkits

The products from this project will be validated outcome measure survey instruments; a pilot-tested statewide performance measurement methodology with data; and performance measurement toolkits for the POMP website.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3024 Planning Grants Project (PGP)

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2009

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,750
FY 2007	65,685

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

The applicant, the Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA) will develop a comprehensive planning model: (1) suitable for replication by all State Units on Aging (SUAs) and Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs); (2) characterized by uniform data collection, needs assessment and outcome-measurement methodologies; and (3) reflecting coordination/collaboration among partner agencies and elder services providers. Project objectives will be the development of the planning model, and development of a web-accessible national planning database. The applicant will partner with the Florida Association of AAAs, and the AAAs in planning and service areas 3 and 4. DOEA will convene a planners' retreat and a steering committee to obtain AAA and stakeholder input concerning planning objectives, including preparation of Florida's 2008-2010 State Plan on Aging. The DOEA website will be a primary means of making planning grants project information available.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3025 The State Unit and AAAs Planning Grant Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2009

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	14,065

Contact: Heather Burkhardt (919)733-0440

The applicant, the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services (NC-DAAS), will develop a coordinated planning model for State and area plans on aging by adapting a logic model to focus on client outcomes and effective use of lessons learned. NC-DAAS plans to tap its experience with the AoA Performance Outcome Measurement project (POMP) in the development of its planning model. The model will start with a population framework, tied to a logic model, and integrate performance outcome measures to form the foundation of effective planning. The project has five objectives: (1) to collaborate with AoA and the national work group to develop a comprehensive planning model; (2) to develop a well-coordinated NC State/area plan model, based on a logic model approach, with emphasis on assisting disadvantaged and vulnerable populations; (3) to integrate POMP into the NC State/area plan model; (4) to link goals and features of the AoA Strategic Action Plan to State and AAA planning; and (5) to establish a sound evaluation method.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3026 Indiana Planning Grants Project (PGP)

Indiana Division of Disability, Aging &
Rehabilitative Services
402 W Washington St
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Contact: Natalie Angel

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,750
FY 2007	39,750

The applicant will test the effectiveness of the AdvantAge Initiative as a planning model on a statewide level. AdvantAge Initiative has been used as a model community development and strategic planning process to foster an "elder-friendly" community at the local level, but has never been used at the state planning level. The applicant will develop and utilize a demographic database for planning purposes, conduct a statewide telephone survey of Indiana elders using the AdvantAge Initiative survey, and utilize local steering committees to create Area Agency on Aging plans that will inform the State Plan. The grantee will partner with Self-Advocates of Indiana, Inc. and the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and contract with the Center on Aging and community of Indiana University to customize and implement the model planning process. The applicant will disseminate results through a variety of vehicles, including conference presentations, publications, media releases, and websites. The applicant anticipates reaching non-traditional audiences through presentations at meetings of The American Planning Association, International City Managers Association, The Council on Foundations, Governors Conference on Aging, and others. Results will be shared with other grant recipients and project participants through "Oncourse", an online learning environment offered at Indiana University, which is designed to create collaborative work space for researchers conducting community-based programs and research.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3027 Pennsylvania Department of Aging Planning Grants Project

Pennsylvania Department of Aging
555 Walnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Dan McGuire (717)783-6207

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,940
FY 2007	39,940

The applicant will contribute to the development of standardized state planning processes by improving measurement strategies to track State Plan on Aging outcomes. The Pennsylvania Department of Aging will use its Plan on Aging's ten priority areas to develop standardized performance measures for priority area outcomes; work with selected Area Agencies on Aging to incorporate performance measures into their plans; and implement performance measurement in the priority area of cultural inclusion. The applicant plans to work with the Pennsylvania Association of Area Agencies on Aging (P4A) and several AAA's, including the Union-Snyder Agency on Aging and New Populations Inc. The Pennsylvania Department of Aging will work with P4A to disseminate results to the state's 52 AAAs. Other dissemination activities include public announcements, web site postings, the Department on Aging's quarterly newsletter, electronic and direct mailings to aging service organizations at national, state and local levels, and presentations at conferences (e.g. ASA, n4a and NASUA).

Program: Planning Grants Project
90AM3028 Arizona Planning Project

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1789 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Melanie Starns

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	39,998
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

The applicant, the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Aging and Adult Administration (ADES-A&AA), together with the Arizona Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), will build on the existing strengths of its current planning process in order to design a coordinated, systematic and consistent planning process for State and area plans on aging. ADES-A&AA's Aging 2020 plan referenced in the application is well underway and has utilized solid planning strategies, such as needs and resources assessment, input from all identified stakeholders, analysis of existing planning data, e.g. census data, and incorporation of area agency goals into the State plan on aging. Objectives of the project are to: (1) improve consistency and coordination in the planning process; and (2) use the designed State and area plans as strategic documents to strengthen organizational capacity of service systems to meet current and future service needs. These objectives will be aligned with the current Performance Outcomes Measurement Project (POMP) and the Arizona Aging and Disability Resource Center (AzADRC).

Program: Planning Grants Project
90AM3029 Minnesota Collaborative Planning Model: A Cross-System Approach for Health Promotion

Minnesota Board on Aging
P.O. Box 64976
St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Contact: Kari Benson (651)297-5459

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	35,200
FY 2006	35,600
FY 2007	35,600

The applicant, the Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) will develop a collaborative model that: (1) integrates Federal, State and local priorities; (2) links strategic partners; and (3) results in new and effective system change. Participation of key partners at the State, Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and local level is critical to the project. The focus of the project will be the development of evidence-based health promotion programming, a topic identified as a priority at the Federal, State and local level. The approach refines and expands MBA's current planning model to develop an inter-system, collaborative model for system change and service development across multiple agencies and multiple funding sources. In addition, MBA will develop and implement specific outcome measures and a web-based management information system to monitor performance at two levels: (1) service development - measures of new, expanded or redesigned community services; and (2) service outcomes - the direct effects of these services or interventions in the lives of older individuals.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3030 Planning Grant Proposal for NJ Senior Nutrition Program

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services
PO Box 360
Trenton, NJ 08625

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	29,656
FY 2006	39,686
FY 2007	39,686

Contact: Geraldine Mackenzie (609)943-3499

The applicant will contribute to the development of a national comprehensive planning process by developing three replicable models for nutrition program planning in the areas of: 1) cost effective and efficient program operations; 2) integration of nutrition plans into the ADRC initiative; and 3) service delivery for diverse populations. The grantee will work with Stockton College, New Jersey's Mission Nutrition Blue Ribbon Panel and the Nutrition Directors Advisory Group, Atlantic and Warren County AAA's, plus AAA representation on work groups. The evaluation plan will have three components to assess outcomes, process and project context. It will include a logic model linking goals, objectives, activities and outcomes, and an impact model for each team. Reports and best practice guides that result from the project will be disseminated via the grantees' web sites; a public health aging listserv; direct mailings to national, state and local organizations, as well as SUAs; presentations at conferences; and articles published in professional journals.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3031 The Kentucky Division of Aging Services Planning Grant Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
275 East Main Street 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40621

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	15,675
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

Contact: Phyllis E Culp (502)564-6930

The applicant, the Kentucky Division of Aging Services (DAS), will develop a comprehensive and coordinated State and area planning process that is outcomes driven and utilizes evidence-based practices. Objectives of the project are to: (1) evaluate the current process for improvements; (2) assemble a project work group consisting of State staff, Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff, consumers, and providers; (3) develop statewide outcomes; (4) design a process that will relate the regional area plans to the State plan; and (5) incorporate new information technology systems into the plan design. DAS will incorporate its new client data collection system, SAMS, into the development of a planning model. In addition, DAS will build on its already existing strategic plan and outcomes-based contracting procedures. DAS is currently utilizing outcomes-based monitoring in its National Family Caregiver Support Program.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3032 Technical Assistance Support Center: Comprehensive Planning for Aging Services

National Association of State Units on Aging
1201 15th Street, NW
Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	200,000

Contact: Eric Risteen (202)898-2578 132

This project will enhance the capacity of State Agencies on Aging to develop comprehensive plans through the development of a model planning process(es) adaptable to each state's unique needs. Objectives include: (1) developing a planning model(s) that addresses OAA program compliance and builds upon the comprehensive planning efforts of SUAs and AAAs; (2) providing technical assistance to the State Planning Grantees and other SUAs; and (3) facilitating pilot testing, refinement and adoption of the planning model(s) by grantees and the aging network. The applicant will coordinate a 3 day orientation meeting, and provide continued support and work closely with the State Planning Grantees to develop comprehensive, coordinated planning systems. The approach will be both a) interactive, facilitating idea and experience exchange among grantees, and b) process-oriented, making use of expert guidance and the grantees' knowledge and experiences to develop the following planning model(s) and plan formats: model(s) of State planning process(es); model(s) of Area planning process(es); model(s) of State plan format(s); model(s) of Area plan formats. Involvement of the following community based organizations (CBOs) is anticipated: National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A); consumer groups, e.g. the Alzheimer's Association; and provider organizations, e.g. the National Association of Nutrition Service Providers (NANSP), AARP, and the National Family Caregiver Alliance.

