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Older Americans Act**

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Arranged by AoA Priority Area

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Governor's Office Elderly Affairs
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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,999
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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Louisiana will establish a pilot Aging and Adult Disability Resource Center at the Cajun Area Agency on Aging (CAAA) with eight satellite locations in the parishes (counties). This pilot will test the design of the Resource Center in both urban and rural locations. The Resource Center will be combined with an interactive consumer-focused website; nationwide toll-free telephone number; and a single comprehensive assessment, eligibility determination, and care planning process to empower individuals to make informed choices and to streamline access to long-term care support. Based on the lessons learned from the implementation of the pilot Resource Center, Louisiana will issue an RFP to establish Aging and Adult Disability Resource Centers across the state.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older
Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and adults.

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) a convenient, accessible one-stop source of information, assistance, and streamlined access to services through a central location and satellite offices that provides consumers and their families information, assistance and referral resources; 2) comprehensive in-home assessments, with the opportunity to self-divert from institutional care and receive appropriate services in the least restrictive community setting of their choosing; 3) a "1-800" telephone and Internet access; 4) enhanced comprehensiveness of center services by separating care management functions from service provision and cross training and certifying resource center staff; 5) and a reduction in the number of intake, screening, and eligibility determination processes consumers must experience to receive services.

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

WEST VIRGINIA BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES

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Charleston, WV 25305

Contact: Julie Shelton (304)558-2241

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,518
FY 2006	400,000

West Virginia will establish two comprehensive pilot resource centers, one in an urban area and one in a rural area of the state, both of which will be implemented by local senior programs. The centers will integrate access to all long-term care programs - both public and private pay - and develop uniform and standardized processes to determine level of need, eligibility and care plans. Programs integrated into the resource centers include the WV SHINE (a health and wellness program), family caregiver support, and Alzheimer's disease caregiver support services, as well as the traditional long-term care services. The Bureau of Senior Services will partner with the West Virginia University, Center on Aging to evaluate the effectiveness of the two pilots to inform expansion to a statewide network of resource centers.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and adults over age 18 with physical disabilities

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and adults over age 18 with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: public understanding of the existence and functions of the resource centers; responsiveness to the unique needs of individuals and their long term care choices; a system of coordination for eligibility for publicly funded programs; provisions for private pay consumers; an informed state policy to promote a more balanced system of long-term care based on consumer choice; and protection for vulnerable individuals identified through the resource centers.

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGING
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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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The Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA) will develop pilot Resource Centers in one urban/suburban county and one rural county, which will serve the elderly and people with physical disabilities. The program will be designed to accomplish two primary goals: 1) to enhance existing infrastructure by creating a single point of entry at the local level capable of coordinating access to long term supports; and 2) to streamline the Medicaid financial and programmatic eligibility determination process to make it less cumbersome for consumers. MDoA will develop the project based on several key assumptions including: meaningful collaboration among partners; change processes require extensive education, follow-up and re-education; MIS linkages and redesigns must be cost-effective and adhere to HIPAA; and state level policy changes will be required to effect local change. MDoA believes that introducing systems reform at the state level, along with establishing Resource Centers county by county, will create a foundation and groundswell that will assist them in achieving successful systems change statewide.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 50 and older

Year Two and Three - Adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: An interagency advisory structure at the state and local levels; a visible, trustworthy, responsive, efficient and cost effective resource center that empowers consumers to exercise choice; standardized forms and training materials designed to be used across agencies; a streamlined Medicaid financial and programmatic eligibility determination process; a "fast track" financial eligibility screening process; and improved programmatic eligibility determination by expanding and coordinating systems for case identification, intake, screening, and assessment.

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201-3326

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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South Carolina proposes to pilot the Resource Center program by establishing centers in two counties - Aiken and Barnwell - located in the Lower Savannah AAA service area. Through these centers, consumers will receive information, assistance and counseling, assessment and short-term case management, eligibility screening, eligibility determination and the ability to apply for long term support services. Services, including Medicaid eligibility determination, will be co-located. Eligibility determination and application processes will be streamlined through an electronic data sharing methodology that will be developed in the pilot area. Building on an existing web-based information and assistance system, South Carolina Access, the management information system, will be designed to link the resource center case management system with existing databases, including the Medicaid Waiver Case Management system and the Bureau of Senior Services Family Caregiver system. Consumers will be able to apply for services on-line. Project staff will work with the University of South Carolina Research Foundation to conduct a program evaluation.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

First Quarter of Year Two & Year Three - Individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Resource centers in at least two locations providing information, counseling, eligibility screening and coordination with eligibility determination by Sept. 2005 and fully functional by Sept. 2006; a consumer tracking/case management system in operation by Sept. 2004; an on-line service application process in place by Sept. 2004; and an information management system - operational, and tracking referrals, utilization and costs in place by Sept. 2005.

MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	347,394
FY 2006	400,000

Minnesota will develop strong linkages between county long-term care consultation and information, referral and assistance services. The state will: give consumers, their families and other caregivers and professionals access to more effective, consumer-friendly, and robust decision support Internet tools to navigate long-term care information for planning and decision-making; provide standardized statewide professional screening, assessment and eligibility using XML data sharing protocols; and establish four Hennepin County (including Minneapolis) resource centers in easy to access locations to provide a full complement of personalized awareness and information, assistance and access functions. Minnesota plans to eventually replicate the resource center program throughout the state after the three-year project period. An evaluation consultant will be retained to work with project management and the advisory board to develop and implement an effective measure of the impact of the project on the quality of life of participant consumers.

Target Population:

End of Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types

Anticipated Outcomes: A resource center tailored to meet consumer's and professional's needs through tools connecting them to streamlined assess to long-term care services with a single, coordinated method of intake, assessment and eligibility, with quality monitored through a centralized data collection and evaluation; a decrease in consumer confusion and duplicative services and an increase in enhanced choice; and an improved ability by State and local governments to connect consumers to needed services and supports from publicly and privately funded services.

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SERVICES

Division of Aging & Community Services

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	375,079
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

New Jersey will establish two or three Aging & Disability Resource Centers at the county level to test the development and implementation of models that will integrate information and assistance, assessment, eligibility determination, and access processes and staff across programs. New Jersey will build on its extensive information, assistance and referral system (NJ EASE) to provide information and assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year through its toll-free number and a new interactive website. A new management information system that supports client tracking, needs assessment, care plans, and utilization will be linked to a computerized universal application for services.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

A special focus will be on hard-to-serve and underserved populations

Anticipated Outcomes: A visible, responsive, and trusted resource center, which will be the sole source for home and community-based services, connecting consumers to a full array of public and private supportive services to assist them in tailoring a care program that best meets their needs through a seamless process. The Resource Center will provide automated mechanisms for accurately tracking consumer utilization and service costs, which will aid in the development of needs assessments and care plan. It will also provide a comprehensive resource library to assist consumers with finding long-term care options and supports.

Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Policy and Program Development
One Ashburton Place, Room 517
Boston, MA 02108

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	352,500
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	399,976

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Massachusetts' Aging and Disability Resource Collaborative will be established in the Northeast Region of the state. In the first year, a uniform intake process was developed and utilized by a team of intake workers from community partners, who provided comprehensive and coordinated information, referral and case management. Community service partners were cross-trained to ensure timely and appropriate transfer of information and resources. In years two and three, the collaborative will expand to the rest of the Northeast region and will target hard-to-serve or underserved populations. Medicaid enrollment staff will be co-located at the resource center by year 3. A toll-free telephone number, interactive website of intake, referral and evaluation will provide the foundation for the collaborative's functions. The uniform screening and assessment tool and process developed under a Real Choice Systems Change grant will be launched through the collaborative.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with disabilities of all types

A special focus will be on hard-to-serve and underserved populations

Anticipated Outcomes: A visible, trusted and accessible entry point into long-term care for consumers, including those from diverse populations; increased community communication and collaboration in the delivery of home and community-based services; and coordinated provision of long-term care services through an integrated case management function.

RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	352,030
FY 2006	400,000

The Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA) proposes to create Elder and Adult Disabled Resource Centers that will provide services to the elderly and individuals with physical disabilities. DEA will develop a resource center in Cranston, Rhode Island, near Providence. A number of Older Americans Act, Medicaid and state funded programs will be co-located at the resource center site. Up to three satellite mini-centers will be established through an RFP process in additional locations throughout the state. Resource center infrastructure will include a toll-free line, a Web-based resource directory and benefits screening tool supported by a Real Choice Systems Change grant, and an integrated information management system. To facilitate systems coordination and collaboration, written agreements will be established with key partners. By Executive Order of the Governor, a long-term care Cabinet will be established to ensure a coordinated, consumer focused, cost effective system of long-term care. Rhode Island is in the process of consolidating services funded through state funds, Medicaid, and other federal programs into a new long-term care Support Program. The DEA project director for the Rhode Island Performance Outcomes Measurement Project will work with a contractor to conduct a project evaluation.

Target Population:

Years 1 - 3 - persons 60 and older and people with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Reduction in the level of consumer frustration and confusion and an increase in consumer satisfaction in Rhode Island's long-term support system, and a system that ensures eligible individuals receive more appropriate, less costly forms of support based on consumer preferences.

Project Period: 09/29/2003 - 09/29/2008

Department of Public Health & Human Services
PO Box 4210
Helena, MT 59604

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	328,663
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	400,000

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Montana will establish a One-Stop Aging/Disability Resource Center in Yellowstone County. The Center, operated by the Area Agency on Aging, will be open 362 days a year with four counselors who will assist consumers in determining their eligibility for long-term care services, benefits and employment counseling and will provide referrals to federal, state, local and private agencies. A web-based eligibility and application process and a management information system that tracks client intake, needs assessment, care plan, utilization and costs will provide the infrastructure for the Resource Center functions.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Informed, effective and empowered consumers who are members of Yellowstone County's continuum of care; a resource center as a place consumers recognize and utilize to resolve questions or problems and access a full array of long-term care services; and an effectively managed system that tracks long-term care services through client intake, needs assessments, care plans, utilization and costs.

MAINE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Office of Elder Services

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	360,586
FY 2006	399,940

Building on the state's current statewide pre-admission assessment program and the recommendations of the Maine Olmstead Workgroup for Community-based Living, the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services will: work with three community coalitions to test methods to streamline consumer access to long term supports; establish, within the current long-term support assessment process for adults of all ages, the means to improve person-centered service planning for the targeted populations; implement referral and follow-up protocols to improve service coordination and ensure more effective service access; evaluate resource center results to inform the process of merging the two state departments responsible for the organization and delivery of long term support services; and replicate the process statewide. Resource Center funds will be used to enhance existing automated Medicaid eligibility tools and to assess the feasibility of a web-based Medicaid application process to improve "real time" interface.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two and Three - adults with mental health and addiction disorders, brain injury, developmental disabilities, and cognitive impairments.

Anticipated Outcomes: A cohesive network of local and state resources at the community level, that communicates effectively to assist adults of all ages and incomes seeking long term support; enhanced management information systems and Medicaid level of care and financial application procedures to allow for more timely, user-friendly access; a revised pre-admission assessment tool to develop comprehensive service plans based on informed choice and consumer preference; and a coordination and linkage of protocols at the state and local level to support ongoing service coordination for target populations.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2764 Aging and Disability Resource Center Project

UNIVERSITY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Office of Sponsored Research
Service Building, 51 College Road
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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	376,000
FY 2006	399,261

Contact: Amy Schwartz (603)862-5099

The goal of the New Hampshire Resource Center project is to integrate the current information and assistance program with the State Assessment and Counseling program and the eligibility determination and care plan authorization processes for nursing facility and home and community-based waiver program. Resource Centers will establish a system of coordination with Medicaid financial eligibility determination. Four pilot Resource Centers will be developed initially to serve the elderly and all target populations of people with disabilities, with plans to establish resource centers statewide by the end of year three. The project advisory committee will guide the design and development of evaluation activities. A subcommittee of the advisory work group will guide consultants in selecting and implementing an automated information management system.

Target Population:
Years 1 - 3: Persons 60+ and people with disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Consumers and their caregivers aware of the Resource Centers as a trusted place to get easy access to comprehensive and current information on long term support options; uniform clinical eligibility assessments of nursing facility applicants who have applied for Medicaid benefits; and information, referral, counseling, and assessment services that are efficiently coordinated to eliminate duplication and burden on consumers.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2820 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	396,631
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Contact: Gloria Powell (501)683-0966

Arkansas will develop a Community Choice Resource Center that serves older people, as well as people with physical or developmental disabilities, in a 12-county region of the state. The Area Agency on Aging of Southwest Arkansas will establish a physical Center co-located with partner agencies in an existing community center; provide out-stationed counselors to serve the 12-county region; and develop and implement an Internet-based consumer assessment, referral, enrollment and reporting tool that will serve as the project management information system. Arkansas will develop a procedures manual on how to operate a Resource Center, to encourage replication of the model across the state.

Target Population: Year 1 - Persons 60 and older
Year 2 & 3 - Persons 60 + and individuals with physical or developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: The Community Choice Resource Center will: integrate programs; improve access; coordinate services; manage program information; and enhance choice.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2821 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

STATE OF IOWA

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
510 East 12th Street - Suite #2 200 10th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Mary Anderson (515)725-3301

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Iowa will establish a Resource Center that will be accessible to every community by toll-free telephone service, web site access or through service delivery professionals. The state will integrate its Internet-based management information system with that of the developmental disabilities system. It will also create an interactive consumer-oriented website to expand to support this "no wrong door" approach to accessing the long-term care system. Information and counseling services will be made available to private-pay individuals.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older
Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: empowered consumers who make informed choices about long-term care; streamlined access to long term supports; minimized consumer confusion; and limited use of unnecessary high-cost services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2822 Aging & Disability Resource Center

NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS DEPT OF COMM & CULTURAL AFFAIR

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Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2007	75,000

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center, where older people and people with disabilities in the island community can have access to clear and uniform information and counseling on all available long-term care services. The Center will also be a single point of entry to public short and long-term support programs and activities. It will reach out to underserved older people and people with disabilities in villages where people have limited access to information. CNMI will integrate access to long-term care programs and activities through co-location of personnel and an integrated database. Center staff will assist consumers in utilizing the Benefits Check-Up online tool to determine eligibility for public benefits.

Target Population: Year One - All populations
Year Two & Three - All populations

Anticipated Outcomes: simplified access to information and an eligibility screening process for a variety of long-term care supports and services in one location; educated consumers, professionals, and communities that know about the services, program resources, agencies and resource center; community-wide support for use of the resource center technology to provide clear, accurate and current information on available long-term care support; services that centralize screening of program applications to ensure clients are matched with appropriate programs that best meet their needs; and reduced waiting time for consumers who need screenings, program enrollments, and referrals.

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Contact: Emily Kaltenbach (505)476-4755

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,450
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	191,000

New Mexico will realize the vision of the Resource Center by establishing the core capacity of information and assistance services statewide and phasing in a seamless public interface through a community-based resource center. New Mexico will: develop a detailed provider database; strengthen the information and assistance capacity of 50 local sites across the state; and standardize the needs assessment process, standardize and coordinate the eligibility determination process, and phase-in comprehensive resource centers to serve older people and individuals with physical disabilities across the state. The Interagency Long-term Care Committee, in its capacity as project advisory committee, will set criteria for the selection of one or more resource center pilot sites. A consultant will be utilized to conduct a project evaluation based on project goals and objectives, and the advisory committee will use the results to make recommendations for operational and process modifications.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older
Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: A statewide information system, counseling and providing assistance with public and private long-term care services; creation of a resource center with improved public awareness, information availability and assistance, and access to long-term care services, case management and other related functions to promote personal choice, independence and cost-effective use of available services; and a system that enhances availability, assistance and access to long-term care services to promote personal choice and independence of older people and adults with physical disabilities and to support their caregivers.

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699

Contact: Heather Burkhardt (919)733-8400

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

The North Carolina Resource Center program will construct a locally integrated, visible network of resources to provide uniform information and access for consumers in one urban and one rural county. The North Carolina Division of Aging will develop a Resource Center incorporating a new statewide Information and Assistance infrastructure, expanded use of volunteer benefits counselors, a modified version of NCOA's Benefits CheckUp, and the piloting of a uniform intake/screening tool. The Division of Medical Assistance (DMA) will develop a Chronic Care Management Project in a regional hospital to complement the Resource Center by providing essential functions targeted to the most complex long-term care populations reliant on public support. The DMA will also pilot a simplified adult Medicaid mail-in application through the Resource Centers. The foundations for an integrated, computerized tracking management system to facilitate seamless access to services and to aid in planning, development and evaluation will be developed. Research Triangle Institute will do the evaluation .

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two and Three - A second target population will be selected by the local communities from the target groups of people with physical disabilities, mental illness, and/or MR/DD.

Anticipated Outcomes: an established Resource Center that is a visible and trusted source of assistance that conforms to standards necessary for statewide dissemination; disseminated information and assistance about long-term care needs that is relevant to seniors and younger persons with disabilities and their family caregivers; access to long-term care services with greater ease (less effort, less time) by seniors and younger persons with disabilities; access to long-term care supports that enable seniors and younger persons with disabilities to remain in the community as long as possible.

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

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Atlanta, GA 30303

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Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,999
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Georgia will implement Aging and Disability Resource Centers in one urban (decentralized model) and one rural (centralized model) service area, to serve the elderly and people with developmental disabilities. The Centers will build upon the existing AAA based single point of entry system known as the Gateway system, which includes assessment and financial eligibility determination functions. Resource Centers will implement protocols for consistency in providing information and assistance services, build local coalitions, develop training and marketing strategies, and expand the service and resource database to include services for people with developmental disabilities, with the long term goal of moving Georgia toward the vision of a seamless consumer one-stop shop for all target populations in need of long-term care options statewide. Other regions across the state will be provided with the tools to replicate a centralized or decentralized resource center model for aging consumers and people with developmental disabilities. Evaluation will focus on the outcomes listed below and will draw on the client satisfaction surveys developed through the AoA Performance Outcome Measurement Project.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two and Three - Individuals with developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: Resource Centers that are visible and trusted places where consumers get streamlined access to long-term care; a collaborative environment in which effective community coalitions between service networks occur; population specific protocols for information and assistance that will increase efficiency and effectiveness; an expanded resource database that includes resources for persons with developmental disabilities; and a staff cross-trained on issues and needs of the elderly and people with developmental disabilities.

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

Illinois Department on Aging
421 East Capitol Avenue, Suite 100
Springfield, IL 62701

Contact: Ross Grove (217)524-7627

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Illinois will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center in Rockford, to be administered by the Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, which will serve persons with developmental disabilities and older people. Illinois will establish a second Center in Decatur, to be administered by the East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging, which will serve people with physical disabilities, older people and family caregivers. The Resource Centers will provide long-term care options, counseling and comprehensive needs assessments through a person-centered planning approach. The Centers will expand caregiver support services to previously underserved populations, such as grandparents raising grandchildren. The Department of Disability & Human Development at the University of Illinois will evaluate the effectiveness of the Centers to determine feasibility of statewide expansion.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: an established Resource Center that maximizes the abilities of older people, persons with physical disabilities and persons with developmental disabilities to make informed choices and to meet their long term care needs; and a system of direct assistance to family caregivers who plan for the future needs of family members who have physical disabilities and/or developmental disabilities.

WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

1 West Wilson Street
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Madison, WI 53707

Contact: Anne Marie Ott (608)261-7809

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) will expand geographic coverage of their full-service Aging and Disability Resource Centers, develop capacity for all target groups to be served by resource centers, and develop infrastructure to support ultimate expansion to all parts of the state. Five local agencies will be selected through an RFP process to develop new full-service Resource Centers. DHFS will develop state-level infrastructure to support current and future development of a statewide system of full-service Resource Centers that serve elders and at least one other target population of individuals with disabilities.

Products: The state infrastructure will include: two toolkits, one to promote public awareness and one for long-term care options counseling; identification of information management system solutions; ability to provide technical assistance in adding new target populations; and technical assistance in identifying and accessing funding sources. Grant funds, together with state resources, will be used to identify and implement information management solutions capable of meeting the range of operational, administrative, and reporting needs of a Resource Center. DHFS will lead the project evaluation based on performance outcomes and indicators.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two and Three - At least one other target population of people with disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: a general public that is informed about the Resource Centers and using their services; and Resource Centers that are visible and trusted places which provide objective, reliable and comprehensive one-stop shop information, assistance and access to long-term care and other community services, and eliminate duplication of services and multiple points of entry for mental health services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2828 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

DISABILITY, AGING AND REHABILITATIVE SERVICES

402 West Washington St. MS-21
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Contact: Natalie Angel (317)332-7132

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	389,405
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	84,744
FY 2007	200,000

Indiana will phase in the establishment of six Aging and Disability Resource Centers to coordinate information, referral and programmatic/financial eligibility determinations for older people and individuals with physical disabilities. The management information systems from the aging network and physical disabilities network will be integrated and Internet-based to provide the foundation for statewide expansion of the Resource Centers. Local Resource Centers will develop and implement an information marketing strategy that targets providers and community resources, as well as consumers.

Target Population:

Year One - Persons 60 and older

Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: An expanded awareness of older people and individuals with physical disabilities to the full range of long-term care services available to them; streamlined access to long-term care services for both public and private pay individuals; and a management information system that will enable the state to promote a more balanced system of care that is based on consumer choice.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2829 Aging and Disability Resource Center Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - DEPARTMENT OF AGING

1300 National Drive, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95834-1992

Contact: Denise Crandall (916)419-7507

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,999
FY 2006	83,724
FY 2007	200,000

California will establish a Resource Center in Del Norte County and San Diego County, in partnership with the Area Agencies on Aging, to simplify access to long-term care services. The Resource Centers will identify systems improvements related to access, conduct public awareness activities, target outreach to underserved or hard-to reach populations, identify modifications to the Network of Care website, and partner with physicians who will link with social services. California will evaluate the effectiveness of the two Resource Centers based on geographic, cultural and socio-demographic differences.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older;

Year Two and Three - All populations (San Diego), Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities (Del Norte)

Anticipated Outcomes: the establishment of Resource Centers, which are non-stigmatizing public places, accessed for information and assistance by a diverse range of people, with both private pay and public pay individuals referred by physicians and other professionals. Resource Centers will have the ability to refer clients to needed medical care, as well as social supports.

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280

Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Contact: Sandi Smith (850)414-2000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,973
FY 2005	48,000
FY 2006	85,000
FY 2007	200,000

Florida will develop and implement Resource Centers in different service areas, offering information, counseling, referrals, assessment and eligibility functions for both publicly and privately funded services for the elderly and individuals with mental illness. To achieve this, Florida will co-locate information and referral, screening and assessment, access to crisis intervention, short-term case management, medical and financial eligibility determination, and long-term care counseling. Florida will establish a single administrative structure accessible through multiple locations (senior centers, AAAs, housing authorities, mental health centers etc.) in each of the resource center communities. The Department of Elderly Affairs, in conjunction with the Florida Office of Long-Term Care Policy, will develop and conduct the evaluation. The resource center program will benefit from an existing Florida project designed to merge existing program information management databases. The Florida legislature currently supports integrated long-term care.

Target Population:

Year One - persons aged 60 and older

Year Two and Three - individuals with mental illness

Anticipated Outcomes: visibility - demonstrated increase in the number of consumer requests; trust - eighty percent of respondents to a survey of ADRC customers express trust in Resource Center services; ease of access - ADRC customers express satisfaction with ease of accessing Resource Center services; responsiveness - ADRC customers express satisfaction with the responsiveness of Center services; efficiency and effectiveness - measured through: 1) a time study to determine savings as a result of Resource Centers, 2) customer interviews assessing value or services received, and 3) by establishing baseline data in year one for each Resource Center.

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 09/30/2008

ALASKA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION
PO Box 101020
Anchorage, AK 99510-1020

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	399,791
FY 2007	200,000

Contact: Jim McCall (907)330-8436

Alaska will establish five regional Resource Centers operated by the State Centers for Independent Living (SILC) to provide citizen-centered "one-stop shopping" entry to long term support services for seniors and people with disabilities statewide. Two regional Centers will be established in the first year and three will be established in year two. The Resource Centers will offer information and referral services, eligibility screening, assistance in gaining access to long term support services for private pay consumers, comprehensive assessment for those seeking publicly funded services, programmatic eligibility determination for long term support services, and access to the Division of Public Assistance for Medicaid financial eligibility determination. The SILC will work with the Division of Senior and Disability Services and the Senior Housing Office to develop a management information system that tracks consumer intake, needs assessment, care plans, utilization, and costs. Formative and summative evaluations will be conducted by the center for Human Development.

Target Population: Year One - Persons 60 and older and persons with disabilities of all types
Year Two and Three - Persons 60 and older and persons with disabilities of all types

Anticipated Outcomes: Resource Centers with streamlined access to long term support services; outreach to underserved populations; Centers effectively empowering individuals in need, or planning for long term supports, to make informed choices; an emphasis on supporting consumer-driven, home and community- based service options; and assistance with increasing the knowledge of health and long term support professionals and others providing services to the elderly and people with disabilities.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2919 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Department of Executive Offices
Commonwealth of PA, Ofc. of Health Care Reform
4th Floor - Forum Building
Harrisburg, PA 17120-0302

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	359,080
FY 2006	396,400

Contact: Elaine S Smith (717)346-9713

Pennsylvania will plan and operate four demonstration Resource Centers located in diverse areas of the state to assist all consumers and family members who need information, counseling, assessment and assistance in applying for long-term care services. In two of the Centers, personnel from all relevant service agencies will be co-located at the Centers. In the remaining two Centers, relevant agencies will be connected to each other and the co-located Centers via the Internet, to provide uniform delivery of information, assistance and access services. A single application for services will be developed, the eligibility process will be streamlined and a common assessment tool will be developed and utilized by all of the Centers. By the end of the project period, a plan will be established to expand the Resource Centers statewide, based on a comprehensive evaluation.

Target Population:

Year One - All populations

Year Two & Three - All populations

Anticipated Outcomes: Simplified and streamlined access to long-term care that ensures each individual's need for services is determined and addressed promptly; maximized consumer choice and service provisions in a consumer friendly manner, respecting and ensuring dignity of all served; and a more balanced system of long-term care, which includes more home and community-based services.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2993 Alabama Aging and Disability Resource Centers

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Avenue RSA Plaza, Suite 470
Montgomery , AL 36104

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Lori Frazier (334)353-8320

Alabama Aging and Disability One-Stop Centers will be accessible to every community through ElderConnect, allowing individuals to make informed choices through a single point of entry access to long-term care (LTC) support programs and services. Alabama's ADRC project, in conjunction with partnering agencies, will empower individuals to make informed decisions regarding LTC living support programs and services by offering information and access to an array of local resources at a single point of entry. The Alabama Department of Senior Services will be responsible for oversight and coordination, and will: 1) establish two ADRCs - Pilot I will be housed in the South Central Alabama Development Commission AAA comprised of six counties. Pilot II will be housed in the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission AAA comprised of ten counties; 2) create standardization of a state-wide screening and eligibility tool for LTC; 3) expand the existing management information system, Elder Connect, to capture and disseminate pertinent information on services for the elderly and mentally disabled that fully supports the functions of the ADRC grant; 4) advance outreach; and 5) establish state and local advisory boards.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals aged 60+
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and persons with mental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes: 1) Alabamians will have easy access to information regarding LTC and will enjoy the freedom to choose the services that best fit their needs; 2) reduction in multiple transfers of persons to and between agencies, by streamlining access and eligibility process, thereby raising client satisfaction, and providing better management of private/public resources; and 3) increased awareness of ADRC services through several aggressive outreach strategies

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2994 Arizona Aging & Disability Resource Center

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Aging & Adult Administration
1717 W. Jefferson PO Box 6132
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Robin Jordan (602)542-4446

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, in partnership with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, will implement the Arizona Aging and Disability Resource Center (AzADRC). This ADRC will create a single, coordinated system of information, assistance, and access for all persons seeking long-term care services. A web-based tool, the Uniform Assessment Instrument (UAI), will be used for eligibility determination across all target populations and across all agency services to streamline services for consumers. Additionally, established community sites will provide counseling services and assistance with long-term care options. This grantee's target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical and developmental disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include an increase in public knowledge of AzADRC locations, functions, website and contact information, and the completion of a UAI that meets the needs of all provider agencies.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2995 Colorado State Unit on Aging Application for the Aging and Disability Resource Center

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
1575 Sherman Street, 10th Floor
Denver, CO 80203

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Jeanette Hensley (303)866-2636

Colorado's State Unit on Aging, with the assistance of the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, the Senior Health Insurance Program, Area Agencies on Aging, the Single Entry Point Agencies (SEP), and the 211 Network will collaborate to create one urban and one rural Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot site. The ADRC will be implemented by developing an online interactive database of resources and a sustainable statewide information and assistance network with a "no wrong door" approach for consumer questions regarding long-term care services. The ADRC's target populations are persons 60 and older and adults living with disabilities.

District of Columbia, Department of Health (DOH)
Medical Assistance Administration (MAA)
825 North Capitol Street, N.E., Suite 5135
Washington, DC, DC 20002

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	367,947

Contact: Jeff Anderson (202)442-5972

The District of Columbia's Department of Health proposes to expand its current Resource Center to continue the process of systems change for citizens seeking long-term care options. The goal of the proposed project is to expand public awareness of the Center and its services. The proposed approach will boost the visibility of the new Resource Center, further develop and enhance its website, plan for sustainability, and address identified housing issues of people with long-term care needs. The project involves four objectives: 1) to expand public awareness and market the Resource Center by hiring an outreach coordinator; 2) to streamline access to long-term care by upgrading the planned beta website to make it interactive, with future online application capacity; 3) to initiate a sustainability plan by obtaining consultation regarding a fee schedule for private payers for those above Medicaid eligibility, and 4) to address long-term care choices by conducting a strategic analysis of the housing needs of the target population, with recommendations for change.

Target Population:

- Year One - Individuals age 60+ and adults with physical disabilities
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and individuals with physical disabilities, dementia, developmental disabilities/mental retardation

Anticipated Outcomes:

- increased collaboration among aging and disability organizations
- a three year marketing and public awareness plan
- an increase in requests for information and referral
- an increase in the number of persons enrolled in home and community-based services
- an analysis of the housing resources and unmet needs will be completed

GUAM DEPARTMENT OF INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR
Individuals With Disabilities

Office of the Director Pacific News Building Suite 702
Hagatna, GU 96910

Contact: Rosanne S Ada (671)642-0038

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,599

The Department of Integrated Services for Individuals with Disabilities is the lead agency for the ADRC and has established a partnership with Guam's Developmental Disabilities Council. The goal of the project is to create a highly visible "Community Choice" Resource Center to serve the aging and physically or developmentally disabled in 26 villages. The proposed Community Choice Resource Center Network will build on Guam's 20 Community/Senior Centers and will enable rural consumers to easily find, access, and enroll in home and community-based services. The objectives of this project are: 1) to create Guam's first publicly accessible, online directory of long-term care services and information; 2) to establish 20 physical Resource Centers co-located within the island's Community/Senior Centers; 3) to hire and train out-stationed counselors in outlying areas; and 4) to implement an Internet-based information, referral, screening and assistance tool that will serve as a screening tool and client management information system for the project. The tool will enable Resource Center staff to manage and coordinate services across the territory and provide data to identify service needs and gaps in order to develop an effective community long-term care service system and a meaningful alternative to institutional care. The Community Choice Resource Center Network will serve as the primary entry point to the long-term care system.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals aged 60+
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Improved access to services for seniors and individuals with disabilities,
- Enhanced consumer choice
- Increased coordination of services across agencies
- A reduction in the number of individuals placed in off-island institutions

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2998 Hawaii Aging and Disability Resource Center

EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING
State of Hawaii Department of Health
250 S. Hotel Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Pat Sasaki (808)586-0100

Hawaii's State Executive Office on Aging, in partnership with the Hawaii County Office of Aging and the City and County of Honolulu Elderly Affairs Division, will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) on the Island of Hawaii and on Oahu. The overall design is to build the ADRC from the core functions of the local Area Agencies on Aging. In collaboration with other aging and disability agencies, the ADRC will co-locate services in a centralized facility that will offer a one-stop shop for information and resources on long-term care. The Centers' target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant are a high user satisfaction, and a reduction in the intake and referral process.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM2999 Community-based Aging and Disability Resource Center

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Michele I Turbert (208)364-1946

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare will be the lead agency in developing an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) that will service three communities. Idaho's 211 CareLine service will function as the single point of entry to long-term care services. Benefits counseling, eligibility screening and determination, and assistance with accessing private and public long-term care funds are some of the services this ADRC will provide to improve the coordination of service delivery between local and state agencies. Target populations this grantee will service are persons 60 and older, and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include the increased use of programs and benefits that can help consumers remain in the community, and an increase in public awareness of both private and public long-term care support options.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM3000 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING
503 S. Kansas Avenue
Topeka, KS 66603

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Janis DeBoer

The Governor of Kansas selected the Department of Aging to serve as the lead agency to develop an ADRC. Center pilots will provide a variety of highly visible, easy to access services from a coordinated system of services, which will improve access to Medicaid and state funded programs. The target populations this grantee will serve are persons 60 and older and adults who have serious mental illnesses. The anticipated outcomes of this project include a 20% decrease in time between applying for and receiving benefits, a 10% increase in referrals to Community Mental Health Centers, and a 25% decrease in time to get screenings referred to CMHCs.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM3001 Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

KENTUCKY CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
Aging Services
275 E. Main Street, Mail Stop 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40621

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Phyllis E Culp (502)564-6930

Kentucky will establish an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot at the Northern Kentucky Area Agency on Aging. This site will service both rural and urban consumers and will establish a collaborative relationship with the local independent living centers, the faith based community, United Way and mental health and mental retardation providers. The Resource Center will provide consumers with web-based information and referral resources and collaborate with the Real Choice Systems Change grantee to provide a seamless system for clients to access both private and public long-term care sources of support. The supportive services this ADRC will provide include housing, employment, and eligibility and determination assessments. The target populations the ADRC will serve are persons 60 and over and adults with mental retardation.

