

CHAT TRANSCRIPT

Launch of the Lifespan Respite Grantee and Partner Learning Collaborative on Respite Actions in the National Strategy February 16, 2023

From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

Ha! I am also eating my lunch ;)

14:02:39 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

I just finished mine - that's why I was not on camera!! Lol

14:02:58 From Adrienne Smith to Everyone:

Hi everyone. Adrienne Smith of NM Caregivers Coalition.

14:03:00 From Tracy Kahlo (she/her) LRW PAVE to Everyone:

Greetings all, so grateful to be here with all of you today! Tracy with Lifespan Respite WA

14:03:07 From Kimberly Hodges to Everyone:

Kim Hodges, Policy Associate at NASHP w/ a primary focus on respite care

14:03:07 From Stephanie Red Elk to Everyone:

Stephanie Red Elk, Sooner SUCCESS, Oklahoma

14:03:14 From Lynn Gall to Everyone:

Lynn Gall, WI Dept of Health Services.

14:03:14 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Amy Harris, Colorado State Unit on Aging - I always learn something new!

14:03:14 From Cheryl Dinnell to Everyone:

Cheryl Dinnell, Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition

14:03:18 From Leslie Thede to Everyone:

Hi! Leslie Thede-Respite Care Association of Wisconsin

14:03:18 From Melanie Wright to Everyone:

Melanie Wright - Texas HHSC. Hi everyone!

14:03:21 From Molly Evans to Everyone:

Good afternoon! I'm Molly Evans with the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs

14:03:22 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Hi Everyone - Lisa Schneider, E.D. Respite Care Association of Wisconsin

14:03:23 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

Colorado, Colorado Respite Coalition (a program of Easterseals Colorado). Hello!

14:03:23 From Abbey Derepentigny to Everyone:

Abbey Derepentigny, New York State Office for Aging

14:03:24 From Rosalyn Alber to Everyone:

Rosalyn Alber, Kinship and Lifespan Respite Program Manager, Washington State

14:03:27 From Tina Yurik to Everyone:

Hi Everyone, Tina Yurik, Illinois Respite Coalition

14:03:28 From Vicki Clear to Everyone:

Vicki Clear from Montana Lifespan Respite Coalition

14:03:30 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

Cory Lutz, Helping Hands of Vegas Valley, Respite Director. State of Nevada, Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition.

14:03:41 From Mayra Castaneda to Everyone:

Mayra Castaneda, Sooner SUCCESS, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center

14:03:45 From Cara Ortega to Everyone:

Cara Ortega, Director, Office of Alzheimer's & Dementia Care, New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department. Looking forward to learning about "all things respite"! :)

14:03:50 From Megan Bettinger to Everyone:

Megan Bettinger Colorado Respite Coalition

14:03:55 From Ellen Kilicarslan to Everyone:

Ellen Kilicarslan - Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services. This will be an introduction for me to the collaborative - so learning today.

14:03:56 From Tracy Cieniewicz to Everyone:

Tracy Cieniewicz, Alabama Lifespan Respite. I'm interested in ways to integrate the National Strategy into the upcoming ACL grant opportunity.

14:03:59 From Amy Nazaire to Everyone:

Amy Nazaire, MA Department of Developmental Services and MA Lifespan Respite Coalition (grantee state since 2010)

14:04:02 From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

Julie Mendelson - South Dakota Department of Human Services; interested in creative ways to advance respite in a rural state

14:04:03 From Mary Weltz to Everyone:

Good to see you all! Mary Weltz, North Dakota DHHS Adult and Aging Services

14:04:23 From Annemarie Culp to Everyone:

Annemarie Culp, NV Aging and Disability Services, In Home services/Interim Caregiver Support Coordinator. I am looking forward to learning innovative ways to implement the national strategy into all caregiver related services to better support our family caregivers.

14:04:28 From Norma Egan to Everyone:

Norma Egan, Program Specialist Executive Office Of Health and Human Services MassHealth AFC and GAFC Programs.