Target Population: State and Area Agencies on Aging, local providers, and the seniors they serve.

Program: Unsolicited

90AM3163 Study the Effects of OAA Services upon Medicare Utilization and Costs.

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais St, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

Project Period: 09/30/2007 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2007	100,000
FY 2008	100,000

Contact: Bruce Bondo (803)734-9874

The South Carolina (SC) Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging received a previous three year Advanced Performance Outcomes Measurement Project (POMP) grant award which demonstrated that at a threshold of four or more congregate or home delivered meals per week, clients appear to have fewer emergency room visits and fewer in-hospital admissions than individual not receiving meals. The current grant will examine the effects of various levels of meal service intensity and duration on Medicare utilization and costs, including cost-benefit analysis. It will use the power of a larger sample size to explore the effects of meal services on Medicare utilization and costs for older individuals in greatest need, such as African Americans, those with chronic disease, and the frail elderly. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a tool that can be used by federal and state researchers to evaluate the health effects of Older Americans Act (OAA) services; 2) a formal cost-benefit analysis that measures the financial benefits to Medicare for each OAA dollar spent on various services; 3) clear and convincing evidence of the benefits of meal services on health disparities, chronic disease, and frail elders; and 4) preliminary evidence of the benefits of other OAA services on client health and health care utilization.

Program: Unsolicited

90AM2666 Systems-Building in State Family Caregiver Support and Health Promotion Programs

Project Period: 09/30/2002 - 09/29/2008

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNITS ON AGING (NASUA)

1201 15th Street, NW, Suite 350

Washington, DC 20005-0005

Contact: Martha Roherty (202)898-2578

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	250,000
FY 2003	400,000
FY 2004	295,632
FY 2005	75,000

The goal of this demonstration project is to build state capacity in collaboration with AoA. A second goal of the project is to assist the State Units on Aging (SUA) to compile and disseminate information about the Older Americans Act and other programs which they administer. The purpose of this activity is to develop a database software product for use by SUAs in their reporting under the National Aging Program Information System. The product is intended to facilitate the submission of this report in a timely manner to AoA, with the least possible burden to SUAs. The objectives of this program are: 1) to develop a software application for use by AAAs to facilitate state transmission of state program reports; 2) to provide training and technical assistance when the application is made available to the states; and 3) conduct a study of state agency and area agency management information systems and innovative approaches to streamlining data collection activities. The expected outcomes of the program include: transmission of information eased; training and technical assistance provided; and software reporting tools developed (edit and validity checking). The products include software for all State Units on Aging, a final report and recommendations for management information systems.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2334 Advancing Volunteerism Role in Delivering Home Modification Services to Aging Population

Project Period: 06/01/2000 - 01/31/2008

REBUILDING TOGETHER, INC.

1536 16th Street, NW

Washington, DC 20036-0036

Contact:

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2000	322,756
FY 2002	493,500
FY 2003	392,234
FY 2005	391,642

This is a continuation of a Title IV discretionary grant, initially funded in June 2000. Rebuilding Together continues to expand the scope of the "Safe at Home" grant activities through its 269 affiliate members. Of special emphasis this year are falls prevention and supporting home modifications for aging-in-place. Expanding partnerships between the affiliate chapters and the Aging Network is an overarching goal. Part of the partnership & coalition building centers around joint training activities to help the affiliates gain increased understanding of universal design that helps seniors remain at home, and to help the Aging Network gain new and valued partners for helping low-income seniors.

FY 2005 Outcomes: Rebuilding Together will disseminate a new brochure and toolbox to stimulate greater public attention about the value of home modification in helping seniors and their caregivers with continued independence. An additional 2,000 people will be trained in home safety assessments. Twenty to forty affiliates will expand their home modification programs for the seniors. Funds will be used to leverage an additional \$250,000 in product discounts and donations for the home modification efforts. The grant efforts this year will benefit some 4,000 sites for safe aging-in-place. This organization will continue to exhibit and make presentations at major aging conferences throughout the year, both nationally and locally. Rebuilding Together collaborates with the organizations sponsoring Aging-in-Place week in November, the National Home Modifications Action Coalition and the National Council on Aging falls prevention programs.

90AM2611 Supportive Neighborhoods

Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc.
Senior Friendly Neighborhoods
5721 Park Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

Project Period: 08/01/2002 - 11/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	987,000
FY 2003	513,826
FY 2005	697,122

Contact: Mary Pivawer (410)466-1990

The Senior Friendly Neighborhoods program provides enriched supportive services for older adults age 62 and over living in naturally occurring retirement communities in the mixed housing residential Upper Park Heights and Millbrook neighborhoods of northeast Baltimore. Included within the catchment area are 8 apartment complexes ranging from 25 to 730 units, which offer on-site program activities. Other residents have access to activities in 6 "warm houses" and programming in two community centers and three congregate meal sites and a para-transit transportation service. Program goals include enhancement of community cohesion, increased resident independence, identification of "at risk" elderly and decreased loneliness and isolation of individuals living alone. The non-profit Comprehensive Housing Assistance agency coordinates services in partnership with Jewish Family Services, the LifeBridge Health System, the Jewish Community Center and the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center. For a small membership fee, residents have access to activity programs, social work services, health education, home repair services and transportation for shopping, medical appointments and recreational activities. Additional funding support is provided by the City of Baltimore, the County of Baltimore, the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation and the Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore.

90AM2736 NORC Continuation Grant

GREATER MIAMI JEWISH FEDERATION
4200 Biscayne Blvd.
Miami, FL 33137-3279

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	490,292
FY 2004	245,294
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: Michael Winograd (305)576-4000

The Greater Miami Jewish Federation, along with the Jewish Federations of Broward County, South Palm Beach County and Palm Beach, are conducting a demonstration of the provision of services and activities in five age-restricted residential communities in four counties in Southeastern Florida. The goal is to increase resident access to services, which improve their quality of life and enable them to function more effectively in their homes, thereby reducing the need for extended institutional long term care. Objectives include: 1) establishment of agreements and working relationships with apartment and condominium management agencies and boards for on-site location of staff and creation of program services and activities; 2) assessment of resident needs and priorities for group activities and individual services; 3) planning and delivery of activities and services for each program site; 4) expansion and use neighborhood councils to promote information about services and assist in outreach; 5) recruitment, training and support of volunteers to assist residents; 6) evaluation of program implementation and resident involvement; and 7) dissemination of program findings and achievements. Anticipated program outcomes include: 1) a demonstration that neighborhood organization of services reaches more people and is more efficient than existing and traditional forms of service delivery; 2) a demonstration that community support and involvement improves access and utilization of services; and 3) increased community and resident awareness of the availability and value of aging in place services and activities. Anticipated products include information materials and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2742 Comprehensive Approach to Aging in Place (CAP)

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 06/30/2009

JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON

6101 Montrose Road

Rockville, MD 20852

Contact: Beth Shapiro (301)230-7200

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	1,176,701
FY 2005	979,104

The Jewish Federation of Washington and its community partners are conducting a multi-year demonstration program of supportive services to older residents aging in place in suburban apts. & condominiums. Goals: help seniors age 60 and over cope with daily activities; feel personally safe; engage in social, educational & recreational activities; and ensure access & availability of wellness services, enabling independent living in their own homes as long as feasible.

Objectives include: 1) develop and implement services and supports for seniors in accordance with the program goal, and transition into a fee for service model; 2) recruit and train intergenerational volunteers to provide support to senior neighbors; 3) reach out to residents of Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities to promote programs and services, provide information/referrals, and address neighborhood issues impacting quality of life; 4) involve community organizations and landlords in support of and participation with seniors; 5) provide transportation to increase independence and community engagement; and 6) evaluate program components and their impact on participants & disseminate findings to local, state & national audiences. Anticipated outcomes: 1) improved availability and effectiveness of necessary and desired services for seniors living in targeted residential buildings; 2) identification of the value seniors place on for fee services; and 3) determination of the value landlords & management companies place on ensuring tenant stability through customized service provision. The Research Institute on Aging of the Hebrew Home of Greater Washington conducted a formal needs assessment of older residents in five apartments in Silver Spring and Rockville, MD. This information and data has been used to develop programming and modify delivery of services, and will be used to evaluate the impact of programming on the behavior and perceived changes in participant quality of life.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2750 Florida's Minority Elders: An Assessment of Physical and Mental Health Service Needs

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 06/30/2008

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Division of Research Grants

4202 E. Fowler Avenue, FAO 126

Tampa, FL 33670-7900

Contact: Kathryn Hyer

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	392,234
FY 2005	979,104

Disparities in the health and service utilization patterns of ethnic minority groups are evident in the research literature. Policymakers, however, lack data on the key indicators of physical and mental health needs and the barriers to services faced by these elders. The current project will address this problem by collecting such data through a survey of a representative sample of older African Americans, Cubans, other Hispanics, and Caucasians. A carefully designed, culturally appropriated instrument will be used to conduct telephone interviews (in English and Spanish) with a sample of 2600 respondents (650 of each group). Data collected from the participants will be used to identify differences between ethnic groups and subgroups, physical and mental health disparities, and service needs and barriers to services. The results will be disseminated to government agencies, organizations, academics, and the public through reports. The findings will be used to develop policies and practices that reduce gaps between health and long-term care needs and services, which will begin to ameliorate disparities of health status among elderly in different ethnic minority populations. As the first step in the development of a minority aging program involving five Florida universities (USF, FSU, UF, FM, and FMU), this project will be used to create an agenda for the program, including additional research, policy analyses, and development of public education initiatives to be conducted in the coming years.