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Michigan Department of Community Health
320 Walnut Street - PO Box 30479
Lansing, MI 48913

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Jane Church (517)335-0276

Project's Overall Design: The Michigan Office of Long-Term Care Supports and Services, the state unit on aging and the state Medicaid agency, will create a network of aging and disability resource centers (ADRC) to establish comprehensive resources of long-term care and provide information and assistance in accessing services, planning for long-term care financing and delivery, benefits outreach and proactive choice counseling. ADRCs will serve as the single point of entry (SPE) for elderly and physically disabled adults to Michigan's Medicaid-funded long-term care system. The ADRC will conduct medical and facilitate financial eligibility determination for Medicaid-funded supports and services provided in nursing facilities and the MI Choice waiver. Use of the ADRC/SPE will be mandatory for individuals seeking access to Medicaid-funded nursing facility programs. Objectives include: 1) offering consumers more options; 2) establishing quicker access to services through streamlined eligibility and assessment; 3) reducing unnecessary institutionalization through diversion and transition; and 4) integrating consumers' voice into organizational governance.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals aged 60+
- Year Two & Three - 60 + and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Print and web-based directory of long-term care resources
- Creation of modular assessment tool to be used across programs/systems/settings
- Financial eligibility determination meets federal standard of promptness requirements
- Fragmented intake processes integrated into a single coordinated process
- Decreased numbers of individuals who are being served in institutions, as a result of transition services
- More collaboration and involvement of local organizations in the long-term care supports system
- ADRC has materials available in multiple languages

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM3003 Aging and Disability Resource Center

Mississippi Department of Human Services
Division of Aging
750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39212

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Patricia Kelly (601)359-4925

The Mississippi Department of Human Services' Division of Aging and Adult Services, in collaboration with the Governor's Medicaid Division and the Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, will create an Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) with a single point of entry for culturally competent, coordinated services where consumers can get information and advice about a wide range of long-term care resources. Information concerning health care, income security, housing, and financial management will also be provided via a streamlined, easy to access one-stop pilot in Central Mississippi, which will service seven rural and urban counties with diverse consumer populations. This ADRC's target populations are persons 60 and older and adults with disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this grant include a sustainable coordinated system of information and access for all persons seeking long-term support; higher customer satisfaction; an increase in the elderly and disabled living in their own homes; and an increase in early planning for long-term care.

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM3004 Nevada Long-Term Care Connection

State of Nevada
Health and Human Services
3100 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 103
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	438,375

Contact: Tina Gerber-Winn (702)486-3520

Nevada's Division for Aging Services plans to develop three physical Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) sites in Las Vegas, Reno and Elko. The physical location of the Las Vegas pilot will be housed with the Medicaid caseworkers under the Division's Community-based Care Program and co-located with the State Health Insurance Programs Director. In addition to providing information and referral on long-term care services and targeting Hispanic seniors and caregivers, this ADRC will also provide information about transportation and housing, and will collaborate with the state Medicaid office to provide streamlined access to public benefit programs. The grantee's target populations are persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities. The anticipated outcomes of this project are an increase in customer satisfaction of the long-term care system and enhanced individual choice and informed decision-making.

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,601

Contact: Sharon Evanich (614)466-7246

The Ohio Department of Aging, endorsed by Governor Bob Taft and Ohio's Medicaid agency, will develop a structure for ADRCs in Ohio and pilot the creation of ADRCs in the Cleveland area. The objectives of this project are: 1) to create multiple avenues by which consumers and their caregivers can access the ADRC network; 2) to build linkages between local and regional entities to create a seamless process for consumers; 3) to publicize and promote the existence of the ADRC; 4) to create a common set of ADRC standards, protocols and procedures that can be used to replicate ADRCs throughout Ohio; 5) to evaluate the ADRC pilot and incorporate formative learning into the expansion of the ADRC network; and 6) to establish a functioning ADRC, serving elders and younger Ohioans with physical disabilities in Cuyahoga County beginning with the second year of the grant, and functioning ADRCs in the surrounding four counties at the beginning of the third year. Anticipated products include software that integrates critical ADRC functions and provides a core set of information on service providers; a media campaign to publicize the existence of the ADRC; a common set of standards, procedures and protocols for ADRCs to follow; and a formal program evaluation of ADRC effectiveness.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals aged 60+
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Consumers and their caregivers will experience a seamless process in accessing information and services on both long-term services and supports and related services, such as housing, transportation, and employment.
- Consumers will be able to access the ADRC in person, via phone, and over the Internet.
- Financial and functional eligibility determination processes will be integrated.

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability
500 Deaderick Street, Suite 825
Nashville, TN 37243-0860

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Belinda Bruns (615)741-2056

The goal of the initiative is to develop models of "one-stop," single entry, highly visible Resource Centers in two areas of the state, which will reach out to the public to foster understanding and use of all forms of long-term support. The public will have easy access by phone, Internet, and visitation, to information, counseling and assistance, and linkages to a full range of long-term services. Consumers and caregivers will get counseling regarding long-term care and health needs, and options that support them in making informed decisions, regardless of payment source. The First Tennessee Area Agency on Aging and Disability (AAAD) and the Greater Nashville AAAD will set up the Resource Centers within their service areas. The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability (TCAD), with other state and local agencies, will work to streamline and simplify intake and eligibility processes; eliminate duplicate information gathering; enhance exchange of data between the systems, and select the best technology and location of staff to bring appropriate services to the consumer, efficiently and effectively. TCAD and the AAAs will collaborate with consumer and advisory groups, key referral sources, support systems, providers of services in their areas, and other state agencies, to make the Resource Center a true one-stop approach for the consumer.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals aged 60 and older
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Consumers, providers and concerned citizens will know the Center as the place to contact for long term support information and assistance.
- Consumers refer others based on their own good experience at the Center.
- Consumers receive the help they need, conveniently and effectively.
- Consumer's self-identified needs are recognized and addressed.

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Access and Intake
701 W. 51st Street
Austin, TX 78751-2312

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,599

Contact: Jeffery Seider (512)438-4245

The Texas Aging and Disability Resource Center will be strategically placed in three pilot areas to provide consumers with information, referral and counseling, case management, and eligibility determination for public and private pay individuals with long-term care needs. Products from these pilots will include intake and assessment tools, outreach, training and resource materials, reports, surveys and project evaluations. Streamlining efforts will include shared intake, assessment and referral protocols with other agencies, and coordinated efforts with State Health Information and Assistance Programs and the state Medicaid agency.

Target Population:

- Year One - Persons 60 and older
- Year Two & Three - Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disability, mental retardation and developmental disability

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Individuals who are older and individuals with a disability, including cognitive disabilities, in the targeted communities will have an identifiable single point of entry to long-term care supports
- An increase in the percentage of individuals served through the Aging and Disability Resource Centers, who will report an improvement in their ability to access long-term care supports

Vermont Department of Disabilities, Aging &
Independent Living
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-2301

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Contact: Camille F George (802)241-2427

The Vermont Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living [DAIL] proposes to develop a system of ADRCs to provide seamless access to long-term care information, referral and assistance for older Vermonters, younger adults with physical and developmental disabilities or traumatic brain injury by improving and expanding the functions performed by the Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). DAIL is the lead agency for long-term care services for the target populations and is part of the Agency of Human Services, Vermont's single state Medicaid agency. Project goals include: 1) improving the information, referral and assistance system for older Vermonters; (2) planning two pilot ADRCs serving additional populations; (3) designing a streamlined eligibility process for Medicaid and Medicaid long-term care; and (4) designing a seamless link between the ADRCs and Medicaid eligibility determinations.

Target Population:

- Year One - Individuals age 60+
- Year Two - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities and traumatic brain injury (TBI)
- Three - 60+, adults with physical disabilities, TBI and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Informed choice about long-term care options for elders and younger adults with disabilities
- Streamlined access to long-term care eligibility for elders and younger adults with disabilities
- Easier access to home and community-based services
- A sustainable ADRC model that can be expanded statewide

Program: Aging and Disability Resource Center
90AM3009 Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Initiative

Commonwealth of Virginia
Department for the Aging
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	442,274

Contact: William Peterson (804)662-9325

Virginia will implement a "no wrong door" approach to long-term support through the creation of decentralized Resource Centers, piloted in nine regions, to improve client and community level outcomes for older adults, adults 18 and over with physical disabilities, and family caregivers. The Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA), the state Medicaid agency (DMAS), the Virginia Department of Social Services (DSS), and the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services (DRS) will partner on the ADRC initiative. The ADRC project unites all of the public sector components of Virginia's long-term support system in partnership with the private sector, including SeniorNavigator Information and Referral, Dominion Virginia Power (Dominion), RTZ Associates, nine local Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and many local private service providers. SeniorNavigator, a statewide private sector partner, will help each region coordinate its information and referral function by maintaining and expanding its online database and by implementing and supporting a web-based information system. Each region will demonstrate a public-private partnership model incorporating Virginia's Uniform Assessment Instrument, SeniorNavigator's online database, GetCare (RTZ Associates' web-based care management system), and local multi-disciplinary coalitions of public-private service providers. The second and third years of the project will bring six additional regions into the statewide system being proposed under this grant.

Target Population:

- Year One - individuals age 60+
- Year Two & Three - 60+ and adults with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Older adults, adults with disabilities, and family caregivers will know where to turn for long-term support information, assistance, and services.

WA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES

Aging and Disability Services

PO Box 45600

Olympia, WA 98504-5600

Contact: Meg Evans (360)725-2418

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,600

Through the successful establishment of one Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) pilot site, Washington state will expand the capabilities of the aging information, referral and assistance system to serve persons of all ages, disabilities, and financial circumstances and to connect them seamlessly to home and community-based services. The objectives of this project include developing a model ADRC and providing seamless coordination between the pilot ADRC and specialized entry points that require financial eligibility determination, needs assessment and/or individualized service authorization.

Target Population:

- Baseline - individuals age 60+
- Year One - adults with functional disabilities
- Year Two - adults with functional disabilities and people of all ages with developmental disabilities
- Year Three - people of all ages with functional disabilities and developmental disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- A statewide "virtual" Resource Center combining an information and referral resource database and client management software, coordinated with Medicaid eligibility determination, Benefits CheckUp technology, the 211 call center, and incorporated into the Comprehensive Assessment Reporting and Evaluation (CARE) Tool
- Compelling policy direction to continue ADRC program development statewide

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING
Wyoming Institute for Disabilities
Department 4298 - 1000 E. University Avenue
Laramie, WY 82071

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	467,601

Contact: Sandy Root-Elledge (307)766-2762

The Wyoming Institute for Disabilities (WIND) will develop a one-stop Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) in Wyoming that will assist individuals, their family members, or those planning for long-term care. WIND will partner with Wyoming Independent Living & Rehabilitation (WILR), an established center for independent living with an extensive history of working with the target population of older adults (50+) and adults (21+) with physical and developmental disabilities, to develop an ADRC in Casper with a satellite office in rural Glenrock. Connect Wyoming will become the statewide web-based database for long-term care information and referrals. WIND will administer the grant, and develop marketing, evaluation, and management information systems. WILR will be contracted to plan, implement and operate the Casper and Glenrock ADRCs work with a local task force of stakeholders; train staff; and develop the one-stop concept. Wyoming ADRC goals include: improving access to long-term support services; increasing consumer choice; and transforming information technology.

Target Population:

- Year One - Individuals age 50+
- Year Two - 50+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities
- Year Three - 50+ and adults with physical and developmental disabilities and serious mental illness

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Continuing increase in the number of individuals who access the services of the one-stop center over the grant period
- Decrease in unnecessary institutionalizations
- Increase in the use of home and community-based care services
- Increase in number of Medicaid beneficiaries who choose self-directed service
- Delay in long-term institutional care or a reduction in acute care episodes

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM2887 Culturally Competent Case Management for Non-English Seniors.

Jewish Family and Children's Service

Senior Services

31 New Chardon St.

Boston, MA 02114

Contact: Rimma Zelfand (617)614-1939

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 03/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	49,683

Jewish Family and Children's Services will conduct a 12-month demonstration project that provides culturally competent case management and language access services for Russian-speaking seniors enrolled in a new managed care program serving dual eligible seniors in Eastern Massachusetts. The goal of the project is to develop a cost-effective case management model that addresses the clinical, financial, and logistical challenges associated with serving non-English speaking seniors in a managed care environment. The project will target low-income, Medicaid-eligible immigrants from the former Soviet Union, with limited English proficiency (LEP). The primary product will be a field-tested business plan for AAAs and Community Agency Service Providers (CASPs) seeking to contract with managed care entities to provide combined case management and language access services for seniors with limited English proficiency.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM2891 Partnership for Fall Prevention

Erie County Department of Senior Services

95 Franklin Street

Buffalo, NY 14202

Contact: Judy Casassa (716)858-6922

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 12/31/2005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	33,165

This project represents a partnership between the Erie County AAA and the Independent Health Association (an Individual Practice Association-Health Maintenance Organization or "IPA/HMO") to reduce falls and fractures among the high risk elderly population. The goals of the project are: to demonstrate the effectiveness of combining health care and social model interventions, and to reduce the risk of falls and fractures among 200 older adults over a one-year period. Independent Health has identified 1,325 persons at high risk for incurring fractures. Senior Services will identify its current clients among that group and begin a falls prevention intervention. The primary outcome for this project is a reduction in the risk of falls. A secondary outcome is the potential cost savings to managed care organizations through reduction of high cost ER and inpatient hospital stays.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3041 Care Consultation Results in More Effective Utilization and Patient/Caregiver Psychosocial

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

BENJAMIN ROSE INSTITUTE
850 Euclid Avenue, Suite 1100
Cleveland, OH 44114-3301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	74,935
FY 2006	75,000

Contact: Sharen K Eckert (216)791-8000

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, a partnership was developed among the Benjamin Rose Institute, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the MetroHealth Medical System, and the Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging to establish an intervention linking managed health care services and community-based services. Year 2 funding allowed the partners to expand a "care consultation" intervention, which involves telephone-based coaching and coordinating to empower seniors and their families to find and use community services, to include an additional 153 MetroHealth patients who are also members of Anthem Senior Advantage. The intervention was expanded to include participants from diverse backgrounds with various chronic health conditions. A randomized control design will be used to test the overall efficacy and sustainability of care consultation, as well as the feasibility of partnerships among the three participating service providers. The target population for the care consultation intervention includes Anthem Senior Advantage participants with diagnosed depression, dementia, or two or more major chronic conditions whose primary care physician is at MetroHealth Medical Center. Because MetroHealth serves a culturally and economically diverse population, it is expected that the intervention population will reflect this diversity. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) decreased hospital admissions, emergency department visits, and visits to specialty physicians among intervention participants; 2) increased use of and satisfaction with community services by program participants and their caregivers; 3) improved health outcomes and quality of life among participants and their caregivers; and 4) an assessment of effectiveness of intervention and partnerships among service provider organizations.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3042 Managed Care Initiative - Access to Benefits for Chinese-Speaking Elderly

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

Chinese American Service League, Inc.
Elderly Services Department
2141 South Tan Court
Chicago, IL 60616

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	52,780

Contact: Sueylee Chang (312)791-0418

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, the Chinese American Service League partnered with Humana to increase access to Medicare managed care benefits among ethnic Chinese elderly. The Managed Care Initiative later expanded to include health education and fitness components. The target population is Chinese-speaking elderly who currently belong to a Medicare managed care plan. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) development and implementation of a fitness program and health education workshop for Chinese-speaking elderly; 2) participation by 75% of current managed care plan members in quarterly workshops and/or the fitness program; 3) a financially self-sustaining fitness program; and 4) strengthened relationships between partner organizations.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3043 Falls Prevention and Chronic Disease Management: From Evidence to Action

Kenosha County Department of Human Services

Division of Aging

8600 Sheridan Road, Suite 500

Kenosha, WI 53143-6514

Contact: LaVerne Jaros (262)605-6612

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	45,000

Kenosha County will hire consultants to define rate-based services for inclusion of two evidence-based prevention programs, the Multi-Factorial Falls Intervention and the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, in the benefit packages of Wisconsin Medicare and Medicaid managed care programs. A variety of Medicare and Medicaid payers/providers will be approached to partner in providing these interventions to their members as covered benefits. The intervention will target older adults at risk for falls or with chronic diseases served by a variety of community-based organizations in Kenosha County. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) definitions and rates established for the Multi-Factorial Falls Intervention and Healthy Living (CDSMP) class; 2) agreements initiated with at least two organizations for reimbursement and promotion of their members participation in the evidence-based interventions; 3) enrollment of at least 20 older people in each of the proposed interventions (40 total); and 4) improved health outcomes among program participants.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3044 Pasco-Pinellas Long-Term Care Partnership

Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services, Inc.

14041 Icot Boulevard

Clearwater, FL 33760

Contact: Michael A Bernstein (727)538-7150

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	51,714

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. FY2005 funding was used to continue to help the aging services network develop the organizational structure and tools needed to assume or share risk in a capitated managed care system and to partner with a for profit HMO or managed care organization. Specifically, Gulf Coast Jewish Family Services, CARES, the Suncoast Center, and the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas will determine an organizational structure for and develop a corporate entity that could partner with a managed care organization or become its own MCO to provide integrated long-term care services for elders. Project activities target three state-funded community-based agencies and the local Area Agency on Aging. Ultimately, the project is meant to benefit the Medicaid-eligible low income and minority elders that these agencies serve. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) creation of a corporate entity that will partner with an MCO or become an MCO; 2) risk-sharing partnership with an MCO or HMO for integrated long-term care services for elders; 3) assessment of how services to the severely mentally ill may fit into managed care.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3045 San Mateo County Aging and Adult Services Integrated Information

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

SAN MATEO COUNTY

225 37th Avenue

San Mateo, CA 94403

Contact: Heather M Ledesma (650)573-2236

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	60,000

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, San Mateo County Aging and Adult Services established the Integrated Information Project, a component of the effort to achieve a fully capitated Medicare/Medicaid long-term care system. The Integrated Information Project involves implementation of a uniform assessment tool using a single automated case management system for all members of the target population entering home and community-based long-term care services in the county. FY2005 funding was used to continue implementation and testing of the uniform assessment tool. The target population includes clients of the San Mateo County Aging and Adult Services. The population of San Mateo County is ethnically and culturally diverse, with a high proportion of Hispanic and Asian residents. Anticipated outcomes: 1) 20% reduction in worker hours needed to complete client assessment; 2) 100% of clients assessed on entry into system, regardless of eligibility; 3) improved quality of assessment across all case management programs; and 4) reduction in time between referral and assessment and reduction in early admission to skilled nursing facilities for Aging and Adult Services clients.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3046 Integration of Medicare Managed Care and CBLTC (Community Based Long-Term Care)

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

Area Agency on Aging 10B, Inc.

1550 Corporate Woods Parkway PASSPORT Division

Uniontown, OH 44685

Contact: Phyllis M Yoders (800)421-7277

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	75,000

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, AAA 10B partnered with SummaCare to develop and implement a High Risk Screening Tool and Risk Score Calculation Model to identify dual-eligible clients at high risk for permanent nursing home placement. FY2005 funding was used to measure the predictive power and accuracy of the High Risk Screening Tool, implement the risk-based protocols and a high risk care model integrating both organizations' previously separate care plans via a web-based system, and develop a geriatrician led interdisciplinary care management team. The target population for this intervention includes PASSPORT consumers in a 4 county region in Northeast Ohio. Individuals eligible for PASSPORT include low-income (Medicaid eligible), and frail (Medicaid nursing home eligible) older adults over the age of 60 who need assistance with at least 2 activities of daily living and 3 instrumental activities of daily living. About 86% of the AAA 10B PASSPORT enrollees are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) reduced PASSPORT program discharge due to permanent nursing home placement; 2) increased length of stay in the PASSPORT Home Care Program for those identified as "at risk" and "high risk;" and 3) a Community-Based Long-Term Care and Medicare MCO integrated care and service delivery model.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3047 Health Enhancement Program

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

SENIOR SERVICES OF SEATTLE/KING COUNTY

2208 Second Avenue

Seattle, WA 98136

Contact: Susan Snyder (206)727-6927

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	70,000

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, Senior Services of Seattle/King County partnered with the Group Health Cooperative (GHC) Burien and Northgate Medical Centers to offer the health centers' senior population the Health Enhancement Program. FY2005 funding was used to expand the services offered to include a health and wellness package of community services to be offered at 4 senior centers. Ultimately, the partners would determine a prepaid cost per individual for access to a set of agreed upon services within the health and wellness package. The project targets older adults served by the GHC Burien and Northgate Medical Centers. This client population includes a large proportion of lower-income, ethnically diverse older adults. Anticipated outcomes: 1) a social services model with a competitive capitation rate for health and wellness services; 2) increase in client referrals from Group Health; and 3) increased enrollment and graduation rates of GHC members in health and wellness programs offered at senior centers.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3048 Access Atlanta

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2007

Atlanta Regional Commission

40 Courtland St., NE

Atlanta, GA 30303

Contact: Cathie Berger (404)463-3235

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	43,103

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, the Atlanta Regional Commission established a partnership with Evercare Assist Managed Care Programs, the Visiting Nurse Health Systems, and Project Open Hand/Atlanta to provide integrated case management to persons with End Stage Renal Disease. With FY2005 funding, the partners expanded the project to provide integrated case management to older patients with chronic illnesses. The project will focus largely on home monitoring of patients, communication between partners for status updates and referrals, and promotion of chronic disease self-management. The project will target all shared patients (those enrolled in Evercare managed care and receiving services through the aging services network) with one or more chronic conditions in DeKalb and Fulton Counties. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) integrated case management services provided to 60 patients; 2) records maintained on the number of interactions between Evercare and the long-term care system to assess effectiveness of communication; 3) number of hospitalizations tracked and classified as "avoidable," "unavoidable, but potentially preventable," or "appropriate;" and 3) increased referral of long-term care services by Evercare medical staff.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3049 Provide "Be Well" Fitness and Nutrition Classes to Seniors with Chronic Diseases

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

CITY OF INGLEWOOD
One Manchester Boulevard
Inglewood, CA 90301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	49,720

Contact: Skip Halloran (310)412-4381

The proposed project is a Program Enhancement of a project funded by a FY2004 AoA Integrated Care Management grant. Under year 1 funding, the City of Inglewood partnered with Kaiser Permanente to provide the "Be Well" fitness and nutrition program to seniors. FY2005 funding was used to formalize the partnership and provide the "Be Well" program to 50 seniors. The project will target elderly people in Inglewood and Lennox in Los Angeles County, CA. African American and Latino seniors are likely to make up a large proportion of participants. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) a model created for sustaining a nutrition and fitness program for seniors through collaboration with a managed care organization; 2) a formal relationship established between City of Inglewood and Kaiser Permanente; and 3) improved health outcomes for program participants.

Program: Aging Services Network Integrated Care Management Grants Program

90AM3050 Healthcare Partners-Alzheimer's Association Dementia Care Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2007

Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders Association of
Los Angeles
5900 Wilshire Blvd, Suite 1100
Los Angeles, CA 90036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	77,748

Contact: Debra Cherry (323)938-3379

The Alzheimer's Association will partner with HealthCare Partners Medical Group, a mixed staff/PPO model Medicare managed care organization, to create an evaluation-based intervention to reduce expenses while improving quality of care given to people with dementia and their caregivers. The project will replicate and adapt an evidence-based model of care outlined in a replication manual the Alzheimer's Association produced in partnership with Kaiser Permanente under a FY2004 Integrated Care Management grant. The Association requested funding for the first year of what is meant to be a self-sustaining 3-year project. During year 1, the partners developed a plan and materials for implementing a care management intervention for people with dementia being served in a managed care organization, and their caregivers. The target population includes older adults with a diagnosis of dementing disease who are HealthCare Partners members and involved, non-paid caregiver. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) development of a provider education curriculum on evidence-based guidelines for dementia diagnosis, treatment, and management; 2) development of a care management protocol for use by care managers at HealthCare Partners; and 3) development of educational materials and programs for people with dementia and their caregivers who are served in a managed care organization.

Program: Alzheimer's National Call Center
90AZ2766 National Alzheimer's Call Center

ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DISORDERS
ASSOCIATION, INC.

225 N. Michigan Avenue, 17th Floor
Chicago, IL 60601

Contact: Catherine Sewell (312)335-5191

Project Period: 08/01/2003 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	993,500
FY 2004	1,001,177
FY 2005	979,104
FY 2006	977,130
FY 2007	963,500

The Alzheimer's Association will enter a cooperative agreement with the Administration on Aging to operate an Alzheimer's National Call Center for individuals with Alzheimer's disease and their families, delivering personalized, timely information, care consultation, crisis intervention, and referral to local services, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. A single 1-800 line, web site, and e-mail address will link callers seamlessly to information experts and care consultants in local Association chapters nationwide, with default to the national Center when local responders are unavailable. All national and local Center personnel will receive uniform training and retraining and utilize a common computer-based repository of information, care protocols, and materials. The Center's goal is to improve the quality of life of persons with Alzheimer's and their caregivers. Callers will have an increased understanding of and ability to deal with Alzheimer's and success in finding local services. Center performance will exceed industry standards. The Center will expand its reach to consumers, particularly in minority and limited English-speaking populations.

Program: Alzheimers Disease Social Research Project
90AZ2791 Alzheimer's Disease Social Research Project

AGING IN NEW YORK FUND, INC.

2 Lafayette Street
New York, NY 10007

Contact: Ali Hodin Baier (212)442-1375

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	2,943,530
FY 2005	2,937,312
FY 2006	2,931,390

The Aging in New York Fund (ANYF), in collaboration with the New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA) and its partners at Zachary and Elizabeth M. Fisher Center for Alzheimer's Research Foundation (FCARF), New York University (NYU), and Rockefeller University (RU), will work to address the complex needs of New York City's diverse Alzheimer's community through education, technology, and research. These partnerships will address the needs of both patients and families via a variety of approaches, advancing research and service provision. The objectives and approach are: 1) to educate the multicultural community on Alzheimer's disease (AD), caregiving, and related long-term care issues (ANYF/DFTA); 2) to develop and strengthen AD knowledge in the aging workforce (ANYF/DFTA); 3) to measure the effectiveness of professional trainings through research and knowledge tests (ANYF/DFTA); 4) to conduct a national marketing and outreach campaign for the alzinfo.org website (FCARF); 5) to develop AD awareness programs for MDs and the general public (FCARF); 6) to explore the efficacy of individualized comprehensive, patient-centered care (NYU); and 7) to continue laboratory research to develop more effective treatment methods targeting agitation in AD (RU). Expected outcomes are: increased awareness in the multicultural community on AD, caregiving, and related long-term care issues; growth in an AD educated aging workforce and community; increased access to information through technology and consumer and physician education; evidence of the efficacy of non-pharmacologic therapies to improve patient care; and advanced understanding of the brain's function and responses. Products from this project will include: reports; analyses of dementia workforce development and non-pharmacologic research; multilingual AD materials; articles for publication; and abstracts and presentations for conferences.

Program: Eldercare Locator Program and the National Aging Information & Referral

90AM2746 The Eldercare Locator Program & the National Aging Information & Referral Support Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 07/31/2010

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

1730 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Suite 1200

Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Helen M Eltzeroth (202)872-0888

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	1,174,979
FY 2004	1,374,937
FY 2005	1,174,937
FY 2006	1,201,230
FY 2007	812,176

The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A), in partnership with the National Association of State Units on Aging (NASUA), is executing a project to provide older persons and their caregivers access to a premier national information and referral/assistance system capable of providing the information, assistance, decision-supports and advocacy needed to secure services. To achieve this goal, N4A will ensure quality operation of the Eldercare Locator, a toll-free number and website that links older people and their caregivers to State and local resources. In addition, N4A will increase public awareness of the service through strategic partnerships and marketing campaigns. Targeted marketing will focus on increasing service usage by minority populations, with an emphasis on better serving Native Americans elders. Products will include a call center procedures manual, resource and education guides, and promotional materials.

NASUA will operate the National Aging Information & Referral Support Center to promote continued enhancement of aging information and referral/assistance (I&R/A) systems; facilitate ongoing quality improvements in I&R/A service delivery; and provide ongoing training and technical assistance. Methods will include a resource website, technical assistance products, training materials, webinars, and conferences.

Program: Livable Communities Initiative

90AM2903 Livable Communities for All Ages: Identifying Leading Models & Best Practice

VISITING NURSE Service of New York

Center for Home Care Policy and Research

107 East 70th Street

New York, NY 10021

Contact: Penny Feldman (212)609-1531

Project Period: 09/29/2004 - 12/31/2005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	124,770
FY 2006	15,000

Building on five years of experience in developing measures of livable communities and working with diverse communities to plan and implement positive change, the Center for Home Care Policy and Research worked with AoA to identify leading models of livable communities for all ages and to disseminate information designed to help communities replicate promising models and practices. Specifically, the Center, along with two principal partners - the American Planning Association (APA) and the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), and others: (1) implemented a competitive process to identify the top eight models of livable communities for all ages; (2) developed a "case studies" document with descriptions of the winning model communities and related technical assistance materials; and (3) disseminated these materials to change agents in communities around the country. The purpose of this initiative was to raise awareness and motivate action among stakeholders to improve the livability of their communities for people of all ages and abilities. The long-term expected outcomes of this initiative are: (a) widespread awareness and acceptance of the livable communities concept; (b) large-scale replication of livable communities best practices; and as a result, (c) improved communities where people of all ages and abilities have their needs and aspirations met equally well.

Program: Retirement Planning and Assistance for Women
90AM2801 Center to Educate Women About Retirement Security

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2008

WOMENS' INSTITUTE FOR A SECURE RETIREMENT

1146 19th Street, NW Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Cindy Hounsell (202)393-5452

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	248,376
FY 2004	248,376
FY 2005	248,376
FY 2006	248,376

WISER, with assistance from strategic public-private coalitions, is organizing a one stop information gateway that can provide traditionally hard to reach women (i.e. average and low income women, women of color and women with limited English proficiency), "user friendly" financial management tools. The ultimate goal of the 36 month project is to provide women with access to information that promotes their efforts to attain secure retirements. A state-of-the-art clearinghouse/lending library and satellite resource centers accessible to the Aging Network, faith-based organizations (FBO), state & community agencies, financial institutions, business and government agencies are being established. Staff conduct training sessions and information panels nationwide; and provide access to a variety of financial planning tools, including fact sheets & other online resources. Major partnerships and coalitions have been formed with a range of private sector organizations to target low-income and minority women. Private sector organizations are as diverse as MANA, National Latina Women's Organization, Mother's Voices/Multi-Ethnic Community Retirement Project, Coalition of 100 Black Women, General Federation of Women's Clubs, Profit Sharing Council of America, MetLife, MFS Investment Management, and the Society of Actuaries. Public sector partners include FDIC, SSA, US DoL Women's Bureau, USDA Extension Service, and Comptroller General of the US. Year two plans: continue strengthening public and private partnerships at the national & community levels; establish satellite resource centers accessible by community-based organizations (CBO), FBOs, non-profits, finance and business to encourage inclusion of women's financial security as an integral part of the agenda; initiate 2 new programs on a) financial planning for health care in retirement, and b) senior indebtedness; partner with insurance companies to develop materials about annuities for women; and continue outreach.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program
90AM2773 Chronic Disease Self-Management with African-American Urban Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

PHILADELPHIA CORPORATION FOR AGING

642 North Broad Street
Philadelphia, PA 19130-3409

Contact: Bethea Eichwald (215)765-9000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	180,000
FY 2004	180,000
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	50,000

Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, Center in the Park, Albert Einstein Healthcare Network, and the Community and Homecare Research Division, Jefferson College of Health Professions, will demonstrate an evidence-based disease prevention program (the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, developed by Stanford Patient Education Research Center), with a target population of African American urban elders. Five hundred elders will participate over three years. The goal is to enable participants to assume a major role in managing their chronic health conditions. The objectives are: to increase lifestyle skills that assist in managing chronic conditions; to increase knowledge of personal risk factors associated with chronic disease; and to increase personal responsibility in the management of chronic disease. Expected outcomes are: improved health status, behavioral change, improved self-efficacy, and reduced health care utilization. A team approach to chronic disease self management, that can be replicated within the aging network, will be demonstrated. Results will be disseminated.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2774 Preventive Nutrition Education Cardiovascular Disease Program

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

LITTLE HAVANA ACTIVITIES & NUTRITION CENTERS OF DADE CO

700 SW 8th Street

Miami, FL 33130

Contact: Ramon Perez-Dorrbecker (305)858-0887

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Centers of Dade County, Inc. (LHANC) is conducting an evidence-based nutrition and cardiovascular health program targeting Hispanic elders, a group at high risk for cardiovascular disease and obesity. Specifically, this program will target the 1,800+ Hispanic elderly participants of the 14 LHANC senior centers throughout Miami-Dade County, Florida. The goals of this project are: to increase knowledge of nutrition among Hispanic elders who are at risk for cardiovascular disease and obesity; to foster behavior change through group sessions and interactive activities; and to test whether the American Heart Association guidelines and materials can be utilized in a dietitian led model targeted to Hispanic elders. Participants will be screened for cholesterol and weight, and 100 to 125 seniors at risk for cardiovascular disease will be included in an intensive nutrition education and counseling program. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) a reduction in participants' dietary fat consumption, saturated fat and cholesterol, using the American Heart Association Eating Plan for Healthy Americans; 2) a reduction in participants' body weight by 5% and/or BMI to 27 or less; and 3) lowered participants' total cholesterol by 6%.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2776 Activity Centers for Seniors - Evidence Based Prevention

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTERS INC.

4500 Bissonnet, Suite 200

Bellaire, TX 77401-1389

Contact: Chris Pollet (713)669-5260

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

Neighborhood Centers Inc. (NCI) will demonstrate the efficacy of evidenced-based preventive physical activity interventions among elderly residents of low-income neighborhoods in Houston, Texas Senior Centers. The intervention selected for replication in Houston represents an integration of individual, group and community-wide participation. NCI's goal is to demonstrate, within impoverished, urban settings, that the Aging Services Network can efficiently improve the quality, effectiveness, availability, and convenience of evidence-based disability and disease prevention programs for the elderly.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2777 Evidence-Based Prevention Program: Nutrition

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

8700 Tesoro Drive - Suite 700

San Antonio, TX 78217

Contact: Al Notzon (210)362-5201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

The Bexar Area Agency on Aging, in partnership with the City of San Antonio Department of Community Initiatives, the Texas Diabetes Institute, Our Lady of the Lake University, and OASIS propose to provide culturally sensitive low glycemic meals and nutrition education, diabetes health screening and education, and physical activity education to 500 low-income, poorly educated Hispanic seniors in the Title IIIC1 congregate meals program in churches and senior centers in San Antonio. The goal of this program is to prevent or delay the onset of type 2 diabetes among Hispanic elders. Participants will attempt to achieve a seven percent weight loss and at least 150 minutes of physical activity per week during the first year and maintain these changes for two additional years. Outcomes will include an increase in participant knowledge of the relationship between nutrition, exercise and diabetes management, and increased adherence to lifestyle modifications that reduce risk factors for diabetes. Products will include a Spanish television documentary and a "Tex-Mex" cookbook of taste-test approved, low-glycemic recipes and menus.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2778 A Community-Based Medication Management Intervention

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

PARTNERS IN CARE FOUNDATION, INC

732 Mott Street, Suite 150

San Fernando, CA 91340

Contact: W. June Simmons (818)837-3775

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	200,000
FY 2004	200,000
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	50,000

Partners In Care Foundation will conduct a three-year medication management project for seniors receiving a continuum of community-based social service programs in Los Angeles. The goal of the evidence-based Medication Management intervention is to identify, prevent, and resolve medication errors among seniors identified at high-risk. The objectives are: to implement the intervention in at least three senior centers and at least two Medicaid-waiver programs; to evaluate the outcomes of the intervention that include assessment and recommendations and follow-up by a pharmacist; and to disseminate findings and lessons learned through a medication management website and other strategies. Products include a software screening tool, a comprehensive web-based Toolkit, evaluation tools, a final report, and manuscripts for publication. These products will be disseminated to direct service organizations and Area Agencies on Aging.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2779 Active Start! Increasing Physical Activity Among Sedentary Older Adults in Los Angeles

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF AGING

3580 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 300

Los Angeles, CA 90010

Contact: Laura Trejo (213)252-4023

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	125,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The City of Los Angeles Department of Aging will implement a project to increase physical activity among sedentary older adults over a three year period. The project will recruit older adults in the West Adams/West Wilshire area of Los Angeles through OASIS centers, Jewish Family Services and Delta Sigma Theta Center for Life Development Nutrition Centers, and Tenet California's Brotman and Centinela Medical Centers. Health classes and activities will encourage them to incorporate physical activity into their lives. Expected outcomes include: an increased number of older adults indicating an intention to increase physical activity in order to help control and/or manage existing chronic health conditions; increased fitness levels in older adults participating in exercise classes; improved attitudes toward physical activity; and increased time (minutes) engaged in weekly physical activity. Products will include recruitment materials through a community-wide public awareness campaign, a refined project curriculum, evaluation tools and methodologies for practical application, web page information, and manuscripts for publication and professional conference presentations. These products will be made available throughout the aging services network.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2780 A Matter of Balance: A Volunteer Lay Leader Model

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

SOUTHERN MAINE AGENCY ON AGING

136 U.S. Route 1

Scarborough, ME 04074

Contact: Laurence Gross (207)396-6501

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	125,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

Southern Maine Agency on Aging (SMAA) and its partners propose to address the issue of fall prevention using "A Matter of Balance" (MOB), the evidence-based intervention for fear of falling. SMAA and its collaborators propose translating the intervention, which currently uses health care professionals as facilitators, into a lay leader model facilitated by community based volunteers (MOB/VLL). This will reduce the cost of the intervention, allowing MOB/VLL to be offered more frequently, in a variety of settings, reaching a significantly higher number of older adults than would otherwise be possible. This proposal will: develop quality control mechanisms for the translation, monitoring the consistency of this adaptation; measure the outcomes among participants; standardize the cost of establishing and offering the MOB/VLL intervention; and detail the challenges and successes of disseminating this model to diverse socio-economic populations, diverse geographic areas, and in a variety of community settings. The outcomes of the MOB/VLL intervention will be: reduced fear of falling; increased falls self-efficacy; and increased activity in community dwelling older adults. The MOB/VLL will be disseminated throughout the aging network.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program
90AM2781 "Women Take PRIDE in Managing Heart Disease"

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

SENIOR SERVICE CENTERS OF THE ALBANY AREA, INC.