14:04:28 From Yetunde Olobatuyi to Everyone:

Good afternoon all, Yetunde Olobatuyi from Maryland.

14:04:40 From James Davis to Everyone:

Hello, James Davis from Mississippi, with the Mississippi Department of Human Services.

14:04:46 From Lisa Sheehy to Everyone:

Lisa Sheehy at MA Dept of Public Health, Division for Children & Youth with Special Health Needs. Very glad to be here today!

14:04:46 From Katja Gerhardt to Everyone:

Katja Gerhardt, Massachusetts DPH Division for Children and Youth of Special Health Needs, Complex Care Director

14:04:48 From Barb Koumjian, she/her, PAVE-Lifespan Respite WA to Everyone:

Barb Koumjian, PAVE, Lifespan Respite WA, Project Coordinator, hoping to get ideas for implementing w/in WA state--and getting the word out about how to support Federal organizations to implement, and legislative/policy changes

14:05:08 From Hanna Quiring to Everyone:

Hello! Hanna Quiring with the Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network. Program Coordinator for the Lifespan Respite Services Program

14:05:08 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

Marilyn Sword, Idaho Caregiver Alliance

14:06:07 From Aietah Stephens to Everyone:

Aietah Stephens, Oklahoma Lifespan, looking forward to learning from others on how to enhance our efforts to reach more family caregivers specifically our underserved populations. It is always so helpful to meet with the other programs.

14:06:39 From Aleatha Dickerson to Everyone:

Aleatha Dickerson, Rhode Island Office of Healthy Aging

14:06:39 From Yazmin Luna Orozco to Everyone:

Hello everyone! Yazmin Orozco. Project Coordinator with ADSD-Nevada Lifespan Respite Program.

14:06:40 From Yetunde Olobatuyi to Everyone:

Yetunde Olobatuyi from Department of Human Services in Baltimore Maryland.

14:06:56 From Patrick Kelley to Everyone:

Patrick Kelley Montana Office on Aging - Grantee

14:10:35 From Yetunde Olobatuyi to Everyone:

Hello Lori!

14:12:15 From Kimberly Hodges to Everyone:

<https://nashp.org/policy/aging-and-disabilities/family-caregiving/respite-care/>

14:12:33 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

The Role of Respite in the National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers: An ARCH Policy to Practice Brief

https://archrespite.org/images/Learning_Collaborative/Policy_to_Practice_Brief.pdf

14:13:54 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

Today's Presentation Slides

https://archrespite.org/images/Learning_Collaborative/National_Strategy_LC_Launch-2-16-23.pdf

14:14:08 From Kimberly Hodges to Everyone:

The RAISE Act Family Caregiver Resource and Dissemination Center:

<https://nashp.org/policy/aging-and-disabilities/family-caregiving/>

14:19:51 From Kimberly Hodges to Everyone:

2022 National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers: <https://acl.gov/CaregiverStrategy>

14:28:34 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

This is an amazing federal action that has now occurred. Very far reaching.

14:29:05 From Barb Koumjian, she/her, PAVE-Lifespan Respite WA to Everyone:

Yes! Lori and all and I just distributed to my co-workers, out to our Lifespan Coalition in WA this afternoon!

14:31:03 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Proposed Rule Will Make More Grandparents and Other Relatives Eligible for Resources to Support Them in Caring for Children Whose Parents Cannot:

<https://view.connect.hhs.gov/?qs=4c5bf6432e138992c40ad476500bc593f28010202240e5e60e439f80613f5b10207d49b8df9e2ff26ce8812bc387d6bf59a623c9e17c118b712d9fcf48452f89f6c6b0a0ccb8c0f6da0463379478a0c>

14:31:21 From Lori Stalbaum/ACL to Everyone:

Thank you, Barb - Yes. Everyone feel free to share. ACF wants people's input

14:31:41 From Kimberly Hodges to Everyone:

Action guide of the RAISE Act State Policy Roadmap: <https://nashp.org/supporting-family-caregivers-a-roadmap-for-states/>

14:38:56 From Lita Nelson to Everyone:

In Arizona, we have the Friends and Neighbors respite care option. It is very successful in rural areas.