90AM2884 Community Connections: Moving Seniors Toward Wellness

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 02/28/2008

MEALS ON WHEELS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

203 S. Union Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

Contact: Enid A Borden

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	1,569,883

The Meals on Wheels Association of America (MOWAA) will promote health, wellness and independence of older adults by transforming Senior Nutrition Programs (SNPs) from their current roles as primarily nutrition providers, into core programs within a restructured continuum of care. The MOWAA will target older adults immediately discharged from the hospital, provide immediate post-discharge nutrition services and assist them with integrating back into the community through the provision or coordination of other health-related, "wrap-around" services. The objectives are to: 1) change the external environment of SNPs through enhanced community partnerships; 2) change internal environment through development and incorporation of new services/service delivery systems by SNPs; and 3) facilitate SNP change through a Leadership Institute. The outcomes for the project are: changes in targeted older adults (nutrition, social support, health, etc.); changes in service (timeliness, care planning, wrap-around services, etc.); organization change (program capacity, community collaborations, increased hospital/community integration); and increased public/private collaborations. Products from the project include: a final report, including evaluation results for individual and community interventions; SNP "Best Practices" Report; "How To" Manual for SNPs; an on-going Leadership Institute; presentations at national conferences; and articles for publication.

90AM2975 ExperienceSeniorPower (ESP): Intergenerational Computer and Job Skills Training Program

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 01/01/2008

Cyber Seniors

305 Michigan Avenue, 5th Floor

Detroit, MI 48226-2631

Contact: Krista Bajoka (313)237-4687

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

ExperienceSeniorPower, an intergenerational computer learning program and one year Federal grant project, will significantly help close the "digital gap" that is growing between haves and have-nots, in terms of access to technology. This digital gap tends to leave those with less money out of economic/job opportunities, with little or no access to resources to increase their knowledge and advance in our society. ExperienceSeniorPower is increasingly concerned about diversity on the Web and the recent findings on differences in computer usage among whites and people of color. In some of the locations, ExperienceSeniorPower programming will be introduced as after school programming for at-risk youth, teaching the young computer and job skills. Also, children will have access to the computers on their own time to continue to develop the skills they need to excel both academically and in the job market. In all settings there is a commitment to bridging the digital divide through uniting generations, and so this after school program will come with a twist. Senior citizens will learn computer skills alongside children, insuring "adoptive grandparent" relationships, and providing children adult role models few have had the opportunity to savor, while providing senior citizens a sense of self-worth in a society often marginalizing their contributions.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2981 Creating Opportunities for Older Persons (CO-OP)

Jewish Family Service of San Diego
Senior Services
3715 Sixth Avenue
San Diego, CA 92103

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 01/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	146,866

Contact: Craig Lambert (619)291-0473

Jewish Family Service of San Diego, in partnership with the San Diego County Department of Aging and Independence Services, the San Diego State University's Gerontology Department, the United Jewish Federation, the Claremont Friendship Center and a number of homecare agencies, is conducting an aging in place supportive services demonstration for older residents living in University City Village Apartments. The goal is to support residents living in their own homes for as long as possible, in accordance with their personal desires. Project objectives are: 1) identify current service gaps, needs, and barriers confronting residents; 2) create and/or enhance services to meet the needs of residents, based upon identified gaps, needs, and barriers; 3) provide activities that promote healthy aging and offer preventative measures against declining health; 4) increase social interaction, reducing isolation and symptoms of depression; 5) provide essential and recreational transportation; 6) offer services to meet the needs of caregivers and residents who may need an enhanced level of care; 7) develop volunteer opportunities for older adults who can assist in program provision; 8) conduct project evaluation; and 9) disseminate information. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) 80% of the residents surveyed at the end of the project period will indicate an awareness of, and ability to access project services; and 2) 70% of the residents surveyed at the end of the project period will indicate that they perceive an opportunity for expanded involvement in their residential community and/or the community-at-large. Products include web pages on the grantee's website, presentations to local and state legislative representatives and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2983 Help is Where the Home is: The NORC Aging in Place Initiative

Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey
Jewish Family and Children's Services
1301 Springdale Rd
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 11/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	391,642

Contact: Ronit Boyd (856)751-9500 188

Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern New Jersey, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey, is implementing a 17 month demonstration project for seniors aging in place in a Cherry Hills, New Jersey apartment complex. The project goal is to prevent premature placement in an institutional facility. Project objectives are to: 1) improve health care of the elderly residents by having geriatric physicians, occupational and physical therapists and an on-site Registered Nurse provide professional services, promoting self-management of chronic diseases and improved health care literacy; 2) maintain the dignity of elderly residents by providing licensed and certified home health aides to assist with personal care needs; 3) decrease isolation by providing on-site socialization programming and transportation to community-based programs; 4) improve the nutritional intake of residents by providing congregate meals and/or a homemaker for grocery shopping and meal preparation; and 5) ensure overall physical and emotional needs of residents through coordination of care by an on-site Master's level social worker. Anticipated project outcomes are: 1) improved health care; 2) improved self management of chronic diseases and health care literacy; 3) decreased isolation; 4) improved nutritional intake; and 5) improvement in overall physical and emotional needs being met. Products include a quarterly newsletter, presentations at local, state and national forums, a step by step manual, and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2990 The "Aging Opportunities" Project

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2008

Senior Services, Inc.
2895 Shorefair Dr
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	489,552

Contact: Elaine M Patterson (336)725-0907

The "Aging Opportunities" Project will demonstrate opportunities for meaningful civic engagement and planned giving for aging services. The goals are to design, test, demonstrate and disseminate strategies that will: 1) utilize the untapped potential of older adult, younger and diverse volunteers through innovative and expanded services, thereby reducing costs through expanded use of unpaid workers; and 2) generate additional/stable, short-term and long-term funding for aging services. The objectives are: 1) to develop a simple, user friendly personnel/human resources system and guidebook for the administration of volunteers, student interns, and other unpaid workers; 2) to recruit, orient, train and engage volunteers, student interns and other unpaid workers in new and expanded ways through creative marketing approaches through the implementation of the personnel system; and 3) to develop a planned giving system and guidebook unique to the aging field, which will include innovative marketing, advertising and outreach approaches. The outcomes are: 1) to significantly increase the quantity and quality of volunteer engagement in the provision of aging services, thereby reducing costs while providing enriching opportunities; and 2) to increase community-based services to people who cannot afford to pay for them. The products are: 1) an Unpaid Workers Personnel Guidebook; 2) a Planned Giving Guidebook; 3) documentation of the approaches, successes, barriers and outcomes of the personnel and planned giving system; 4) samples of advertising, volunteer job description, planned giving strategies, etc.; 5) a web site link to the above products to provide easy access to the lessons and information; and 6) a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3013 Technology to Enhance Aging in Place at Tiger Place

Project Period: 09/29/2005 - 12/31/2009

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
Nursing
310 Jesse Hall
Columbia, MO 65211

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	979,104

Contact: Marilyn J Rantz (573)882-0258

Along with supportive services, enabling technology, in the form of low cost sensors, computers, and communications systems, has become available and is making the dream of aging in place a reality. This project proposes to develop and evaluate technologies for use by residents at a new living facility for seniors - Tiger Place. The project goal is to develop the technology infrastructure at Tiger Place to enable the development and evaluation of the technologies for resident use. Objectives: 1) install, implement, and develop an integrated monitoring system that reliably captures data about elder residents and their environment in a noninvasive manner, balancing the needs of health, safety and privacy; 2) describe supportive health care services needed to maximize benefits of the integrated monitoring system; 3) evaluate usability of the technology and investigate fundamental issues in human-computer interactions for older adults; and 4) evaluate usability of videophone technology to increase and enhance communication between residents of Tiger Place and their family members separated by geographic distance, encouraging family involvement. Measurable outcomes: 1) technology will facilitate detection of adverse events, such as falls or major changes in health status; 2) technology will increase perception of safety, while providing for privacy; and 3) videophone technology will increase communication and family involvement in the lives of participating residents.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3014 Office of Substitute Decision Maker