25 Delaware Avenue
Albany, NY 12210

Contact: Daniel Hogan (518)465-3322

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	192,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

Senior Services of the Albany Area, Inc., (dba Senior Services of Albany) will implement a research-based, self-management heart disease education program with four collaborating organizations. The "Women Take PRIDE" (WTP) intervention was developed and tested by researchers at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. The WTP targets women 60 years of age or older who have been diagnosed with heart disease. The project seeks to demonstrate the effectiveness of providing the intervention, and recruiting participants from a community setting, as well as from health care providers. WTP is a four-week education program focused on: (1) improving functional status, both physical and social; (2) improving the symptom experience and general health outcomes; and (3) improving the knowledge of and access to community resources. An extensive process evaluation will be conducted throughout the implementation period in order to evaluate the outcome measures and document lessons learned in the program implementation.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program
90AM2782 Evidence-Based Fall Prevention Services in Senior Centers

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

NORTH CENTRAL AREA AGENCY ON AGING, INC

2 Hartford Square West, Suite 101
Hartford, CT 06106-5129

Contact: Robin Harper-Gulley (860)724-6443

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	220,000
FY 2004	220,000
FY 2005	220,000
FY 2006	50,000

The goal of this three-year project is to embed a sustainable evidence-based fall prevention strategy within greater Hartford senior centers by enhancing fall prevention-related knowledge and behaviors and building or enhancing relationships between senior centers and relevant community and health care organizations. Project objectives are to develop, implement, evaluate, and disseminate a fall prevention program, based on Yale FICSIT (Frailty and Injuries: Cooperative Studies of Intervention Techniques) and other randomized controlled trials (RCTs). The fall prevention program will target balance, gait and vision impairments, postural hypotension, multiple medication use, and home hazards. The partners include North Central Area Agency on Aging (NCAAA), Connecticut Hospital Association/Connecticut Association for Home Care (CHA/CAHC), Hartford area senior centers, and the Center on Aging, University of Connecticut Health Center. Primary outcomes include reduced falls in senior center clients and increased fall prevention knowledge and behaviors in center staff and clients. Products include a replicable model of community-based fall prevention, print and web-based procedure manuals, peer-reviewed publications, and multidisciplinary expertise available to other community-based providers.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2793 Evidence-Based Prevention Programs-National Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE AGING

300 D Street, SW, Suite 801

Washington, DC 20024

Contact: Nancy A Whitelaw,PH. D. (202)479-6612

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	600,000
FY 2004	600,000
FY 2005	685,000
FY 2006	687,500

The National Council on the Aging has established a National Resource Center to support prevention demonstration grantees to successfully implement evidence-based disability and disease prevention programs; engage the aging services network (and others) in evidence-based programs and facilitate their adoption; and assist AoA to further develop an evidence-based prevention program. The outcomes of this 3-year project will be replicable programs that can positively affect the health and function of older adults, and increased support for the aging network's contributions in addressing prevention needs. The Center will leverage NCOA's experience in strengthening the capacity of aging service providers to offer evidence-based programming and provide multiple types of resources and technical assistance. Bringing complementary skills and knowledge are the Center's partners - the Aging Blueprint Office, the Healthy Aging Research Network of CDC's Prevention Research Centers, UCLA's Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology Program, a leading communications and dissemination firm, and leading national aging organizations.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2810 Improving Self Management of Chronic Disease in the Elderly

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

AREA AGENCY ON AGING OF WESTERN MICHIGAN

1279 Cedar NE

Grand Rapids, MI 49503-9503

Contact: Nora Barkey (616)222-7012

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	150,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan, partnering with a managed care plan, four community aging services providers, and a university evaluator, will conduct a three-year program using the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and enhanced outreach. The project seeks to show how the aging network, in partnership with a health care plan, can improve the health outcomes for older adults. Six hundred adults ages 60 and older, with one of four common chronic conditions, will be randomly assigned to receive standard care from managed care or aging services providers or to receive the CDSMP and enhanced outreach intervention, 200 per group. Measures of health outcomes will be taken at three intervals. Expected outcomes are: positive inter-system collaboration; increased chronic disease self-management knowledge and skills for the community aging service provider (CASP) workers; positive health behaviors, self-efficacy, and health outcomes for participants compared to non-participants; and demonstrated cost and service benefits for older adults. Products will include the final report, manuscripts for publication, and presentations to both aging and health care audiences.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2811 Healthy Changes: A Community-Based Diabetes Education Program

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

ELDERS IN ACTION
501 SW Washington Street
Portland, OR 97204

Contact: Vicki Hersen (503)823-5269

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	150,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

Elders in Action, a community-based non-profit, and Providence Health System's Center on Aging will conduct a three-year education and support program for older adults with diabetes. The goal is to increase the ability of program participants to self-manage, on a day-to-day basis, diet and physical activity aspects of their diabetes. Program elements include: weekly classes and support meetings held in a total of 16 community sites; community outreach and presentations provided by trained volunteer community educators; and one-to-one advocacy and problem solving assistance provided by trained volunteer Ombudsmen. Seniors age 55+ with diabetes will be served with services specially targeted to ethnically and geographically diverse, and low income seniors. Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services (AAA) will facilitate linkage of program elements with the greater senior network, and Oregon Research Institute will conduct the project evaluation. Products will include a curriculum manual, project publications and reports, evaluation tools and report, a final report, and web page information. These products will be disseminated to senior organizations, nationwide.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM2812 Healthy Ideas: Evidenced-Based Disease Self-Management for Depression

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

SHELTERING ARMS SENIOR SERVICES
3838 Aberdeen Way
Houston, TX 77025

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	150,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	50,000

The overall goal of this three year initiative is to build on the Healthy IDEAS (Identifying Depression, Empowering Activities for Seniors) program developed by a regional team of professionals in aging services, geriatric care, mental health and health services research and introduced into the Houston community in 2002. This project targets community dwelling elders, with a special focus on underserved and minority subgroups. The specific goals of this proposal are: to prevent or detect depression through effective, evidence-based screening and health promotion education; to promote more effective treatment through appropriate mental health referrals; to decrease symptoms and improve functioning in depressed elders who participate in the depression self-management program; to improve linkages between community aging service providers (CASPs) and community-based healthcare practitioners; and to prevent recurrence of the disease through regular depression screening. Expected outcomes include: more effective partnerships among community aging service providers, healthcare organizations, academic researchers and consumers; and refinement of the evidence-based depression self-management intervention to increase recognition, promote effective treatment, and prevent excessive functional disability due to depression. Evaluation outcomes, intervention materials and educational products will be disseminated among CASPs, community health providers, consumer advocacy/support groups.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3111 Living Well in Wisconsin

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services
Health and Family Services
1 West Wilson Street PO Box 7850
Madison, WI 53708-7850

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Gail Schwersenska (608)266-7803

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Service's Divisions of Disability and Elder Services and Public Health (Arthritis Program, Diabetes Prevention and Control Program, and Injury Prevention Program), in collaboration with four AAAs, local county/tribal aging agencies, public health departments, health care providers, and the Wisconsin Medical Society are collaborating to accomplish the following goals and objectives. The primary goal is to develop state infrastructure to support evidence-based prevention programs that feature the widespread availability of Chronic Disease Self-Management (CDSMP) and Fall Prevention (Stepping On) workshops. These sessions will empower adults 60 years and older to carry out healthy behaviors that reduce the risk for chronic conditions, improve self-management of diseases and conditions, reduce risk and fear of falls, and increase quality of life. Objectives are to: 1) promote self-management of chronic conditions through the CDSMP by building and enhancing the existing infrastructure; 2) develop and provide culturally competent CDSMP for Hispanic and Native American populations; 3) implement Stepping On in at least one planning service area; 4) evaluate program infrastructure, and monitor workshop fidelity; and 5) design a network to increase program awareness, and disseminate material. Expected outcomes are: 1) 116 additional active trainers, health professionals and lay leaders; and, 2) an additional 1,700 older persons will attend CDSMP sessions and 560 older persons will attend Stepping On sessions.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3112 IL: Empowering Older People To Take More Control of Their Health

Illinois Department of Public Health
Office of Health Promotion
535 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Thomas J Schafer (217)782-3300

The Illinois Department of Public Health, in partnership with the Department on Aging, proposes to implement evidence-based disease prevention programs for older adults. The goal is to provide the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and the Strong for Life (SFL) exercise program to persons over age 60 through community-level, not-for-profit aging services provider organizations. The objectives are: 1) to begin implementing the CDSMP in three, and the SFL program in one, Planning and Service Area (PSA) as defined by the Older Americans Act, through AAAs; 2) to begin developing the infrastructure and partnerships necessary to effectively embed these programs for the elderly within statewide systems of health and long-term care; 3) to promote and refer to clinical preventive services through these programs; 4) to evaluate the efforts and monitor the fidelity of each program; and 5) to disseminate the results and findings. The expected long-term outcomes will be: the potential for improving the quality of life for older people; reducing older people's risk of disease, disability and injury; helping older people to make lifestyle and behavioral changes; reducing the use and cost of health care over time; and the increased availability and accessibility of evidence-based programs for older persons at the community-level.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3113 Living Longer, Living Stronger: The Oklahoma Project

Oklahoma Department of Human Services
Aging Services
2400 North Lincoln Blvd. State Capitol Complex - Sequoyah Building
Oklahoma City, OK 73125

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Beth Batman (405)521-2907

The Oklahoma Department of Human Services Aging Services Division, in partnership with the State Department of Health, will develop and implement the Living Longer, Living Stronger project for persons 60 years and older in four rural regions. The partnership includes AAAs, aging services nonprofit providers, the Chickasaw Nation, and others within the collaborative network. The goal of the project is to increase the quality of life and decrease the complications of arthritis, heart disease, stroke, and obesity among persons residing in Oklahoma by providing the EnhanceFitness and Chronic Disease Self Management Programs.

The project objectives are to: 1) develop and sustain quality implementation of two evidenced-based health prevention programs for individuals 60 years of age and above; 2) improve collaboration in providing services among health, public health, and aging services network agencies at the state and local level; and 3) evaluate the program, document activities, and disseminate the results.

Project outcomes are to: 1) provide evidenced-based health prevention programs to 2,800 individuals over 60; 2) develop over 100 permanent program sites over three years; 3) improve health outcomes among 80% of participants; and 4) sustain the program once federal funding ends. The Oklahoma Project will produce an interagency advisory committee; a final report; marketing materials; articles for publication; data reflecting participants in Oklahoma; models for rural and tribal regions; and abstracts and workshops for national conferences.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3114 Texas Healthy Lifestyles

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services
Policy Analysis and Support- Mail Code W-578
701 W. 51st St.
Austin, TX 78751

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Michael P Wilson (512)438-5471

The State of Texas, through the Department of Aging and Disability Services and the Department of State Health Services, under the umbrella of "Aging Texas Well," and in cooperation with the Bexar AAA, the Brazos Valley AAA and Neighborhood Centers Inc., propose to expand regional public/private evidence-based health promotion to help seniors take control of their lives and reduce their risk of disease and disability. The goal is to create a focal point at the state level for evidence-based programs under the Aging Texas Well (ATW) Initiative and expand the scope of these programs through the faith-based community, in rural areas, and non-traditional partnerships. The planned interventions are the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, the Matter of Balance fall prevention program, and EnhanceFitness.

The objectives are: (1) to develop a foundation of knowledge of the risks associated with chronic disease and the benefits of a healthier lifestyle; (2) to help older persons learn to take responsibility for day to-day self management of their disease; (3) to increase awareness of local resources for a healthier lifestyle; (4) to reduce the burden of chronic illness across the participating regions of Texas; (5) to incorporate a more comprehensive approach to chronic disease management as part of ATW; and (6) to disseminate project information at the conclusion of the grant term. The outcomes will be: improved self-efficacy (for chronic disease management), improved self-reported health status and symptom management, improved health behaviors, reduced utilization of healthcare resources, and stronger community resources to support non-medical chronic disease management.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3115 Evidence-Based Prevention Programs for Older Adults in Oregon

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Dept. of Human Services, Seniors People w/ Disabilities

500 Summer St. NE, E-10

Salem, OR 97301-1076

Contact: Lee A Girard (503)947-1199

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

The Oregon Dept. of Human Services, Seniors & People with Disabilities and the Dept. of Human Services, Health Promotion, and Chronic Disease Prevention propose to implement an evidence-based (EB) disease prevention initiative with the goal of promoting health and independence of community-living older adults in four diverse areas in Oregon. The interventions: Tai Chi and the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program will promote active self-management of chronic conditions, promote physical activity, and reduce falls. The objectives are to: 1) reach at-risk seniors with EB programs through new and expanded partnerships between aging, health, private, and public agencies; 2) maintain fidelity to the design and research outcomes associated with the selected interventions; 3) increase awareness and use of EB health promotion programs focused on older adults; and 4) develop systems that can be used in sustaining, replicating, and expanding the use of such programs in Oregon. The anticipated outcomes are: new and expanded community partnering to offer EB to at risk older adults; increased participation by high risk older adults in EB programs to impact chronic disease self-management, physical activity, and falls prevention; and expansion of the three projects to additional counties, as a result of dissemination efforts. Products: final report, including data on participation & reach, and systems development; articles that may be written about the project; logic model for implementation of each program. Abstracts for any conference presentations on the project.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3116 NJ Empowering Older People To Take More Control of Their Health

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

NJ Dept. of Health & Senior Services

PO Box 360

Trenton, NJ 08625-0000

Contact: Geraldine Mackenzie (609)943-3499

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	192,300
FY 2007	192,300

The NJ Dept. of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) proposes to develop statewide capacity for local delivery of low-cost, evidence-based disease prevention programs (EBDPP). The grant will build upon NJ's model for healthy aging, which is based upon leadership and coordination within the Area Agency on Aging, program delivery through local community-based providers, and strategic partnerships with public health & other health care providers to assure the quality of health-related activities. Year 1 goal: empower seniors to reduce modifiable risk factors for disease and disability by establishing the infrastructure to effectively deliver the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in Atlantic, Cape May and Warren Counties, and the Healthy IDEAS program in Essex and Union Co. Objectives include: 1) establishing local partnerships for service delivery; 2) certifying master trainers and class leaders for CDSMP; 3) developing and delivering training for Healthy IDEAS; 4) implementing programs and integrating them into the counties' service delivery system; and 5) conducting a comprehensive evaluation. In addition, state level intra and inter-departmental partnerships will establish CDSMP in related networks, including Medicaid, Disabilities and Chronic Disease Services. Outcomes will be achieved on three levels: 1) participants will be empowered to better manage their chronic diseases through skill development and enhanced self-confidence; 2) the local service delivery system will have strengthened provider relationships and integrated delivery of EBDPP; and 3) the state will have a more fully developed model to support healthy aging statewide. Target audiences are underserved populations, including African-Americans, Latinos, frail individuals and those with access barriers. Products include: evaluated templates for model replication, reports detailing evaluation outcomes, & written materials distributed electronically via listservs and websites.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3117 Healthy Aging Partnership - Empowering Elders (HAP-EE)

Executive Office on Aging
Hawaii Department of Health
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Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Contact: Shirley Kidani (808)586-7321

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Hawaii's Executive Office on Aging (EOA), in partnership with the Department of Health, three of Hawaii's four AAAs (Honolulu's Elderly Affairs Division, Hawaii County Office of Aging, Kauai's Agency on Elderly Affairs), and OAA-funded service providers and health and research partners in each of these three counties, propose to implement an Healthy Aging Partnership-Empowering Elders (HAP-EE) initiative. This project builds on Hawaii's Healthy Aging Partnership (HAP), a broad partnership established in 2003 to improve older adult health by building aging network capacity to implement evidence-based (EB) prevention programs in Hawaii's multi-ethnic environment. Since its inception, HAP has trained 40 aging network partners in four counties (in needs assessment, EB programming, logic modeling, and evaluation), and three of four counties successfully piloted programs to enhance physical activity and healthy eating among meal site participants. Our current statewide goals are to: 1) continue building the aging network capacity in EB programming; and 2) effectively embed 2 EB programs: Stanford's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and the EnhanceFitness (EF) Program in our Aging Network. Over 3 years, we will: 1) expand the HAP Steering Committee and Evaluation Subcommittee; 2) enhance planning and evaluation skills of 40 Aging Network partners; 3) develop 30 leaders and/or master trainers for CDSMP and EF; 4) replicate with fidelity CDSMP by five OAA-funded providers in Honolulu County, and EF in eight nutrition sites in Hawaii County and six nutrition/recreation sites in Kauai County; and 5) engage 460 older adults in EB programs, 180 in CDSMP and 280 in EF.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3118 SC: Implementation of Evidence-Based Intervention Programs Statewide

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
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Columbia, SC 29201

Contact: Terri Whirrett (803)734-9908

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

The SC Lt. Governor's Office on Aging and its partner, the Department of Health and Environmental Control will continue to provide proven prevention programs with the following goals and objectives: Goal 1) - Increasing the quality and years of life for older adults with chronic diseases or fear of falling. The objectives for goal one are to: 1) expand the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) statewide; 2) implement A Matter of Balance fall prevention program (MOB) in two regions; 3) train additional Group Leaders and Master Trainers; and 4) expand health promotion strategies and materials to reach diverse groups, including underserved populations; and 5) continue to evaluate the reach, fidelity, and impact of the programs. Goal 2) - Maintaining and expanding the infrastructure of partnerships to embed these programs in state health and long-term care systems. The objectives for goal two are to: 1) strengthen and expand the local partnership base; 2) provide leadership, consultation, and ongoing support to local partners; 3) sustain and expand the commitment of funds and resources from public and private sectors; and 4) strengthen and expand the SC Partnership for Healthy Aging. Participant Outcomes: CDSMP participants will report increased self-confidence, improved health status, and increased self-management behaviors. MOB participants will demonstrate a reduced fear of falling and increased mobility. System Outcomes: increased number and reach of evidence-based prevention programs for older adults in the state and reductions in health care utilization and costs.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3119 Ohio's Evidence-Based Prevention Program Initiatives

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Ohio Department of Aging
50 W. Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Marcus J Molea (614)752-9167

The Ohio Departments of Aging (ODA) and Health (ODH), AAAs and community-based health care and aging service organizations are working to build a collaborative infrastructure aimed at improving the health of older Ohioans by implementing evidence-based prevention programs at the local level. We are proposing to implement and evaluate three different interventions focusing on Chronic Disease Self-Care, Physical Activity, and Fall Prevention in multiple regions of the state. In Chronic Disease Self-Care, the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-management Program (CDSMP) will be extended to four regions of Ohio. Over the three year period, we will conduct 113 CDSMP courses, reaching 1165 older adults. Our Physical Activity intervention intends to sustain and expand the Active Living Every Day Program (a.k.a. Active for Life) in Southeastern Ohio. Over the three year period, we will conduct 15 Active Living Every Day courses, reaching 225 older adults. The Fall Prevention intervention will offer A Matter of Balance/ Volunteer Lay Leader program in Cuyahoga County. Over the three year period we will conduct 56 Matter of Balance courses, reaching 420 older adults. Six regional coalitions have joined ODA and ODH to implement these interventions, including Cleveland (PSA 10A), Akron (PSA 10B), Cincinnati (PSA 1), Columbus (PSA 6), Toledo (PSA 4) and Southeastern Appalachian Ohio (PSA 8).

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3120 Empowering Older Mainers to Take More Control of Their Health

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Maine Dept. of Health & Human Services/Office of Elder
Maine Office of Elder Services
11 State House Station 442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Mary Walsh (207)287-9207

The Office of Elder Services (Maine's State Unit on Aging) submits this proposal with the full commitment of the Maine Center of Disease Control and Prevention (the State Health Agency known as the Maine CDCP). Goal: to empower older people to take more control of their health and reduce their risk of disease and disability. Objectives: 1) expand access to and delivery of four evidence-based prevention programs; 2) expand and develop a network of volunteers trained to deliver the Matter of Balance/Volunteer Lay Leaders (MOB/VLL) program and the Chronic Disease Self Management Program (CDSMP); 3) develop four new EnhanceFitness sites; 3) expand EnhanceWellness to one new site; and 4) further develop the system of communication among health care providers, community service organizations, aging and disability resource centers, and the aging and long term care system. Target Population: older people with chronic conditions, who could improve their health through participation in these programs. Significant Partners: the Maine CDCP; AAAs; MaineHealth's Partnership for Healthy Aging; Aging and Disability Resource Centers; and community organizations already participating in evidence-based wellness programs. Proposed Activities: 1) cross-train existing MOB/VLL coaches to administer the CDSMP and develop a network of sites at which both programs are co-located and available; and 2) expand EnhanceFitness and EnhanceWellness programs at pilot sites. Outcomes anticipated: increased number of older Mainers who make healthy lifestyle changes; a network of people skilled and available to coach older Mainers in attaining and maintaining a healthy lifestyle; and increased communication and referrals among health care providers, community service organizations, and older adults.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3121 Implementation of Evidence-Based Prevention Programs in Florida

Florida Department of Health
Family Health Services
4052 Bald Cypress Way, Bin B-20
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1729

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Gail Henderson (850)245-4365

The Florida Department of Health and the Florida Department of Elder Affairs are collaborating to implement evidence-based prevention programs for older adults. The goal is to provide interventions for arthritis and other chronic conditions to a maximum number of people age 60 + who are at risk and can benefit from the interventions. The objectives are to: 1) conduct master trainer and leader trainings for the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in three counties within three Planning Service Areas (PSA); 2) conduct leader training for the Spanish Arthritis Self-Management Program (SASMP) in Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties; 3) conduct CDSMP and SASMP classes; 4) evaluate the course through pre/post-tests and satisfaction surveys; 5) ensure the fidelity of the implementation of the courses through direct observation of the classes and leader checklists; and 6) disseminate project results. The expected outcomes are: 1) for the CDSMP, positive changes in health care utilization, social/role activities limitations, disability, energy/fatigue, self-rated health, exercise behaviors, cognitive symptom management, communication with physicians, and health distress; 2) for the SASMP, positive changes in self-efficacy, health care utilization, depression, disability, pain, energy/fatigue, self-rated health, exercise, cognitive symptom management, and use of mental stress management/relaxation techniques. The products from this project are: interim reports; a final report, including evaluation results; and abstracts for national conferences.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3122 CA Initiative to Empower Older Adults to Better Manage Their Health

California Department of Aging
1300 National Drive, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95834

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Janet Tedesco (916)419-7500

The California State Departments of Aging and Health Services, local AAAs, public health and non-profits throughout the state, are proposing to implement the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and/or Matter of Balance (MOB), a fall prevention program in five geographic areas and in several Multipurpose Senior Services Programs, introducing Medication Management and Healthy Moves. The goal is to create an effective infrastructure that includes both state and local partnerships to implement sustainable evidence-based prevention programs for older people within the state's aging network. The objectives are to: implement the CDSMP and/or MOB in geographic areas that represent 40% of the state's seniors; disseminate two additional evidence-based programs for frail, dually eligible seniors in at least six communities; and provide technical assistance to the identified local partnerships as prototypes for further expansion. The anticipated outcomes are to create a sustainable network to provide community education and evidence-based programs for diverse older adults; integrate evidence-based programs into at least five geographic regions; and conduct outreach that will successfully recruit approximately 6,000 high risk seniors to the initiative .

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3123 Iowa Healthy LINKS

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
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Des Moines, IA 50319

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Kay Corriere (515)725-3330

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs (DEA) and Department of Public Health (IDPH) have partnered with the following three Planning Service Areas (PSA): Aging Resources of Central Iowa, Heritage Area Agency on Aging and Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging to implement the Stanford Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) and EnhanceFitness. The initiative will be called the Iowa Healthy Links and its goal is improving the health of older Iowans with chronic diseases and increasing Iowa's capacity to provide evidence-based health promotion programs for older adults.

All three areas will participate in program evaluation, creating the benchmarks and measuring the changes in participant's quality of life, health care utilization, chronic disease self-efficacy, fruit and vegetable consumption, physical activity and strength, along with program sustainability, dispersion, and capacity building. The Des Moines University will coordinate program evaluation. Anticipated outcomes include improvement in quality of life measures, health behaviors and a reduction in health care utilization, which will facilitate system development for sustainability. Results from the evaluation will be provided to the Iowa Department of Human Services (state Medicaid agency), Senior Living Coordinating Unit, State Board of Health, State Legislature and private organizations to impact policies and obtain funding for sustaining evidence-based preventive programs. The Iowa Healthy Links will provide a model for implementing evidence-based health promotion programs in other PSA's with other community partners.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program

90AM3124 Empowering Older New Yorkers To Take More Control of their Health

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

Contact: Marcus Harazin (518)474-6101

The NY State Office for the Aging and its partner, the Department of Health, propose to implement evidence-based health promotion programs with the goal of building the capacity of local service delivery systems in New York State to incorporate and sustain implementation of the Chronic Disease Self- Management Program (CDSMP) and the Active Choices, physical activity program. Objectives: (1) successfully implement CDSMP and Active Choices programs in three regions and reach 1,800 persons over age 60 over a three year period for CDSMP, and 3,300 persons for Active Choices; (2) ensure fidelity to program protocols, encourage on-going quality improvement and guide systems change at the state and local level, thereby increasing the likelihood of sustainability upon the completion of the project's funding; and (3) disseminate a model for implementation and sustainability of evidence-based programs.

Anticipated Outcomes: (1) improvement in health promotion participation and outcomes for residents over age 60; (2) integration of evidence-based programs into the health promotion offerings of the State and particularly in Point of Entry (POE) and Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Supportive Services Program Development; (3) greater integration of AAA and County Health Department efforts; and (4) new public/private support for evidence-based health promotion programs.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program
90AM3125 Living Well -Take Charge of Your Health

Maryland Department of Aging
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Baltimore , MD 21201-2374

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

The Maryland Department of Aging and its partners, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, the Governor's Office of Community Initiatives, Office of Service and Volunteerism, Rural Maryland Council, Towson University, and two health insurance companies will implement this initiative. The goal is to encourage older people to take charge of their health through the Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP) in six Planning Service Areas (PSAs), and the Active for Life program in one of those six. The approach is to develop state and local partnerships, including AAAs, aging services provider organizations (ASPO), local health departments (LHD), health care providers, faith-based organizations, and other agencies in their jurisdictions to provide the CDSMP in many settings, promoting the program and making it widely available. The objectives are to: 1) enhance capacity to provide the CDSMP through licensing and training; 2) develop new and enhance existing partnerships for broad application of the CDSMP and for sustainability; 3) provide opportunities for 2,661 participants in CDSMP and 75 in Active for Life; 4) develop outreach and referral for potential leaders and participants; 5) evaluate the projects for quality and effectiveness; and 6) disseminate project information nationally and statewide. The expected outcomes include: 1) CDSMP will be available to participants in a variety of settings; 2) health care providers will make referrals to the EB projects; 3) participants will demonstrate outcomes as expected by the interventions; and 4) local partnerships, led by AAAs, ASPOs, and LHDs, will act as mentors to non-participating jurisdictions to enable them to develop EB projects in their areas.

Program: Evidence Based Prevention Program
90AM3130 Empowering Older People to Take More Control of Their Health: Evidence-Based Prevention

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
Public Health and Environment
PSD-COPAN-A5 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South
Denver, CO 80246

Contact: Normie M Voillequ (303)692-2505

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	250,000

The Colorado State Unit on Aging (SUA) and the Dept. of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) support this Healthy Aging Partnership Project in collaboration with the Consortium for Older Adult Wellness (COAW). The goal: expand the existing infrastructure of the partnership of the SUA, CDPHE, and COAW to implement and sustain the delivery of evidence-based (EB) prevention programs through community aging service providers. The objectives: 1) create a sustainable delivery system for EB program training and implementation, coordination, technical support & fidelity oversight of the Chronic Disease Self- Management Program (CDSMP) and A Matter of Balance (MOB) in three geographical areas of Colorado, and all 16 AAA regions by August '07; 2) modify significant factors caused by chronic diseases or conditions in a minimum of 68% of participants who enroll in CDSMP and/or MOB, by project's end; 3) expand the communication network of OAA community-based service providers that encourages the sharing of resources and increases the opportunity for collaboration; and 4) make this expanded system sustainable by and beyond August '09. Expected outcomes: 1) expand accessibility for older adults to the CDSMP and other evidence-based programs (EBP); 2) embed an EBP service system into three regional health service providers that collaborate with regional communities for training, networking, and resource sharing; 3) train ten certified, regional, Master trainers in CDSMP and 50 paired community leaders per year, who will implement the program; 4) reach 3,500 participants in CDSMP/Matter of Balance; 5) obtain AAA support to sustain EB programs by using Title III-D funds/private funding; 6) analyze data for evaluation on health indicators, participant reach, and program satisfaction through evidence-based disease prevention software; and 7) build upon existing networks with additional EB self-management interventions in physical activity, nutrition, and fall prevention.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.
90AM2772 Preventing Diabetes: Healthy Living for American Indian Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

NATIONAL INDIAN COUNCIL ON AGING, INC
10501 Montgomery Blvd, NE, STE 210
Albuquerque, NM 87111-3851

Contact: Alvin Rafaelito (505)292-2001

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	129,155
FY 2004	159,155
FY 2005	129,155
FY 2006	50,000

Under AoA's priority of eliminating health disparities among elderly individuals, the National Indian Council on Aging was funded to address preventing diabetes in American Indian elders. In partnership with American Indian Tribes and elder organizations throughout the country, this project will identify best practices and effective interventions for healthy living. New tools to prevent diabetes in American Indian/Alaska Native elders will be developed and disseminated based on the best practices identified.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.
90AM2802 The Healing Zone: Community Health Action & Advocacy Training Project

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

NATIONAL CAUCUS & CENTER ON BLACK AGED, INC.
1220 L Street, N.W., Suite 800
Washington, DC 20005

Contact: Aundrette J Boddie (202)624-1137

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	298,050
FY 2004	368,050
FY 2005	298,050

The National Caucus and Center on Black Aged (NCBA) is conducting a 3-year faith-based community health leadership program to reduce obesity as a leading risk factor for chronic disease in African American seniors. Activities designed to increase knowledge about self-care strategies related to overweight and obesity will include foci on cardiovascular disease, hypertension, kidney failure, and diabetes. Church-based aging and health advocacy committees are being established to disseminate health promotion information on weight reduction, improved nutrition & increase physical activity. NCBA is collaborating with its network of chapters & field offices, and the National Aging Network. It is establishing links with community-based organizations, including Group Ministries of Baltimore & Group Ministries of Buffalo, NY; the MD Center of Bowie State University (an HBCU); Area Agencies on Aging in Richmond, VA, Detroit, MI and Jackson, MS, a rural site; as well as the American Kidney Fund. The project expects to reach 300 + seniors through 30 churches with six coalitions each. To date, community coalitions have developed & implemented action plans; 4 sites are established, each with 3 to 5 churches enlisted as participants; and 2 issues of a quarterly newsletter have been published. In year 2, links will be strengthened or established with evidence-based projects, e.g. AARP and Robert Wood Johnson (RWJ), et al and a Web site will be launched. Church-based aging and health advocacy committees will be established at each project site to engage in grassroots health initiatives, public discourse, and policy-level discussions. Products include an Implementation Tool Kit, and an Outcome Study. The Tool Kit will include a participant work book, facilitator's guide, personal health journal, and fact sheets, and will be available to participating churches, grassroots organizations, the aging network and members of local health coalitions.

