CHAT TRANSCRIPT

Learning Collaborative on National Strategy Implementation
Aligning Lifespan Respite grant activities with National Strategy Goals and Outcomes
March 16, 2023

00:23:02   Talena Ford: Talena Ford-Oklahoma
00:23:02   Traci Dunklin Alabama Dept. Senior Services: Traci Dunklin Alabama
00:23:03   Amy Harris - CDHS: Amy Harris, Colorado State Unit on Aging! Hi! :)
00:23:05   Deana Prest, New York State Office for the Aging: Deana Prest, NYS Office for the Aging
00:23:09   Erin Myrent: Erin Myrent - Colorado Respite Coalition
00:23:15   Barb Koumjian, she/her Lifespan Respite WA: Barb Koumjian, Lifespan Respite Washington. Hi Everyone!
00:23:15   Abbey Derepentigny, NYS Office for Aging: Abbey Derepentigny, New York State Office for Aging
00:23:15   Jutta Ulrich-Arizona Caregiver: Jutta Ulrich, Arizona Caregiver Coalition
00:23:19   Casandra Firman: Casandra Firman, ARCH
00:23:19   Megan Bettinger (she/her): Megan Bettinger, Colorado Respite Coalition
00:23:20   Julie Mendelson: Julie Mendelson - South Dakota Department of Human Services
00:23:23   Ashley Martin - Nevada: Ashley Martin, Nevada Aging and disability services division
00:23:24   Stephanie Jacobson Red Elk: Stephanie Red Elk- Oklahoma
00:23:31   Cheryl Dinnell-Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition: Cheryl Dinnell, Executive Director, Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition
00:23:37   Dana McCants Derisier: Dana Derisier, RI Office of Healthy Aging
00:23:43   Dana Allard-Webb she/her FCSP ALTSA: Dana Allard-Webb Washington LR Voucher Program
00:23:47   Melanie Wright: Melanie Wright - Texas HHSC
00:23:58   Aleatha Dickerson, Rhode Island Office of Healthy Aging , Thank you for the great document!
00:24:27   Lynn Gall, DHS: Lynn Gall, Wisconsin Dept of Health Services
Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Hi Everyone - Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin

Lita Nelson: Good Morning from Arizona! Lita Nelson, Division of Aging and Adult Services.

Amy Harris - CDHS: Thank you for following up on this, Jill - I would love to hear more! Lots of rural, underserved folks in Colorado.

Megan Bettinger (she/her): Reacted to "Thank you for follow..." with 👍

Cheryl Dinnell-Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition: We recommended state legislation to get the process of caregiver assessments in place. Nevada AB100 is being heard tomorrow!

Erin Myrent: Reacted to "We recommended state..." with ❤️

Amy Nazaire: In the 12 years that we've been a Lifespan Respite Grantee state, I've seen a significant change in the awareness of the important of respite and family caregiver supports on the national level and also on the state (Massachusetts) level. Hopefully this will continue in MA after the ARPA funding we currently have ends in 2025...

Jill Kagan:

- Lifespan Respite Care Program: Grants to New States and States Re-Establishing Their Core Respite Infrastructures
  Link to NOFO: https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?dpp=1&oppPkgId=280527

- Lifespan Respite Care Program: State Program Enhancement Grants
  Link to NOFO: https://www.grants.gov/view-opportunity.html?dpp=1&oppPkgId=280528

- The Roles of Respite in the National Strategy-An ARCH Policy to Practice Brief

- National Center to Strengthen the Direct Care Workforce
  https://acl.gov/programs/direct-care-workforce

- First Principles: Cross Cutting Considerations for Family Caregiver Support

Amy Nazaire: With that being said, the siloing is still a pretty significant issue

Jill Kagan:

We are updating this fact sheet on Rural Respite, but you can find it here: https://archrespite.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/FS_35-Rural_Respite.pdf

Erin Myrent: Reacted to "With that being said..." with 👍

Amy Harris - CDHS: Reacted to "With that being said..." with 👍

Wendy Fox-Grage: Once those respite care grants are awarded in MA, NASHP plans to write an article on it because we agree that it is a promising practice with those ARPA funds.
Questions on the Lifespan Respite NOFOs. Contact Emily Anozie at ACL Emily.Anozie@acl.hhs.gov

Sarah T iPad: Would you mind sharing the template the students used?

Amy Nazaire: Yes absolutely Jill!

Jill Kagan:

Matrix of Grantee Activities Aligned with National Strategy

Lynn Gall, DHS: Please enlarge view

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Do you only want activities towards these strategies, goals, and outcomes that are funded with federal lifespan respite funds, or do you want to capture activities we are doing that address these strategies, goals and outcomes that are not funded with federal $$?

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Leveraging!!

Talena Ford: 1.5 Oklahoma has not been doing the Lunch and Learns but are looking to integrate technology (FB Lives) to include coalition, caregivers, and anyone with interest

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Wisconsin will submit some additional activities taking place and send them to you for consideration on this matrix.

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Congrats!!

Lita Nelson: That's great Deana!

Amy Nazaire: back to 2.3 - I was just wondering if the CARE Act is still in existence, I remember (pre-COVID) when this passed in many states, the focus was on engaging family caregivers in planning. Possible area of alignment? https://www.aarp.org/politics-society/advocacy/caregiving-advocacy/info-2014/aarp-creates-model-state-bill.html

Rosalyn Alber-Washington State: Washington state has been working on a Kinship Navigator pilot research project. The project uses a Needs Assessment with kinship caregivers. Some of the questions include asking caregivers about their mental and physical health care needs, and needs for respite.

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Wisconsin is also a big fat zero on the CARES act

Amy Nazaire: Reacted to "Wisconsin is also a ..." with 😅

Lynn Gall, DHS: 👍

Tracy Cieniewicz: We also offer VR experiences for care recipient empathy,
Lita Nelson: In Arizona, we rolled out the Trualta program. It's been well received.

Cheryl Dinnell-Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition: Maybe 3.4 would include mental health/SED populations because respite becomes that "safe space". Nevada has a grant working on Dual Diagnosis (IDD/SED) to help create respite options for families where the siloed approach doesn't work.

Dana Allard-Webb she/her FCSP ALTSA: Washington uses Trualta as well

Lynn Gall, DHS: Wisconsin uses it, too

Lita Nelson: Caregiver support at the click of a button, at their convenience.

Jenny Andrews: Some South Carolina AAAs have started using Trualta

Deana Prest, New York State Office for the Aging: Yes, we've made it available to all NY caregivers at no cost

Wendy Fox-Grage: MN, too

Lita Nelson: In Arizona, we have the Family Caregiver Reimbursement Program (funded through June 30, 2024), where we reimburse eligible caregivers for costs related to home modifications or assistive care technologies.

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: Dumb question, but with the progress reports we submit to ACL, is any of that compiled into an annual report?

Jill Kagan:

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Amy Nazaire: Thank you!

Meghan Kluth: My email is meghanbkluth@gmail.com

Anya Taylor - Delaware: Thank you!

Erin Myrent: Thank you!

Wendy Fox-Grage: Thank you!!

Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin: 😊

Megan Bettinger (she/her): Thank you

Tracy Cieniewicz: Thank you!

Rosalyn Alber-Washington State: Thank you!

Lita Nelson: Thank you! It's great to have some reference to programs.

Deana Prest, New York State Office for the Aging: This was great! Thank you.