Project Period: 09/29/2005 - 06/30/2008

IOWA ST DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

510 E. 12th Street, Suite 2

Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Deanna Clingan-Fischer

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	391,642

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs will develop the educational materials and training tools necessary to initiate a statewide Office of Substitute Decision Maker. This Office establishes a least restrictive system of substitute decision making services for older adults and disabled adults at least 18 years old who might be in need of a decision maker, but do not already have access to a guardian, conservator, representative payee, and/or attorney under a power of attorney. During the grant period, the Department of Elder Affairs will establish the infrastructure of the program, including training of staff and recruitment of local partners. The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs is simultaneously working to secure a new appropriation from the Iowa Legislature in order to implement and sustain the program. The proposed intervention will screen potential clients using intake and assessment tools that they develop. The project will be evaluated using a number of means. The tools, forms, and trainings developed to implement the program will be evaluated for effectiveness using an advisory group and focus groups.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3175 California Senior Legal Hotline

California Senior Legal Hotline

Legal Services of Northern California

517 12th Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

Contact: David Mandel (916)551-2142

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	76,637

Legal Services of Northern California will increase the amount of legal assistance provided to the state's elders, through its senior legal hotline activities and through partnerships to effect better coordination in the delivery system. Efforts focus on reaching and helping the most needy -- those who face daunting challenges due to limited means, isolation, disability, discrimination, lack of English proficiency, or other disadvantages. The overall goal is to improve the delivery of legal assistance to California's seniors through increased hotline capacity and through better coordination in the delivery system, involving the state Department of Aging, local senior legal service providers, and other partners. Objectives are to: 1) handle significantly more cases at the hotline; 2) make progress in ongoing efforts to develop the hotline's technological capacity and content management for: a) better sharing of resources online among the state's senior legal services network, and b) enabling volunteer retired attorneys to perform hotline work from remote locations; and 3) work with the Department of Aging and local providers to provide more substantive training and pursue strategic planning for better statewide coordination. The major expected outcome is that more California seniors will receive crucial, timely legal help, more coherently delivered, to help them resolve disputes, achieve planning goals, prevent elder abuse, and maintain maximum independence. Products will include shared print and online resources for providers and informational material for clients, in addition to improved technology for sharing, protecting, and disseminating the information, and reports or presentations to hotlines in other states that are seeking models of efficiency and innovation.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3176 C.L.A.S.P.- Caregiver Linkages Assessment & Support Program

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

Durham-Chapel Hill Jewish Federation
3622 Lyckan Parkway, Suite 6002
Durham, NC 27707

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	123,799

Contact: Debbie Zoller (919)489-5335

The Durham-Chapel Hill Jewish Federation will conduct a pilot project called Caregiver Linkages Assessment and Support Program (CLASP) to provide support for family caregivers through an innovative, personalized, community-based caregiver assessment and consultation services. The goal of the project is to improve the health and well-being of family caregivers and increase their ability to sustain their efforts in positive ways. Project objectives include reaching out to individuals who are new caregivers or not previously identified as family caregivers; provide personalized assessment services to evaluate the needs and strengths of each caregiver; serve as a resource for professionals in the community looking to refer and link caregivers with appropriate services and resources; evaluate the impact of personalized caregiver consultation services; and seek funding to ensure project sustainability. Anticipated outcomes include caregiver self-reporting of empowerment; decreased levels of stress, anxiety and burden; and physicians and healthcare providers will use and report satisfaction with the CLASP service. Projects from this project will include a final report, evaluation results, articles for publication, abstracts for national conferences, and a web site.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3177 Family Caregiver Support Network

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven
360 Amity Road
Woodbridge, CT 06525

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	143,449

Contact: Jonathan Reiner (203)387-2424 320

The Jewish Federation of Greater New Haven will conduct a one year Family Caregiver Support Network demonstration project to enhance caregivers' health and well-being through interventions to increase access and utilization of existing community services. Objectives are to assist caregivers to self-identify; provide information to caregivers; and improve access to services. Expected outcomes are increased awareness and comfort among caregivers in seeking and using services; increased knowledge among volunteers in assisting caregivers; and improved coordination and linkage of caregiver services. Products will include a final report, including evaluation results; a website, advertisements, brochures and toll-free number for caregiver support; agency utilization report on numbers served and services provided; and a replicable caregiver support model for other communities.

90AM3178 The Nevada Rural Counties RSVP - Home Companion Program

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Nevada Rural Counties RSVP Program, Inc.
3303 Butti Way, Building 1
Carson City, NV 89701

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	95,305

Contact: Janice Ayres (775)687-4680

The RSVP Home Companion Program is an innovative volunteer program designed to provide a comprehensive support system for seniors. The goal is to assist low-income and homebound seniors to remain independent and in their own homes, and prevent premature institutionalization. The objectives are to: 1) provide services for basic needs, e.g. social companionship; help with correspondence; transport to medical, dental and vision appointments; prescriptions or grocery pick-up; respite care to caregivers; and monitoring any assistive technology to which a senior may have access, such as Lifeline, an emergency telephone system that provides security for seniors living alone; 2) recruit and train volunteers to provide these services; 3) inform the communities in which we serve that this free program is available, and explain how it benefits low-income seniors and the community as a whole; and 4) collaborate with local senior centers, city and county social service agencies, other area non-profit agencies, regional United Way organizations and the Nevada Division for Aging Services to maximize services for seniors. The anticipated outcomes are that seniors will remain independent in their own homes, where they are happiest and thus healthier; continue as productive members of their communities; and live their lives with dignity. Program products/services will include: RSVP Field Representative evaluation reports of client service; client satisfaction surveys; volunteer training session summaries; website assistance for clients and volunteers; participation in community fairs; and public service volunteer recruitment announcements.

90AM3179 Active Caregiving

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging, Inc.
207 Mosby Lane
Front Royal, VA 22630

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	143,449

Contact: Roberta Lauder (540)635-7141 210

The Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging (SAAA) supports the Active Caregiving (AC) demonstration project in collaboration with Winchester Parks and Recreation Department. The goal is to support AC in ways that promote health and ease the stress of 24-hour caregiving for a relative with early to mid-stage Alzheimer's disease. The approach creates a new level of early support services for Care Partners and their Care Recipients. The objectives are to: 1) open a part-time social model group respite site, providing a friendly safe place for persons with Alzheimer's disease or related dementia and 10-hours of respite for Care Partners; 2) pilot "You and Me" - a one-day a week program of activities designed for couples dealing with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease; 3) offer a nutritional component that includes classes in the preparation of nutritious, appealing meals and "Dinners to Go" for the Care Partner to take home; 4) recognize and reward Care Partners for the sacrifices they make by offering Spa Days to help the caregiver relax, feel pampered and appreciated; 5) evaluate the impact of a new approach - AC; 6) disseminate project information and insights gained. The expected outcomes of the AC project are: 1) improved or maintained physical health of both the caregiver and the care recipient; 2) Care Partners gained knowledge of Alzheimer's disease and demonstrate the use of practical caregiving strategies learned; 3) couple's relationship is strengthened during the first year after the diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease, and Care Partner assumes an active role, placing importance upon health promoting choices and learning to balance needs with those of the care recipient. Project products are: a final report, including evaluation results; a posting on the SAAA website; the creation of packets in electronic form; and abstracts for national conferences.

90AM3180 Providing Services to Facilitate Aging in Place

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado
300 S. Dahlia St., Suite 300
Denver, CO 80246

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	286,899

Contact: Beth Ginsberg (303)316-6460

Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado (AJF), in partnership with Jewish Family Service of Colorado (JFS), will bring Colorado Senior Connections (CSC) programming to three apartment complexes in Denver, Colorado. These facilities have high concentrations of older adults and are thus, in effect, Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORC). Colorado Senior Connections' goal is to help seniors achieve maximum quality of life, independence, self-determination, and community engagement. The objectives are to: 1) identify services and delivery options; 2) develop and/or reconfirm relationships with key service providers; 3) train staff; 4) provide ongoing outreach to residents; 5) refine and add services at one established site and initiate services at the two new sites; 6) conduct an evaluation; and 7) disseminate project information. The expected outcomes of this project are decreased isolation among residents; increased access to preventative health care; increased sense of control over quality of life; improved communication and collaboration among service providers; increased access to community resources; increased safety and independence in the home; improved sense of physical and emotional well-being; increased sense of connection to the community; increased involvement in the community through volunteerism; and increased participation in social activities among residents. The products from this project include a final report that will contain relevant evaluation instruments, the results of the process, and outcome components. Evaluation results will be incorporated into a report aimed at promoting replications in other settings; articles for publication; additions to the United Hospital Foundation's NORC Action Blueprint Project website; and presentations at relevant local, state, and national local conferences.