NATIONAL ASIAN PACIFIC CENTER ON AGING

Melbourne Tower

1511 Third Avenue, Suite 914

Seattle, WA 98101

Contact: Ken Bostock (206)624-1221

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	356,365
FY 2004	436,365
FY 2005	356,365

The National Asian Pacific Center on Aging (NAPCA) is conducting a 3 year demonstration that targets health disparities among Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) elders. NAPCA is identifying health promotion materials on Cancer, Diabetes and Cardiovascular disease; analyzing cultural relevance; and translating them to appropriate languages for dissemination to 13 major urban communities with concentrations of AAPI elders. Using its network of 1000 community-based organizations (CBOs) and Senior Community Service Employment Programs, NAPCA expects to reach target communities in CA, IL, MA, NY, PA, TX, Washington DC and WA. A series of interventions, focusing on health disparities experienced by AAPI elders, range from the distribution of linguistically & culturally appropriate educational materials, to a healthy lifestyle program of disease-specific seminars, lifestyle programs, and screening for early detection and case referrals. Enactment of the Medicare Modernization Act significantly impacts low-income AAPI elders. Accordingly, the project addresses the critical lack of useful, understandable and timely information on health promotion/ disease prevention and affordable health care programs for vulnerable, underserved, multicultural AAPI elders with limited English proficiency. Ethnic-specific interventions include assessment and dissemination of linguistic and culturally appropriate materials for elders and their caregivers; strengthening effective health care advocacy efforts in AAPI communities; establishing collaborative partnerships among AAPI community-based organizations, community health centers and mainstream health information & assistance resources to assure access to accurate & reliable information; and enhanced AAPI involvement in, and sustained linkages among, AAPI CBOs, Community Health Centers (CHC) and Health Industry Claims and Payment Services (HICAP) for ongoing access to health information, assistance and advocacy resources.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM2804 Project Salud A La Vida

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

Asociacion Nacional Pro Personas Mayores

234 E. Colorado Blvd., Suite 300

Pasadena, CA 91101

Contact: Carmela Lacayo (626)564-1988

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	298,050
FY 2004	368,050
FY 2005	298,050

Asociacion Nacional Pro Personas Mayores (ANPPM) is designing health interventions for older Hispanic men and women that promote understanding and awareness of nutrition as it relates to the prevention of diabetes, cardiovascular disease, cancer & prostate cancer in older Hispanic men. ANPPM's education campaign will teach older individuals the importance of immunizations, and help existing Medicare- Approved Drug Discount Card (MADDC) outreach programs educate older Hispanic beneficiaries on obtaining Medicare Drug Discount Cards or accessing the transitional assistance program. Model health interventions that demonstrate multi- language, culturally-based approaches to health education and disease prevention are being designed in the Fotonovela format. Community health providers in Tucson, Kansas City, Philadelphia, and New Orleans are collaborating on package development to ensure information critical for promoting positive health practices & wellness among older Hispanic individuals. Health education modules are being designed specifically to assist older Hispanic adults make better decisions about personal health. Modules include written materials & audio cassettes on cardiovascular disease and prostate cancer, targeted to older persons with literacy problems. A community health education flip chart & manual for each health topic is being developed for community health clinics, migrant worker health centers & other CBO's. The immunization campaign directed at Hispanic elders includes Spanish/English 30-second radio spots and plans for establishing community-based health alliances. Local Hispanic media and traditional Hispanic business, e.g. panaderias (Latino bakeries), tortilla factories, etc. are being enlisted to promote the immunization campaign. Target populations include monolingual older Hispanic immigrants who have recently arrived in the U.S., and migrated to areas of the country that are now seeing the arrival of large numbers of Hispanic immigrants.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3127 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

INTER TRIBAL COUNCIL OF ARIZONA, INC.

2214 North Central Avenue, Suite 100

Phoenix, AZ 85004

Contact: Lee Begay (602)258-4822

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	127,669
FY 2007	127,669

The goal of this project is to develop accessibility of current and newly developed health promotional materials and disease prevention strategies for American Indian Elders, caregivers and Tribal, State and National Aging Programs. The objectives are: 1) to establish partnerships and coordination with three community based and statewide organizations to pilot and adopt two successful models to provide accessibility to health promotional materials; 2) to develop a comprehensive plan to identify two existing health promotional materials and to replicate those programs to make them accessible nationwide; 3) to promote the availability of three quality health promotion materials for American Indian elders by cooperating with the broader health, supportive services, academic and professional communities to reach an increased number of elders with limited English speaking proficiency; 4) to develop three culturally competent and linguistically appropriate health promotional materials and make them available to American Indian elders; and 5) to target training and educational materials to isolated and hard-to- reach American Indian communities.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3128 The National Minority Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

ASOCIACION NACIONAL PRO PERSONAS MAYORES

234 E Colorado Blvd, Ste 300

Pasadena, CA 91101

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	294,622
FY 2007	294,622

The project goal is to design a community-based health intervention project for limited English proficient Hispanic elders and their families, i.e. older Hispanic individuals and families with low income and low literacy. Objectives will promote the concept that knowledge is the best medicine by using diverse language and cultural competence approaches to disease prevention, health education and training. Major objectives include: 1) designing health promotion materials that emphasize appropriate cultural literacy levels for use by older Hispanics and their families; 2) enhancing the aging network's ability to provide culturally competent services to Hispanic older individuals; 3) enhancing the services of established faith-based (FBO) church volunteer programs as a community support system for low-income older Hispanics; and 4) establishing and sustaining partnerships with local targeted health care and Hispanic CBOs to develop and implement the goal and objectives of Project Puente. The project is being conducted in collaboration with national organizations and networks of the American Society on Aging, the N4A, Eastern Washington University Center on the Studies of Aging, Hispanic and FBOs, the Senior Community Service Employment Program partner national sponsors and their networks of multiple community health centers and non profit hospitals who have signed host agency agreements.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3129 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

The National Caucus & Ctr. on Black Aged

1220 L Street, NW, Suite 800

Washington, DC 20005

Contact: Aundrette J Boddie (202)637-8400

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	294,622
FY 2007	294,622

The project goal is to reduce obesity as a risk factor leading to chronic diseases among older African Americans. The project focus is on reducing the risk for conditions such as cardiovascular disease, hypertension, diabetes, kidney failure, glaucoma, and other obesity related diseases. Strategy is based on the concept formally known as compression of morbidity. The concept is expressed in the reduction of the total period of disability, which is the main goal of prevention initiatives targeted to older individuals. Lifestyle changes that complement the strategy often reduce the risk of one disease, while delaying or reducing the risk of others as well. Project objectives: 1) increase the level of knowledge of African American seniors about self care strategies related to overweight and obesity; 2) increase awareness of African American seniors about health disparities in their communities; 3) achieve active weight loss among the seniors participating in the Healing Circle component of the project; 4) increase the level of physical activity among seniors participating in the project; and 5) engage healing circle participants in community health advocacy activities. Also, NCBA will implement the web site "Senior Health News Network" (SHNN) to serve as a realtime information portal for disseminating late breaking news, health and wellness related stories. The target population includes African American individuals age 50 and above, their families and caregivers. Partners include Group Ministries of Baltimore, MD and Buffalo, NY, AAAs in Richmond, VA, Detroit, MI, and Hinds County, MS, the Aging and Title V Senior Community Service Networks.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3131 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

Boat People SOS, Inc.
Family Services Department
6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100
Falls Church, VA 22041

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	102,273
FY 2007	102,273

Contact: Nguyen D Thang (703)538-2190

The project goal is to increase senior's awareness, affect their attitudes and sustain behavioral changes regarding health by disseminating information about diseases most prevalent among three (3) Indochinese subgroups of Asian American seniors: Vietnamese, Cambodians and Laotians. Through the IRIS Center and partnerships at the local level, BPSOS plans to focus on cancer, hepatitis B, diabetes, mental health and cardiovascular disease. Objectives are: 1) to provide Indochinese seniors accurate information about health issues and services in appropriate formats; 2) using the BPSOS network of branch offices, serve as a gateway to the Center's information on health ; 3) facilitate family members capacity as health advocates and navigators; 4) encourage senior associations and self-help groups to incorporate health-focused workshops into their regular activities; 5) facilitate faith-based and community organizations efforts to convey program messages to their respective constituents; and 6) assist local and state health care providers to disseminate linguistically appropriate health messages. The proposal builds on a pilot project funded by CareFirst, being implemented in the Washington DC metro area. In addition to funds provided by SAMHSA, HRSA, and the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration and the assistance of AmeriCorps, local partners include 12 branch offices that house technology centers. The project also plans to utilize collaborations established through the Senior Medicare Patrol project.

Program: Health Disparities among Minority Elders-Tech. Assistance Ctr.

90AM3132 The National Minority Aging Organizations Technical Assistance Centers Program

National Asian Pacific Center on Aging
1511 Third Avenue Suite 914
Seattle, WA 98101

Project Period: 06/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	285,000
FY 2007	285,000

Contact: Kenneth J Bostock (206)838-8166

The project goals are to improve the health care outcomes and the quality of life for API seniors, as well as reduce API senior health care costs. Objectives will build on the strategy initiated with Medicare Prescription Drug outreach efforts by using a national multi-language toll free help line to provide assistance in four API languages. Three objectives are: 1) strengthen the effectiveness of health care advocacy efforts in API communities through healthy lifestyle promotion, disease prevention and outreach to improve health care success and health care outcomes for API seniors; 2) build national and local community capacity to address and reduce health disparities, and provide information, education and assistance; and 3) build partnerships to establish an inclusive network of API community-based health and service organizations and mainstream organizations that can provide information and technical assistance. The target population includes older Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in 13 API communities nationwide. Clayton Fong, Executive Director of NAPCA, is a member of the CMS national consumer advisory committee. Seattle based Project staff serve on the National Diabetes Education Program Older Adult Work Group. NAPCA staff based in Los Angeles serve on the boards of Pacific Islander Community Health Task Force, and the Los Angeles County AAA Advisory Committee.

Program: Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging-Nat'l Resource Center
90AM2768 Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging-National Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2007

THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
11200 SW 8th Street, OE 200
Miami, FL 33199

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	460,369
FY 2004	460,369
FY 2005	460,369

Contact: Nancy Wellman (305)348-1517

The goal of the National Resource Center on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Aging (Center) is to expand and strengthen the knowledge and service delivery capability of Older Americans Act (OAA) Nutrition Programs and the Aging Network in nutrition and physical activity programs for older adults. The objectives are to provide training and technical assistance to enable mini-grant awardees to implement programs and document outcomes from nutrition and physical activity programs; disseminate information through the Center's website and build knowledge through publications and presentations; and provide training and technical assistance to the aging network on nutrition issues. Year 1 products include: (1) ten \$10000 mini-grant projects with measurable outcomes; (2) annual report of Nutrition and Physical Activity Mini-Grant Projects; (3) National Mini-Grantee Workshop -Town Hall meetings at National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs, Meals on Wheels Association of America, National Association of Area Agencies on Aging; (4) website that comprehensively covers nutrition, physical activity, aging; posting biweekly highlights to 3 Center-managed listservs; 5) regularly updated Older Americans Nutrition Program Toolkit; and (6) at least 2 journals, 4 newsletters, and 2 Ask the Experts articles; 1 set of meeting backgrounders, proceedings; & 4 Aging Network presentations. In addition, the Center will provide technical assistance to the aging services network through telephone calls, e-mails, as well as meeting consultations.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers
90AM2751 National Resource Center on Native American Aging - University of North Dakota

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA
National Resource Center on Native American Aging
501 N. Columbia Road, P.O. Box 9037
Grand Forks, ND 58201-9037

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	345,000
FY 2004	345,000
FY 2005	345,000
FY 2006	86,000

Contact: Alan Allery (701)777-3859

The goal of the National Resource Center on Native American Aging (NRCNAA), funded by AoA since 1994, is to raise American Indian elder life quality to the highest level thru research, technical assistance & training. Objectives: 1) monitoring native elder needs thru tribal and national assessments; 2) translating research into practice, promoting vitality for native elders thru health promotion training and technical assistance; 3) communication thru newsletters, fact sheets, and electronic media; and 4) a health literacy project with published results. NRCNAA has been a leader in research & needs assessments with American Indians, Tribes, and older Americans for almost 10 years, & will continue the next 3 years of the proposed cooperative agreement. NRCNAA provides an array of training & technical assistance to various groups regionally and nationally. They collaborate with Title III & Title VI providers and will continue by connecting with AoA Regional Offices to assist with regional and national training and technical assistance. NRCNAA will continue collaborating with federal & state recognized tribes; Alaskan Native corporations and villages; Native Hawaiians; urban Indian organizations; the National Indian Council on Aging, & other prominent aging groups. NRCNAA has the only national database on American Indian elder needs & may be the only source for trend data on functional limitations, chronic disease, and health risks data for Native elders. 9,296 + elders at 88 sites represent 132 tribes in 22 states, & 11 Indian Health Service areas. NRCNAA will help: 1) seniors access an integrated array of health and long term care services; 2) elders stay active and healthy; 3) support families caring for loved ones in their home and community; and 4) promote effective, responsive management/best practices, which will be disseminated to Native elders and Councils, & providers via e-mail, fact sheets, web, newsletter, articles, an 800 # and direct inquiry.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM2752 National Resource Center for American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

3211 Providence Drive

Anchorage, AK 99508-4614

Contact: Cheryl Easley (907)486-6597

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	344,155
FY 2004	344,155
FY 2005	344,155

The National Resource Center for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Elders at the University of Alaska, Anchorage will report to an advisory board of native leaders on three goals: 1) empowering native communities to incorporate traditional ways of treating elders within community care systems, in keeping with community heritages; 2) providing technical information to promote culturally sensitive and appropriate services to maintain social well being within a spiritual elder-focused environment; and 3) increasing national visibility of native eldercare issues. Outcomes will include: 1) defined native elder values to better understand appropriate native eldercare standards; 2) defined clinical and behavioral needs; 3) assistance to native communities in conducting assessments of elder desires for their own care; and 4) identification and research of "best or promising practices" of the current incorporation of culture-based native eldercare services.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3079 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of Hawaii

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Honolulu, HI 96822

Contact: Paul Kakugawa (808)956-4054

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	120,000
FY 2007	120,000

The University of Hawaii at Manoa proposes a project to establish Ha Kupuna, the National Resource Center for Native American Elders - focusing on Native Hawaiians - in collaboration with national and regional community partners and elders. Our goal is the development and dissemination of knowledge on Hawaiian elders and their health and long-term care preferences and patterns, in order to improve access to and the delivery of services to them. Our objectives are to: 1) establish a sustainable core organizational structure to achieve the vision and direction of this Center; 2) begin to establish a national database of Native Hawaiian elders and their caregivers in health and long-term care; and 5) enhance the community's knowledge of Native Hawaiian health and long-term care needs through the dissemination of research, and the provision of training and technical assistance to professionals. Our outcomes include increased collaboration among providers of eldercare and Native leaders in Hawaii and increased knowledge of providers of eldercare services about Native elders and Native civic leaders about aging. Our products include a database and Resource website on Native Hawaiian elders and their caregivers in long-term care; national and regional conference abstracts; a report, including project evaluation; and articles for publication.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3080 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of North Dakota
School of Medicine and Health Sciences
501 North Columbia Road
Grand Forks, ND 58202

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	341,995
FY 2007	341,995

Contact: Alan J Allery (701)777-3859

The National Resource Center on Native American Aging, located at the Center for Rural Health, University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences has been of service to American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiians since 1994. The Center's efforts have concentrated on the goal of "raising the quality of life for Native elders to the highest possible level" through technical assistance, training, conducting needs assessments, and research. To reach that goal the Center is proposing four continuing objectives: 1) continue to assist an increasing number of the 561 federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations with determining the needs of their elders by conducting the Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders. Assist with new locations and with those who have already conducted the needs assessment by re-administering the survey to help collect longitudinal data during the 2006 - 2009 project period; 2) continue to provide feedback for those who have conducted the Identifying Our Needs: A Survey of Elders and to improve that feedback by providing information regarding best practices, exemplary projects and promising innovations; and 3) continue to conduct training for service providers working with elders on a regular basis at national and regional conferences and monthly seminars hosted by, but not limited to, the Administration on Aging Regional Offices, Kauffman and Associates and the National Indian Council on Aging.

Program: Older Indians National Resource Centers

90AM3081 National Resource Centers on Older Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians

University of Alaska Anchorage
College of Health and Social Welfare
3211 Providence Drive, Suite 205
Anchorage, AK 99508

Project Period: 09/01/2006 - 06/30/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	221,995
FY 2007	221,995

Contact: Kanaqlak (George) P Charles (907)786-4329

The National Resource Center for American Indians, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiian Elders at the University of Alaska, Anchorage will have three goals: 1) empowering Native communities to incorporate traditional ways of treating Elders within community care systems; 2) providing technical information to promote culturally sensitive and appropriate services to maintain social well being within a spiritually Elder-focused environment; and 3) increasing visibility of Native Elder-care issues. Outcomes will include: 1) defining Native Elder values to better understand appropriate Native Elder-care standards; 2) defining clinical and behavioral needs of Native communities and assisting them in conducting assessments of Elder's desires for their own care; and 3) identifying "best, promising and emerging practices" of the current culturally based Native Elder-care services. Products will include: 1) conferences of Elders to gather cultural value narratives; 2) an Elder-care needs assessment and technical assistance "tool box" for use by Native Communities; 3) summer field institute to train families and health care professionals working with Elders; 4) narratives describing cultural values and summary papers on "best, promising and emerging practices", "Elder mistreatment/prevention" and "long-term care"; and 5) a web site to further disseminate all information produced.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2573 Pennsylvania Memory Loss Screening Program

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2006

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF AGING

555 Walnut Street, 5th Floor

Harrisburg, PA 17101-1919

Contact: Velma E Carter-Dryer

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	349,012
FY 2003	349,012
FY 2004	349,012

This is a three year Dementia demonstration project, whose goal is to develop the Pennsylvania Memory Loss Screening (MLS) Program. The MLS program is designed to create dementia screening and service delivery focusing on serving Latino/Hispanic American, Asian-American, African American and rural Pennsylvanians. The objectives of this MLS project are: 1) to develop models of community-based service delivery; 2) to target the integration of medical and social support services; 3) to provide facility based, in-home and overnight respite and adult day care; 4) to serve people with early on-set dementia (before the age of 60) regardless of race; and 5) to provide direct services, e.g., facility based, in-home and overnight respite and adult day care. The Community-based organizations involved in this MLS program include Area Agencies on Aging, PA Dept. of Health, PA Dept. of Public Welfare, Univ. of PA Health System (Memory Disorders Clinic), PA Intra-governmental Council on LTC, Hahnemann University, and Alzheimer's Association chapters of PA. The anticipated outcomes are: a cadre of volunteers; a dementia screening service for AD minorities and rural elders; improved client health; improved responsiveness of all agencies; greater access to services and community-based supports; improved referrals, screenings, and education forums; and partnership with corporate and private foundations. The products are: a final report; an MLS model of community-based service delivery to minorities; a replication manual; and multi-language materials.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2574 Implementing Changes to Improve Dementia Care in Home, Community and Health Service Organizations

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2006

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH

320 South Walnut Street

Lansing, MI 48913-8913

Contact: Irene Kazieczko (517)335-0252

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	282,373
FY 2003	272,355
FY 2004	257,224

This is a three year demonstration project that will focus on rural populations and will help the State of Michigan to take a systems integration approach to improving care for families coping with Alzheimer's Disease (AD). The four goals of this project are: 1) to replicate a model program of assistance designed to improve access and coordination of care between physicians, people with dementing illnesses, their families, and voluntary health organizations (VHO); 2) to implement two models of assistance in home and community-based service organizations that improve their responsiveness to the needs of people with dementing illnesses and their families; 3) to implement the current statewide capacity of VHOs for Alzheimer, Huntington and Parkinson diseases to follow-up on inquiry calls, provide care consultation and link callers with other supportive services; and 4) to identify components of each model of assistance that have potential for replication or integration by other similar organizations and disseminate key results, lessons, protocols and service methodologies to units of state government, Area Agencies on Aging, VHOs and interested health care providers. The anticipated results of this AD program are: a state model; better understanding of Alzheimer patients' illness; increased level of knowledge and confidence in caring for the patients; and use of new protocols. A product of this AD program is a final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2692 Consumer-Directed Services for Families of Persons with Alzheimer Disease

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

PO Box 95044

Lincoln, NE 68509-5044

Contact: Janice Price (402)471-9106

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	326,000
FY 2004	278,300
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	225,000

This project will use a consumer-directed approach to serve persons with mild to moderate forms of Alzheimer's Disease (AD), and their caregivers. The first goal of the project will be to enable consumers to make effective decisions about care for their relatives and allow them to remain at home as long as possible. The second goal of this project is to offer caregivers a mentor who will provide information and support, mental health support, if needed, and expanded education/training opportunities. Partnerships will be formed with existing community services and religious and rural coalitions to coordinate and enhance services for caregivers and to reach the currently under-served population of caregivers in a five county area. The anticipated outcomes are: consumer-directed approach for AD patients; caregivers for AD patients; family and relative integration; increased support for AD persons to stay at home and in their community; a mentor assigned for each AD person; and mental health support for each AD person. The product is a final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2693 Dementia Outreach Lexington: Diagnosis/Treatment and Services for African-Americans

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services

Human Support Services

275 E. Main Street, 3 W-F

Frankfort, KY 40621

Contact: Phyllis E. Culp (502)564-7194

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	212,970
FY 2004	189,029
FY 2005	189,029
FY 2006	189,029
FY 2007	294,394

Kentucky's Office of Aging Services, in collaboration with the Sanders Brown Center on Aging and the Greater Kentucky and Southern Indiana Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, will conduct a three-year program to increase awareness of dementia and utilization of dementia care services by the African-American community. The objectives of the project are: (1) to increase awareness of dementia in the Lexington/Fayette County African-American population; (2) to provide dementia diagnostic services for African-Americans in their community setting; and (3) to offer two separate services through churches, e.g., support groups and a Best Friends care program - to complement programs already in place. Expected outcomes are: increased use of diagnostic and treatment services already in place in an African-American neighborhood, and an increase in sense of satisfaction with caregiving efforts. Products are: a final report; informational materials on dementia and available services; training materials for coaching caregivers and patients; evaluation tools; and manuscripts for publication.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2694 Rural Respite Program - Group Socialization and In-home Respite

Utah Department of Human Services
Aging and Adult Services
120 North 200 West, Room 319
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

Contact: Sonnie Yudell

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000

This project plans to expand access to community-based respite services and to develop a system of in-home respite care that is volunteer driven, for persons with Alzheimer's disease (AD) and related dementias and their caregivers within rural areas of the state and/or minority communities where no such program exists. The goal is to develop relationships with diverse organizations and faith based programs to mobilize and train volunteer respite companions. Culturally sensitive volunteer training materials will be developed to reach a wide range of volunteers and clients. The objectives are: 1) to train volunteer companions who will provide respite care supplemented by home health care; 2) to prepare professionals to teach basic dementia care to participating families; 3) to develop a model for a two-pronged program with parallel development of a plan for community awareness and educational presentations and a program for recruiting and training volunteers and clients; and 4) to provide respite for caregivers, while providing care and socialization for their family member with Alzheimer's. The expected outcomes are: increased access to community-based and in-home respite services; increased use of volunteers for AD persons; increased number of rural caregivers; trainings for AD volunteers and caregivers; and improved access to dementia care services for families with AD persons. The product is a final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2695 Early Intervention and Continuous Supportive Services Project

IDAHO COMMISSION ON AGING
PO Box 83720
Boise, ID 83720-0007

Contact: Lois S Bauer (208)334-3833

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	320,348
FY 2004	305,298
FY 2005	293,217
FY 2006	287,174

Idaho's Alzheimer's Disease (AD) Project creates a collaborative model, the "Stand By You Program". The goal is to provide a network of services and a single point of entry for people with AD and their families. The objectives are: 1) to offer, through a family advisor, an array of community services; 2) to offer monthly orientations to Alzheimer's Disease and nine-week in-depth training courses; 3) to offer individual, couple and family counseling; and, 4) to offer access to responsive paid and informal respite and companion services. The anticipated outcomes are: dementia-specific training for the network of providers and a peer group; shared best practices; quality improvement processes explored; sustainability and capacity building methods implemented; and purpose and values of the "Stand By You Program" articulated by a professional, community advisory group, to the professional communities they represent. The products are: a final report, and training materials on AD.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2696 Home And Community Based Support Services for Hispanic Cultured Persons with Alzheimer's Disease an

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

Puerto Rico Ombudsman for the Elderly
P. O. Box 191179 Old San Juan Station
San Juan, PR 00919-1179

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-4560

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

The Office for Elderly Affairs for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will conduct a 3-year demonstration project titled: Home and Community-Based Support Services for Hispanic Cultured Persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their Caregivers. The two primary goals are to: 1) develop and provide a comprehensive home-based support model for Hispanic Persons with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and their Caregivers; and 2) improve receptiveness of existing Senior Centers and the long-term care service networks toward persons with AD and related disorders (ADRD). The objectives are to: 1) provide a variety of respite services, home health care, companionship, homemaker services and case management; 2) provide information and training to strengthen their skills and well-being; 3) provide both community service networks with "know-how" information and training, which will result in increased knowledge, sensitivity and receptiveness of persons with AD; and 4) incorporate community organizations and government agencies as part of its Advisory Council, which will play an active role in planning, implementation and evaluation activities. The expected outcomes are: increased family home support for Hispanics with AD in Puerto Rico; and increased sensitivity towards Hispanics with ADRD. The products are a final report, and AD Hispanic training materials.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2723 Reaching and Empowering Alzheimer's Clients Together (REACT)

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2007

Connecticut Department of Social Services
Social Work and Prevention
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106

Contact: Kathy Bruni (860)424-5872

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	250,000
FY 2004	250,000
FY 2005	250,000
FY 2006	250,000

The Connecticut Department of Social Services is developing this 3-year Alzheimer's Disease (AD) project in partnership with the Connecticut AD Association, AAA, and the Capitol Region Conference of Churches. The goal of this AD project is to conduct community outreach, awareness, and clinical supportive services for AD persons and their families. The objectives are: 1) to provide community-based and in-home clinical assessment/counseling/treatment; 2) to develop materials and treatment strategies; 3) to conduct outreach and increase participation of underserved populations; 4) to conduct program and service integration; and 5) to expand current services/support systems. The projected outcomes are: increased participation of underserved seniors; creation and dissemination of outreach and educational materials; fewer barriers, inc. access and availability of resources and services to families; expanded service/care/support network; increased services and treatments; and a connection to services for isolated self-neglecting AD persons. The program products are web accessible and include a final report; brochures; evaluation/assessment tools; training manuals; and a treatment manual.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2767 North Dakota Alzheimer's Demonstration Project: Working Together

ND ST DEPT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Aging Services Division
600 East Blvd. Ave., Dept. 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

Contact: Sheryl R.H. Pfliger (701)328-4645

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	261,150
FY 2005	261,150
FY 2006	261,150

The goal of the North Dakota Working Together project is to build an alliance between the medical community, parish nurses, OAA and community services to increase dementia identification, treatment and caregiver respite, with a special focus on rural areas and American Indian reservations. A University of North Dakota dementia curriculum will be used to train a pool of Qualified Service Providers (QSPs) with expertise in dementia care. Two medical systems will provide protocols, tools and training to the medical community to facilitate assessment, treatment and referral for enhanced respite services.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2768 Staying the Course in Alzheimer's Care

Vermont Department of Aging and Independent Living

Disability and Aging Services

103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-1601

Contact: Maria Mireault (802)241-3738

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The Vermont Department of Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) will develop and implement a three-year project that provides supportive, educational and/or direct service interventions for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD), helping those with ADRD remain in their homes and communities. The project will serve 450 households, targeting family caregivers with low incomes, caregivers residing in rural, underserved areas of the state, and supportive services teams caring for people with ADRD and developmental disabilities. Vermont's DAIL will link project activities to Vermont's community-based long-term system, enhancing existing services and developing new resources, such as case management and eldercare mental health within primary care practices; dementia care capable developmental service teams; and caregiver wellness and supportive services projects.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2769 Alzheimer's Demonstration Program: Coordinating Care in Wyoming

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2006

WY ST DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
6101 Yellowstone Road Room 259B
Cheyenne, WY 82002

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	150,000

Contact: Beverly J Morrow

The Aging Division will engage in a one-year pilot project to greatly improve the coordination of outreach to, and services for, people with Alzheimer's Disease/dementia and their caregivers. The goals are to: better understand the need of AD families in Wyoming; increase knowledge bases regarding AD; raise awareness of available resources; and create a more effective, responsive network of services that strengthen community-based in-home care recipients and support the needs of caregivers. Expected outcomes include: increased support and stress reduction for caregivers; coordinated services that improve care and effectiveness, leading to prolonged avoidance of premature institutionalization; and increased awareness and knowledge among professionals and the public. Products will include dementia resource manuals, a reliable needs assessment, a Web resource and final report.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2770 Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2006

SD ST DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
State Office Bldg. 700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	225,000

Contact: Pat Miller

Through this one-year grant, the South Dakota Office of Adult Services and Aging will identify the needs of individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and related dementia and their paid and unpaid family caregivers. Once the needs have been identified, a coordinated system of care and training to meet these needs will be developed. First, a meeting will be held to identify partner agencies and organizations that work with individuals with Alzheimer's Disease. These partner agencies will form the planning committee. A main focus of the planning committee will be the identification of the number of people with this disease who live in South Dakota and their location, as well as measurements of the effectiveness of the current support system. Training for paid and unpaid caregivers will be developed and a program that offers direct supportive services for caregivers will be a priority.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2771 AoA Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

Commonwealth of Virginia
Virginia Department for the Aging
1610 Forest Ave., Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Contact: Janet H Schaefer (804)662-9333

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	304,473

Based upon the feedback that the Virginia Department for the Aging (VDA) received during its first Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grants to States Program (ADDGS), VDA will initiate three new projects to improve services to the 107,403 older Virginians and their families impacted by Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (AD), and to better integrate Alzheimer's disease programs into the long-term care services system. The first project will award grants to the four Alzheimer's Association chapters in Virginia to provide respite care to families caring for persons with AD. The second project will demonstrate the viability of the systems changes that will result from the development of a Comprehensive Virtual Center on Alzheimer's Disease. The third and final project will initiate the development of affordable driver assessment and rehabilitation programs in Virginia targeted to drivers in the very early stages of AD. VDA will also reactivate the state-level Alzheimer's Disease Response Task Force (ADRTF), created under the department's first ADDGS grant, to provide ongoing guidance during the implementation and evaluation of the three projects.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2772 Alzheimer's Community Outreach, Education and Capacity-building Project

Minnesota Board on Aging
PO Box 64976
St. Paul, MN 55164

Contact: Donna K Walberg (651)431-2565

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The goal of the Minnesota Working Together project is to engage in a three-year systems change effort to connect the medical and community care systems to create an integrated service system for caregivers and individuals with dementia, in order to increase dementia identification, assessment, treatment and caregiver respite.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2773 Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

State of Louisiana Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs
412 North 4th Street - 3rd Floor
Baton Rouge, LA 70802

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

Contact: Sharon Buchert (225)342-7100

The Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs and community partners, the Alzheimer's Association and Alzheimer's Service of the Capital Area, will improve the responsiveness of Louisiana's overall system of home and community-based care to the needs and preferences of persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers. The major objectives of the partnership are: to streamline access to information and services that support persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers; increase consumer control in service options; empower individuals and their caregivers with increased skills and tools to self-advocate and manage needs; and increase services to the underserved through outreach to rural and minority residents. The expected outcome is that persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers will have increased access to information and services that are culturally appropriate and geographically/physically convenient. The proposed activities to achieve these objectives include: more availability and consumer direction for National Family Caregiver Support Program participants; increased respite services and caregiver education; diversity outreach efforts for minority and rural caregivers; and mobile day services to offer innovative respite options.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2774 Expanding Culturally Appropriate Adult Day Care to Minorities and Mid-Late Stage Clients.

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

State of Iowa
Iowa Department of Elders Affairs
510 East 12th Street, Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

Contact: Terry Hornbuckle (515)725-3309

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs (IDEA) will conduct a three-year program to increase the capacity of Adult Day Health and Respite (ADR) providers to deliver culturally appropriate service to persons with dementia and to emerging minority populations in rural settings. Goals include: 1) convene statewide committee to evaluate and develop ADR training; 2) increase use of direct services for ADR care; 3) provide assessment and intervention services and staff education to ADR provided by a Memory Loss Nurse Specialist (MLNS); and 4) evaluate and develop culturally sensitive education, training materials, classes, and services. Expected outcomes include: increased numbers of higher level dementia clients receiving adult day/respite services from trained staff; expertise of a MLNS for assessment and education; dementia specific adult day/respite centers meeting new state rules and regulations; and increased client/family satisfaction with services. Products will include a web site, culturally specific training manual, educational and evaluation tools, and research manuscripts. These will be disseminated to community colleges, direct service organizations and Area Agencies on Aging and introduced at state, local and national conferences.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2775 Focus on Families

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Division of Aging and Adult Services

PO Box 1437, Slot S530

Little Rock, AR 72203

Contact: Susie Keesling (501)682-2441

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	281,150
FY 2005	275,754
FY 2006	275,754

The Arkansas Division of Aging and Adult Services' project is called Focus on Families. The project combines models of direct care for underserved populations, use of faith-based and other volunteer organizations, plus innovative methods for improving access to services, information, and supports. The goals are: to focus services/support at the home and community level for people with Alzheimer's Disease (AD)/related disorders and their family caregivers; develop additional services; and make access to services easier and resource information more readily available. Major objectives include: developing and implementing a bridge fund to make home and community-based waiver services available pending eligibility determination; developing a web-based information system; implementing two models of direct care; providing faith-based volunteer services; televising family caregiver training; holding annual symposiums for AD caregivers; and exploring the needs of people who have both AD and developmental disability through a stakeholders' committee. The overall approach includes enhancement of current systems change initiatives, focus on minority and rural populations, and collaboration with key partners and community organizations. Products from the project include broadcast-based training materials, Web-based information, direct care and volunteer service models, bridge fund procedures/outcomes, symposiums, and reports.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2776 Walk of Friendship Program

AZ ST DEPT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

1789 West Jefferson Street (950A)

Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-4446

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	276,059
FY 2005	276,059
FY 2007	317,024

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, Aging and Adult Administration will build upon its Walk of Friendship model of assistance to address the need for care systems that are dementia-capable and culturally sensitive for individuals with dementia, their families, and their caregivers. The goals of the program are to expand culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate services and materials for persons with dementia and their caregivers and to improve coordination and service delivery of home and community-based services at the state and local level. Expected outcomes are: underserved populations with the disease and their caregivers will have increased access to dementia-capable services; family caregivers will have an increased awareness and knowledge of Alzheimer's disease and available resources; individuals and families will better cope with and plan for disease progression and memory loss; persons with the disease and their family caregiver will have enhanced quality of life and better social supports; and community engagement in dementia capable delivery of services will be improved. Products will include an evaluation report, final report, and web page information.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2777 DE Memory Loss Screening Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2007

DE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES

1901 N DuPont Highway, Main Annex

New Castle, DE 19720

Contact: Carol Barnett (302)255-9390

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	161,150
FY 2005	161,150
FY 2006	161,092

The Alzheimer's Association Delaware Valley Chapter, Delaware Regional Office, has planned and will implement the Delaware Memory Loss Screening Demonstration Project. The memory loss screening tool was developed by the University of Pennsylvania Memory Loss Clinic and is a proven instrument to identify possible neurological problems. The project will target populations that are confronted with substantial barriers to accessing memory loss screening and support services. This is a community-based, education and service program that will bring memory loss screenings and dementia-related services directly to people in their communities.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2778 D.C. Awareness and Care Program (DC AACP)

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

District of Columbia Office on Aging

441 Fourth Street, NW, Suite 900 South

Washington, DC 20001

Contact: Roxanne Ando (202)724-5622

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	263,768
FY 2005	263,768
FY 2006	263,768
FY 2007	249,961

The District of Columbia Office on Aging (DC OoA) plans to conduct a three-year program mobilizing the African American faith community to create community coalitions that elevate awareness of Alzheimer's disease and related disorders (ADRD) and increase utilization of services by African Americans. Goals include: reaching African Americans who are not linked to services; testing an approach to link caregivers to direct services; and providing Montessori-based Activities for Persons with Dementia (MBAP) at adult day care centers. Expected outcomes are: amplified awareness of ADRD; increased number of caregivers linked to services; and improved level of functioning in ADRD elders. Products include educational videos, culturally sensitive training manual, assessment/evaluation tools, and web page information that are disseminated to public and private service organizations. Key partners include Home Care Partners, Alzheimer's Association, and DC OoA lead agencies and day care programs.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2779 Alzheimer's Demonstration Project

State of Missouri

Missouri Dept of Health and Senior Services

920 Wildwood Drive - P.O. Box 570

Jefferson City, MO 65109

Contact: Diane Brown (573)751-6014

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	230,523
FY 2005	230,523
FY 2006	230,523
FY 2007	325,000

This initiative will focus on promoting the climate for a systems change. Efforts will be directed to improving the quality of life for persons in Missouri, through expansion of real options to individuals, as they make choices about their lives. It will embark on the following three components:

- "Empowerment Groups" - An innovative community respite model for individuals in the earlier stages of Alzheimer's, based on their capacity to self-direct care, and supporting a sense of purpose and value for the individual.
- A security support program addressing difficulties with wandering behavior.
- "Staying Home" grant funding to expand care support options for those individuals in the later stages of a dementia.

