



Make a Real Difference in the Lives of Others

Who is hiring Respite Provider and Direct Care workers

Individuals, families, and agencies throughout Nebraska are hiring respite providers and direct care workers - and they're using the Nebraska Resource and Referral System (NRRS)/respite to find people like you.

Positions are flexible and available on a part- or full-time basis, early mornings, days, evenings, overnights, and weekends. It is usually a family caregiver who hires a Network-screened respite provider to provide temporary care for a family member with special needs.

The people who hire you will be your employer and pay you directly, either privately or with funds authorized from a government program, such as the Lifespan Respite Subsidy. Agencies, individuals, or family of the care recipient will train you. All Network-screened respite providers are required to also complete the online respite training highlighted in this brochure.

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Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network: Become part of a growing workforce

There is no greater gift than helping others.



What a Respite Provider or Direct Care worker does

Respite providers and direct care workers help people of all ages with disabilities and special healthcare needs do what everybody else does every day: work, play, and take part in community life.

People with disabilities may have different needs, but many rely on direct care workers or respite providers to help accomplish activities they want to do.

Respite Care is:

- ♥ Directed by the family
- ♥ Individualized to meet the needs of the care receiver and family
- ♥ Providing a meaningful experience for the care receiver

Care is provided:

- ♥ In the family's home
- ♥ The provider's home
- ♥ In a community facility or setting

Make a real difference in the lives of others

Respite and direct care workers make a real difference in the lives of other people by making it possible for them to live fuller, more rewarding lives.

When you become a respite provider you allow a family caregiver to take a break and recharge.

Find a job at no cost to you

The Nebraska Resource and Referral System (NRRS)/respite is a free Department of Health & Human Services supported online service that helps respite providers and direct care workers find jobs with individuals, families, and provider agencies, needing someone to provide respite or direct care.

The NRRS/respite system shares the information you provide with individuals, families, and provider agencies looking to hire. Based on information you share on the application, families and care provider agencies will contact you for an interview. Respite Providers are required to complete a respite orientation, either online or request a paper version from your local Respite Coordinator.

Signing up is free!

Visit www.nrrs.ne.gov/respite and click on **"Providers"** then **"Learn More"** to complete an application or request a local Respite Coordinator contact you. You may update your information at any time. Doing so will help you connect with people who need your services.

- ♥ Network screened respite providers must complete the respite orientation. You may choose to complete online at: <https://www.answers4families.org/classroom/> or request a paper copy from your local Respite Coordinator.



Steps to Login to Respite Online Orientation

Our free online respite provider orientation is set up to give you the tools you need to be successful as a respite provider with the Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network. Completing the orientation will take approximately an hour and will give you a wealth of information. You can start and stop the training as needed to fit in with your schedule. You will receive a certificate after successfully completing the training.

Go to: <https://www.answers4families.org/classroom/>

After clicking the **'login'** hyperlink at the very top right of the screen, you should be taken to another screen that shows **'Login or Create New Account'**

After you have created your account, you will need to login with your new **username** and **password**, then you will be taken to a screen that displays a list of courses. Click on the **'Respite (1)'** tab and you will go to a screen that displays **'Answers4Families Classroom'**. Click on **'Lifespan Respite Provider Orientation'** (in blue) and this will take you to the course modules below the photo.

Then click on, **'Let's begin'**

A screenshot of the Lifespan Respite Provider Orientation website. The page has a blue header with the title "Lifespan Respite Provider Orientation" and a navigation menu. Below the header is a banner image with the text "Caring for Those Who Care for Others" and "Providers". The main content area has a welcome message and a list of bullet points. At the bottom, there is a "Let's Begin" button.

Lifespan Respite Provider Orientation

Home > My courses > Lifespan Respite Provider Orientation

Caring for Those Who Care for Others

Providers

Welcome to the Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network Online Provider Orientation

Thank you for taking the time to complete this one hour orientation. The demand for skilled respite care providers in Nebraska is growing! The purpose of this free orientation is to give you basic information about what to expect as a respite provider:

- Feel free to start and stop the orientation as needed to fit your schedule.
- Most are able to complete the orientation in about one hour.
- You will receive a certificate of completion after successfully completing the orientation.
- Additional resources will be shared as they become available.

You may find being a respite provider is a gateway into other allied health professions. Some participants are excited about the prospects of a path and others choose direct care work as their lifetime profession. Whatever your goals, the partners supporting the Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network are available to assist you.

Let's Begin