90AM3181 A NORC Initiative-SILVER: Support for Independent Living and a Vital Energetic Retirement

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

Jewish Family Services of Delaware, Inc.
99 Passmore Road
Wilmington, DE 19803-1511

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	286,899

Contact: Dory Zatuchni (302)478-9411

Jewish Family Services of Delaware will conduct a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community, NORC demonstration project, entitled Support for Independent Living and a Vital, Energetic Retirement (SILVER). The project goals are to assist older adults to age-in-place and begin to build elder-friendly communities in three neighborhoods of New Castle County, Delaware-Brandywine Village in the city of Wilmington and Claymont and Talleyville suburban areas of the county. Project objectives: 1) provide comprehensive age-in-place services (care management, social work, health care, educational & recreational programming, socialization, and volunteer opportunities) for older adults; 2) build connections with and among older adults, eldercare service providers, and the private and public sectors; 3) raise awareness and motivation to create elder-friendly communities; 4) evaluate the impact of SILVER; and 5) disseminate project findings. The expected outcomes of this project are: 1) older adults will have awareness of and access to the supportive services needed to age-in-place; 2) older adults will report feeling supported by their community; 3) the community will have awareness and understanding of the needs of older adult residents; and 4) the community will provide support to older adult residents. The products from this project will be a final report addressing the collaborative community structure; processes and outcomes; dissemination materials completed and in process; and projected plans and next steps. Key partners in this project are the Brandywine Senior Center at Claymont Community Center, Christiana Care Health Services, University of Delaware School of Nursing, and the Wilmington Senior Center.

90AM3182 NORC - Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta

Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
1440 Spring Street NW
Atlanta, GA 30309

Contact: Deborah Akstein (404)870-1624

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	80,567

Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta (JFGA), is the umbrella organization of the NORC Initiative in Georgia. A primary goal of this initiative is to help older adults remain in their homes for as long as possible, with true quality of life and to prevent premature institutionalization. It also seeks to build the capacity of the community to support older residents in the process of aging in place. A third goal is to replicate the model in different communities with different populations and foci. Project objectives: 1) identify and address unmet needs; 2) increase neighborhood awareness of senior issues; 3) increase coordination of services between agencies; 4) increase partnerships with agencies, especially non-traditional organizations; 5) disseminate information about the development, implementation, effectiveness of findings; 6) build sustainability through partnerships & new funding sources; 7) take advantage of opportunities to create new interventions; and 8) evaluate impact factors affecting older residents' ability to remain at home. Outcomes expected are: 1) reduced social isolation; 2) fall prevention; 3) increased knowledge of and access to community resources; 4) increased older residents' ability to maintain a healthy lifestyle and self-manage chronic disease and/or health challenges; and 6) increased confidence in living at home independently. Products will be a final report, including evaluation results of measured outcomes and objectives. Additional accomplishments will be expanded & enhanced services for older residents in all six NORC sites, and increased numbers of older residents served through the Georgia NORC Initiative. Lead partners in NORC sites involved in this project include the Atlanta Regional Commission, Jewish Family and Career Services, the William Breman Jewish Home, Senior Citizens of Savannah and Concerted Services in Chandler County.

90AM3183 Education and Enforcement Against Elder Financial Exploitation

COALITION OF WISCONSIN AGING GROUPS
Legal Services
2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100
Madison, WI 53718-6742

Contact: Karen Von Huene (608)224-0606

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	162,117

The grantee, the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups, will provide presentations and publications to prevent elder financial exploitation before it occurs and to increase reporting and prosecution of elder financial exploitation after it occurs. The goals of the project are: 1) to prevent and increase the reporting of elder financial exploitation throughout the State of Wisconsin; and 2) increase criminal prosecution of financial crimes against older adults across Wisconsin. The objectives are: 1a) to educate seniors and professionals on preventive measures; 1b) to point out warning signs of elder financial exploitation that should trigger a report to the elder-adult-at-risk agency in each county; 1c) work with banks and other financial institutions to protect the assets of their customers and to increase reports from financial institutions to elder-adult-at-risk agencies; 2a) train law enforcement and prosecutors in which criminal statutes apply to financial exploitation of older adults; and 2b) promote cooperation and investigative techniques that can lead to successful prosecutions. The expected outcomes of this project include: 1) increased reports of elder financial exploitation, as measured by the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services; 2) increased prosecutions of financial crimes against adults aged 60 and up; and 3) increased number of abuse-reporting MOUs between financial institutions and county elder-adult-at-risk agencies. The products from this project will include training curricula; PowerPoint presentations; and booklet publications, including prevention publication targeted at older adults, an investigative booklet for police and sheriff departments, and a prosecutors' handbook for district attorneys.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3184 Howard Brown Health Center - Elder Services Community Initiative

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Howard Brown Health Center
4025 N Sheridan Road
Chicago, IL 60613

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	383,187

Contact: Michael Nudo (773)572-6982

Howard Brown Health Center, and partners Heartland Alliance, CJE Seniorlife, Midwest Palliative & Hospice CareCenter, and Rush University Medical Center will launch a program for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) older adults in Chicago. The goal of the project, the Chicago Elder Services Community Initiative, is to provide comprehensive primary medical care and social support services for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender older adults. A collaborative community-based model will be used to achieve this goal. A "care-team" of providers (including physicians, mental health specialists, case managers and outreach workers) will engage in delivering care to foster optimum health outcomes for LGBT older adults. The program objectives are to: 1) identify LGBT older adults and families in need of medical care and supportive services; 2) hire and train staff for care delivery and coordination of services; 3) provide on-going medical care and support services to LGBT older adults; 4) develop a system of tracking referrals across partnering agencies; 5) develop a training curriculum on cultural competency for service providers in the field of aging; 6) conduct trainings for providers; 7) evaluate the impact of the project; and 8) disseminate project information. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) an increase in access to culturally competent care for LGBT older adults; 2) an increase in the number of aging services able to provide culturally competent care for LGBT older adults; and 3) a positive impact on health of clients as a result of services. Products include: 1) a training curriculum with replicable tools; 2) a program evaluation report; 3) conference abstracts; and 4) data on the health needs of LGBT older adults living in Chicago.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3185 AgeWell Pittsburgh: A Research Based Collaborative Approach to Keeping Seniors Independent

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

United Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh
AgeWell Pittsburgh
234 McKee Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	85,480

Contact: Rae-Gayle Pakler (412)521-8011 286

United Jewish Federation of Greater Pittsburgh serves as the fiscal agent for AgeWell Pittsburgh, which is a collaboration of three of its affiliated organizations as a virtual organization providing a continuum of programs and services designed to positively impact an individual's ability to remain living independently in the community. The goal of AgeWell Pittsburgh is to identify potential barriers to independent living, facilitate linkages with services that address these barriers, and directly provide a range of supportive services. The supportive services of this collaborative partnership between the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh (JCC), Jewish Family & Children's Service (JF&CS), and the Jewish Association on Aging (JAA) include health, wellness, socialization and recreational programs, care management, social work, mental health services and volunteer opportunities. Objectives are: 1) to refer clients to and expect participation in a greater number of community-based supportive services to maximize their independence; and 2) monitor clients who have entered the AgeWell Pittsburgh system, and connect to appropriate services as their needs change, in a smooth and seamless manner; and (3) develop and implement an instrument to measure risk factors for decreased independence in older adults, using this instrument to help guide interventions. Expected outcomes are: 1) increased utilization of services; 2) rapid response to changing needs; (3) improved communication about services; and (4) a replicable model for measuring program impact. Products include a Risk Factors Identification Form for Decreased Independence, a progress and final report, and an additional section added to the AgeWell Pittsburgh website, for professionals only, to access information on our program design, implementation and outcomes for ease in replication.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3186 United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ "LIVE - Lifelong Involvement for Vital Elders" Aging-in-Place Initiative.

