

Community Innovations for Aging in Place

Project Summary

Grantee Organization: Center for Home Care Policy and Research, Visiting Nurse Service

State: New York

Project Title: Community Innovations for Aging in Place (CIAIP) Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Team

Project Period: September 30, 2009 to September 29, 2012

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The Center for Home Care Policy and Research (CHCPR) of the Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNSNY) proposes to provide a program of training and technical assistance through a collaborative TAG Team approach to the diverse community-based grantees of the CIAIP initiative to assist them in their efforts to help older community residents age in place.

Goals and Objectives:

CHCPR proposes to achieve the following goals: 1) Assist CIAIP grantees in implementing initiatives to help older residents age in place; and 2) Identify and disseminate “lessons learned” throughout the field and beyond. The major objectives include to: 1) Implement a technical assistance package, including group work sessions, individual technical assistance, tools, and resources; 2) Convene a National Advisory Committee to inform CHCPR activities; 3) Conduct an evaluation by tracking key indicators critical to aging in place efforts and implement targeted evaluation studies resulting in in-depth analyses of promising approaches, programs, and services; and 4) Synthesize lessons learned and translate them into actionable steps to inform the field.

Outcomes and Products:

Expected outcomes of the three-year technical assistance program : 1) Individualized technical assistance meets the needs of each grantee; 2) Grantees advance toward objectives associated with successful aging in place initiatives; 3) Lessons learned are translated into actionable steps that inform the field; and 4) Additional communities, and nontraditional service providers and networks, recognize the need for aging in place initiatives in their communities and use CHCPR-produced resources to support their efforts. Products from this program: 1) final report with evaluation results; 2) website; 3) CIAIP conference proceedings; 4) abstracts and teaching materials for presentations at national conferences; 5) tools and resources to support the development of aging in place initiatives; 6) “how-to guide,” and 7) articles for publication in print and web-based forums.