Contracting with the four chapters of the Alzheimer's Association, Missouri will strengthen the mounting movement towards strength-based care, responsiveness to individual philosophy of life and bolstering opportunities to remain in the home longer.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2780 (STARS and Beyond) Support through Alzheimer's Relief Systems and Beyond

State of Florida Department of Elder Affairs

Division of Volunteer & Community Based Services

4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 315

Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The goal of the Florida Department of Elder Affairs proposed Alzheimer's Demonstration Project, "Support through Alzheimer's Relief Systems (STARS) and Beyond," is to increase access to services for individuals with dementia, their caregivers and families residing in traditionally underserved rural, minority and culturally diverse communities. Project objectives are: providing direct services, wanderer registration and related services for dementia clients and their caregivers; developing a prioritization system for improving services to dementia clients and caregivers; recruiting faith-based organizations to conduct community-outreach activities; conducting community outreach activities through faith-based organization volunteers; conducting community education presentations; establishing a task force of professionals and agencies serving dementia clients; and expanding 24/7 crisis-intervention, information and referral telephone services. The project approach will emphasize collaborative partnerships among service agencies to minority, elderly and culturally diverse dementia clients and their caregivers in rural areas, found in the nine service counties. Major products will include culturally sensitive dementia awareness and services brochures, and an Alzheimer's Disease "caregiver sensitive" service prioritization form.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2781 Alzheimer's Disease in Rural Maine

Maine Dept. of Health and Human Services
442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333

Contact: Romaine M Turyn (207)287-9214

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	297,121
FY 2005	297,121
FY 2006	297,121
FY 2007	300,000

The Bureau of Elder and Adult Services proposes to increase access to an array of services provided to caregivers of people with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) in rural Maine through a collaboration between providers within Maine's Home and Community Based Care System (HBCS), the Aging Network, and Real Choice System Change Initiatives. The project will expand the pilot caregiver companion program to rural counties and add mental health, end of life care and hospice referral services for clients/families affected by AD, served by the HBCS and Area Agencies on Aging. The project will expand the focus of the ADRC's to include family caregivers. Priority will be on increasing end of life care and hospice services in aging programs. Finally, the project will recognize direct care workers trained in dementia care, in collaboration with the Direct Care Workforce Demonstration. Outcomes include: an increase in the numbers of caregivers receiving companion services, mental health counseling and hospice services; and a reduction in the degree of caregiver burden, stress and depression. Products include screening tools, training materials, Web site information and intervention strategies that reduce stress.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2782 Project Care (Caregivers Running on Empty)

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Aging and Adult Services Division
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Contact: Karisa Derence (919)733-8390

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services will implement a new three-year program of consumer-directed respite for dementia caregivers in ten counties, building upon prior successes. The program goal is to improve the quality, access, choice, and use of respite services. The aging service delivery system will be bolstered by the integration of dementia-capable resources into the Family Caregiver Support Program, the new Aging and Disability Resource Centers, and the State long-term care plan. Expected outcomes include: 1) expanded availability of dementia-specific training, education, and resources; 2) increased family awareness of the value and availability of respite; 3) greater family control over services; and 4) increased use of dementia-specific respite care services by low-income rural and minority families. Products to be disseminated include: dementia-specific materials on family decision-making and consumer-directed service use; guidelines on how to respond to caregiver anger; materials on rural and minority family care topics; visiting tips for faith-based volunteers; and a policy paper based on the grant experience and literature review. Project staff will report findings to local evaluation and planning committees.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2783 Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grants to States.

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Ave, Suite 470
Montgomery, AL 36130

Contact: Lori Frazier (334)242-5743

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

The State of Alabama, Department of Senior Services will conduct a three-year program to: (1) improve direct services available to family caregivers by incorporating Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver's Health (REACH) evidence-based, in-home social and behavioral interventions, which promote skill building; and (2) improve Alabama's overall system of care by a) incorporating the needs and preferences of persons with dementia into the State's long term care system, b) expanding volunteer services, to include "Caring Teams" that partner with faith-based communities to provide in-home and supportive services to families, and c) through Leadership Institutes for Older Adults, which provide systems advocacy and volunteer service. Expected outcomes are: a decrease in caregiver burden, as measured by feeling of self-efficacy, anxiety and depression; and an increase in access to and knowledge about available services. Products will include training manuals on REACH interventions, Alzheimer's Caring Teams, and Leadership Institutes. Other products include evaluation tools, Web page information, a final report, and published reports on the impact of the Leadership Institute. These products will be disseminated through state and national conferences, to direct service organizations and to the Area Agencies on Aging.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2784 ADDGS Project Expansion and Integration in Nevada

NEVADA DEPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
Division of Aging Services
3100 W. Sahara Avenue, Suite 103
Las Vegas, NV 89102

Contact: Melvin L Phillips (702)486-3545

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

Nevada's Division of Aging Services will fund and coordinate four dementia-related service providers. These providers will target Nevada's rural residents, those with early state dementia, and both urban and rural underserved minorities. These and all other dementia-related services will be integrated into all home and community-based services (HCBS) networks through the Division's computerized Single Point of Entry (SPE) system. SPE is based on a robust software platform ("SYNERGY") that integrates databases, including those providing resources and referral options.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2785 Memory Care Connections

Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services
Disability and Elder Services
1 West Wilson Street
Madison, WI 53707

Contact: Cathy Kehoe (608)266-2907

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

This Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS) will fund four demonstrations of Memory Care Connections, a model of local collaboration aligning dementia services provided by diagnostic clinics, Aging/Disability Resource Centers, Alzheimer's Association chapters and service providers. The goal is to provide individuals and families affected by Alzheimer's disease with the information, medical diagnosis and management, caregiver support and services needed to achieve improved quality of life through closely connected local dementia services networks. Local sites will be funded to deploy nurses/social workers to link consumers with the dementia service network.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2786 Tennessee Alzheimer's Demonstration: System Building through Adaption of Best Practices

Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability
500 Deaderick St., Suite 825
Nashville, TN 37243-0860

Contact: Tabitha Satterfield (615)741-2056

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	325,000

The Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability will provide respite services for about 300 persons with Alzheimer's Disease and their caregivers in five (5) counties. Also, this demonstration brings about the following system level outcomes: implementation of the coping with caregiving REACH (Resources for Enhancing Alzheimer's Caregiver Health) model in Tennessee; health promotion/disease prevention provided to Alzheimer's caregivers in collaboration with the National Family Caregiving Support Program; a media campaign to assist the project; implementation of family-directed care in the Tennessee Aging Services; and exploration of potential program enhancements for Tennessee in-home services, making them more responsive to the needs of caregivers. Project evaluation will be the responsibility of the Tennessee Commission on Aging and Disability.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2787 Asian and Pacific Islander Dementia Care Networks

State of California
Department of Aging
1300 National Drive, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95834-1992

Contact: Janet Tedesco (916)322-5290

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	324,925

The California Department of Aging (CDA), in coordination with the California Department of Health Services (CDHS) and a coalition of community organizations, proposes to develop and expand culturally and linguistically competent services for Asian-American, dementia-affected families in Northern and Southern California. The project's goal is to enhance the capacity of local health and social service providers to serve Vietnamese, Korean and Chinese dementia-affected families. The project's strategy is to build community capacity through coordination of community-based collaboratives; training for ethnically diverse professional providers; and service coordination for caregiving families via bi-cultural, paraprofessional Care Advocates. Products will include linguistically appropriate educational materials, an updated replication manual, tip-sheets for working with the target populations derived from focus group findings, and a manuscript on culturally competent dementia services for Asian-Americans.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2788 Continuing Partners in Care

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
John O. Pastore Center
35 Howard Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920

Contact: Joan M D'Agostino (401)462-0507

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	294,050
FY 2005	294,050
FY 2006	294,050
FY 2007	325,000

The Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs (DEA), in partnership with three community-based services organizations, will support RI's Systems Change Initiatives, particularly the new Aging and Disability Resource Center, by developing and strengthening statewide resources for Alzheimer's Disease (AD) families, especially minority families and those at or near the poverty line. Changes in RI's overall home and community-based system of long-term care will result from streamlining access to services and family caregiver support services for AD families. An interagency Project Advisory Group, comprised of advocates and consumers, as well as AD and aging professionals, will guide and oversee this three-year effort. Process and outcome evaluation will be performed; best practices models will be developed; and results will be disseminated locally and nationally.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2789 (INDIANA) Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant to States

Indiana Disability, Aging and Rehabilitation Services
Bureau of Aging & In-Home Services
402 West Washington Street MS-21 PO Box 7083
Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000

Contact: Patty Matkovic (317)232-0811

Indiana's Bureau of Aging and In-Home Services will enhance support to the Alzheimer's Disease caregivers in Indiana. The objectives of this project involve the expansion of the video monitoring technology that allows caregivers to monitor persons with Alzheimer's Disease through video cameras and computer software from an off-site location. Indiana will seek funding approval through the In-Home Services network, including Medicaid Waivers for the technological services that will assist with long-term viability of these services. The Powerful Tools Training that "trains the trainer" will be offered statewide to Area Agency on Aging and state staff. Caregivers will learn how to take care of themselves, and to access help and community services. Development of a Volunteer Respite Program that targets Alzheimer's caregivers will further increase the support tools available. A volunteer coordinator will recruit community help to provide respite care. The availability of these support programs will enhance the support statewide for the caregiver.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2790 New Mexico Alzheimer's Program

New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department
Community Involvement Bureau
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Project Period: 07/01/2004 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	311,150
FY 2005	311,150
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	300,000

Contact: Lynne Anker-Unnever (505)222-4503

The State of New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) proposes to develop and implement respite care services, particularly community-based adult day care, targeting underserved communities and tribes in rural New Mexico. ALTSD will provide regional caregiver support services to be coordinated by Area Agencies on Aging throughout New Mexico. AAAs will employ regional care coordinators, who will provide individual client services, training and advocacy. Care coordinators will receive many of their referrals from the ALTSD Aging and Disability Resource Center.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2792 Empowering Underserved Colorado Alzheimer's Families through Training, Support, and Respite

State of Colorado/Colorado State University
Tri-Ethnic Center, Psychology
2002 Campus Delivery
Fort Collins, CO 80523

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Bo Bogdanski (970)491-5574

The State of Colorado's Colorado State University Tri-Ethnic Center for Prevention Research will conduct a three year Alzheimer's training, targeting family caregivers of rural, Hispanic, African-American, and developmentally disabled adults with dementia. Families recruited for the project (500 total) may receive grants (up to \$1000 annually) as reimbursement for adult day care, in-home care, or short-term overnight respite. With the goal of expanding the Alzheimer's Association CO Chapter (AACC) services to underserved populations, objectives include: training caregivers; providing follow-up supportive services; starting new adult day care programs; promoting respite through the grants to individual families; exploring service delivery across state lines; and using a Coordination Task Force to recommend policies for streamlining service delivery. Expected outcomes include expanded AACC services to underserved populations and improved well-being and use of services by participating families.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2793 IL Rural and LEP Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project

Illinois Department of Public Health
535 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761-0001

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	289,992

Contact: Claude A Jacob (217)782-4977

The Illinois Department of Public Health and their partners will incorporate a systems change approach to expand and build on existing systems by coordinating and integrating services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias (ADRD) and their families/caregivers. The project will expand on knowledge gained from the past project about effective methods of reaching and educating underserved populations. The goal of the project is to support the person with ADRD and their family/caregivers through increased access and use of home and community-based services.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2794 MD Respite, Outreach, Support and Education (ROSE) Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1102

The Maryland Department of Aging will conduct a three-year program of interventions emphasizing active engagement of Alzheimer's family caregivers. The goal of the ROSE Project is to work within the National Family Caregivers Support Program (NFCSP) to enable families to develop and rely on natural supports within their families and communities, developing community partners that are capable of assisting families with dementia.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**
90AZ2795 Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

Michigan Department of Community Health
320 S. Walnut Street, 5th Floor
Lansing, MI 48913

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	241,597
FY 2006	241,597
FY 2007	241,597

Contact: Marcia J Cameron (517)335-0226

The Michigan Department of Community Mental Health (MDCH) will promote a collaborative approach among mental health, public health and aging services systems; primary care physicians; and Alzheimer's Association chapters in developing community models of support for people with dementia and family members involved in their care. The project builds upon strategies outlined in the Michigan Dementia Plan, fits with MDCH systems change objectives and incorporates strategies posed by the Governor's Medicaid Long-Term Care Task Force. It is designed to ensure the needs of individuals with dementia and their caregivers are incorporated in the emerging infrastructure of Michigan's Long-Term Care System.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2796 Montana Proposal for an Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services

Senior and Long-Term Care Division

P.O. Box 4210 111 Sanders

Helena, MT 59604

Contact: Traci Clark (406)444-6995

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

The Montana Department of Health and Human Services will develop sustainable respite care programs and provide caregiver support services for a frontier/rural population. This will be accomplished by: (1) addressing systemic issues that impede the efficient delivery of respite services; (2) increasing awareness to respite care in frontier/rural areas by implementing mechanisms for consumers to share in the cost of providing respite care; and (3) educating Alzheimer's caregivers and the general public about the disease, the need and availability of respite services, and providing caregivers skill-based training.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2797 Coordinated Care Alzheimer's Demonstration Project

New York State Office for the Aging

Local Program Operations

2 Empire State Plaza

Albany, NY 12223-1251

Contact: Marcus Harazin (518)473-5705

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	258,933
FY 2007	235,069

The project goal is to enable New York State to integrate services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease or related disorders (ADRDs), who are living in rural and ethnically diverse small cities, into the State's long-term care systems change initiatives. Key objectives address: integration in system change efforts; delivery of evidence-based direct services; meeting identified needs; workforce development; disseminating project findings; and attracting alternative funds. Two counties at the forefront of Point of Entry development will work with partners to develop a new model for ADRD care that advances systems change and diversion from institutional care.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2798 Texas Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Project

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services

Access and Intake - Area Agencies on Aging

701 W. 51st Street W352

Austin, TX 78751-2312

Contact: Jeffery Seider (512)438-2481

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	225,000
FY 2006	225,000
FY 2007	162,112

This project will expand service options and improve access to information, training and support services. The overarching project goal is to improve the ability of informal caregivers to sustain their caregiving role by expanding service options, and streamlining system access to improve service delivery by reducing duplication and eliminating silos. The project will implement innovative approaches and serve as a vehicle for advancing changes to the state's overall system of home and community-based care. Major objectives include the development of collaborative partnerships; implementation of a "system navigator;" expanded service options, including education and training; and program evaluation to determine the effectiveness of the project. Products will include intake and assessment tools, outreach, training and resource materials, reports, surveys and project evaluations, which will be shared with the aging network.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2799 Dementia Partnerships for Service Integration

Washington State Department of Social & Health Services

Aging and Disability Services Administration

P.O. Box 45600

Lacey, WA 98503-1045

Contact: Lynne Korte (360)725-2545

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

This project will improve the responsiveness of Washington State's system of home and community-based services to the needs and preferences of individuals with dementia and their family caregivers by integrating dementia capable services into existing state systems. These new and expanded services will be closely connected through local dementia partnerships that work collaboratively to utilize the infrastructure of the statewide Family Caregiver Support Program, the expertise of the Alzheimer's specific organizations, and the service potential of the model dementia day service providers. Objectives include a local dementia partnership model to improve access to and utilization of family caregiver support and respite care services; dementia day services; dementia-specific family consultation services; and family caregiver counseling services. Products will include standards of care for dementia day services; a "How-to" Guide for each dementia-specific service; recommended indicators for referral to each service; assessment and evaluation tools; and a final report on project outcomes.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2800 West Virginia Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant

West Virginia Bureau of Senior Services
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East
Charleston, WV 25305-9169

Contact: Jan Bowen (304)558-3317

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	290,000
FY 2006	290,000
FY 2007	290,000

The objectives of the WV Alzheimer's Disease Demonstration Grant are: to develop and implement a multi-faceted project that will address the challenge of providing a continuum of information in order to increase the knowledge and coping skills of up to 500 families of persons with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) in the most rural areas of the state; to initiate a re-assessment of Hospice admitting criteria for people with AD in two counties and provide earlier access to grief and bereavement counseling to families; and to continue to support, enhance and/or expand respite care in up to 16 counties. This project will build upon and become an integral part of the state systems change initiatives for their home and community-based services. This includes the AoA/CMS ADRC grant and The Robert Wood Johnson Cash and Counseling grant. Products will include a project manual; assessment and evaluation tools; and a late stage Alzheimer's care curriculum.

Program: **Alzheimers Disease Demonstration Grants to States (ADDGS)**

90AZ2801 Environmental Tools for Dementia Care

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services
Division of Aging & Community Services
P.O. Box 807
Trenton, NJ 08625-0807

Contact: Barbara Fuller (609)292-7874

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

This multi-intervention project will work to improve access to dementia-related education, support and services for individuals with Alzheimer's Disease and related disorders (ADRD) living in low-income, underserved African-American communities in Camden and Salem counties and Hispanic/Latino communities in Middlesex County. The project will promote changes in the state's home and community-based service system, to achieve more culturally and linguistically competent services for individuals with ADRD and their caregivers from diverse populations. Products will include a project evaluation, and a report with recommendations from a state-level task force for sustaining and replicating successful project components.

Program: Family Friends

90AM2770 The National Center for Family and Friends

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2007

The National Council on the Aging
300 D Street, SW, Suite 801
Washington, DC 20024

Contact: Adam Brunner

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	980,584
FY 2004	980,584
FY 2005	980,584
FY 2006	980,584

The National Council on the Aging, Inc., in partnership with Temple University Center for Intergenerational Learning, proposes to enhance the Family Friends program through the development, operation, and management of the National Center for Family Friends (NCFE). In brief, Center objectives are: 1) to establish 6 or 7 new model Family Friends projects; 2) facilitate viable Family Friends projects through effective training, technical assistance and guidance; 3) design and test an expansion of the Family Friends model that uses senior volunteers to assist at-risk youth; and 4) improve the well-being of older volunteers, parents, and children/youth participating in Family Friends sites and to increase the understanding of the impact of the program on Family Friends participants. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) expansion of a national network of viable Family Friends projects; 2) more effective strategies of older volunteers helping at-risk children and youth; 4) improved NCFE and project performance; and 3) a positive impact on program volunteers, families and children. Products include improved web and e-group sites, a lessons learned manual, a program evaluation, annual conferences, orientations for program directors, site visits to projects, training/technical assistance, and publications such as Newsline and E-/FaxNews.

Program: National Family Caregivers Support Program

90CG2534 Cuidando Con Confianza (Caring With Confidence)

Project Period: 09/30/2001 - 06/30/2006

PIMA COUNCIL ON AGING
5055 East Broadway Blvd., Suite C104
Tucson, AZ 85711-5711

Contact: Marian Lupu (520)790-7262

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2001	170,540
FY 2002	170,540
FY 2003	170,540

This is a three year National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP). The project partners include the residents and the City of South Tucson and COPE Behavioral Services, Inc. The goal of this Caregiver project is to develop, test and implement an effective, culturally appropriate and acceptable model of family caregiver support (FCS) designed by caregivers in South Tucson, AZ. The objectives of the project are: 1) to identify the demographic characteristics of Mexican-American caregivers and elders in South Tucson; 2) to reduce the stress of primary family caregivers; and 3) to create a replicable model employed by community caregivers to establish a culturally and linguistically appropriate, sustainable model of caregiver support services. The anticipated outcomes are: cooperative agreements with Safe Havens, police, and fire departments; trained personnel; established, community focus groups; the development of project materials; outreach programs; establishment of Safe Havens; recruitment of caregivers; behavioral health workshops; referral services and support groups; data collection; and dissemination of results. The products are an evaluation; final report; a tested family caregiver support model; methods to alleviate the stress and burden experienced by primary caregivers; literature on the characteristics of Hispanic caregivers; and a replication manual.

Program: National Family Caregivers Support Program

90CG2540 NJ Ease for Caregivers: Building a Multi-faceted Caregiver Support System

Project Period: 09/30/2001 - 06/30/2006

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

P.O. Box 807

Trenton, NJ 08625-0807

Contact: Christine Grant (609)943-3463

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2001	250,000
FY 2002	250,000
FY 2003	250,000

The goal of this project, NJ Ease for Caregivers Building a Multi-Faceted Caregiver Support System, is to develop a multifaceted support system concerned with the needs of caregivers, broadening the focus of the existing NJ EASE single entry system for senior services. The objectives of this Caregiver project are: 1) to develop and implement a uniform caregiver assessment; 2) to develop care planning tools; 3) to pilot a staff caregiver training; 4) to modify and create state policies to integrate federal and state funded caregiver services; 5) to develop critical pathways for caregiver decision making; 6) to develop service coordination protocols to guide worker action; and, 7) to set caregiver service standards. The anticipated outcomes of this caregivers program are: a single entry system for caregiver senior services; a multifaceted caregiver support system; a uniform caregiver assessment; care planning tools; caregiver training; state caregiver policies; caregiver protocols; and caregiver service standards. The products of this caregiver program are a final report; caregiver planning tools; caregiver training materials; caregivers protocols; and caregiver standards.

Program: National Family Caregivers Support Program

90CG2565 A Multi-State Family Caregiver Mediation Project

Project Period: 09/30/2001 - 03/31/2006

THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY, INC.

2307 Shelby Avenue

Ann Arbor, MI 48103-8103

Contact: Penelope Hommel (734)665-1126

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2001	215,664
FY 2002	215,664
FY 2003	215,664

The goal is to effectively manage A Multi-State Family Caregiver Mediation project. The objectives of this Multi-State Family Caregiver project are: 1) to use mediation to assist frail older persons and their family caregivers; 2) to address and resolve problems and disputes, which all too frequently arise when families face the physical, emotional, and financial demands of providing long term care to an older family member; 3) to develop a replication manual; 4) to develop and disseminate the model during year three; 5) to provide technical assistance and training to State (SUA) and Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) in other states on ways to replicate the caregiver mediation projects; 6) to replicate this caregiver mediation model; and 7) to evaluate this model program. The expected outcomes of this Family Caregiver program are: mediation as an effective caregiver tool that will assist frail elderly and their family caregivers; resolution of family problems and disputes; a Family Caregiver Mediation model; and technical assistance and trainings to SUAs and AAAs. The products of this program are a final report; caregiver mediation as a planning tool; a replication manual; a mediation model; an evaluation report; and technical assistance and training materials.

Program: Unsolicited

90AM2834 Educating State Legislators about Caregiver Support

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNITS ON AGING

Center for the Advancement of State Community Service

1201 15th Street N.W. Suite 350

Washington , DC 20005

Contact: Virigina L Dize (202)898-2578

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 12/31/2005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000

The National Association of State Units on Aging (NASUA) and the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) submitted an unsolicited proposal to train state legislators and staff on caregiving issues. This one year grant will have the following outcomes:

1. Focus groups of state legislators conducted.
2. State specific profiles on caregiving statistics prepared for state legislators, and placed on NASUA and NCSL websites with other caregiving materials.
3. An NCSL session on caregiving at their annual conference, with AoA as an invited exhibitor.
4. Articles on caregiving in the NCSL State Health News.
5. Information disseminated to legislators for inclusion in speeches, newsletters, and bulletins.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects

90AM3023 AARP Foundation Technical Support for Legal Assistance Grants

AARP Foundation

601 E Street, NW

Washington, DC 20049

Contact: Shoshanna Ehrlich (954)472-0997

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	100,000
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

The AARP Foundation proposes to provide training, capacity building and technical assistance to the Administration on Aging (AoA) funded legal assistance grants around the country. The goal of the project is to increase access to legal assistance for seniors by supporting legal services providers in their innovative delivery of the highest quality legal services. The Technical Support Project is integral to assuring that the delivery innovations planned by the legal assistance grantees operate efficiently and adhere to proven effective practices. The objectives are: to provide technical support to AoA legal assistance grantees via site visits, on-call and e-mail consultation, telephone and live web conferences, websites, e-groups, and newsletters; and to expand knowledge and support of grantee innovations through outreach to and collaboration with Title IIIB providers via the legal helpline library, website, e-groups, newsletters, conference presentations, data collection, and legal needs and client outcome studies. The target population is older Americans, with particular emphasis upon low-income, minority, rural, homebound and limited-English speaking populations. Anticipated outcomes include provision of assistance to the AoA Legal Assistance grantees in their work to increase access to senior legal services, as measured by a Project Evaluation Survey; and increased acquisition of knowledge by the aging and legal services network on the legal needs of seniors and the effectiveness of the legal assistance grants, through original research conducted by the project. The AARP Foundation and its Technical Assistance Project for Legal Assistance Grants are integrally involved with community-based organizations in each state, which are instrumental in helping older individuals find solutions to their legal problems. Major products include a Project Evaluation Survey and Senior Legal Hotlines Annual Reports.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects

90AM3033 Legal Helpline for Michigan Seniors Integrated V.I.R.T.U.A.L. Communities

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

Elder Law of Michigan, Inc.
3815 W. St. Joseph St. - Suite C-200
Lansing, MI 48917

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

Contact: Katherine B White (517)485-9164 236

Elder Law of Michigan, Inc. proposes to increase the autonomy, independence and financial well-being of seniors by placing new emphasis on identity theft, the reduction of unnecessary guardianships, and elder abuse/financial exploitation. The project will utilize the highly effective legal helpline for Michigan seniors and standard, traditional relationships, coupled with targeted outreach and new technology for training, information-sharing and communications. Part of this strategy is to support "first responders," professionals and lay people at the local level who are likely to learn of a crime against a senior or of an inappropriate guardianship request. An expected increase in statewide legal assistance will be achieved through training, legal information, and expanded legal resources. Target populations are older Michigan elders, with particular emphasis upon minorities, rural individuals, non-English speaking, low-income, homebound, and those lacking transportation. The major anticipated outcome is an increase in Michigan seniors' autonomy, economic security and the freedom to have and exercise choices later in life. In addition to partnering with the traditional aging, legal, and human services networks (including social services, legislators, health professionals and caregivers), the project will cultivate relationships with other groups of professionals, such as funeral directors, court personnel, parish nurses and caregiver ministries, hospice, medical personnel, religious advisors, community mental health providers, minority college students at area universities, and others who come in contact with isolated, rural, low-income and minority elders. Products to be completed include a report, "Protecting America's Elders"; a short "Guide to Michigan's Aging Network" for grandchildren to share with their grandparents and other older people in their communities; three training modules; and new FAQs targeted to caregivers and helping professionals.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects

90AM3034 Enhancing Legal Access for Pennsylvania's Underserved and Vulnerable Older Adults

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

SeniorLAW Center
100 South Broad Street, Suite 1810
Philadelphia, PA 19110

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

Contact: Karen C Buck (215)701-3201

SeniorLAW Center proposes to expand and improve access to legal services for older Pennsylvanians focusing on seniors of color, language and cultural minorities, the homebound and disabled, and rural and low-income populations. The objectives are: 1) to expand the new Pennsylvania Helpline to provide accessible legal advice, information, and education to increased numbers of Pennsylvania seniors and their families, implementing established best practices; 2) to provide focused outreach and education to target language and cultural minorities to increase their use of the helpline and related services; 3) to strengthen linkages with and increase referrals from community, faith-based, and immigrant organizations; and 4) to develop new educational and pro bono resources to serve Pennsylvania seniors, using new technological tools. An enhanced, accessible multilingual helpline will be offered; extensive outreach and education in multiple languages to diverse communities across the state will be conducted; an interactive website and e-newsletter will be launched; a Consumer Law Pro Bono Attorney Panel will be developed; and a Legal Resources Directory for Older Pennsylvanians will be created. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) increased numbers of seniors will have access to legal services and education in their own languages, homes and communities; and 2) increased numbers of seniors will be empowered to resolve legal issues, remain in their homes, fight abuse and exploitation, combat fraud, and understand planning options. SeniorLAW partners include faith-based organizations, immigrant and cultural groups and providers, and legal and aging service colleagues and coalitions. Products will include a Legal Resources Directory for Older Pennsylvanians.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects
90AM3035 New York Seniors Legal Assistance Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

130 West 42nd Street, 17th Floor
New York, NY 10036-7902

Contact: Ann Biddle (646)442-3302

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

The goal of this project is to resolve more legal problems for low-income seniors by providing them with more access to legal assistance. The project will target those areas most likely to benefit this group, such as income security issues; health care issues; advance directives (living wills, health care proxies, and wills); consumer issues; nursing home transition issues; and other elder law issues, such as guardianships. Target populations include older New Yorkers, with particular emphasis upon those most at risk of losing their independence or ability to live in the community, i.e. low-income seniors, seniors of color, language and cultural minorities, the homebound and disabled, and rural seniors. The project's objectives are to provide seniors with more legal assistance and more referrals for extended legal or other services from local agencies; to use technology to create a centralized point of access for seniors across the state; and to reach more homebound and limited-English speaking seniors. Anticipated outcomes include: increased numbers of seniors will have their legal problems resolved, empowering them to remain in their homes, make critical choices, and retain their independence; increased numbers of limited-English speaking seniors will be reached through prioritized services connecting them with the Spanish-speaking project coordinator and one other Spanish-speaking attorney; and increased numbers of homebound and isolated seniors will be reached by creating a technology portal to more comprehensively serve this group. Legal Services for the Elderly partners with those community-based organizations in each New York county that serve seniors, including senior centers, nutrition sites, senior clubs, faith-based organizations, and interfaith councils. A major product of this project will be Senior LawHelp, a statewide database of organizations serving seniors, accessible on the Internet.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects
90AM3036 Florida Senior Legal Helpline

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

Bay Area Legal Services, Inc.
829 W. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., 2nd Floor
Tampa, FL 33603

Contact: Mary E Haberland (813)232-1222 114

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

The project goal is to provide underserved, elderly residents of Florida a convenient point of access to receive high-quality legal advice, information, and referrals to Title IIIB legal services providers statewide for extended representation. Bay Area Legal Services' objectives are to: 1) work with the Legal Services Developer for the Florida Dept. of Elder Affairs and State Title III-B providers to develop and implement the first statewide referral matrix; 2) include Area Agencies on Aging and community and faith-based organizations statewide in this partnership, to identify the neediest populations of elderly residents; 3) promote helpline services gradually while building capacity, starting with identified, underserved populations of seniors; and 4) staff the helpline with experienced elder law advocates, adding student legal interns and volunteers to expand resources. The target population is older Floridians, with particular emphasis upon elders living in poverty, non-English speaking and minority seniors, rural, homebound and disabled seniors. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) increased numbers of seniors will have access to legal services; 2) increased streamlining of service and increased numbers of referrals to local Title III-B providers for further assistance; 3) increased service to underserved seniors; and 4) increased information flow to seniors by establishing partnerships with two Florida law schools. Bay Area will seek the assistance of the community and faith-based organizations recommended by the partners from their regions. Products include a final report.

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

Connecticut Legal Services, Inc.
62 Washington Street
Middletown, CT 06457

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	110,000
FY 2006	110,000

Contact: Kevin Brophy (203)756-8074

Connecticut Legal Services proposes to strengthen significantly the state's system for providing consumer law assistance and information to vulnerable seniors to help them avoid or solve problems of fraud and insupportable debt that threaten their well-being and independence. The objectives include the expansion of services to underserved, disadvantaged client groups and enhanced ability of seniors to adapt to changes in consumer law and patterns of consumer fraud and abuse. To achieve these goals, the applicant will: create a Mobile Law Unit using Geographic Information System (GIS) technology to increase access to homebound seniors; provide screening and advice on the new Medicare Part D prescription drug subsidy; and inform and train clients and partners about the changing consumer law environment and patterns of fraud and abuse. The target population is traditionally underserved and disadvantaged seniors in Connecticut, to whom consumer law problems pose very serious threats to their independence, including African American and Hispanic seniors, and isolated home-bound seniors. Anticipated outcomes include increased accessibility, quantity, and effectiveness of legal assistance and information available to help traditionally underserved seniors solve consumer problems; increased awareness among seniors of consumer fraud, governmental support to avoid or minimize consumer debt, their changing set of consumer rights, and the project's availability to help solve problems; and expanded synergy among state, national, community, and faith-based organizations, aging services providers, and elder rights professionals to help seniors with consumer problems. Connecticut Legal Services partners with the State Unit on Aging, Area Agencies on Aging, Office of the Attorney General, the CT Department of Consumer Protection, the Episcopal Diocese of Connecticut, and sister legal services organizations. Products include a final report.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects
90AM3038 Coordinated Legal Assistance to Seniors

Vermont Legal Aid, Inc.
264 North Winooski Avenue
P.O. Box 1367
Burlington, VT 05402

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	110,000
FY 2006	110,000

Contact: Michael Benvenuto (802)863-5620

Vermont Legal Aid proposes to develop a model for integrated service delivery between legal services and Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) in rural areas with a high percentage of seniors. The goal of this project is to provide a seamless and comprehensive system of delivering information, legal advice, and full representation to seniors throughout Vermont. The objectives are: 1) to expand and improve communication among AAAs and the Senior HelpLine, Legal Services Law Line of Vermont, and the Senior Citizens Law Project of Vermont Legal Aid; 2) to expand outreach and access to legal services for seniors by establishing regular and periodic legal advice clinics targeted to seniors; and 3) to develop comprehensive legal information for seniors on the web that can serve as a vital resource for clients, advocates, and family members. The primary target populations include rural residents and homebound seniors. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) increased numbers of seniors directly referred to the Senior Citizens Law Project by AAAs; 2) increased numbers of seniors provided legal representation, advice and brief service; and 3) increased numbers of seniors with access to legal services through the establishment of legal advice clinics throughout the state, expansion of pro bono legal services, and an increased number of visitors to the website seeking legal information for seniors. In addition to partnering with the traditional aging, legal, and human services networks, Vermont Legal Aid collaborates with AAA "Choice for Care" case managers, the Vermont Refugee Resettlement Program, elder specialists for the Vietnamese community, senior centers, and faith-based organizations. Among the major expected products is an evaluation and report of the different methods for referral from the Senior HelpLine to the Senior Citizens Law Project to be piloted by the applicant.