United Jewish Communities of MetroWest New Jersey
Planning and Allocations
901 Route 10 East
Whippany, NJ 07981

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	478,492

Contact: Karen Alexander (973)929-3193

United Jewish Communities of MetroWest NJ, in partnership with Jewish communal agencies, and host municipalities, civic groups, and other providers, will engage in a 1 yr. demonstration project focused on community organization, service coordination and provision to well and frail elderly in 2 suburban communities: Caldwell, and the Lake Hiawatha area of Parsippany. Their goal: support a range of social, physical, spiritual, recreational, health, wellness, and housing needs for older adults in both communities by increasing access to information, resources, supportive services, and civic engagement opportunities. Objectives: 1) establish site coordinators/community organizers in each location; 2) assess community needs and strengths; 3) involve a wide range of partners; 4) identify unmet needs; and 5) facilitate delivery of collaborative, targeted services. Through program monitoring and evaluation, we will identify effective strategies and tools for dissemination to the aging network. By harnessing the skills and expertise of diverse organizations, and involving older adults as valued partners, we seek to build "elder-friendly" communities that are organized to meet the needs of their aging members & view older residents as community assets. Outcomes: 1) older residents enabled to become more engaged and less isolated, with stronger social support networks; 2) older adults connected with information, resources, and coordinated supportive services designed to help them maintain independence; 3) both communities foster the perception of being good places in which to grow older by sparking new collaborations between government, faith-based organizations, non-profit providers, civic groups, and community volunteers, which benefit residents and involve older adults who might otherwise be disenfranchised from services or programs. Products: a final report, process materials for community organizing and service planning, conference presentations, & journal articles.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3187 South Brooklyn Heart Health Campaign

Amalgamated Warbasse Houses, Inc.
2800 West 5th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11224

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	238,755

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The South Brooklyn Heart Health Campaign seeks to improve the health status of seniors with heart disease who are residents of three Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs) in the Brighton Beach/Coney Island area of Brooklyn, NY.- Warbasse Cares for Seniors, Trump Outreach Program, and Trump4Us. The goal of the Campaign is to improve the heart health of the Brighton Beach/Coney Island NORCs' community members. Its objectives are to: 1) establish best-practice heart health protocols for NORC staff; 2) improve residents' self-care; 3) create a structure for peer support; 4) organize community-wide activities to report back healthcare study findings; 5) provide intergenerational programs; and 6) collaborate with key community stakeholders. Using Indicators findings, the Campaign will establish a baseline and benchmarks measuring: 1) changes in clients/patients' self-rated health status; 2) client/patient knowledge of health status and how to be heart healthy; 3) effectiveness of NORC staff interventions; and 4) effective collaboration between providers. Products will be: 1) NORC best-practice heart health protocols; 2) tools to periodically assess participants' knowledge of heart conditions and strategies for effectively managing them; 3) language-appropriate heart health literature distributed throughout community; 4) heart health community action toolkit; and 5) final project report. Partners collaborating in this campaign are the Jewish Association for Services for the Aged (JASA), Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC), Metropolitan Jewish Health System (MJHS), Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNSNY), and Amalgamated Warbasse Houses, Inc.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3188 Jewish Community Services of South Florida, Inc., for a NORC-Supportive Services Program.

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Jewish Community Services of South Florida, Inc.

735 N.E. 125th Street

North Miami, FL 33161

Contact: Sylvia Goldsmith

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	118,866

The grantee, Jewish Community Services of South Florida, Inc. (JCS), is seeking support of its NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) project, an innovative community-based health and supportive services model to assist a growing number of seniors aging in our community, by providing adequate services and supports to maintain their independence, dignity, and quality of life. The goal of the NORC supportive service project is to help seniors live independently in their homes through the enhancement and addition of services. The Greater Miami Jewish Federation, in partnership with JCS, implemented a NORC-SSP pilot program at Point East Condominiums in Aventura, Florida in 2003. Point East is a mid-rise condominium community, with limited existing amenities, housing nearly 1,500 residents aged 55 and older. The objectives of the project are to: 1) establish an infrastructure at the NORC-SSP site to support seniors who are aging in place; 2) develop/maintain a volunteer corps group within the community; 3) develop community resources and linkages; 4) provide additional services and activities, i.e. social services, arts and culture, health and wellness, etc.; 5) evaluate the impact of added activities/services; and 6) disseminate project information. The NORC-SSP program will generate outcomes to reduce the social isolation of elderly residents. The products from this project are monthly statistical data, an annual report, and evaluation results of a life and leisure survey, as well as a satisfaction survey.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3189 JFCS' NORC - Nurturing Our Retired Citizens

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis

13100 Wayzata Boulevard Suite 400

Minnetonka, MN 55305

Contact: Mari Forbush (952)542-4812

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	191,593

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis will continue to develop and refine its model aging in community service support program in suburban St. Louis Park and Hopkins, adjacent to the City of Minneapolis, MN. The goal: enable older adults to stay in their homes and community for as long as they can, with the support they need to be healthy, safe and engaged. The vision: create a replicable, sustainable environment that nurtures healthy aging & inspires residents of all ages to work toward this goal. Objectives: 1) educate seniors & their families, especially caregivers, about available resources and access to them; 2) reduce senior isolation by creating interventions for ongoing transportation issues; and 3) work with diverse stakeholders (government officials, service providers, & seniors) to plan for sustainability of successful programs piloted through the NORC process. A primary approach to accomplish objectives will be to increase training and expand outreach activities of congregational nurses serving churches & synagogues in the two targeted cities. Major anticipated outcomes: 1) increased knowledge of and access to services by seniors, caregivers, & other community members; 2) reduced transportation challenges and with other activities, reduced isolation of senior residents; and 3) increased support by the cities of Hopkins & St. Louis Park for programs creating sustainable, aging-friendly communities. Products include: a final report with evaluation findings, web pages, and cable TV segments with information on accessing & using aging resources. Community partners include: Faith Community Nurse Network of the Twin Cities, Shalom Community Alliance, Lenox Community Center, Hopkins Activity Center, MN Vital Aging Network, Hennepin Co., City of St. Louis Park, Park Nicollet Senior Center, Louis Park, Park Nicollet Senior Center, Louis Park Senior Program, & the Hopkins Senior Service Providers Consortium.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3190 Smart Technology and Universal Design to Support Elders in Maintaining Independent Living

University of Florida
Division of Sponsored Research
219 Grinter Hall PO Box 115500
Gainesville, FL 32611

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	95,305

Contact: Thomas E Walsh (352)392-1582

The goal of the proposed project is to increase the number of older Americans who are supported by the latest assistive technologies, home monitoring systems, and application of the principles of universal design. The objective is to increase knowledge in this area among older Americans, their informal care providers, and therapists who provide community support services for elders. Specific products include: 1) a book titled "Smart Technology and Universal Design to Support Elders in Maintaining Independent Living", authored by the project director; 2) a website describing the latest available assistive technologies and home monitoring systems, as well as a look into the future of developments in this area; and 3) a training program for occupational therapists who visit older individuals in their home, developed by the project director working with the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3191 Aging in Place: Meeting the Challenge for Middlesex County, NJ, NORCS

Jewish Federation of Middlesex County
230 Old Bridge Turnpike
South River , NJ 08882-2000

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	238,755

Contact: Sara Levine (732)432-7711

Jewish Family & Vocational Service (JFVS) of Middlesex County, New Jersey will conduct a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) project in Middlesex Co., NJ serving senior adults residing in age-integrated neighborhoods in the municipalities of Edison, Highland Park, Metuchen, and Old Bridge. The goal of the JFVS-NORC is to maintain the independence and enhance the quality of life of senior adults in their natural environment. Objectives are to: 1) assess and identify available resources to meet the needs, interests, desires, preferences, and strengths of senior adults; 2) link senior adults to community resources; 3) expand availability of assessment and case management services; 4) develop linkages between agencies serving senior adults; 5) evaluate project impact; and 6) disseminate program information. The JFVS-NORC will offer a client-centered, senior-friendly approach to service delivery. Core services will include case management and other social work services, healthcare management, educational and socialization programs, and volunteer opportunities. Ancillary services will be determined by a needs assessment. Expected outcomes for senior adults include: 1) physical health is stabilized; 2) psychological well-being is enhanced; 3) safety is improved; 4) community engagement is increased; and 5) caregivers are supported. Project products are a community needs assessment, including identification of service gaps and recommendations for required services; an interdisciplinary model of assessment and case management; and a final report. Partners for this initiative are the Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey (VNA), Middlesex County Department on Aging, United Way of Central Jersey, Congressman Pallone, the four targeted municipalities, and the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3192 Northern NJ NORC Program

UJA Federation of Northern NJ
Strategic Planning & Allocation
111 Kinderkamack Road
River Edge, NJ 07661

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	162,117

Contact: Alan P Sweifach (201)488-6809

UJA Federation of Northern New Jersey will implement methods developed by NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities) supportive service programs in three selected municipalities in Bergen County - Fair Lawn, North Bergen and Teaneck - during this demonstration project. The goal of this program is to meet the needs of older adults who wish to remain independent in their own homes by providing a range of locally-based (in or near-home) health and supportive services that improve and maintain their physical well-being, provide opportunities for socialization, and enhance their general quality of life. The objectives are to: 1) provide comprehensive in-home and/or community-based care management and nursing assessments, as well as expanded care management and community nursing services; 2) provide community-based cultural, educational, social and recreational programs, in order to ease social isolation and enrich the lives of older adults; 3) form a NORCs Council involving older adults in the planning and implementation of services and programs; 4) develop collaborations with community and governmental agencies; 5) evaluate the effectiveness of the program; 6) share findings with the broader community. The expected outcomes of this demonstration project are: 1) increased access to social and medical services; and 2) reduced social isolation. Project products are a final report including evaluation results, results of participation in a national evaluative study, and articles in the print and electronic media. Partners collaborating with this project include: Jewish Family Service of Bergen Co. and North Hudson, Jewish Family and Children's Service of North Jersey, Jewish Home and Rehabilitation Center, Daughter of Miriam/The Gallen Institute, the Kaplen Jewish Community Center on the Palisades, and the Council for Older Adults, a standing lay and professional committee of the grantee agency.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3193 Integrated Svc Delivery for Closed NORC Model In PA, DE and Montg. Co.