14:39:14 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

The Lifespan Respite Care Voucher programs are largely self-directed.

14:39:18 From Lita Nelson to Everyone:

One of our AAAs recently started it with the HCBS services.

14:40:06 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

In Colorado we just implemented a pilot version of a self-directed voucher program (with help from Lita and others who are already doing it!)

14:41:12 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

ARCH's Self-Directed Respite Voucher Guide with case studies
https://archrespite.org/images/docs/Guides_Compendiums/ARCH_Respite_Voucher_Guide.pdf

14:41:34 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

Thanks, Jill! That has been our major reference

14:41:47 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

Our AAAs in Idaho are offering that same self-directed option with \$600/6 months for respite, primarily in rural areas. where there may be no providers.

14:42:29 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Where can I learn more about mobile adult day care? Never heard of it!

14:42:43 From Lori Stalbaum/ACL to Everyone:

How wonderful to read all these comments about everyone's innovative/collaborative self-directed programs

14:42:48 From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

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14:43:14 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

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14:43:15 From Tracy Kahlo (she/her) LRW PAVE to Everyone:

Lifespan Respite WA has been a voucher, self-directed program for years and since 2018 as contracted with PAVE. Yes, caregivers do appreciate hiring their own, using their \$1,000 vouchers for camps, and in-home, and equine programs or spend their entire voucher with 1 type of respite. PAVE pays all the bills so no out of pocket for our caregivers. Thank you WA ALISA partners for being here today!

14:43:37 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

Also in Idaho we are piloting a Family Caregiver Navigator project (with Medicaid MFP \$) and includes Spanish-speaking navigators connecting Latinx family caregivers with culturally appropriate services.

14:44:22 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

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14:51:30 From Dana Allard Webb to Everyone:

Such great ideas and opportunities! I need to leave for another meeting.

14:52:45 From Lita Nelson to Everyone:

We are currently researching the payers for respite care options aside from Title III-E or Lifespan Respite Grants. We have received a response from CMS that Original Medicare covers hospice and some Medicare Advantage plans MAY pay for respite care services. Additionally, transportation to respite care services can be a barrier. Respite care payers is a gray area.

14:53:05 From Lori Stalbaum/ACL to Everyone:

2022 National Strategy to Support Family Caregivers:

Actions for States, Communities, and Others

(https://acl.gov/sites/default/files/RAISE_SGRG/NatlStrategyFamCaregivers_ActionsSCO.pdf)

14:53:54 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Respite Research has been a difficult area to collect data on a national level as we seem to be unable to 1.) define respite; 2.) agree on what service/activities constitute respite; and 3.) have common SOC occupation codes when it comes to nursing assistants, personal care workers, direct support professionals, etc. to name a few key components.

14:54:19 From Tracy Kahlo (she/her) LRW PAVE to Everyone:

So much amazing work, such great knowledge, research, FAB national network led by Jill, and above all respite for caregivers! Sadly, so many demands in all of our states. For WA revenue sources are direly needed. We know what works in WA, it comes to high demand for so many needs so it all boils down to funding, as we all know.

14:55:23 From Aleatha Dickerson to Everyone:

Thank you! All of this information is very helpful. I need to leave to attend another meeting.

15:01:03 From Cara Ortega to Everyone:

This is really great information and discussion... THANK YOU!!! And thank you all for your hard work!

15:02:30 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Nice job Wendy and Kim!

15:03:43 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Scaling and Sharing!!

15:04:15 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

We are aligning our Family Caregiver Strategic Plan with the goals in the RAISE Act, realizing that it will be beneficial to us going forward. Bandwidth prevents us from attacking all the RAISE Act goals but we are finding that we are already doing work in many of the same areas.

15:06:01 From Kathy Mayfield-Smith to Everyone:

Welcome !!!Meghan

15:10:13 From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

I love the space to learn and borrow from others. Breakout groups by topic may be helpful

15:15:00 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

1) Info sharing on culturally and linguistically appropriate services; 2) coordination with CMS/Medicaid at the state level on the new "in lieu of services" broader menu.