Program: Legal Assistance and Technical Projects
90AM3039 Elder Line Project

Legal Aid of Nebraska
500 South 18th Street
Omaha, NE 68102-2521

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	110,000
FY 2006	110,000

Contact: Annette Farnan (402)348-1069 224

Legal Aid of Nebraska proposes to provide older Nebraskans (particularly minority, low-income, rural, homebound, and socially isolated seniors) and their caregivers, with enhanced access to legal services. This goal will be accomplished through the ElderAccessLine, an augmentation of the existing statewide AccessLine. The applicant's objectives are to: 1) modify existing statewide AccessLine legal service provision to be user-friendly for targeted older adults; 2) utilize phone-based translation services encompassing 150 languages; 3) implement an outreach plan to target underserved minority (including Native American) and immigrant older adults; 4) assist older adult callers with enrolling in the Medicare prescription drug benefit program; and 5) enhance referral partnerships with Title III-B providers and with other Older Americans Act (OAA) and elder abuse/neglect programs. Legal Aid of Nebraska will partner with the Nebraska Association of Community Action Agencies, Department of Aging, AARP, Commissions on Indian Affairs, Mexican-American and Women, and Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) increased numbers of older adults receiving legal services; 2) increased access to legal services for Native American elders; 3) increased numbers of minority and/or limited-English speaking seniors will be targeted and served through outreach; 4) increased numbers of rural or homebound older adults, or seniors lacking in transportation, will have increased access through outreach; and 5) enhanced referral protocol will be established with Title III-B and other Administration on Aging programs. Among the major expected products is a final report.

Program: National Center on Elder Abuse
90AM2792 National Center on Elder Abuse

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 11/30/2007

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNITS ON AGING

1201 15th Street, NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005-2842

Contact: Diane Justice (202)898-2578

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	815,250
FY 2004	815,250
FY 2005	815,250
FY 2006	815,250

The National Association of State Units on Aging, in partnership with an alliance of four nationally recognized and respected collaborating organizations representing the many disciplines in elder abuse prevention, will execute a 3-year program to continue the work of the National Center on Elder Abuse. The continuing goal is to provide information, training, and technical assistance about elder abuse trends, policy and legislative developments, research that impacts on prevention, promising practices, and key issues for the field - in a variety of formats, to all segments of the population. The expected outcomes are: 1) timely, high quality information to support state and local capacity building and innovation; 2) increased professionalization of adult protection and elder abuse service networks; and 3) increased knowledge of the extent and causes of elder abuse and skills and practices for prevention. Products include: a comprehensive web site, monthly newsletter, listserve for professional dialogue and exchange, a web-based clearinghouse, a searchable database of promising practices, a training lending library, specialized workshops and best practice exchange, state statutory analysis, issue briefs on local and state network development and outreach to rural and minority communities, a brochure and PowerPoint module for faith-based communities, and other support materials.

Program: National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center
90AM2806 National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

AMERICAN HEALTH QUALITY FOUNDATION

1155 21st Street, NW, Suite 202
Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Jolie Crowder

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	368,750
FY 2006	300,000

The grantee, the American Health Quality Foundation, in partnership with the Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging, will support and maximize the effectiveness of Senior Medicare Patrols (SMPs) through the operation of the Resource Center. The "Center" objectives are to: assess SMP needs/capabilities; inform SMPs about top Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse issues; ensure that SMPs can effectively reach special target populations; and support SMPs in addressing volunteer and program management issues. Deliverables include: a written profile of SMP needs and capabilities; a written summary of top error, fraud and abuse issues; a national Online Resource Center with a Best Practices and FAQ database; project Toolkits; and materials translated for special populations. The Center has been in the forefront of informing SMPs about the provisions of the 2003 Medicare Modernization Act and the new prescription drug benefit. The Center has also introduced a mentoring program, which matches new project directors with more experienced directors, to provide a forum for lessons learned.

Program: National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center
90AM2807 National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 08/31/2010

HAWKEYE VALLEY AREA AGENCY ON AGING

2101 Kimball Avenue, Suite 320

Waterloo, IA 50702

Contact: Shirley Merner

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	300,000
FY 2004	300,000
FY 2005	300,000
FY 2006	300,000
FY 2007	600,000

This grant supports the Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging in staffing the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center. The grantee will work in partnership with the American Health Quality Foundation to provide technical assistance to Senior Medicare Patrol projects (SMPs) nationwide. There is at least one project in each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. These projects recruit and train professionals to work in their communities to educate Medicare/Medicaid recipients and their families about health care fraud, error and abuse. The goals of the "Center" are: 1) to provide advice, guidance, and technical assistance which enhances SMP project's abilities to conduct outreach to beneficiaries and their families and caregivers - particularly those with limited English proficiency, disabilities, or who reside in rural areas - and to reduce or recoup improper payments; and 2) insure that best-practices are shared in a wide variety of platforms, such as national conferences, web-based seminars, or other online or offline resources.

Program: National Long-Term Ombudsman Program
90AM2690 National Long-Term Care Ombudsman Resource Center

Project Period: 06/01/2003 - 05/31/2010

NATIONAL CITIZEN'S COALITION FOR NURSING HOME REFORM

1828 L Street, NW, Suite 801

Washington, DC 20036

Contact: Alice H Hedt (202)332-2275

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	550,000
FY 2004	550,000
FY 2005	550,000
FY 2006	550,000
FY 2007	550,000

This is a three year cooperative agreement between AoA and the National Citizens' Coalition for Nursing Home Reform. The project goal is to equip the long-term care ombudsmen to carry out their responsibilities under the Older Americans Act as the ombudsman. Responsibilities are to: 1) address the problems and complaints of residents of long-term care facilities; and 2) represent residents needs and interests. To attain these goals, the Center will provide support, training and technical assistance to the ombudsman network that daily responds to requests for assistance from facility residents, their families and the public. The five objectives are: 1) to direct training and training materials to enhance ombudsman skills; 2) to develop specific products and dialogue forums; 3) to conduct daily technical assistance, and information and referral services on program management, program promotion, training and pertinent national and state long-term care issues; 4) to promote the ombudsman program; and 5) to collaborate efforts to strengthen ombudsman involvement in state and national initiatives. The anticipated outcomes include: transmittal of current and accurate information to ombudsmen and State Agencies on Aging directors, to improve their state training, management, program promotion and advocacy functions; and full utilization of the Center's technical assistance and products. Products include a final report; training materials; data base enhancements; and conference materials.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights
90AP2645 Furthering a Commitment to Legal Services

American Bar Association Fund for Justice and Education
Commission on Law and Aging
740 15th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Holly Robinson (202)662-8694

The ABA Fund for Justice and Education is the grantee for this three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights (NLAER) Project. The goal is to enhance State and Area Agencies on Aging capacity to support elder rights and improve the quality and accessibility of legal assistance for vulnerable elders and limited-English speakers. The objectives are: 1) to identify issues and resources and provide a forum for consultations; 2) to enhance elder rights using education and training; 3) to provide assistance on substantive legal and ethical issues; and 4) to support legal assistance and elder rights advocacy systems. The anticipated outcomes of this NLAER project are: 1) State and Area Agencies, Title IIIB (Older American Act) attorneys, private attorneys and state bar associates will have improved their knowledge and awareness of legal issues and resources affecting older persons; 2) Legal Assistance Developers, State Long-Term Care Ombudsmen, and bar section and committee chairs will have received legal publications; and 3) consumers will have benefited from materials and technical assistance to advocates by retaining housing, preserving health or financial decision-making authority, receiving benefits to which they are entitled, and avoiding scams. The products of this NLAER program are a final report, bulletins, publications, fact sheets, consumer's tool kits, brochures (Spanish), and articles.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights
90AP2646 AARP Foundation National Legal Training Program

AARP Foundation
601 E Street, NW - Suite B4--240
Washington, DC 20049

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Julia Stephens (202)434-2197

The AARP Foundation is managing this three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights (NLAER) Project. The AARP Foundations National Legal Training Project (NLTP) provides comprehensive training to legal service providers, AAA staff, and other advocates through national on-site and web-based trainings, quality written training documents, and periodic national conferences. In addition to direct training, the project provides follow-up technical assistance to training participants through individualized help and free materials. The goal of the NLTP is to enhance the leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging in order to support vulnerable elder rights and to improve the quality and accessibility of legal assistance and information provided to elders. Yearly anticipated outcomes are: 1) 1000-1,600 advocates will have increased knowledge and confidence in their ability to use their legal knowledge and advocacy skills in their work as elder advocates; 2) 5,000 users of NLTP legal materials will have increased knowledge of elder rights issues; and 3) 16,000 advocates will have increased knowledge of resources and tools available to assist their clients. These outcomes will be achieved by: delivering 15-20 customized, on-site trainings in elder law and advocacy skills; expanding use of training module "Law Enforcement and the Elderly" to bank tellers and staff; implementing a "Reach Out to Indian Country" project for American Indian and Alaskan Natives; providing TA to past training participants and to those seeking TA in strategic planning and coalition building; developing and updating written materials on elder law topics and advocacy skills; publishing and disseminating quarterly newsletter; maintaining a website with information; and serving as lead coordinator for the National Aging and Law Conference.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90AP2647 National Legal Resource Initiative for Financially Distressed Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

National Consumer Law Center
77 Summer Street, 10th Floor
Boston, MA 02110

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Willard P Ogburn (617)542-8010

The National Consumer Law Center's (NCLC) 3 year project partners with private bar associations, volunteer attorneys, and others. NCLC improves legal assistance to older Americans whose finances and economic independence are threatened by scams & abuses in the marketplace, by providing training, legal practice aids, and in-depth case consultations to elder law attorneys & other elderly serving advocates. This project addresses the most pressing consumer problems faced by the elderly, inc. challenges to sustaining home ownership, fraudulent & exploitive sales practices, and debt management & financial decision-making. The National Legal Assistance & Elder Rights (NLAER) project goal is to help older Americans avoid or remedy economic exploitation, understand their financial options, and make reasoned, informed consumer decisions to prolong independence. Objectives: 1) increase the # of qualified local providers; 2) share NCLC's consumer law expertise with legal assistance providers representing elderly clients; 3) disseminate legal and consumer education materials on the pressing consumer law needs of older Americans (designed to empower elders) to attorneys & advocates; 4) improve communication & coordination on consumer law topics; 5) expand NCLC expertise; and 6) evaluate NCLC effectiveness in meeting consumer law needs of older Americans. Expected outcomes: specialized legal training; advice and co-counseling; improvement in quality & accessibility of legal assistance for older Americans; a decrease in elders who fall prey to consumer scams and abuses in the marketplace; and intensive, substantive workshops. Products: NCLC reports, training workshops, legal practice packages, inc. detailed practice manuals with legal pleadings, a final report and an evaluation, as well as informational mailings, website postings, and other consumer education materials.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

90AP2648 National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

THE CENTER FOR SOCIAL GERONTOLOGY, INC
2307 Shelby Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Penelope A Hommel (734)665-1126

The goal of this National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights Project (NLAER) project is to enhance legal assistance and elder rights advocacy programs to ensure seniors' access to essential services and benefits. The objectives are: 1) to enhance the leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging to support elder rights activities; 2) to improve the quality and accessibility of the legal assistance provided to older people; and 3) to coordinate and collaborate with AoA, the Legal Services Corporation (LSC), other NLAERPs, and other non-legal organizations. The anticipated outcomes are: enhanced leadership of state Legal Assistance Developers; increased focus/resources by the LSC; outcome measures for legal assistance programs; critical guidance to state and local legal programs through an expanded/updated Comprehensive Guide to the Delivery of Legal Services; and enhanced coordination of legal assistance and community-based long-term care programs.

Program: National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights
90AP2649 National Support for Legal Assistance and Elder Rights

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 07/31/2008

NATIONAL SENIOR CITIZENS LAW CENTER
1101 14th Street, NW Ste 400
Washington, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

Contact: Thomas M Smith (202)289-6976

This a three year National Legal Assistance and Elder Rights Project. The goal is to increase the well-being of older persons by enhancing the quality and accessibility of legal assistance and advocacy available to them, especially the most vulnerable, including minorities and limited-English speaking populations. The objectives are: 1) publicize the availability of substantive assistance; 2) provide effective case consultations; 3) produce and disseminate written information to the aging network; 4) offer training workshops; and 5) facilitate, review, assess, and work to improve this system. The target populations are attorneys and other advocates working with legal assistance providers funded under Title III, and constituents of the National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc., National Indian Council on Aging (NICOA), the National Health Care Association (NHCA), and the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging. The project outcomes are: enhanced leadership capacity of State and Area Agencies on Aging and faith-based organizations to support elder rights activities and improve the quality and accessibility of the legal assistance provided to older people. Examples of products to meet these outcomes are: producing a model consumer guide to assisted living; producing a newsletter and 4 practice issue alerts with updates on new legal developments; outreach and technical assistance to state and local area agencies on aging; technical assistance and case consultations to legal assistance providers for at least 500 individual cases per year; and trainings for the network.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects
90AM2799 Midwest Pension Rights Project

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

OWL, THE VOICE OF MIDLIFE AND OLDER WOMEN
2165 Hampton Avenue
St. Louis, MO 63139

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	149,614
FY 2004	149,902
FY 2005	149,972
FY 2006	149,853

Contact: Suzanne Lagomarcino (314)725-5862

The Gateway Chapter (St. Louis, MO) of the Older Women's League will create the regional Midwest Pension Rights Project by combining the experience and resources of the Pension Benefits Project (Missouri) and the Chicago Pension Information Effort Project, along with new partners. The transition will be seamless for persons currently being served by the Projects, while expanding services to the region. The goal is to provide workers and retirees with a full range of pension counseling services concerning private and government plans. The objectives are: 1) offer comprehensive counseling, advocacy and referral services to individuals; 2) conduct outreach targeting low-income women, minorities and non-English speaking populations; 3) build on the experience of the Missouri and Chicago projects, incorporating "best practices" in casework and coalition building; and 4) educate workers about the value of saving for retirement. Outcomes will be: improved economic security and peace of mind for clients; increased awareness of pension rights; and workers saving for retirement. Successful strategies and educational materials will be shared at the Washington DC Conference and on the PensionHelp America Web site. Products include a final report, educational materials, and website resources.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects
90AM2800 Mid-Atlantic Pension Counseling Project

Legal Services for the Elderly
130 West 42nd Street, 17th Floor
New York, NY 10036

Contact: Ann Biddle (212)391-0120

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	149,974
FY 2004	149,974
FY 2005	149,974
FY 2006	149,974

Legal Services for the Elderly of New York City (LSE) will establish the Mid-Atlantic Pension Counseling Project to deliver pension counseling and advocacy to the States of New York and New Jersey. In the first year, LSE served New York, with special emphasis on rural counties, and in the second year LSE expanded to serve all of New Jersey. In addition, LSE will serve pensioners who no longer reside in New York or New Jersey, but whose employers were headquartered in these states. The major objective will be resolution of clients' pension problems. Outcomes will include development of powerful, state-of-the-art technology for high-quality, low-cost voice, fax, data transfer, video teleconferencing, and broadband Internet access. The low cost will permit LSE to invest substantial resources immediately in experienced staff. The sophisticated network will allow staff to perform many tasks quickly and efficiently; will allow staff to train advocates in remote locations in real-time video sessions; and will allow LSE to add services in New Jersey seamlessly. In sum, the technology will enable LSE to bring pension counseling to more people. LSE will partner with The Rural Law Center of New York (RLC) to expand outreach in New York's rural counties. Products will include a replicable protocol to investigate "lost pensions" for distribution to all legal services providers in the region, as well as to other pension counseling projects, and non-English products for the New York markets, to be refined for release in New Jersey.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects
90AM2899 New England Pension Assistance Project (NEPAP)

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS BOSTON
100 Morrissey Boulevard
Boston, MA 02125

Contact: Ellen A Bruce (617)287-7300

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	137,000
FY 2005	159,064
FY 2006	150,000

The New England Pension Assistance Project proposes to increase workers' and retirees' knowledge of and access to retirement benefits in the six New England states (Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont). The applicant's objectives are: 1) to maximize individuals' retirement standard of living; 2) to educate older workers, retirees, and the community about different types of pensions and retirement income, as well as issues affecting eligibility; 3) to identify recurring problems faced by workers in obtaining adequate pensions; and 4) to target outreach to women, low-income and minority workers and retirees, and elders with limited English proficiency. The project proposes to accomplish its goal through a program of individual counseling and referrals, case investigation, legal research, community education, and outreach. Products will include a final report.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM2900 Great Lakes Pension Rights Project

ELDER LAW OF MICHIGAN, INC
3815 W. St. Joseph St., Suite C-200
Lansing, MI 48917

Contact: Katherine B White (517)853-2375

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	137,000
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

Elder Law of Michigan proposes to continue the services currently rendered by the regional Great Lakes Pension Rights Project. The primary goal is to maintain and expand pension counseling services in Michigan and Ohio by increasing expertise in public pension plans. The secondary goal is to expand service to additional states by using referral partners, primarily Senior Law Center of Pennsylvania and the Access to Justice Foundation (Kentucky), to identify pension-related cases through their senior legal helplines for referral to Michigan and Ohio. Products for development include flyers for national dissemination, web-based information on state and local pension issues, and a training outline to help other projects train and support law student volunteers in pension work.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM2901 Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project

Minnesota Senior Federation
State Office
1885 University Avenue, Suite 171
St. Paul, MN 55104

Contact: Mary Browning (651)645-0261 121

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	137,000
FY 2005	150,000
FY 2006	150,000

The Upper Midwest Pension Rights Project proposes to serve workers and retirees with high-quality, comprehensive and cost-effective pension information, counseling, advocacy and referral services through a coordinated, multi-state, regional service delivery model. The five-state region to be served will include Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, North Dakota and South Dakota. Outreach through the creative use of PensionNet, a comprehensive web of state and regional service networks serving the needs of seniors, women and minorities, will be enhanced by comprehensive media plans and training programs. National initiatives will be supported through the sharing of information and lessons learned with other pension counseling projects nationwide. Products will include a final report and a comprehensive website with links to fact sheets, resources, and information regarding public plans for the five-state region.

Program: Pension Information Counseling Projects

90AM2902 Pension Information Counseling and Assistance Program of the Southwest

Texas Legal Services Center, Inc.

Legal Hotline for Texans

815 Brazos, Suite 1100

Austin, TX 78701

Contact: Paula J Pierce (888)343-4414

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000
FY 2005	65,000
FY 2006	65,000

Texas Legal Services Center will implement the Pension Information, Counseling & Assistance Program of the Southwest (PICAPS). PICAPS will provide assistance to individuals with pension problems and questions in Texas and surrounding southwestern states. Under PICAPS, the benefits counseling partnership between Texas Legal Services Center and the Area Agencies on Aging will be expanded to include pension counseling. PICAPS' goal is to assist workers, retirees, and beneficiaries in their ability to secure enforcement of legal rights under pension and retirement savings plans. Through targeted outreach, PICAPS' efforts will be focused on reaching low-income individuals, minorities, Native Americans, women, and non-English speaking individuals. Products will include statistical reports (outreach, referral source, benefits, demographics, plan and sponsor type, recoveries, etc.); a final report; and data collection regarding cash benefits recovered.

Program: Pension Technical Assistance Project

90AM2798 National Pension Assistance Resource Center

PENSION RIGHTS CENTER

1350 Connecticut Avenue, N.W, Suite 206

Washington, DC 20036

Contact: John Hotz (202)296-3776

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	400,000
FY 2004	400,000
FY 2005	346,000
FY 2006	346,000

The Pension Rights Center is in the process of expanding its Technical Assistance Project into a National Pension Assistance Resource Center, supporting not only AoA's Pension Counseling and Information Program, but a nationwide pension information and assistance network as well. Goals of the applicant are to: 1) strengthen pension counseling skills and capacities of AoA's Pension Counseling Projects, State and Area Agencies on Aging, and legal service providers for older Americans; and 2) design and implement PensionHelp America, the first nationwide network of pension information and assistance resources, accessible through the Internet. Objectives are: to provide technical support services through training events, onsite consultations, telephone, and e-mail communications to develop a nationwide dataset of pension assistance resources; and to produce a basic set of recommendations and strategies for advancing pension assistance on a national level. Products will include training manuals and videos, e-newsletters, and a national pension assistance database.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM2794 Consumer Law Project for Seniors

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/30/2008

NEW HAMPSHIRE LEGAL ASSISTANCE

1361 Elm Street, Suite 307

Manchester, NH 03101

Contact: John/Cheryl Tobin/Driscoll (603)644-5393

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	90,000
FY 2004	90,000
FY 2005	90,000

New Hampshire Legal Assistance (NHLA), in collaboration with key legal, community, and faith-based organizations, will develop a 3-year project titled The Consumer Law Project for Seniors (CLPS), to improve and expand the delivery of legal services to New Hampshire seniors victimized by consumer-related abuses and financial exploitation. The project will train service providers, police, and judges; outreach to minority and rural elderly and legislators; create a pilot consumer law clinic and self-help office; and recruit and train private attorneys to handle pro bono and reduced fee consumer cases. NHLA anticipates the following outcomes: 1) increased availability of affordable legal services to seniors in consumer areas; 2) increased referrals to the Advice Line/CLPS by service providers, police, and judges; and 3) increased prevention and remediation of consumer abuses and financial exploitation of seniors in New Hampshire. NHLA target audiences will include rural, isolated elderly; non-English speaking elderly; elder care providers; social workers; police and other law enforcement officials; district court judges; private attorneys; Health Insurance Counseling, Education Assistance Services network; and the Division of Adult and Elderly Services. Products will include a final report.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM2795 Statewide Senior Legal Hotline

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

NORTHWEST JUSTICE PROJECT

401 Second Avenue South - Suite 407

Seattle, WA 98104

Contact: Joan Kleinberg (206)464-1519

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	100,000
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Northwest Justice Project (NJP) proposes a 3-year project to pilot an "enhanced" statewide legal service delivery system that offers broad telephonic access to legal assistance, exploring the most effective and efficient ways to act on the findings of the 2002 Hotline Outcomes study and the 2003 Senior Statewide Legal Hotlines Client Outcomes Study. NJP's test of these study recommendations will provide the legal community with information about the extent to which such measures actually improve client outcomes, and NJP will also develop tools to assist programs in implementing such an "enhanced" hotline model. NJP anticipates the following outcomes: 1) preservation of tenancy in rental housing; 2) eligibility for coverage of medical care through Medicaid or Medicare; 3) ending collection activity on alleged indebtedness; and 4) preservation of income. Target audiences include: seniors of limited literacy; seniors with mental or physical disabilities; geographically isolated seniors; limited-English speaking seniors, especially Spanish and Vietnamese speaking; seniors of the lowest education levels; and social service providers. It is anticipated that there will be a 20% increase in the number of seniors who favorably resolve legal problems affecting housing, income and benefits preservation, safety and independence, and consumer protection. Products will include a final report.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM2796 Senior Legal Hotline

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

444 North 12th St. Suite 312

Sacramento, CA 95814

Contact: David Mandel (916)551-2142

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	135,000
FY 2004	135,000
FY 2005	135,000

Legal Services of Northern California proposes to expand to a statewide senior legal services program over the next 3 years. In collaboration with various legal service providers, area ombudsmen, Area Agencies on Aging, the State Bar, law schools, and local community and faith-based organizations, the Senior Legal Hotline Plus (SLH) will reach out to needy seniors throughout California, especially those who are low income, disabled, isolated, or non-English speaking. Legal Services of Northern California anticipates the following measurable outcomes as a result of statewide expansion: 1) an increase in the number of seniors who receive income from all sources for which they are eligible and in the number who avoid home loss, consumer rip-offs, scams, and other financial abuse; 2) an increase in the number of seniors able to plan their estates as they wish, including the maintenance of maximum independence; 3) more seniors who are raising grandchildren able to navigate the legal system; and 4) improved services for seniors from other legal call centers as a result of SLH activities and dissemination of information. Products will include a final report.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM2797 Predatory Lending

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

Southeast LA Legal Services Corp.

PO Drawer 2867

Hammond, LA 70404-0404

Contact: Brian Lenard (985)345-2130

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	95,000
FY 2004	95,000
FY 2005	95,000

Southeast Louisiana Legal Services Corp. (SLLS) proposes a three year project to prevent Louisiana seniors from losing their homes to predatory mortgage companies. The objectives are: 1) to provide representation to owners of homes in foreclosure; 2) to educate the elderly to the dangers that can arise in mortgaging their homes; and 3) to train public interest and pro bono attorneys to challenge foreclosures. These objectives will be pursued by a consortium of programs, both governmental and community-based, and the target audiences will include rural seniors; monolingual Spanish, Vietnamese, and French-speaking seniors; and state and local attorneys. The core providers of service will be one intake paralegal and two attorneys. They will provide representation in these cases, and expertise/assistance to others throughout the state handling these cases. Expected outcomes are that 400 homes will be saved from foreclosure and, in another 100 cases, some other material benefit to the client will be achieved. Products include training materials, form pleadings, annual reports, publications and outreach/educational materials addressing this critical problem. These will be distributed locally and nationally to direct service providers.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3097 North Dakota Senior Legal Hot Line

ND Department of Human Services
Aging Services Division
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Department 325
Bismarck, ND 58505-0250

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

Contact: Lynne Jacobson (701)328-4613

The Aging Services Division of the North Dakota Department of Human Services proposes to develop a fully-integrated system for the delivery of senior legal services, with particular efforts directed toward Native Americans, immigrants, rural and disabled seniors. Partnerships include tribal court judges, the Immigration Law Council (comprised of leaders of immigrants and refugees in their respective North Dakota communities), Community Access Television (CATV), University of North Dakota law clinics, and pro bono or reduced-fee programs. The goals of the project are integration and expansion of existing services. Project objectives include coordination of the efforts of all senior legal services providers in the state, addition of expertise in Native American and immigration law, utilization of a single toll-free number to access all senior legal services programs in North Dakota, aggressive and culturally-sensitive promotion of the helpline in the Native American, immigrant, disabled and rural communities, and increased access to pro bono and reduced fee-legal services. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) Native American and immigrant seniors gaining confidence/trust in the legal system; 2) the helpline will grow in quality and cultural competence, benefiting the target populations; and 3) one-stop access to legal services for seniors.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3098 Alabama's Model Approach to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Alabama Department of Senior Services
State Unit on Aging
770 Washington Ave
Montgomery, AL 36130

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

Contact: Kathleen Healey (334)242-5743

The goal of Alabama's Model Approach to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems is to establish a statewide low-cost legal assistance system which improves and expands the current delivery of legal services to better protect the rights and financial security of older Alabamians, enhancing their choice and independence. Partnerships include an Elder Rights Advisory Board, the Governor's Office of Faith-based and Community Initiatives, Hispanic Interest Coalition of Alabama, AARP, and several university law school clinics. Targeting will be focused on the three most vulnerable elderly populations in the state: Hispanic, African American, and rural seniors. Alabama's Disaster Legal Hotline will be expanded to include an elder law helpline. Building on this model, a statewide legal assistance system will be created to directly challenge current barriers. Major barriers include poverty levels of Alabama seniors (3rd highest in the nation) and rural factors (9th highest in rural status). Anticipated outcomes include: 1) an increase in the number of seniors receiving statewide legal assistance, resulting in improved health and wellness among Alabama's elderly; and 2) professionals in various fields will have greater awareness of elder rights and remedies, thereby increasing referrals of seniors to appropriate service providers. An Elder Law Guidebook will be disseminated among the 13 regional Area Agencies on Aging and other community organizations that provide senior services.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access
90AM3099 Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project

State of Iowa
Iowa Dept. of Elder Affairs
510 E. 12th Street, Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319-9025

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

Contact: Deanna Clingan-Fischer (515)725-3319

The Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project will develop and implement an integrated and comprehensive state legal assistance delivery system for older Iowans that will fully integrate Iowa's existing senior legal helpline with all of Iowa's Title III-B legal services providers and other available resources. Target populations are older Iowans who are low-income, minority, non-English speaking, rural, homebound or otherwise disadvantaged or vulnerable. The Iowa Senior Legal Assistance Integration Project Statewide Planning Group will include Area Agencies on Aging, Iowa Legal Aid and the other Title III-B providers, Iowa's two law schools, the Long-Term Care Ombudsman, various volunteer lawyer projects, the Senior Health Insurance Information Program, the Attorney General's Office, and the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs. Objectives include the expansion of services provided to older Iowans by private attorneys, the development of statewide standards to improve the quantity and quality of legal assistance to older Iowans, and an analysis of the effectiveness of follow-up services. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) many more Iowans will make better informed decisions regarding critical legal issues (such as health care directives and consumer protection), since direct legal assistance to older Iowans will increase by more than 57% over existing services; and 2) thousands of other older Iowans will increase their ability to deal with legal issues through increased training and community legal education that will provide self-help legal offices in over 200 senior centers. The project will also develop a model plan and materials to encourage and assist the senior networks in eight other Midwestern states to develop an integrated state legal assistance delivery system for older adults.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access
90AM3100 Model Approaches to Developing Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Virginia Department for the Aging
Long-Term Care
1610 Forest Avenue, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23229

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	92,000
FY 2007	92,000

Contact: Janet James (804)662-7049

The Virginia Department for the Aging proposes to incorporate low-cost legal assistance mechanisms in a comprehensive, statewide program. Partnerships include AARP, seven law schools, and the Virginia Elder Rights Coalition. Targeting will be focused on Virginia's most vulnerable seniors, specifically those in rural areas, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, disabled elderly living in the community, and non-English speaking seniors. The goals of the project are to strengthen its existing program by involving stakeholders in statewide planning and collaboration and, in conjunction with these stakeholders, to create statewide standards to define measurable units of legal assistance for individuals aged 60 and older. The objectives are to enhance the relationship between Area Agencies on Aging and legal aid programs, to foster collaboration with the private bar and law schools, to establish a system to reach specific target populations including rural, non-English speaking and those in long-term care facilities, and to develop a statewide system to collect data and report performance results. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) consistent and meaningful participation by stakeholders in statewide planning and coordination of legal assistance services for older Virginians; and 2) a successful model (that can be duplicated in other States) for providing seniors access to more comprehensive services and less frustration in obtaining legal assistance, whether directly from an Area Agency on Aging, a legal aid program, or a combination of both.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3101 Model Approaches to Statewide Legal Assistance Systems

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

Idaho Commission on Aging
3380 Americana Terrace, Suite 120
Boise, ID 83706

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

Contact: Sarah Scott (208)334-3833

The goal of this project is to create an integrated, statewide legal services delivery system that will target and more efficiently serve larger numbers of low-income Idaho seniors and related social service organizations. The project will target low-income and limited-English proficiency seniors in rural areas, migrant worker seniors, Hispanic seniors, and Native American seniors. A Senior Legal Resources Advisory Committee will guide project implementation. Stakeholders will include AAAs, ombudsmen, senior centers, the Senior Health Insurance Benefits Association, the U. of Idaho College of Law, and the Idaho Volunteer Lawyers Program, in addition to the ID Commission on Aging and Idaho Legal Aid Services. Activities will include an assessment of the current legal needs of Idaho seniors, review of Idaho's existing legal services delivery system, and development of a plan to effectively incorporate low-cost mechanisms to address Idaho's seniors community needs, including: 1) re-establishment of a statewide senior legal hotline with full-time attorney staff; 2) creation of the nation's first web-based senior legal form library linked to document automation and assembly software; 3) an increase in senior-related materials available through the Idaho Legal Aid Services website and offices; and 4) greater coordination of services between senior legal service providers. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) an increase in the numbers of low-income Idaho seniors, their caregivers, and the social service organizations that assist them, who are served by an integrated, statewide legal services delivery system; and 2) pro bono attorneys, senior caregivers and service providers will be aided by the resources of the helpline and the senior library in serving seniors and resolving their legal problems. Products will include a senior legal form library, consisting of replicable legal forms and applications converted into document automation software.

Program: Senior Legal Services-Enhancement of Access

90AM3102 Maryland Statewide Legal Assistance Project: A Collaborative Effort to Expand Maryland Legal Services

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 05/31/2009

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street - Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	100,000
FY 2007	100,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

The Maryland Department of Aging, in partnership with the Legal Aid Bureau (Senior Legal Helpline and Maryland Legal Assistance Network), proposes to coordinate among various aging programs, Area Agencies on Aging, and legal services providers, a more integrated legal services system targeting underserved seniors in two critical legal areas: advance directives and assisted living. Additional partners include the Maryland State Bar Association, the U. of Maryland's Geriatric and Gerontology Education & Research Program, Johns Hopkins U. Elder Health Plus Program, various faith-based organizations, and Mid-Atlantic LifeSpan, the largest senior care provider association in the Mid-Atlantic. The populations that will be specifically targeted are Spanish-speaking and Asian language seniors and elders living in assisted living settings. Proposed objectives include: 1) significant expansion of legal advice including preparation of customized documents for seniors speaking Korean, Chinese, Tagalog, Vietnamese or Spanish; 2) an additional 100 assisted living residents helped each year (total of 300 residents); 3) creation of an online Resource Center on Assisted Living targeted to assisted living providers; and 4) two law outlines on advance directives and assisted living issues to guide helpline attorneys. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) increased numbers of seniors will be educated and provided legal review and planning on advance directives and the healthcare proxy guide; 2) non-English and low-English proficiency seniors will receive improved legal services; and 3) assisted living residents will have increased resolution of their legal problems. Work products will include: a statewide needs assessment; an Online Resource Center with model policies and procedures, law outlines, and 3,000 advance directive booklets distributed by healthcare, faith-based, and other providers; and multilingual materials (printed and online).

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2905 Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration Grant (TierII)

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 12/31/2006

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100
Madison, WI 53718-6751

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Helen M Dicks (608)224-0606

This is the second year of a two-year grant to integrate the state Senior Medicare Patrol program into the fabric of the aging services network. The goal of the project is to complete development of a comprehensive training and compliance program for allied health care professionals. Self study and lecture-based material will instruct social workers, pharmacists, nurses and physicians on the public benefits and resources for assisting patients with benefits, and for protecting these benefits from error, fraud, and abuse. Interest in Medicare part D has provided opportunities to partner with other community groups, volunteer programs and professional associations. Target population: Medicare beneficiaries. Collaborators: WI SHIP, WI Multi- Agency Response to Part D, various community organizations, professional associations and the law enforcement community. FY 2004 Anticipated Outcomes: developed and disseminated Agents and Deceptive Practices booklet about reporting and detection procedures; and coordinated roll-out of Wisconsin-specific Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) media campaign, including press releases, talk shows etc. The results of this project will be disseminated to all Senior Medicare Patrol projects through AoA's SMP resource center.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2906 Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Project For Rural Hispanic Communities (SM-PIP)

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

The National Hispanic Council on Aging
1341 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 4.2
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	95,509
FY 2005	95,509

Contact: Charles Mendoza Ph.D.,J.D. (202)265-1228

This is the second year of a two-year project to increase knowledge and provide the skills necessary for Hispanic senior participants to understand and utilize the new Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) benefits and to avoid fraudulent schemes that may be associated with discount drug cards or preventive services. The project has promoted MMA and prevention efforts through the training of peer advocates, launching a community-based education campaign, establishing new partnerships with organizations that serve the Hispanic community and disseminating lessons learned and outcomes through a network of organizations, consumers and service providers. In addition, NHCOA recognizes the role of the family in getting their message to seniors, who are often very close to and involved with family members.

