

Lifespan Respite Care Program

Project Summary

Grantee Organization: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

State: Nebraska

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Project Overview:

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the Nebraska Lifespan Respite Network and Answers4Families (ADRC) supports this grant to build upon the state's Lifespan Respite Program. The **goal** of the project is to improve access to Nebraska's Lifespan Respite Program.

Project **objectives** include: 1) replacing existing antiquated database with a web-based system that incorporates the Nebraska Resource Referral System/Answers4Families (ADRC); 2) expand online assessment capacity; 3) expand peer support options available through the ADRC web site; 4) Educate respite coordinators about the ADRC; 5) develop or identify a statewide caregiver crisis planning tool; 6) increase providers for crisis/emergency respite; 7) identify, develop and deliver training for first responders; 8) develop criteria for short-term crisis respite funding; and 9) expand awareness of available respite services.

Outcomes and Products:

Anticipated **outcomes** include: integration of Lifespan Respite Program information into the ADRC web site; increased accessibility of provider information to families, caregivers and clients; First Responders have resources for families in crisis; and enhanced peer support options for family caregivers.

Products will include an enhanced website, webinars and conference presentations, and lessons learned and mentoring to other states.