

# Illinois Department of Human Services (IDHS) & the Illinois Respite Coalition (IRC)

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- ❖ Virtual training through RCAW, ARCH, NASHP Pilot Project
  - 88 individuals registered
  - Created new partnerships with IDOA, IL Caregiver Coalition
  - IDHS promotion of training statewide
  - Facilitate statewide respite registry

<https://illinois-respitecarewi.talentlms.com/>

## FREE VIRTUAL RESPITE PROVIDER TRAINING COURSE

Explore the opportunity to support a family caring for a loved one living with a disability by becoming a respite care provider.

This online course can be taken on your own time, and upon completion, you will receive a *Certificate of completion*.

Option of joining the statewide registry to be connected to respite opportunities.

Access the Training Here:  
[HTTPS://ILLINOIS-RESPITECAREWI.TALENTLMS.COM/](https://illinois-respitecarewi.talentlms.com/)



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Welcome to the Illinois Respite Coalition Lifespan Respite Training

Completion of this training will result in a certificate of completion



**Illinois Respite Coalition Virtual Lifespan Respite Training**

Free training on respite care



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## PROGRAMS & RESOURCES WE OFFER

- ❖ Creation of the Statewide Respite Information Line
  - Over 1,100 calls in the fourth quarter
- ❖ ACL Emergency Respite Care Program
  - 140 caregivers were served between January and June
  - Over 384 applications were submitted for ERC funding
  - 54% of individuals served made less than \$25k per year
  - 47% of caregivers served identified as Black / 23% identified as hispanic or latinx / 8A% identified as Asian
- ❖ In-Home and Voucher Program (IDHS)
  - In-home covers statewide except Cook county
  - Voucher program targets 69 central and southern IL counties
- ❖ Virtual Programming added to our website
  - Asynchronous programs added (categorize)
  - Synchronous programs and trainings to be added this year through partnerships
  - Over 34,000 website views in FY22

**866-ILL-RESP**  
**866-455-7377**

**Illinois Statewide Respite Information Number**



THIS IS WHERE TO START YOUR RESPITE JOURNEY. CALL THE ILLINOIS RESPITE COALITION FOR INFORMATION AND REFERRAL.

**WEBSITE UPDATE**

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR ASYNCHRONOUS PROGRAMMING AND UPDATED CAREGIVER RESOURCES**



<p><b>IN-HOME RESPITE</b></p> <p>Where: Predominantly central and southern IL</p> <p>Who: Individual diagnosed with developmental disability</p> <p>Requirements: No state/ waiver funding</p> <p>Offered: Approx. 180 hours of respite per program year</p>	<p><b>EMERGENCY RESPITE CARE PROGRAM</b></p> <p>Where: Statewide</p> <p>Who: Caregivers of a loved one of any age or disability</p> <p>Requirements: No state/ waiver funding</p> <p>Offered: Emergency respite stipend</p>
<p><b>INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES</b></p> <p>Where: Statewide</p> <p>Who: Any individual statewide</p> <p>Requirements: none, just call!</p> <p>Offered: Information and referral to IL resources near you.</p> <p>866-ILL-RESP / 866-455-7377 ext. 101 For General Info/ ERC</p>	 <p><b>CALL TODAY!</b></p> <p>866-ILL-RESP / 866-455-7377</p> <p>EXT. 101</p>

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## ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES + UPDATES

- ❖ A Conversation with Caregivers
  - Led by IRC board members discussing the experience as caregivers to those with mental illness
- ❖ Caregiver Virtual Care Package
  - Contains links to virtual resources
  - Referred caregivers to agencies and other opportunities they might be interested in
- ❖ Sunday Spotlight
  - Featured some of the families and caregivers who utilized respite programs
- ❖ This coming year....
  - Kicking off their the lending library
    - Provides iPads or Amazon Alexa to caregivers
  - Expansion of Illinois' respite worker database
  - IL Respite taskforce
  - Statewide Caregiver Survey


<http://www.illinoisrespitecoalition.org/home.html>

### WANT TO KNOW MORE?


check out our website!



- All ages / disabilities
- Respite Voucher / Stipend
- Linkage to longer term support



- Individuals diagnosed with intellectual/developmental disability
- IRC serves central / southern IL
- Eligible families will be served by IRC or referred to service provider in their area



- Available online at no cost
- Anyone can participate at their own pace
- Certificate of Completion

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## A CONVERSATION WITH CAREGIVERS

**APRIL 26 @ 6:30PM**

Cheryl Smith and Maggie Lyons, board members of the Illinois Respite Coalition, are Mental Health Facilitators for NAMI (National Alliances of Mental Illness). They both have served as facilitators for NAMI for more than 5 years and have adult family members who are living with mental illness. They will speak on how they are coping and what resources are available for family members and for individuals who are living with Mental Illnesses. Fill out our survey to register.



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Registration Link:  
<https://forms.gle/bXRuixTG1XAKzKUP9>

### CAREGIVER VIRTUAL CARE PACKAGE