



Respite Voucher Learning Collaborative

March 14, 2024 | 3:00 – 4:30 PM EDT (2:00 PM CT, 1:00 AM MT, 12:00 PT)

Breakout Room Discussion Guide

Instructions:

If time permits, we will break out into 3 smaller groups to discuss the following questions related to respite voucher reimbursement issues.

Attendees will be randomly assigned into breakout groups. Each group will have a facilitator who will record the session. Please identify someone to share a brief report out of discussion highlights when we return to the full group. Please introduce yourself to the group.

Multiple questions are provided to help stimulate a flow of ideas on the topic. Don't worry about getting through all the questions. They are intended to help guide quality conversation.

Facilitators: Lisa Schneider, Respite Care Association of Wisconsin; Aietah Stephens, Sooner Success, OK; Barb Koumjian, Lifespan Respite Washington

Questions:

- 1. Does your program pay family caregivers or the respite provider? Is it a reimbursement model or do you award funds in advance of the respite being provided?**
- 2. Please provide the rationale you relied on to select the payment process you use for respite services. Did you consider the pros and cons of the reimbursement model? Did tax, liability concerns or labor laws inform your decision?**
- 3. What strategies have you considered or successfully undertaken to overcome any barriers to respite care for family caregivers related to respite provider payment approaches.**

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