15:17:22 From Tracy Kahlo (she/her) LRW PAVE to Everyone:

Awesome dialogue and thank you ACL for our DEI+B funding to expand our partnerships in WA among all communities of color and people of color! Yes! I have to jump off for another meeting.

15:17:47 From Lynn Gall to Everyone:

Given the shortage of respite providers and change in US demographics, one of the items I'm most interested in is how to build-up the profession and identify alternative forms of respite that may not be widely used right now. We are going to have to find new ways to provide respite with fewer providers.

15:18:03 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

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15:19:50 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Thank you, Lori, for your helpful reminder that the federal actions identified are those that are deemed possible. I mean to convey that this group could help zoom in on some of those actions to support work in those identified areas.

15:20:16 From Barb Koumjian, she/her, PAVE-Lifespan Respite WA to Everyone:

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15:20:17 From Lita Nelson to Everyone:

Cara, I would love to connect! My email is litanelson@azdes.gov

15:21:19 From Lori Stalbaum/ACL to Everyone:

Thank you, Amy. I appreciate your idea and hope this group can help support work in certain areas. :)

15:21:40 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Reacted to "Thank you, Amy. I a..." with 👍

15:23:22 From Barb Koumjian, she/her, PAVE-Lifespan Respite WA to Everyone:

Very very solid idea Cheryl!

15:23:38 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

I agree, Cheryl!

15:23:56 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

Great idea, Cheryl!!

15:24:02 From Tina Yurik to Everyone:

I think that is a great idea.

15:24:07 From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

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15:24:18 From Lisa Schneider to Everyone:

Yes to what Cheryl is saying and tying our activities to the Goals in the RAISE act

15:25:27 From Lita Nelson to Everyone:

Agreed!

15:25:36 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

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15:25:40 From Kathy Mayfield-Smith to Everyone:

Agree!

15:27:40 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

Something we can refer to on-demand is a great idea!

15:28:56 From Meghan Kluth to Everyone:

<https://jamboard.google.com/d/1Nxv80qCPydX4IWsaQQP3-r4vN65WIp3INyIlg9swdZSo/edit?usp=sharing>

15:31:14 From Tracy Cieniewicz to Everyone:

Great meeting! Looking forward to participating in this important group!

15:31:31 From Meghan Kluth to Everyone:

Meghanbkluth@gmail.com

15:31:31 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Thank you!!

15:31:34 From Leslie Thede to Everyone:

Thank you!

15:31:36 From Erin Myrent to Everyone:

Thank you!

15:31:41 From Cara Ortega to Everyone:

Thank you!

15:31:44 From Cory Lutz to Everyone:

Thank you for all the wonderful knowledge!!

15:31:48 From Tina Yurik to Everyone:

Yes, thank you everyone! Great meeting!

15:31:50 From Julie Mendelson to Everyone:

Thank you! This was fantastic

15:31:55 From Yetunde Olobatuyi to Everyone:

Thank you to all our presenters.

15:32:15 From Barb Koumjian, she/her, PAVE-Lifespan Respite WA to Everyone:

Thanks for all the great info and ideas!

15:32:19 From Megan Bettinger to Everyone:

Thank you

15:32:31 From Katja Gerhardt to Everyone:

Thank you for this meeting!

15:33:32 From Jill Kagan to Everyone:

Thank you Wendy so much for laying the foundation for this Learning Collaborative. You are welcome back anytime!

15:33:53 From Wendy Fox-Grage to Jill Kagan(Direct Message):

Thank YOU!!!!

15:35:58 From Amy Harris to Everyone:

Thank you for all of your passionate support, Lori!!

15:36:08 From Marilyn Sword to Everyone:

Thank you for the info and networking opportunities.

15:36:37 From Meghan Kluth to Everyone:

I'm thrilled to be part of this work. Thank you all!

15:37:11 From Aietah Stephens to Everyone:

Great meeting thanks everyone!