Jewish Family & Children's Svc of Greater Philadelphia
Senior Services
2100 Arch Street 5th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1300

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	85,480

Contact: Susan Tabor-Kleiman (215)496-9700 164

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia will develop NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) programming in two suburban areas outside Philadelphia. These neighborhoods are Elkins Park in eastern Montgomery County and Wynnefield, adjoining Wynnefield Heights, which straddles the border between Montgomery Co. and the City of Philadelphia. The goal of the project is to provide an avenue for seniors to access information, build networks within their communities, and successfully age in place safely and with dignity. This involves identification of and engagement with "at risk" elderly. The objectives are: 1) engage additional site locations to establish NORC supportive services; 2) establish advisory committees unique to the NORC site chaired by the community seniors; 3) provide ongoing programming within the seniors' community, which promotes wellness, prevention, socialization; and 4) provide access to a professional who can serve as a safety-net and link the individual with services and benefits that exist in the community at large. Expected outcomes include: 1) development of two new NORC locations; 2) decreased isolation among NORC residents/participants; and 3) development of collaborative relationships with community partners to promote sustainability. The products for this project include a final report with evaluation results, and a quarterly newsletter serving all NORC sites. A partner in this effort is the Albert Einstein Health Network .

90AM3194 Growing Old At Home (GOAH) NORC Community Project

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

Jewish Family & Child Service
1130 SW Morrison St., Suite 316
Portland, OR 97205

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	80,567

Contact: Marian Fenimore (503)226-7079

Jewish Family & Child Service in Portland, OR will partner with other senior service organizations to address issues that affect seniors' ability to live independently, by developing a supportive program for seniors residing in the Overlook, Arbor Lodge, Kenton and Portsmouth neighborhoods, located in North Portland Interstate corridor. The goal of the project, Grow Old at Home (GOAH), is to promote and maintain independent living in a healthy community, through the support of community resources that enable seniors to age in place, for as long as possible. The project's objectives are to: 1) develop a clear understanding of the issues facing the senior residents in the GOAH-NORC neighborhood that affect their ability to grow old at home; 2) develop resources and services that address the critical issues that affect their ability to age in place; and 3) expand the level of volunteerism and community engagement that will increase opportunities for seniors to feel empowered and trusting of their neighborhood environment. We will strengthen partnerships to increase coordination of services and address gaps in service delivery. The overall benefits of the project will be the development and enhancement of the community "it takes a village" concept that will result from the grass roots community building and mobilization efforts of this neighborhood project. The outcome of these efforts will be the building blocks of a social network of trust that will increase the safety and health of the senior residents in the GOAH-NORC community.

90AM3195 Coming of Age in Northern Virginia

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2010

Jewish Social Service Agency
Aging Services
3018 Javier Road
Fairfax, VA 22031

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	143,449

Contact: Beth Shapiro (301)230-7244

Jewish Social Service of Fairfax, VA, will collaborate with Jewish Council for the Aging, Jewish Community Center of Northern VA, and the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington to create the Coming of Age program in suburban Fairfax. The goal: help older residents continue to live independently by reducing risks & increasing access to supportive services & programming. The pilot project will build on current programming; assess effectiveness of services to date; and assess the most effective ways to meet needs and interests of additional seniors in Fairfax Co. Partner agencies will identify unmet or under-met needs in transportation, socialization, information & referral, mental health, & access to services, regardless of ability to pay. The project is designed to address these needs, with emphasis on service integration by collaborating agencies & others in Fairfax Co. Coming of Age will increase the number of sites offering similar programs, allowing more seniors to participate. Objectives: 1) offer social, cultural, and recreational activities at additional conveniently located satellite sites, providing transportation to many who would find it difficult or impossible to participate; 2) expand capacity to act as a portal through which fragile seniors and their families can access a variety of social services, i.e. case mgmt., counseling, crisis intervention, LTC planning, support groups, and resource referral; 3) continue to engage seniors by developing a range of services offered at more locations; 4) reach out to active, healthy seniors, as well as those struggling with mild to moderate cognitive difficulties; 5) evaluate the impact of added sites & services; 6) attract new participants; 7) disseminate project info.; and 8) evaluate the project model's effectiveness. Expected outcomes: 1) reduced social isolation; 2) improved access & information; and 3) increased quality of life. Interim and final reports will include program evaluation & measurable outc

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3196 NORC Aging in Place Supportive Services Program

Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth County
Jewish Family Services
100 Grant Avenue
Deal, NJ 07723

Project Period: 09/01/2008 - 08/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	286,899

Contact: Paul Freedman (732)774-6886 14

Jewish Federation of Greater Monmouth Co., through its affiliate, Jewish Family and Children's Service of Monmouth Co., will provide aging- in- place services to an age restricted residential development in Marlboro Township, NJ. Target population: individuals and couples over 60 years of age in Marlboro Township, NJ, with primary focus on those who reside in the community known as Greenbriar at Marlboro. Program goal: the provision of needed programs and services to those over 60 years, who may, without additional intervention, be at higher risk of placement in an institution or facility. Objectives are: 1) to complete a needs assessment study of the target community and use findings to guide service delivery; 2) establish an atmosphere of trust between service providers & community thru education and implementation of activities; 3) engage additional service providers to provide services not offered by lead agency; 4) maintain a formal oversight body, for oversight and input into program operation; 5) use all resources, inc. monetary, volunteer and in- kind, as effectively as possible to achieve long term sustainability; and 6) maintain a series of management information systems to track service delivery, client satisfaction & function as an ongoing evaluative tool for all parties and stakeholders. Interventions will include programs and services in home counseling for clients showing indications of declining mental health and/or substance abuse, and support for family caregivers, including outreach to family members who could offer other support. Program outcomes include: 1) reduction of isolation for individuals living alone; and 2) assimilation of techniques and education by caregivers, enhancing their ability to deal with the health care system. Collaborating partners include the American Red Cross Jersey Coast Chapter, Board of Trustees of Greenbriar at Marlboro, and Visiting Nurse Association of Central Jersey.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3197 NORC - Providing A Continuum of Care to Help Older Adults Age in Place

Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey
Jewish Family Service
1391 Martine Ave
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	286,899

Contact: Anne Gallagher (908)352-8375 230

Jewish Family Service of Central New Jersey will develop two NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities) supportive programs in the Elmora neighborhood of the city of Elizabeth and the Vauxhall section of Union County, NJ. The goal is to provide a continuum of care to community elderly by using interdisciplinary teams to help the elderly remain in their own homes and increase information and access to natural community supports and available services which enhance their mental and physical health, activity and neighborhood environment. Objectives include: assessment of community strengths and gaps in services; establishment of partnerships with community organizations to coordinate and support resources where there are gaps in services; and engagement and empowerment of older residents, with special attention to the most isolated. Four interventions will be emphasized to achieve the following outcomes: 1) reduction of depression and improvement in quality of life, using a comprehensive geriatric mental health initiative; 2) reduction of isolation through education, socialization and recreation activities; 3) reduction of risks associated with chronic illness, multiple hospitalizations, falls, misuse of multiple medications and other health challenges, through management of medical needs and supporting wellness education and programs; and 4) increased volunteers and community- building by establishing relationships with community organizations and the aging network. A final report with evaluation findings will be disseminated to both communities to encourage their continuing support. Partners in this project include: United Way of Greater Union County, the Union County Division on Aging and the City of Elizabeth.