Collaborators: University of TX- Pan American, RSVP, City of La Joya, KLJS TV 17, Our Lady Queen of Angels Parish, La Voz Del Anciano, and the Senior Companion program.

Anticipated activities/outcomes: bilingual peer volunteers, project staff and advisory committee members provided for media MMA events; website enhanced to include links to local and national resources related to benefits and fraud control; new partnerships developed with health and social service providers, representatives of local area aging network, senior center staff and community leaders; and participated in one media event quarterly using materials adapted to local language and culture.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2907 Operation Restore Trust of Iowa SMP Integration Grant

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
200 Tenth Street
Des Moines, IA 50309

Contact: Shirley Merner (515)242-3333

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

This is the second year of a two-year project to create and disseminate curriculum focused on increasing the number of fraud referrals made to the Iowa Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) and the number of dollars recouped in Medicaid fraud due to divestiture (arrangement of assets to become Medicaid eligible). Hamilton College, the Iowa MFCU and the grantee have united to achieve this goal. The intervention will consist of a public education campaign to help identify people in their communities who may be using Medicaid as an inheritance protection plan. Target Population: Iowa's Medicaid beneficiaries will be reached through outreach and education at AAA sites. Products and Project Outcomes: increased Medicaid recovery as awareness of divestiture increases; Iowa Law Enforcement Needs Assessment Survey developed; and Medicaid divestiture fraud (MDF) case curriculum & training package developed. Dissemination: a statewide television campaign will be conducted to reach those unable to attend community education events. The results of divestiture education will be provided to AoA in the final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2908 Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Continuation Project

California Health Advocates
5380 Elvas Ave., Suite 104
Sacramento, CA 95819

Contact: Julie Schoen (714)560-0309

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

This is the second year of a two-year project to develop a partnership with the California Department of Justice (DOJ) that will expand the Senior Medicare Projects capacity and begin to educate consumers regarding Medi-Cal (Medicaid). This project has not previously dealt with Medicaid fraud, which accounts for more than \$29 billion in annual expenditures - nearly one-quarter of the State's entire budget. Currently, beneficiaries get their information about MMA from their local pharmacy. A secondary goal will be to establish a private sector, fraud-based education program on MMA by establishing a relationship with a nationwide pharmacy chain. The project has contacted Walgreen's corporate headquarters to promote fraud education outreach using a private-sector partner. Special populations and organizations: the project has strong relationships with Latino Health Access, The National Association of Pacific Islanders, and State and Federal agencies serving these populations, including the CA Dept of Aging and CMS. CHA established and hosts the CA Medicare coalition, which meets 6 times per year in regional meetings. Collaborators: California Department of Justice Bureau of Medi-Cal Fraud and Elder Abuse, and the Orange County Council on Aging. FY 2004 anticipated outcomes: changed, observable behavior of Medi-Cal recipients to detect and report fraud and abuse complaints, and established links between the DOJ and the CHA/Scams websites to coordinate "Fraud Alerts"; also, provision of consumer education and increased awareness of related issues to 2,500 English speaking pharmacy partner customers.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2909 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Integration

Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests
of the Elderly
100 North 17th Street, Suite 600
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Rebecca Nurick (215)545-5728

This is the second year of a two-year project to develop and implement a curriculum targeting home health care fraud in Medicare. The project has reached out to: homebound older Pennsylvanians through "Meals on Wheels" providers; Russian-speaking dual eligible clients through the Family Caregiver support program; and visually impaired individuals from Associated Services for the Blind. Volunteers have completed pre- and post-test training to evaluate their knowledge of the material and ability to conduct the presentation. Evaluations collected to date, after/at "Healthy at Home" presentations, indicate participants learned something new about Medicare home health benefits, and 98% agreed that they will use the fraud prevention tips. Distribution of the presentation was conducted with the Delaware Valley Access to Benefits Coalition and the Coalition of Philadelphia APPRISE counselors to promote discount drug card information. A summary of all lessons learned will be reported to AoA in the final 2006 report. Partners and community-based organizations include: CMS-Region III; OIG-Region III; Pennsylvania Dept. of Aging; AARP PA; Philadelphia Corp. for Aging; Community Legal Services; Pharmacia & Upjohn; Podiatrist and professor emeritus at Temple University; Albert Einstein Medical Center-APPRISE program (PA's SHIP program); APPRISE of Schuylkill County; RSVP of Chester, Montgomery, Bucks, Capital Region, Lehigh Region, Somerset and Schuylkill County, and Philadelphia East; and RSVP. FY 2004 Outcomes: Based on the results of beneficiaries surveyed, the project expects that as a result of the curriculum developed there will be an increased awareness of home health care fraud and increased reporting of potential fraud in home health, as well as MMA in the long term.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2910 The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Senior Medicare Patrol Integration

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc.
2932 Highway 47 North
Lac Du Flambeau, WI 54538

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Wendell Holt (715)588-3324

This is the second year of a two-year project to fully integrate State Medicaid and Indian Health Service (IHS) partners into the fabric of Wisconsin's American Indian communities for education, outreach and reporting of health care fraud. Tribal, Federal/State partners will work cooperatively to diminish fraud in those American Indian Communities. Specifically integrated training on home health and other areas under Medicaid will be offered to tribal aging unit staff, who will then train elders and program recipients in their community. A manual documenting this model will be disseminated to other tribal communities to replicate this model project. The manual will also be distributed to the SMP resource center. Tribal elders and Benefit Specialists will work with the American tribes within their communities to teach them about health care fraud. For example, the Great Lakes Native American Elders Association serving WI and MN tribes will be participating in this project. FY 2004 Outcomes: established collaborative relationships with Federal and State for a Medicare Part D tribal workgroup; and increased awareness of the issues through the Tribal benefits network, a key element of which is a vehicle to communicate CMS findings.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2911 Puerto Rico ALF Network Integration Initiative

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

Puerto Rico Office of the Ombudsman for the Elderly
P.O. Box 191179
San Juan, PR 00919-1179

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-6121

This is the second year of a two-year project to enhance the capability of the current Senior Medicare Project (SMP) in Puerto Rico (PR) to integrate its Medicare fraud awareness prevention and reporting activities into the fabric of the aging service network at the community level and within the fraud prevention network island-wide. The project is focused on non-English speaking Hispanic senior Medicare beneficiaries. Process and outcome oriented evaluation procedures will continue as proposed for year two of the project. All training materials were developed in Spanish and were distributed to Center Directors. Collaborators and community-based organizations (CBOs) include: the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) PR field office, and PR Health Assistance Program (IMEDICAID), PR Quality Improvement Organization (QIO), Catholic Social Services, Alzheimer's Assoc., PR Diabetes Association, and Asociacion De Pensionados. 100 volunteers from various Senior Centers will be trained to serve as center-based coordinators. FY 2005 outcomes: strategic project plan developed; monthly workshops conducted for members of the fraud taskforce; and 2,000 Senior Center beneficiaries registered as Medicare Fraud Prevention team members.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2912 Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

Department of Human Services
PO Box 1437, Slot S530
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	93,867
FY 2005	93,868

Contact: Herb Sanderson (501)682-2441

This is the second year of a two-year project of the Arkansas Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) to work with their regional partners to expand awareness of SMP activities and make fraud prevention strategies and activities an integral part of the state government. Specific goals have been set for each region, i.e., number of individuals in each targeted population to be reached by our intervention. To evaluate the effectiveness of this approach, the project will track each of the Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of the Inspector General (OIG) performance measures by county and or zip code. Part of the OIG data collected is on beneficiaries educated and complaints received based on project outreach. The results will be disseminated quarterly in a report to all partners. Material has also been developed for outreach to nursing home residents and distribution of this material is under way. Collaborators are the University of Arkansas, local senior centers, libraries, Catholic Charities, Division of Medical Services, and the Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care, the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO). FY 2004 Outcomes: contracted with the University of AR to use their GIS application to accurately track and target project efforts. FY 2005 Outcomes: 50% increase in the OIG performance measure reported semi-annually; and evaluation of the results of the GIS application tracking system tool in the areas with the highest concentrations of the targeted population.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2913 MOD Squad

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

Better Business Bureau Education Foundation
1333 West Loop South, Suite 1200
Houston, TX 77027

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	55,000
FY 2005	55,000

Contact: Candice Twyman (713)341-6141

This is the second year of a two-year project to assist the Texas State Senior Medicare Patrol project MOD Squad to provide education and information about the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) to help older adults and their caregivers understand the impact of the changes and increase awareness and reporting of suspected fraud. Efforts include going to outlying counties and bringing together service providers and beneficiaries to make group presentations. Limited English speaking populations will be targeted with translated materials. Key personnel in communities will be trained about health care fraud in order to share the message within the community outlets. Community-based organizations' Ombudsmen are used to evaluate training methods and track potential abuse in their communities. FY 2005 Outcomes: MOD Squad has reached over 22,000 older adults on 91 occasions with information about the changes in MMA, making those individuals less susceptible to fraud or errors. Five training sessions were conducted to increase the awareness of 137 professionals; training materials have been disseminated in English and Spanish to increase awareness of the Medicare changes; and a checklist has been developed for use by providers to point out clues that may indicate fraud.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM2914 Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Project - Senior ESP

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

IAAAA Education Institute, Inc.
2506 Willowbrook Pkwy., Suite 250
Indianapolis, IN 46205

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Melissa A Durr (317)202-0500

This is the second year of a two-year project to develop an innovative model of health care fraud education, with emphasis on Medicare Part D, that will be embedded by the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) into the Indiana aging network . Partnering with the SHIP, the Medicaid Fraud Unit and a pharmacy chain, the project will develop a training module which will include a message for the public regarding fraud. This module will be fully integrated into training for AAA case managers, I & E staff, SHIP counselors and project volunteers. The target population will include rural and low income seniors. Collaborators include the Senior Health Insurance Information program, Hoosier RX and the IN Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU). Anticipated activities/outcomes: a fully integrated training module for AAA case managers; and a decision tree tool to help project volunteers and others to determine if fraud exists. Dissemination activities will include: brochures and other messages in English and Spanish developed at the fourth grade reading level, with a consistent and accessible message; and an Email communications network to discuss outreach and other project activities. The MFCU will provide guidance on the accuracy of messages developed. The results of this project will be provided to AoA, our partners and other interested organizations.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2915 SMP Integration of Medicare and Medicaid

Jewish Family & Vocational Service of Middlesex County,
Inc.
515 Plainfield Ave., Suite 201
Edsion, NJ 08817-2598

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Contact: Charles Clarkson (732)777-1940

This is the second year of a two-year project to integrate the Senior Medicare Patrol project into the state aging services network. Emphasis is placed on reaching minority and low-income populations that have traditionally been hard to reach. The grantee will develop new statewide collaborations, coalitions and other integration efforts, emulating successful practices of established programs and developing new approaches designed to meet the unique needs of the state's older population. It will specifically integrate Medicaid and Medicare fraud messages regarding the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 targeting MEDICAID recipients. Collaborators include: NJ Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Services; Healthcare QIO; NJ HHS; AARP; Rutgers Coop Extension; NJ Triad; and NJ Medicaid Fraud Control Unit. Anticipated activities/outcomes: 200 beneficiaries and providers and conference attendees will report that 80% found it worthwhile; 25 additional potential cases of fraud will be identified; and 8,000 seniors will attend community-based education. Dissemination activities will reach 650,000 beneficiaries through a media campaign. Products will be translated into Spanish, Korean, one Indian dialect, as well as printed in Braille or large print. The results of this effort will be reported to AoA, the SMP resource center and others.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2916 Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Program

Suburban Area Agency on Aging
1048 Lake Street, Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

Contact: Kim B Blechschmidt (708)383-0258

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

This is the second year of a two-year project to integrate the Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol Project into the Aging Services Network. The overall project design will be to develop an innovative model of health care fraud education, with emphasis on Medicare Part D, that will be embedded in the aging network across the state of Indiana. Partnering with SHIIP, the Medicaid Fraud Unit and a pharmacy chain, the project will develop a training module which will include a message for the public regarding fraud. This module will be fully integrated into training for AAA case managers, I & E staff, SHIIP counselors and project volunteers. The project will schedule presentations and displays for senior groups, professional groups, senior advocates, conferences and seminars. The target population is rural and low income seniors. The project coordinator will evaluate and improve training materials as necessary. Collaborators: Senior Health Insurance Information program, Hoosier RX and MFCU. The project will involve community-based organizations (CBOs) which serve senior groups for educational presentations. FY 2005 Outcomes: increased knowledge and awareness of how to prevent, identify and report suspected fraud and abuse through staff, volunteers, and seniors. Products will include a training manual and curriculum, a brochure on potential Medicare Modernization Fraud, placemats, posters, news releases, and fraud alerts to partner organizations.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2917 SORT Integration Tier I Project

District III Area Agency on Aging
dba Care Connection for Aging Services
106 W. Young Street
Warrensburg, MO 64093

Contact: Rona J McNally (660)747-5447

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 11/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	99,857
FY 2005	99,784

This is the second year of a two year project award for the Missouri Senior Medicare Patrol Project to develop new statewide collaborations, coalitions and other integration efforts, emulating successful practices of established Senior Medicare Patrol programs. This integration project will develop a comprehensive statewide approach to increase awareness and detection of MEDICAID fraud among providers, recipients and caregivers. The target population is rural and low income individuals. Collaborators include: Missouri Alliance of Area Agencies on Aging, Missouri Attorney General's Office, Division of Medical Services Department of Health and Senior Services, Ombudsman Program and CLAIM (Missouri's SHIP). Anticipated activities/outcomes: 75% of education seminar attendees surveyed will indicate a willingness to report concerns; 90% attending trainings will state that the information increased their ability to recognize Medicaid fraud and take appropriate action; and 80% of the Senior Medicare Patrol projects receiving materials produced by the project will report those materials useful. Products include a Missouri Medicaid manual for professionals and recipients; a senior consumer protection brochure; a consumer pamphlet, "Medicaid and You"; a home care journal and quarterly tip sheets for Medicaid recipients; a video on pharmacy fraud; and information about reading and understanding the Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statement.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM2918 Senior Medicare Patrol Integration, Tier II

Idaho Commission on Aging
3380 Americana Terrace, Suite 120
Boise, ID 83706

Contact: Lois S Bauer

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	96,508
FY 2005	96,508

This is the second year of a two year project to integrate Medicare error and fraud awareness and prevention knowledge within two rural, underserved regions in Idaho, and hire Fraud Education Specialists to assist beneficiaries understand the Medicare Modernization Act of 2004 (MMA), cultivate new partnerships and help resolve billing errors/fraud complaints. The target populations in rural communities will be Hispanic and Native American people. Collaborators will include: WA Office of the Insurance Commissioner, Eastern Idaho Special Services Agency, Inc., and the Area II Agency on Aging. Anticipated activities and outcomes: Medicare beneficiaries and their families and advocates will scrutinize Medicare bills and report fraud, error and abuse; and trained volunteers will be used to assist with one-to-one assistance with beneficiaries. A local contact list and reporting process will be developed to evaluate the progress of this project. The results will be reported to AoA and other interested parties.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3082 Health Awareness Program for Immigrants (HAPI)- Vietnamese Americans

Boat People SOS, Inc.
6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100
Falls Church, VA 22041

Contact: Nguyen D Thang (703)538-2190

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

This is the first year of a two year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to support a project for the Boat People SOS, Inc. (BPSOS). The goal is to reduce the incidence of Medicare (and Medicaid) errors, fraud and abuses affecting Vietnamese seniors. The key objectives are: Vietnamese seniors among the target population will be aware of Medicare fraud and of fraud prevention services; Vietnamese seniors will be able to access SMP programs through Vietnamese-speaking staff and volunteers; Vietnamese seniors affected by or witnessing fraud will file reports; Vietnamese faith-based and community organizations (FBCOs) and self-help groups of seniors will take part in the project and will develop their own SMP services; for long-term sustainability, project activities will be incorporated into BPSOS' existing programs for seniors; and additional funding will be secured to support partnership between Vietnamese FBCOs and SMP programs. The expected outcomes are: Vietnamese seniors will become aware of the risk factors, be able to detect signs of fraud, and know how to protect themselves and seek help; BPSOS branch offices will develop the capacity to connect Vietnamese seniors with existing SMP programs; changes in attitude will occur in the community, including among Vietnamese-American FBCOs and media organizations; and Vietnamese seniors will actively identify and combat Medicare fraud and abuses. The products of this project will include: project reports, including evaluation results as required; a set of Vietnamese-language outreach and training materials in diverse formats (print, audio and video), a replication manual, a website, published articles, radio and television programs, and a training workshop at BPSOS annual conferences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3083 Integration of Additional Responsibilities for the Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Maine Department of Health and Human Services
11 State House Station
442 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04333-0011

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	90,000
FY 2007	90,000

Contact: Mary P Walsh (207)287-9200

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Maine Department of Health and Human Services to support an integration project with the state Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program (LTCOP) and the Maine Attorney General's Office (AG). The goal is to further strengthen SMP's missions to educate Mainers about Medicare's durable medical equipment and prescription drug benefits, including the identification and reporting of errors, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: operate in conjunction with the Area Agencies on Aging to provide outreach to communities statewide, including long-term care facilities and home health agencies; collaborate with LTCOP to educate their staff and volunteers and the staff of long-term care facilities statewide; continue to collaborate with Health Care Alliance of Maine (HCAM) to provide outreach to those receiving home health care; develop commercial television advertisements to reach homebound and those living in rural areas; and work with the AG's office to provide a website link from their health care crimes site to the existing SMP website. The expected outcome is: Medicare beneficiaries who receive home health services, reside in long-term care facilities or are homebound, live in rural areas of the state and those who utilize computers for information, as well as their families and caregivers, will have increased knowledge of Medicare's durable medical equipment and prescription drug benefits, including the identification and reporting of errors, fraud and abuse. Products will include a final report with evaluation results, new brochures on each of the two topics, posters, presentations, commercial television advertisements and work on new website link.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3084 SUMMIT, Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction Program

Oklahoma Insurance Department
2401 NW 23 Suite 28
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	90,000
FY 2007	90,000

Contact: Cindy Brown (405)521-6632

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Oklahoma Insurance Department to support an integration project with the goal to educate Oklahoma consumers and others how to avoid becoming a victim of Medicaid fraud and Medicare Part D scams. The Oklahoma SMP has launched an aggressive statewide public awareness campaign to contact the unserved and underserved, non-English speaking, and minority populations. The objectives are to: collaborate with Oklahoma Seniors Against Fraud (OK SAF) and the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) to present two one-hour broadcasts on Oklahoma's public television station, OETA, which reaches all 77 counties in Oklahoma; and coordinate an aggressive print ad campaign focused on rural, American Indian, and Hispanic newspapers, and appropriate public service announcements for radio stations that serve rural, Hispanic, and American Indian populations. The expected outcomes include: an increased number of consumers reached through television, newspapers, radio, and distributed printed materials, resulting in an increased number of calls to report suspected attempts of fraud and scams. Products will include: videotaped PBS broadcasts, posters, brochures, flyers newspaper ads, radio public service announcements; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3085 American Indian and Alaskan Native Focus of the SMP Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Great Lakes Intertribal Council, Inc.
2932 Highway 47 North; Post Office Box 9
Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Wendell Holt (715)588-3324

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant. The goal, which is part of the "Saving Tribal Assets and Resources" (STAR) program, is to enhance program efforts to reach targeted rural, isolated and hard-to-reach American Indian and Alaskan Native (AI/AN) populations in Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota. The objectives and activities are to: continue to serve the GLITC tribal service area of Wisconsin and Michigan, focusing on integrating Indian Health Services (IHS) and Tribal Health Plans (THP) contracted care in four communities; expand the project to hard-to-reach AI/AN populations residing in urban areas by including an AI/AN urban health center in the program; and expand the project into another state through collaboration with Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) and the Minnesota Indians Area Agency on Aging (MIAAA). The expected outcomes will be: improved education and inquiry resolution for AI/AN beneficiaries; decreased costly billing errors; decreased fraud, and avoidance of unnecessary medical interventions; improved beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for IHS and THP; increased beneficiary education among 80-90% of AI/AN Medicare and Medicaid recipients, and 50% of all IHS recipients; increased number of complaints reported through improved awareness of the STAR program as a culturally sensitive avenue for the vulnerable AI/AN; improved methods of reporting complaints by collaborating with the statewide SMP program using the new sponsored common reporting system. Products will include an AI/AN-specific American Indian Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Manual, documenting a model of health care fraud integration that can be replicated by other tribes and tribal organizations on a national basis and project reports, as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3086 SMP Program Coverage for Native Hawaiians/ Asian Pacific Islanders

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Executive Office on Aging
250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Cheryl Pang (800)296-9422

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant. The goal of this two-year project is to strengthen current outreach to Native Hawaiian, Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander communities, and caregivers by collaborating with stakeholders to more effectively integrate educational efforts within these underserved populations. The objectives are to: integrate education efforts on financial, consumer, and healthcare fraud within Native Hawaiian communities; integrate education efforts on financial, consumer, and healthcare fraud within Southeast Asian and Pacific Islander communities; and use an intergenerational approach to plan, develop and disseminate educational materials for family caregivers of elderly individuals to recognize and prevent healthcare fraud. The expected outcome is a measurable increase in the number of individuals educated in consumer, financial, and healthcare fraud in Native Hawaiian, Southeast Asian, and Pacific Islander communities. Products will include translated brochures in Native Hawaiian, Ilocano, Tagalog, Samoan, and Chukeese; a video/DVD; and a web-based video and DVDs in interactive format.

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Research Foundation of CUNY/Hunter College of CUNY
230 West 41st Street
New York, NY 10036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Marianne C Fahs (212)481-5420

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Brookdale Center on Aging to support this project in collaboration with community partners, Asian Americans for Equality in New York City and Organization of Chinese Americans-New Jersey Chapter. The goal is to enhance reporting of Medicare, Medicaid and other health care error, fraud and abuse by expanding Medicare's SMP program to populations previously unaware of and/or unable to participate because of linguistic and/or cultural barriers, specifically Chinese Americans. The objectives are to: identify, recruit and train bilingual volunteers to assist non-English speaking Chinese Americans receiving Medicare, Medicaid or other health care benefits on how to recognize and report error, fraud and abuse; develop and translate training/outreach materials into traditional Chinese; design and carry out a media campaign using Chinese-language media to raise public awareness in Chinese communities; involve community-based agencies in outreach activities; establish procedures for non-English speaking trainees to access the assistance of bilingual volunteers in reporting suspected error, fraud and abuse; establish an infrastructure to track project activities; evaluate the impact of the project by collecting data of all reported suspected error, fraud or abuse; and disseminate project methods and products. The expected outcomes are: increased awareness of health care error, fraud and abuse; training of bilingual volunteers; increase in fraud and abuse complaints; and savings generated from Medicare/Medicaid complaints from Chinese American (estimate based on type of complaint/inquiry made). Products will include: final report; translated materials; abstracts for national conferences; and a model community partner plan.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3088 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Integration

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

National Asian Pacific Center on Aging
1511 Third Avenue, Suite 914
Seattle, WA 98101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Kenneth J Bostock (206)838-8166

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the National Asian Pacific Center on Aging to support a project which targets limited English speaking seniors who face linguistic and cultural barriers, to raise their awareness of Medicare error, abuse and fraud. The goal is to develop outreach strategies to raise awareness of Medicare error, abuse and fraud in the Asian Pacific Islander (API) community in at least four states. The objectives are to: improve API communities' understanding of health care fraud and strengthen their effectiveness in identifying, and reporting error, fraud and abuse; build national and local community capacity to address and reduce health care fraud by providing trusted points of contact to API seniors where they can obtain information, education and assistance; and build partnerships to establish an inclusive network of API community-based and social services organizations and mainstream organizations that can share information and provide technical assistance. The expected outcomes are: the capacity of targeted communities will be measured to provide regular, reliable, and timely information; a resource network with a multilingual helpline as the core, will be established to ensure accurate and appropriate information to seniors and the API community; and collaborations between API community-based and social service organizations will be established with cognizant SMP projects. Products will include: project reports, including evaluation results; news articles and releases; newsletter; a listserv; and a website.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3089 Reaching Elders with Alzheimer's Disease and Their Caregivers

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly
100 N. 17th Street, Suite 600
Philadelphia, PA 19103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Diane A Menio (215)545-5728

This is year 1 of a 2 year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE) to partner with the Alzheimer's Assn., DE Valley Chapter (The Association). The goal: demonstrate an effective, replicable model of outreach & education for caregivers of persons with dementia, resulting in increased awareness of healthcare fraud/abuse, and increased reporting of potential fraud and savings to Medicare & Medicaid programs. Objectives: increase program visibility and awareness in PA, Southern NJ, and DE through on-site outreach activities, inc. caregiver support groups; utilize media to educate caregivers and elderly with dementia on fraud & abuse prevention; train support group leaders as a resource for and provide health care fraud information to caregivers; develop and submit articles for publication in Assn. newsletters; utilize CARIE and Assn. websites for consumer education & promotion; develop professional and consumer education resources and provide to the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center; provide consultation and complaint resolution resources for consumers, caregivers, & service providers; and achieve measurable outcomes that demonstrate the project's effectiveness in combating healthcare fraud, waste, & abuse. Expected outcomes: educated, caregiver support group leaders who will conduct group trainings; increased knowledge & ability to report healthcare fraud; increased # of caregivers reached with fraud information & materials through support groups, newsletter articles, and public events; increase in persons reached through media placements; increased caregiver reports of potentially fraudulent situations; and increased Medicare program savings. Products include: a caregiver flyer, 1 page calendar, group leader training curriculum, group participant evaluation form, Excel tracking forms, and project reports, inc. evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3090 Russian/Ukrainian Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO)
10301 NE Glisan Street
Portland, OR 97220

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000

Contact: Jeff MacDonald (503)234-1541

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) to support the Russian Ukrainian SMP. The goals are to educate and empower isolated, non-English speaking Slavic refugees to understand their Medicare/Medicaid rights and responsibilities and to understand and question their Medicare Summary Notices. The objectives are to: outreach to build trust in the community and to recruit volunteers; train volunteer trainers; recruit a target population; and provide workshops and education in partnership with Oregon and Washington Aging and Disability Services (ADS), and Slavic-serving churches and social services and business organizations. Expected outcomes are to: recruit and train at least 30 new volunteer trainers; provide at least 50 volunteer-led sessions; reach at least 3,000 - 5,000 people in community education and sessions for beneficiaries; and reach over 200,000 in media outreach. Products will include: Russian language materials and project reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3091 Senior Medicare Patrol Program for the Homebound

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Suburban Area Agency on Aging
1048 West Lake Street, Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	102,000
FY 2007	102,000

Contact: Jonathan Lavin (708)383-0258

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to AgeOptions, the Suburban Area Agency on Aging. The goals are to: develop materials customized for the targeted population and then test the effectiveness of them and to disseminate these materials and increase the visibility of the SMP Integration program through local, state and national partners. The objectives are to: develop outreach and education materials designed to reach low health literacy and homebound seniors; partner with the United States Postal Service to reach communities in Illinois and Wisconsin; partner with Dominick's/Safeway Pharmacies; partner with Meals on Wheels Association of America (MOWAA); disseminate outreach strategies, approaches and materials developed for the target population with the integration grant; and evaluate ongoing strategies and approaches to the implementation of the Integration project. The expected outcomes are: cross-state distribution of our message through collaborations with our partners; improved/increased access of the SMP message to people with low health literacy levels and those who are homebound; increased number of people reached and acting on the SMP message; and development of best practices for reaching target populations. Products include: public education presentation developed for postal customers, home delivered meal clients and pharmaceutical customers; training protocols for postal workers and home-delivered meal drivers who serve as Gatekeeper; semi-annual project reports and a final report; and a printed report on the evaluation of best practices.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3092 Diocese of Providence Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Diocese of Providence, Office of Community Service
184 Broad Street
Providence, RI 02903

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

Contact: Kathleen M McKeon (401)421-7833

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Providence, Rhode Island to support a project in the Diocese of Providence Office of Community Services. The goal of this project is to more fully integrate beneficiary education and awareness of health care error, fraud and abuse to homebound elders throughout the state of Rhode Island. The objectives are: to recruit and train "Friendly Visitors" throughout the Diocese of Providence on Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; to develop culturally sensitive materials for distribution; to develop linkages with other religious, community and state agencies; to evaluate the impact of the project; and to disseminate project information to appropriate community, state and federal partners. The expected outcomes include: homebound individuals will have an increased understanding of Medicare and Medicaid errors, fraud and abuse; individuals will be more likely to detect and report errors, fraud and abuse; homebound beneficiaries will increase the number of complaints that will result in some action and savings to the Medicare and Medicaid programs. Products will include: a data collection tool; recruitment flyer; pamphlet on "how to start a Friendly Visitor program"; Diocesan newspaper articles and project advertisements; and a guidance toolkit for SMP projects; and project reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3093 LTC Residents Focus of this Grant

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Multi-Service Center
PO Box 23699
Federal Way, WA 98093-0699

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Janalee Naughton (253)835-7678

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Multi-Service Center. The goal is to conduct outreach and education to the state's most vulnerable elders in order to strengthen their ability to detect and report potential Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse. Project objectives are to: develop innovative outreach methods to train resident leaders; provide outreach to Hispanic and Latino caregivers; determine Alaskan resident leadership capacity; pilot a follow-along in-home service in rural southeast Washington; expand assessment and intervention services; and disseminate project information. Expected outcomes: resident leaders will become fraud and abuse advocates and will serve as a resource for residents in their home facility; Hispanic and Latino caregivers will be educated about Medicare/Medicaid fraud and abuse, indicators of identification, and ways to report via the Alzheimer's Association El Portal program; Alaskan resident leaders will be identified through a needs assessment of selected Alaskan long-term care facilities; and capacity will be strengthened to identify and stop abuse or refer to the criminal justice system those providers who continue to abuse residents. Products will include project reports as required; information on website; and a model outreach toolkit that can be replicated in other states, with an emphasis on rural residents in long-term care facilities.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration
90AM3094 Latino/Hispanic Health Care Disparities

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Washington State Office of Insurance Commissioner
PO Box 40256
Olympia, WA 98504-0256

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	80,000

Contact: Tobi Johnson (360)725-7218

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the Washington State Office of Insurance Commissioner, Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) HelpLine to support collaboration with sub-grantee contracts, state agencies, and community-based and faith-based organizations. The goal is to advance collaborative and innovative approaches to integrate Medicare and Medicaid fraud awareness and prevention activities in rural Latino/Hispanic communities in Adams, Asotin, Benton, Franklin, Garfield, Grant, and Yakima Counties (southern and eastern Washington) and in Clark, Minidoka, Owyhee, and Power Counties (southern Idaho). The objectives are to: provide public education to Latino/Hispanic seniors, their families, and community leaders about fraud, waste, and abuse via bi-lingual peer volunteers; develop culturally and linguistically appropriate public presentation tools, materials, and distribution strategies that support high-quality service; develop and maintain partnerships that increase capacity and support sustainability; and evaluate communication materials, strategies, and outcomes to share best practices with the SMP network and other stakeholders. The expected outcomes are: Latino/Hispanic Medicare beneficiaries and their families will be better educated on how to prevent, monitor, and report potential fraud, waste, and abuse; and trusted networks will exist to support Latino/Hispanic communities. Products will include: project reports as required; social marketing and public education tools, materials, and distribution strategies, developed specifically for the target audience; and service evaluation and feedback tools.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3095 Senior Latino Medicare Patrol Integration Program for Medicare/Medicaid Beneficiaries

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc.
422 Debbie Lane PO Box 935
Millville, NJ 08332

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	80,000
FY 2007	79,747

Contact: Harry M Paraison (609)703-5806

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to the DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc. The goal of the project is to mobilize Latino Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and senior-serving partner organizations across two states (New Jersey and Delaware) in collaboration with Administration on Aging (AoA) resources for training, technical assistance and support aimed at controlling health care error, waste and fraud. The objectives are to: establish and maintain a consortium of community-based agencies in southern New Jersey (DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc.), central New Jersey (New Jersey HAVE), and Delaware (Latin American Community Center) to assist in planning and implementing the project while working in close partnership with an interdisciplinary team of federal, state, and local resources; recruit, train, and support retired individuals in three communities in two states to serve as peer advocates and to provide public education and outreach to Latino seniors and their families in small towns and rural areas in Cumberland county, NJ and in New Castle county, DE; apply considerable experience and expertise with electronic and print media to create a culture and language-appropriate, community-based public education and information program to modify beneficiary knowledge, attitudes and behaviors associated with identifying and reporting health care error, abuse and fraud in the target populations; participate in national and local assessment of the project's process, impact and outcomes; and participate in AoA's system of posting program materials electronically on its anti-fraud and abuse web page, in order to facilitate the sharing of resources. Expected outcomes are: strong partnerships with aging and fraud networks that span two states, three underserved Latino communities and integration of two successful SMP programs. Products will include: CD ROMS of all materials and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Program Integration

90AM3096 ABCD's Initiative for Minority Elders

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 07/31/2008

Action for Boston Community Development, Inc
178 Tremont Street
Boston, MA 02111

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	71,587
FY 2007	71,587

Contact: Ruth Blackman (617)348-6340

This is the first year of a two-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Integration grant to Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) for support of an initiative for Medicare patrol access through cultural translation, the IMPACT Project. The goal is to engage low-income minority populations in the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The objectives are to: assess the cultural and linguistic competency of participating SMP sponsors; train an initial cadre of outreach specialists using the cultural translation model; and test this approach through a minimum of five community partnerships in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Expected outcomes are: gains in basic health literacy among participating minority elders; gains in basic knowledge about SMP; changes in participant attitudes about handling health care problems; increased participation by targeted minority communities in SMP; and increased rates of complaints received, and referred for follow-up, thereby resulting in Medicare dollars saved. Products will include: a checklist for assessing SMP agencies' cultural/linguistic capacity; instruments for community linguistic needs assessment; train-the-trainer manual for the IMPACT cultural translation approach; volunteer advocates training curriculum; a community outreach toolkit; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2588 Massachusetts Medicare, Outreach and Education Project

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 12/31/2005

ELDER SERVICES OF THE MERRIMACK VALLEY, INC.
360 Merrimack Street, Building #5
Lawrence, MA 01843-3740

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	218,152
FY 2003	198,152
FY 2004	176,152

Contact: Carolyn Hubers (978)683-7747

This is the third year of a three year cooperative agreement for a Massachusetts based Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project managed by the grantee, Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc., an Area Agency on Aging (AAA). The AAA will collaborate with the Executive Office of Elder Affairs, the State Unit on Aging (SUA) and MA SHIP program, the Mystic Valley Elder Services, Minuteman Elder Services, Minuteman Home Care and Danvers Council on Aging. The goal is to build the capacity of the 12 MA SHIP programs and to educate and bring awareness to the Medicare/Medicaid fraud (MMF), error and abuse to the vulnerable Medicare beneficiaries. The objective is to recruit and train retired professional volunteers to educate groups of M/M beneficiaries about detecting and reporting M/M fraud, error and abuse. The major outcomes are: self-assured and less intimidated consumers, when interacting with M/M programs; an increased number of consumers counseled to identify error, fraud or abuse; a mini-grant process building the capacity of AHIP SHIP sites to provide outreach and education; a media campaign; and an increased number of error, fraud or abuse cases based on statistical data collected from minority organizations. The products are a final report, public service announcements, and newsletters.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2599 Ferret Out Fraud - Senior Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2006

