Lifespan Respite Care Program
(42 U.S.C 201)

Purposes (Sec. 2901):

(1) to expand and enhance respite care services to family caregivers;

(2) to improve the statewide dissemination and coordination of respite care; and

(3) to provide, supplement, or improve access and quality of respite care services to family caregivers, thereby reducing family caregiver strain.
ARCH Steps to Performance Metrics for Lifespan Respite Programs

2012
- Data Workgroup established

2013
- Learning Symposium: Developing a Lifespan Respite Logic Model: Articulating a Shared Framework for Accountability
- Expert Panel established

2014
- Resource: Sample Performance Measurement Tools for Lifespan Respite Programs

2015
- Learning Symposium: Lifespan Respite Grantee Role in Providing TA to Local Programs to Ensure Meaningful Outcomes and Sustainability
- Learning Symposium: Successful State Approaches for Measuring Lifespan Respite Outcomes
Next Steps to Collecting Performance Metrics of Lifespan Respite Programs

**Fall-Winter 2017**
- Workgroup calls (up to 5)
- Gather ideas and examples for measuring systems-change impact
- Review draft data collection tool

**Spring 2018**
- Up to 9 grantees “test” a draft of the revised data collection tool

**Summer 2018**
- Prepare documents for 60-Day Public Comment Period on the revised data collection tool
- Drafts PRA (Paperwork Reduction Act) documents for submission to OMB (Office of Management and Budget)

**Winter 2018**
- Prepare documents for 30-Day Public Comment Period
- Submit PRA Package to OMB

**Spring-Summer 2019**
- With approval by OMB, ACL includes new data collection tool in anticipated FOAs for state grantees and national TA partners
Performance Measurement

Purpose

• Performance measurement focuses on whether a program has achieved its objectives, expressed as measurable performance standards. *(Performance Measurement & Evaluation, GAO-11-646SP, available at: http://www.gao.gov/assets/80/77277.pdf)*

Considerations: Performance measurement....

• Is directly related to program goals and objectives
• Measures progress of the activities quantitatively
• Is not exhaustive
• Provides a temperature reading – it may not tell you everything you want to know but provides a quick and reliable gauge of selected results