90AM3198 Services to Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Seniors in Indianapolis

Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis
ElderSource
6705 Hoover Road
Indianapolis, IN 46260

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 07/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	603,273

Contact: Lori Moss (317)259-6822

The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis through its program affiliate, ElderSource of Greater Indianapolis, will create and implement innovative programs and services to assist community residents over the age of 60, safely age in place. This project will expand the current boundaries of its NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) program, which currently includes a 1.5 square mile section in northwest Indianapolis, as well as an apartment building with over 100 low-income residents. The principle goals are to enhance the ability of seniors in the targeted areas to continue living safely and independently within the community through increased access to supportive services, and to involve seniors in strengthening the community as a whole. Objectives are to: 1) provide a multidisciplinary team of professionals to coordinate and offer services to older adult residents; 2) outreach to neighborhood residents through individual, congregate, volunteer or community wide venues; 3) develop and enhance neighborhood partnerships and collaborations; 4) create volunteer opportunities; 5) provide access to transportation resources; and 6) create neighborhood councils to guide planning & development. Measurable outcomes: 1) newly created and/or expanded community; 2) accessible community resources to build community and age in place; 3) reduced social and physical isolation; 4) replicable program models created to benefit community-based older adults; 5) older adults capable of continuing to live safely in their own homes; and 6) opportunities for intergenerational involvement and engagement. In addition to older adults ability to age safely in their homes and improved physical and emotional health, outcomes include usable tools for evaluation and community and individual assessment, an effective internet presence and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3199 Aging Well in the Community

Jewish Family Service of NM
Health & Wellness
5520 Wyoming Blvd. NE Suite 200
Albuquerque, NM 87109

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	286,899

Contact: Carrie Hamilton (505)291-1818

Jewish Family Service of New Mexico will implement an innovative wellness model program to empower older residents living in four diverse NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Community) residential areas - two in Albuquerque, one in the suburb of Rio Rancho, and one in Fort Summer in rural southern New Mexico. Project objectives are to: 1) develop collaborative partnerships with neighborhood associations, housing facilities, profit and non-profit organizations and state and local agencies; 2) implement project interventions and services with these partners; 3) implement a series of educational/information workshops; 4) implement enhanced programming to reduce hospitalizations and risk of falls; 5) increase social integration; and 6) collect and evaluate measures of change in participant health behaviors, physical and emotional well-being, quality of life and satisfaction with service delivery. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) increased coordination and delivery of services from partnerships; 2) increased awareness and knowledge on preventative health and well-being topics; 3) reduced social isolation; and 4) reduced risk of falls and preventable hospitalizations. A final report with evaluation findings will be prepared and disseminated to partners and other organizations in each of the communities surrounding the NORC program sites. Community support for these efforts includes: Jewish Family Service; New Mexico Department of Health; Albuquerque Department of Senior Affairs; City of Rio Rancho Dept. of Senior Services; Fort Sumner Community Development Corporation; University of New Mexico College of Nursing; Highlands University School of Social Work; University of Phoenix School of Business Administration; New Mexico State University School of Social Work; and Harmony Healthcare & Hospice.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3200 Las Vegas Senior Lifeline Program

Jewish Federation of Las Vegas
2317 Renaissance Drive
Las Vegas , NV 89119

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 01/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	574,780

Contact: Jackie Kassower (702)933-1191

The goal of the Las Vegas Senior Lifeline NORC Supportive Services Project is to better equip low income, frail older adults to age-in-place, maintain a high quality of life and save the government and families the cost of unnecessary institutionalization. The approach is to expand the services for low income, frail seniors and to integrate the psycho-social aspects of care. The objectives are to: 1) initiate an outreach program to connect seniors and their families to available services in the community; 2) provide case management services to link seniors to a variety of services, and follow-up to assure that needed services are being provided; 3) utilize our senior adult center for congregate meals, socialization, recreation, educational and informational classes; 4) establish a "cooling center" at the senior adult center where seniors may go to enjoy air-conditioned comfort during the intense summer heat in order to prevent hyperthermia; 5) provide a nutritional support program, including a congregate meal program and a Kosher Meals on Wheels program for those seniors who follow the dietary laws of Kashrut; 6) provide transportation support for seniors to attend congregate meals, cooling center days, medical appointments, and grocery shopping; 7) provide a home modification and safety program to the living environment to increase ease of use, safety, security and independence of older adults; 8) provide a prescription assistance program that provides assistance with medication costs, co-payments, and supplies to frail, low-income seniors; 9) provide home care services to older adults with medical conditions who require assistance with housecleaning, laundry, and meal preparation. Expected outcomes of the Las Vegas Senior Lifeline project are: increased awareness and utilization of home and community-based services and reduction in institutional placement. The product from this project is a final report with evaluation data.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3201 Limited Sensor Technology Deployment in 11 Nebraska Rural Counties

Good Samaritan Village-Sioux Falls, SD
DBA The Evangelical Lutheran Good Samaritan Society
4800 W 57th Street, PO Box 5038
Sioux Falls, SD 57117

Contact: Kim Johansen (402)463-3181

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 09/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	95,305

The Good Samaritan Society is committed to implementing new technologies that have the potential of aiding rural elderly in remaining independent in their home environment. Health care providers experience many challenges when attempting to deliver these new services, particularly in rural areas. The goal of this project is to understand the challenges faced by health professionals, and in particular home health agency staff as they attempt to integrate new technologies as part of their existing practices. The objectives are: 1) to provide educational outreach in the 11 county service area about the benefits of new home health technology; 2) to train our home care staff on the usage of the Sensor Technology; 3) to develop community partnerships; 4) to develop a referral source for interested providers that may wish to utilize the technology; 5) to evaluate our efforts in deploying new technology; and 6) to disseminate project information. The expected outcomes are: 1) an increased understanding of the benefits of new technology by potential clients, informal caregivers and other community stakeholders; 2) an increased awareness of the efficacy of new technology by rural health professionals; and 3) an understanding of the potential barriers of implementation of home health technology in rural areas. The product of this project will be a final report and evaluation results from our partner organization, the University of Kansas Medical Center.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3202 Nursing Home Transition

Disability Rights Wisconsin, Inc.
131 West Wilson St., Suite 700
Madison, WI 53703

Contact: Lynn Breedlove (608)267-0214

Project Period: 08/01/2008 - 11/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	148,000

Disability Rights Wisconsin (DRW) proposes a Nursing Home Transition Initiative to respond to the large number of Wisconsin nursing homes which are closing or downsizing. The goal of the project is to ensure that relevant state and federal laws are adhered to and that nursing home and other institution residents move into high quality in-home or community living arrangements of their choice during the current nursing home closing, downsizing and discharge planning process taking place in Wisconsin. The approach includes: establishing a presence in closing/downsizing facilities, providing clear information to residents, and providing individual advocacy assistance as requested. The objectives are: 1) ensure that residents are aware of the availability of DRW assistance; 2) ensure that residents are well informed of their rights and choices; 3) ensure that residents who need discharge planning assistance receive it; and 4) monitor the closing/ downsizing process to ensure that statutory requirements are adhered to. Expected outcomes are: 1) the majority of residents will be aware of the availability of DRW assistance; 2) the majority of residents will be informed of their rights and choices; 3) all residents who request DRW advocacy assistance will receive it and consequently their rights and choices will be respected; and 4) nursing homes will comply with all relevant laws in the closing/downsizing process. The products are: 1) written materials on rights and choices for residents; 2) a final report, including evaluation results; and 3) information on DRW's advocacy model disseminated to other protection and advocacy agencies in the U.S.

90AM3203 JFS LIFE Program (Living Independently in a Friendly Environment)

Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles
W. Hollywood Comp. Service Center
6505 Wilshire Boulevard Suite 500
Los Angeles, CA 90048

Project Period: 09/01/2008 - 08/31/2010

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2008	335,043

Contact: Paul S Castro (323)761-8800

Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles (JFS) will test and evaluate innovative methodologies to assist seniors living independently in two Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs) in the greater L. A. area. The goal: help older adults in these two communities remain healthy, independent and connected to their community as they age in place. This will be accomplished through these objectives: 1) development of a transportation program in Park La Brea NORC, in coordination with local providers and community volunteers; 2) identification of a NORC in the W. San Fernando Valley, and a community needs assessment of seniors and gaps in existing services; 3) provision of information & referral to community resources; 4) increasing opportunities for seniors to engage in healthy aging activities, lifelong learning, and socialization; 5) provision of leadership and volunteer opportunities; and 6) creation of new services addressing expressed, but unmet needs in partnership with local service providers. Expected outcomes: residents will become more aware of community resources and how to access them, measured by an annual survey; volunteerism will increase, as measured by program logs; increased collaboration among service providers, measured by program logs; and residents report increased sense of community connectedness thru an annual survey. Products include a final report and final evaluation that analyzes outcome success, lessons learned and community replicability; and articles for publication and abstracts for national conferences. During the 12 month period, JFS will work with residents in Park La Brea NORC, JFS Transportation, Cityride and the Beverly Foundation to create a door-through-door volunteer driver/escort program. In addition, JFS will work with the City of LA Dept. of Aging and Catholic Charities to identify and create a supportive service program for a NORC in the San Fernando Valley.

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