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

1789 West Jefferson - 905A
Phoenix, AZ 85007-5007

Contact: Martha Taylor

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	159,931
FY 2003	181,943
FY 2004	159,943

The grantee, the Arizona Department of Economic Security, is the State Unit on Aging that manages this third year of a three-year cooperative agreement for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Project. The collaborators are the Inter-tribal Council of Arizona, Navajo Nation, AZ Office of Attorney General, Better Business Bureau (BBB), and the AZ Department of Insurance. The goal of this MMF project is to assist Hispanic seniors to detect and report Medicare/Medicaid (MMF) fraud, error and abuse. The objective of this MMF project is to investigate and prosecute M/M fraud. The major outcomes of this MMF project are: M/M Hispanic beneficiaries educated on ways to detect and report billings fraud; a list of identified complaints; increased knowledge and skills; an expanded fraud coalition through work with fraud partners and identification of new partners; an advisory committee of beneficiaries; volunteers matched with mentors; a large technical assistance and support group; continuing education units (CEU) for beneficiaries; and resolution of cases of fraud, error and abuse identified by this project. The products of the MMF program are: a final report; materials in Spanish; results of collaborators efforts; a trainers program; a list of the fraud coalition; a list of new partners in outreach; and a list of new volunteers with mentors.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2602 Medi\$ave Program

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2006

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Elderly Services Division
25 Sigourney Street, 10th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106-6106

Contact: Mimi Peck-Llewellyn (860)424-5862

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	160,000
FY 2003	160,000
FY 2004	160,000
FY 2005	40,000

The vulnerable at-risk elderly will be protected in this third year of a three-year cooperative agreement project that will prevent Medicare/Medicaid (MMF) fraud, waste and abuse. The goal of this MMF project is to increase beneficiary awareness of Medicare and Medicaid fraud and abuse, including understanding health care statements (bills). The objectives of this MMF project are: 1) to expand current programming for recruiting, training and maintaining retired seniors and other professionals in the aging network; 2) to increase beneficiary awareness of M/M fraud and abuse, including understanding health care statements (bills) and the importance of keeping track of medical appointments and procedures; 3) to further educate the medical community on M/M related issues; and 4) to establish a collaboration with the medical community to reduce billing errors. The anticipated outcomes of this MMF are: a pilot project that will train and assist medical professionals to address servicing concerns; office training for billing and front desk staff of three local physician groups; mailing of project brochures to all Medicaid coverage groups who are elderly and/or disabled; and an established fraud, waste and abuse tracking system. The products of the MMF program are a final report; project brochures; a statewide health journal; and data tracking system.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2603 Puerto Rico Project Alert to Fraud

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 05/30/2006

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR ELDERLY AFFAIRS

Po Box 50063 Old San Juan Station

San Juan, PR 00902

Contact: Rossana Lopez Leon (787)721-4560

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	160,000
FY 2003	182,000
FY 2004	160,000

This is the third year of a Senior Medicare Patrol Project, known as Project ALF, managed by the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, a State Unit on Aging in Puerto Rico. It is run under a cooperative agreement with the Administration on Aging for a three year period. Goal: to develop a Senior Medicare Patrol which will combat Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. Objective: to recruit and train retired professional volunteers in order to educate the Hispanic population on the island about Medicaid and Medicare, and ways to detect and report fraud, error and abuse. Outcomes: an information system developed; informal orientation sessions conducted; dollars lost to Medicaid and Medicare, as a result of fraud and abuse, recovered; a public education plan created; a cadre of 50 retired volunteers recruited and trained; outreach strategies implemented; training seminars conducted for 200 aging network staff, providers and recipients; partnership established with state Medicare experts; and prevention information provided to an estimate of 5,000 older persons. Products: final report, outreach strategy, and materials for training seminars.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2605 Senior Nevada Advocates on Guard (SNAG)

Project Period: 07/01/2002 - 06/30/2006

NEVADA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

555 East Washington Avenue, Suite 3900

Las Vegas, NV 89101-9101

Contact: JoAnne C Embry (702)486-3154

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	160,000
FY 2003	190,000
FY 2004	168,000
FY 2005	42,000

This is a three year cooperative agreement with the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. The collaborators are: the Nevada Division for Aging Services (DAS) and SHIP, the Nevada Attorney General, AARP, Medicare Advisory Foundation, FBI, Center for Medicaid and Medicare (M/M) Services, Family Resource Centers, Clark County Senior and Advocate Program. The goal of this MMF project is to develop the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) by preparing senior consumers to be aware of Medicare/Medicaid fraud (MMF), error and abuse. The objective of this MMF project is to recruit and train retired professional seniors to educate M/M beneficiaries to detect and report fraud, error and abuse. The major outcomes of this MMF project are: 60 volunteers trained; 40 senior centers and senior agencies contacted; information disseminated to the frail, homebound and rural; Hispanic SMP volunteer educators recruited; and training materials developed for outreach through the Family Resource Centers. The products of the MMF program are a final report and outreach training materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2697 Maryland Curb Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid (CAMM)

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF AGING

301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007

Baltimore, MD 21201-2374

Contact: Michelle Holzer (301)767-1100

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The Maryland Department of Aging's "Senior Medicare Patrol Project", known as the CAMM (Curb Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid) Project will achieve the following objectives: 1) maintain a volunteer corps of at least 50 individuals' (during the reporting period, a monthly average of 94 volunteers were registered) who will provide education to their communities about Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse (during the reporting period ending 12/31/2004, 2,966 one-on-one sessions with clients occurred); 2) increase public awareness about the problem of fraud and abuse (14,570 people were reached through media events and 428 complaints were received); and 3) determine the project's effectiveness through measurable outputs. Program outcomes will be: 1) volunteer recruitment, outreach, assistance and community education targeted to vulnerable populations; and 2) a strong partnership developed between service agencies, advocacy groups, and enforcement and regulatory agencies. The Maryland Department of Aging will heighten public awareness of Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste, and abuse through the use of media and public presentations conducted throughout the grant service area, by a corps of well-trained, retired volunteers, working in concert with thirteen Area Agencies on Aging. Products will be listed in the final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2698 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2007

NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

111 Seaboard Avenue

Raleigh, NC 27604

Contact: Kevin Robertson (919)733-0111

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The North Carolina Department of Insurance (DOI) began its Senior Medicare Patrol Project ("Medicare Lookout") through their Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP). The goal is to enable Medicare beneficiaries to understand the Medicare system better, to understand their Medicare notices, and to report problems to the appropriate project partner. Our statewide focus will build upon the North Carolina Division of Aging (DOA) Senior Medicare Patrol Project. We will use core Specialists (community-based organizations, senior volunteers) to form 6-12 regional core Medicare Lookout initiatives. These Specialists will recruit exemplary SHIIP volunteers to overcome the barriers to reaching Medicare beneficiaries identified by DOA's project and by those of other states. We will build upon DOA's successes by expanding the innovative presentations using skits and plays throughout the state, targeting special populations, and concentrating outreach through a dedicated core of volunteers. DOA will assist in our start-up and will continue to support the project through its duration. Our Medicare mission and vast network make us a logical home for this project. By the middle of the 3rd project year, we will have in place a plan and structure to continue the effort without AoA funds.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2699 Statewide Medicare/Medicaid Fraud Project Utilizing WSHIIP Staff and Volunteers

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

6101 Yellowstone Road, Room 259B

Cheyenne, WY 82002

Contact: Joan Franklin

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

For the past three years, the Wyoming Department of Health, Aging Division (AD), a single state planning and service area, has collaborated and subcontracted with Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc. (WSCl), a statewide nonprofit agency, implementing and administering the Wyoming Senior Medicare/Medicaid Error Patrol Project. The Aging Division and WSCl propose to continue and expand this statewide project through this grant. Wyoming's vastly rural demographics, coupled with the fact that Wyoming has the 7th fastest growing aging population per capita in the nation, has presented numerous challenges in combating Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse. The Aging Division and WSCl have implemented a systematic, four-part project that educates and provides a referral network on Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse to Wyoming's 39,000 Medicare and 3,700 Medicaid recipients. The Aging Division and WSCl will continue and expand on the four-part project during the next three year funding period. The four-part project will focus on information and technology; training; referral and direct services; and public information.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2700 Mississippi Medicare Assistance Patrol Project (MsMAPP)

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

750 North State Street

Jackson, MS 39202

Contact: Betty Green (601)359-4925

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The Governor of Mississippi designated the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS), Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) the unit of the State government to work with the Administration on Aging (AoA) through the Older Americans Act, to direct services to the age 60+ population and other Medicare beneficiaries. Consistent with the mission of the DAAS, the Mississippi Medicare Assistance Patrol Project (MsMAPP) will establish a network of trained persons to serve in their communities as volunteer experts to assist in combating health care error, fraud, and abuse. The MsMAPP organizational structure will be led by the MsMAPP program coordinator. The MDHS State Office staff oversees the implementation and reporting needs of the grant. The project will incorporate partnerships with three AAAs (Central Mississippi, South Delta, and Southern Mississippi) and a legal services provider, the North Mississippi Rural Legal Services (NMRLS). Coordination of this grant will occur with the State Health Insurance Program, which is referred to as the Mississippi Insurance Counseling and Assistance Program (MICAP) in this state. This coordination between the MsMAPP and the MICAP program is an important link in rural Mississippi. Each AAA in Mississippi has an existing MICAP program and the three AAAs identified in this grant have a broad program base. The staff person employed by the NMRLS is a consulting professional for Medicare and Medicaid issues and will provide services in five AAAs in North Mississippi. Functionally, the MsMAPP will recruit, train, and retain a cadre of retired persons who will serve as experts and educators for older persons in their local communities. The project will maintain a system of tracking error, fraud, and abuse referrals to appropriate agencies. Products: a tracking system and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2701 Minnesota Medical Care and Anti-Fraud Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING

PO Box 64976

St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Contact: Krista Boston (976)296-2879

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

Since 1997, MN Board on Aging (MBA) has partnered to decrease fraud, errors, & abuse in Medicare. The Senior Medicare Patrol in MN (Medicare FYI) has been fully integrated into the statewide MN State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). In the previous project period, MN Medicare FYI project staff spent much time researching strategies to expand the project to combat Medicaid fraud & recover Medicaid dollars. The evolution of the MN Senior Medicare Patrol Project, to include a focus on Medicaid, resulted in new partners, e.g. initial activities with the Surveillance Integrity Review (SIRS) Unit, MN Dept. of Human Services (DHS), and continued collaboration with MN Home Care Association. As a result, MBA intends to build upon these collaborations & continue efforts to decrease Medicare Fraud, with renewed effort at raising Medicaid fraud, errors & abuse awareness. MBA will focus on educating consumers on Medicaid fraud, errors & abuse by partnering with the SIRS Unit of DHS. Since many MN Medicaid clients receive limited explanation of services, or have a minimal understanding of benefits, educating consumers on how to keep track of their services may save significant Medicaid \$\$\$. The MBA plans to continue focusing Medicare FYI efforts: 1) building on the existing volunteer network & expanding developed activities, e.g. technology to educate seniors, caregivers and professionals; 2) identifying & emphasizing the importance of reporting both Medicare & Medicaid fraud; 3) distributing outreach and informational materials to consumers through multiple communication methods; 4) utilizing the dramatic changes occurring in MN long-term care system to educate seniors, their caregivers, county staff & legislators about Medicare & Medicaid fraud, errors, & abuse; and 5) focusing information distribution on points of entry to information including pharmacies, physicians, & clinics. Products will include a final report, with systems of tracking for replication.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2702 Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 05/31/2007

GREAT LAKES INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL, INC.

2932 Highway 47 North PO Box 9

Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538

Contact: Holt Wendell (715)588-3324

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	100,000
FY 2004	100,000
FY 2005	100,000

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council (GLITC) is a consortium of federally recognized Indian tribes in Wisconsin and Upper Michigan. Started in 1963 as a Community Action Agency under the auspices of the federal Office for Economic Opportunity, GLITC was a vehicle for delivery of services and programs to its member reservations and the rural Indian communities of Wisconsin. With the development of local tribal government capacity and the ever increasing push for self-determination, the member tribes have assumed the responsibility of more administration of services to their own communities. The role of GLITC has therefore changed from one of delivering services directly to the reservation community residents, to one of assisting the member tribes in a delivery system of services and programs to back up and supplement the tribes' own service capacity. The objectives of this project are to: 1) enroll volunteers to educate their peers in the prevention of error, fraud, abuse, and waste of Medicare/Medicaid and other health care assistance programs; 2) educate the general public in the prevention of error, fraud, abuse, and waste of Medicare/ Medicaid and other health care assistance programs; and 3) refer Medicare/Medicaid & other health care assistance program error, fraud, abuse, & waste to the appropriate organization(s). Tools needed to enroll, train, & educate participants in the program will be developed by the staff of Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, (GLITC) in cooperation with Indian Health Service Programs, Wisconsin Judicare, Tribal Benefit Specialists and member tribes. Once these objectives have been addressed at the sites, we expect that 90% of Elders and other consumers at these various sites will be educated and aware to identify error, fraud, abuse, and waste of Medicare/Medicaid & other health care assistance programs. Data will be collected on an ongoing basis through contact with site volunteers. Products will be in the final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2703 Utah Medicare Education Team

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

UTAH LEGAL SERVICES, INC.
205 North 400 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	184,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

Contact: Sallie Richardson (801)328-8891

Utah Legal Services, Inc. proposes to continue its Utah Medicare Education Team (UMET) project to educate seniors about Medicare and Medicaid. The project will use the services of retired professionals, who volunteer statewide, to help Medicare beneficiaries read and understand Medicare billing statements and identify possible errors or problems. The project will build on its productive network of collaborative partners to expand its outreach, especially to those age 85 years and older, women living alone, minorities, and those with language, cultural, illiteracy, or other barriers. The project will seek volunteer recruits who are non-English speakers and persons in rural areas. Retention of volunteers is critical to the continued success of the project. Along with ongoing recruitment and training, major efforts will be taken to recognize, honor, and actively involve volunteers. The project plans to strengthen ties with federal and state agencies and organizations concerned about Medicare benefits, in an effort to maximize resources and minimize duplication. The project will also increase its visibility by participating in high profile media activities. Products of the renewed project will include training materials, UMET website, administrative forms, and brochures.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2704 South Dakota Anti-Fraud Education Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

EAST RIVER LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION
335 N Main Avenue, Suite 300
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

Contact: Candise Gregory (605)336-2475

East River Legal Services Corporation (ERLS) has received Senior Medicare Patrol Projects since 2000. ERLS provides public education & one-on-one peer counseling on Medicare and Medicaid fraud throughout South Dakota to ensure consumer awareness of the problem, and provide knowledge on evaluating and reporting suspected fraud. To accomplish this goal of public education, we are utilizing our established network of partners, an advanced media campaign, and an established pool of very capable, well trained retired senior volunteers, many of whom have over five years of Medicare counseling experience. Our objectives are: 1) individual consumer counseling, evaluation of suspected fraud, and referral for further investigation of appropriate cases; 2) development of community partnerships with small local businesses in rural communities across South Dakota; 3) ongoing training for established volunteers, and recruitment of additional volunteers as needed; 4) dissemination of fraud educational materials to the public statewide; 5) fraud education on Reservation lands in South Dakota; 6) special outreach to rural areas; 7) increased client contacts & dissemination of fraud information; and 8) careful tracking of measurable outcomes. The ERLS/Senior Fraud Patrol Program provides a myriad of tools to assist partners & volunteers with project objectives. These products include: 2 day training for new volunteers; a training manual and resource materials for volunteer counselors; annual update training for existing volunteers; Personal Health Care Journal; a "How to Read your Medicare Summary Notice" brochure; a fraud booklet "Avoiding Scams and Fraud"; a 5-Part Anti-Fraud Video Series; and sponsorship and participation in major fraud events throughout the year.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2705 Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program

Vernon Council on Aging, Inc.
200 North Third Street
Leesville, LA 71446

Contact: Marvis Chance (887)239-0275

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	122,280
FY 2004	110,280
FY 2005	110,280

Since March 1, 2002, the Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program has been administered by the Vernon Parish Council on Aging (VPCOA). This partnership has been built upon the support of such organizations and agencies as the Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs, Parish Councils on Aging, TRIAD, the Vernon Parish Sheriff's Department, and numerous other agencies that work on behalf of the senior citizens of Louisiana. This project has recruited and trained professional volunteers from fourteen parishes in the western and central sections of Louisiana. These retired professionals have participated in informative training sessions that have educated them to the perils faced by the Medicare Program due to fraud, waste and abuse. Volunteers also provide one-on-one counseling, as needed to their peers. This project, when funded for another three (3) years, will be able to move into additional parishes, thus bringing this valuable resource to others across the state. The Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program (LAMAPP) staff has been trained to respond to callers using the agency's toll free number 1-877-239-0275. Calls related to possible fraud are immediately documented and referred to trained LAMAPP staff members, who then refer the inquiries to their respective Councils on Aging, and ensure that these cases are worked until they are resolved. The Advisory Council assists the project director in developing training and outreach materials for use by both staff members and LAMAPP volunteers, and also in compiling data to measure the program's success. Consultants will assist the project director in developing and presenting the training and outreach curriculum, assisting in the grant writing process and helping to develop data collection instruments for accurate analysis and reporting of program results. Products will include training and outreach curriculum and data collection instruments.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2706 Senior Medicare Patrol

South Carolina Office of Lieutenant Governor
Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

Contact: Gloria McDonald (803)898-2850

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The mission of the SC Dept. of Health & Human Services, Bureau of Senior Services is to provide statewide services that address the needs of older people, including assisting Medicare/Medicaid (M/M) beneficiaries to identify waste, fraud, and abuse on Medicare Summary Notices (MSN). This is accomplished through a statewide aging network with Area Agencies on Aging and Councils on Aging in each county. The SMPP is managed in the Lt. Governor's Office, Div. of Aging Services. This unit is committed to meeting beneficiary needs and ensuring this service is delivered to appropriate clients. The Division of Aging Services will be the lead entity in implementing activities of the project, with identified partners, including the American Association of Retired Persons. This project will bring together agencies whose goal is to stop Medicare fraud and abuse by using knowledge and expertise to develop a comprehensive volunteer-based fraud detection system. The Div. of Aging Services will use current Insurance Counseling Assistance Referral for Elders (I-CARE/SHIP) volunteer insurance counselors to promote awareness, and to detect/report findings of fraud. An M/M fraud and abuse manual has been developed and will be expanded to include current fraudulent practices. Volunteers will be trained to review MSNs, and to empower beneficiaries to screen MSNs for inappropriate charges and services. Following training, a test will measure volunteer comprehension. Regional coordinators will identify fraud and submit to the Fraud Project Specialist, who will forward aggregate reports to AoA. In addition to counseling contact forms, information brochures and a manual, a computerized data collection system will be developed to track outcomes. Products will include a final report and a fraud and abuse manual and module on M/M fraud.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2708 Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

IAAAA EDUCATION INSTITUTE, INC
5875 Castle Creek Parkway North Drive, Suite 315
Indianapolis, IN 46250

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	184,000
FY 2004	179,000
FY 2005	179,000

Contact: Melissa Durr (317)598-9300

The Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol Project, sponsored by the IAAAA Education Institute (IAAAA), proposes an innovative project that will build upon its success as contractor to the State of Indiana for the current project. IAAAA will collaborate with many statewide organizations to recruit, train and support beneficiary volunteers and others to educate and inform Indiana residents about Medicare errors, fraud and abuse. We will use past success, best practices, and tools from the Technical Assistance Resource Centers to refine and develop training and outreach materials. The project will target homebound seniors, low-income seniors, rural seniors and low literacy seniors for intense education and outreach. We will develop and use tools to measure success and evaluate our progress toward our desired outcomes. As a result of our efforts, we will achieve the following outcomes: 1) a 33% increase in the number of complaints filed over the life of the project; and 2) a 10% increase in knowledge by project volunteers about Medicare errors, fraud and abuse. Products will consist of a final report, and training and outreach materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2709 New York State Operation Restore Trust

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

Contact: Wanda Troche (518)474-5478

This is the third year of a three year demonstration project to recruit and train retired professional volunteers to educate groups of Medicare beneficiaries and their families about the importance of recognizing and reporting Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. Beneficiaries, caregivers and information assistants will be trained to detect payment errors and procedures for reporting suspected fraud in order to recoup improper payments. Target population: minorities, women, low income, non-English speaking and handicapped persons. Collaborators: CMS, Hands on The Hudson Valley, Lifespan Ombudsman program, and the NY Commission for the Mentally Disabled. Activities/Outcomes: training modules for diverse trainees and Internet training; an informed and energized public, fighting against health care fraud; and strengthened local community and state coalitions working to protect health care for seniors. Products: final report and training modules.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2710 Health Care Waste, Fraud and Abuse, Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3857

Contact: Lloyd Farnham

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

New Hampshire's Division of Elderly and Adults Services (DEAS), in partnership with Community Services Council of New Hampshire (CSCNH), has successfully administered a Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMPP) since 1997. As one of the first twelve local demonstration projects in the country, New Hampshire developed a unique model by combining SMPP with the State's Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). As such, New Hampshire has operated an effective practice model for its seniors and people with disabilities. The following objectives are planned for this period: 1) increase the number of formal and informal sites for assistance, education and outreach. New and traditional information and counseling sites will be established in rural hospitals, low-income clinics, senior centers and local community centers, where seniors attend social programs and workshops. Informal outreach will also be extended to NH legislative representatives; 2) expand volunteer recruitment to rural and low-income areas in northern and western regions of the state, where some of the most vulnerable and isolated population resides; 3) expand education on Medicaid and other assistance programs for SMPP volunteers; and 4) enhance and monitor program effectiveness by developing new partnerships and coalitions with state/local/federal agencies and professional retiree organizations, conducting pre-and post tests surveys, reviewing and revising training components, and holding program evaluation meetings with contractor and grantee. New training materials, Medical Assistance Resource Guide, Prescription Drug Options, NH Health Records, and Fraud Tips will be produced.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2711 Seniors Organized to Restore Trust (SORT)

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

DISTRICT III AREA AGENCY ON AGING

106 West Young, PO Box 1078
Warrensburg, MO 64093

Contact: Diana Hoemann (660)747-3107

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	193,442
FY 2004	173,442
FY 2005	173,237

Seniors Organized to Restore Trust (SORT), third phase, is a project that builds upon a strong organizational base and well-trained volunteers already in place to expand the number of seniors throughout the State of Missouri who detect, report and combat Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse, by adding a new component to an already successful program. The objectives of the project are: to train staff representatives from each of the ten Area Agencies on Aging to serve as SORT Coordinators in their respective areas; to maintain and expand the current pool of SORT Specialists to a total of 372 Specialists working one-on-one with Medicare beneficiaries; to establish a statewide speaker's bureau to assist with Medicare and Medicaid beneficiary training; to continue statewide outreach efforts with a particular emphasis on rural and minority; to update all AAA web sites in the state, as well as the Elder Services Program web site to include fraud and abuse information; and to expand the SORT Steering Committee. The approach includes working with the Missouri Alliance of Area Agencies on Aging and their 298 senior centers, and the Missouri Attorney General's Office and Secretary of State's office, to develop a comprehensive approach to fraud affecting seniors, including identity theft, elder abuse and neglect, consumer fraud and health care error, fraud and abuse. Major products resulting from SORT, the third phase, include improved training materials that will appeal to retired professional volunteers. Anticipated outcome: a project that is systematically evaluated for effectiveness and which demonstrates integration of the Senior Medicare Patrol project's message into the Aging Services Network.

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2007

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

PO Box 95044

Lincoln, NE 68509-5044

Contact: Cindy Kadavy

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The Senior Medicare Patrol Project's overall goal is to substantially increase the involvement of older persons and the Aging Network in an effort to curb losses within the Medicare and Medicaid programs - losses due to error, waste or fraud. Nebraska's ECHO Project plans to continue working toward the following: 1) Be Aware, Be Informed - combat health care error, fraud and waste in Nebraska, through awareness campaigns and promotions, educational presentations and distribution of informational material, direct technical assistance and support of Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries throughout the state; 2) Be Involved - continue the recruitment of retired professionals, who will serve in their communities as volunteer resources, peer educators and beneficiary advocates. Provide the training, coordination, support and recognition necessary to maintain their efforts and keep them involved as an integral part of the ECHO Project in the effort to curb health care fraud and waste in Nebraska. Reach out to special populations, and provide additional outreach through the intervention of trained and certified volunteer Ombudsman Advocates, to the most vulnerable of Nebraska's beneficiaries, i.e. nursing home residents, one of the largest groups of consumers of health care services; and 3) Build Coalitions - continue to develop and expand collaborations between local, regional and state organizations and agencies; build and strengthen community coalitions of older Americans and service providers; and create partnerships working toward the same goal of combating error, fraud and waste within the Medicare and Medicaid systems. Products - a final report, educational presentations, campaigns and promotions.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2713 Sagewatch

Executive Office on Aging
250 South Hotel St., Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Contact: Derrick Ariyoshi (808)586-0100

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	196,910
FY 2004	174,860
FY 2005	175,000

Since 1997, SageWatch has grown to be a recognized statewide organization responsible for training several hundred dedicated, dynamic, and highly motivated individuals to be certified SageWatch volunteers who donate hundreds of hours each year to make the SageWatch Program. Activities of the SageWatch Program are guided by an advisory council composed of representatives of health care provider associations, Medicare contractors, Medicaid investigators, senior health care organizations, Area Agencies on Aging, immigrant and native Hawaiian organizations, and consumer advocates. In addition, EOA's SAGEPLUS (SHIP) and the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs work closely with the SageWatch Program. The five goals of SageWatch are: 1) to recruit, train and retain culturally diverse retired professionals as volunteer presenters; 2) to provide outreach to special population groups, i.e. non-English speaking and ethnic groups, low income, minority, women, disabled, rural, frail, and underserved; 3) to conduct a public awareness campaign; 4) to demonstrate collaboration among concerned agencies; and 5) to increase use of the website for disseminating information, recruiting volunteers, receiving reports of fraud and abuse, and receiving requests for presentations. Products include a final report, and outreach materials, teaching materials and copies of data collection tools.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2714 Medicare Fraud Senior Patrol Care Project

LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTH DAKOTA
1025 North 3rd Street
Bismark, ND 58502-1893

Contact: Vicki Anderson (701)222-2110

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 09/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	145,000
FY 2004	125,000
FY 2005	125,000

This is the third year of a three-year cooperative agreement for Legal Services of North Dakota (LAND) to operate a Senior Medicare Patrol Project. Objectives: 1) to train staff, volunteers and Medicare beneficiaries to identify signs of Medicare error, fraud, and abuse, and report suspicions to a Fraud-Fighter hotline for investigation and referral; 2) to develop and distribute educational materials to staff, volunteers, and beneficiaries; 3) to sponsor two regional conferences per year and co-sponsor elder-related conferences, presentations, and exhibits; and 4) to develop media and website materials along with "Senior Surf Days" web training to educate partners and the public. LAND and its partners will accomplish all goals in a seamless way, to ensure effective use of resources. All trainings, education, presentations, materials developed and conferences will be worked into currently existing elder-related functions where possible. Expected outcomes: staff, volunteers and beneficiaries will recognize signs of potential Medicare error, fraud and abuse; report suspicions promptly and without fear to appropriate agencies; reduce inaccurate or inappropriate billings; and restore faith that funds will be available for current beneficiaries and future generations. Major products from this project are: a personal health care journal for use by beneficiaries; a specialized Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) brochure; video and audio tape training materials covering Medicare error, fraud and abuse for use by staff, volunteers, beneficiaries and their caregivers; and materials for the media, website, and public distribution.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2715 Vermont Medicare Partnership Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 05/31/2007

COMMUNITY OF VERMONT ELDERS
PO Box 1276
Montpelier, VT 05602
Contact: Anita Hoy (802)229-4731

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

This is the third year of a three-year cooperative agreement to operate a state-wide Senior Medicare Patrol Project. The project will: (1) develop or identify "best practice" programming for recruiting, training and maintaining retired seniors and other professionals in Vermont's elder network for work in this project; (2) increase elders' ability to be active partners in health care decisions and raise beneficiary awareness of Medicare program benefits and operations, including understanding health care statements and keeping track of medical services; and (3) build further collaborations with health care providers to actively engage in planning and supporting this project, and making information given to elders understandable and useful. The objectives will be met by: (1) developing and implementing a statewide program with central coordination out of the Community of Vermont Elders (COVE) and regional program operations performed by the five Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) in the state; (2) gathering information and materials from other statewide SMPP's, particularly those focused on rural populations, and working with technical assistance providers to identify "best practices" and modify programs to meet Vermont's reality and culture; and (3) creating a program advisory group, including seniors, advocates and providers to increase ownership of the program by involving stakeholders in its design and evaluation. As a result of these efforts, the project will use national best practices and the expertise of local seniors, advocates and providers to increase beneficiary ability to actively participate in health care decision making, including a greater understanding of the Medicare program. Products are a final report and project data forms.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2716 The Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100
Madison, WI 53718-6751
Contact: Elizabeth Conrad (608)224-0606

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups (CWAG) proposes to continue building on its successful six-year Senior Medicare Error Patrol Project. The project has been a highly collaborative effort with the cooperation and assistance of many statewide partners. In the last year of the current grant cycle, a volunteer coordinator was added to the team. We will continue to train volunteers who will be organized into regions aligned with the nine district boundaries of the Coalition's membership areas. The addition of the Volunteer Coordinator will allow us to place more emphasis on the retention of already trained volunteers and maximize their utilization in presentations statewide. In addition, new volunteers will be trained, organized and integrated into the new district system. Training will include: an overview of Medicare/Medicaid laws; methods for identifying and reporting Medicare/Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse; and instructions on reading a Medicare Summary Notice, and on the basics of public speaking. The targeted audience will be low-income, limited literacy, rural, minority and inner city elders. Volunteers will serve as local resources available to give presentations, answer questions and advocate for peers. Partners (Medicare contractors, U.S. Attorneys' Offices, etc.) will assist with training. All referrals will be received and screened via a toll-free number. Products will be a monthly Fraud Alert newsletters, standardized PowerPoint presentations, a volunteer manual, press releases, training materials and new brochures on additional subjects. The new grant cycle has two additional new features: 1) an emphasis on working with caregiver support groups and education forums; and 2) an expansion of the marketing and media campaign started in the last grant cycle. Thus the new name - "The Medicare Integrity Project" - and the tag line - "Helping to Keep the Promise" - on all of our materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2717 Senior Medicare Error Patrol Project - Operation Restore Trust Iowa

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

Clemens Building, 3rd Floor

200 Tenth Street

Des Moines, IA 50309-3609

Contact: Shirley Merner

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

The goal of Iowa's Senior Medicare Patrol project is to recruit, train and maintain retired volunteers of diverse cultural, ethnic and socioeconomic backgrounds to be expert resources to help educate older persons about their health care expenditures under Medicare and Medicaid, and utilize strategies to detect errors, fraud and abuse, and report their concerns. Volunteers are instructed to effectively provide education through public events and group sessions in their communities. Critical to the accomplishment of this goal is collaboration with other government and private agencies. Operation Restore Trust (ORT) approach is through such collaborative ventures, guided by a State Advisory Committee, contracts with Area Agencies on Aging for local recruitment and supervision of volunteers, and partnership with the Senior Health Insurance Information Program for the provision of one-on-one counseling. The outcome is to increase the ability of Iowans to identify errors, fraud, and waste in the Medicare/Medicaid programs. This creates responsible consumers of the health care benefits of these programs. ORT will expand the Public Awareness Campaign to include major products, such as caregiver information kits, pamphlets, video news releases, and media rolodex cards. ORT's web site is a key piece of promotion and coordination, encouraging beneficiaries to question, learn and take an active role in protecting their health care benefits. The website will be expanded to include provider education, a press room kit and links to Medicare resources. A major product of this effort is a standardized assessment tool, which will be administered to measure the effectiveness of the beneficiary education provided by Senior Medicare Waste Patrol Project volunteers nationwide.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2718 Health Care Fraud, Waste and Abuse Senior Volunteer Education Project

AGING 2000, INC.

765 West Shore Road

Warwick, RI 02889

Contact: Lisa Purcell (401)521-7930

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

This is the third year of a three-year demonstration project to recruit and train retired professional volunteers to educate groups of Medicare beneficiaries and their families about the importance of recognizing and reporting Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. Beneficiaries will be trained to detect payment errors and report suspected fraud in order to recoup improper payments. The target population is Medicare beneficiaries and their families. Collaborators include the Alliance for Better LTC in Providence, Urban League of RI, Cox Communications, US Senator Jack Reid, and the Rhode Island Dept. of Elderly Affairs. Anticipated activities/outcomes: volunteers recruited from culturally diverse communities; State Health Insurance Program (SHIP) volunteers trained to educate clients about health care fraud; ombudsmen trained to assist with residents in long-term care and assisted living facilities; case managers trained to provide one-on-one counseling of homebound Medicare beneficiaries; community awareness of the problem increased through workshops; and training modules developed to ensure an understanding of the Medicare Summary Notice. Products are a training module and a final report to AoA.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2719 The Pennsylvania Health Care Fraud Education Project

CENTER FOR ADVOCACY FOR THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS
OF THE ELDERLY

100 North 17th Street, Suite 600
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Contact: Rebecca Nurick (215)545-5728

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

This is the third year of a three-year demonstration project to recruit and train retired professionals to educate groups of Medicare beneficiaries and their families about the importance of recognizing and reporting Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. Beneficiaries will be trained to detect payment errors and how to report suspected fraud in order to recoup improper payments. Target population: minority, non-English speaking, rural and isolated beneficiaries. Collaborators: Mayor's Commission, Philadelphia; RSVP, Harrisburg; AARP of PA; and the PA Dept. of Aging. Anticipated Activities/Outcomes: educate the general public in the prevention of error, fraud and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid program; refer cases of suspected error to the appropriate organization; enroll volunteers to educate their peers in fraud reduction; improve communication between law enforcement, private sector providers, and beneficiaries concerning fraud activities in PA; provide consultation with individual seniors, as needed, to review Medicare issues; and establish relationships with community leaders and service providers to educate culturally diverse elderly persons. Product will be included in a final report to AoA.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2720 SCAMS, Senior Counselors Against Medicare Swindlers

CALIFORNIA HEALTH ADVOCATES

5380 Elvas Avenue, Suite 104
Sacramento, CA 95819

Contact: Julie R Schoen (714)560-0309

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	197,000
FY 2004	175,000
FY 2005	175,000

Since its inception eight years ago, the purpose of the Senior Counselors Against Medicare Swindlers (SCAMS) project of California Health Advocates (CHA) has been to recruit and train senior volunteers, and to involve them in educating the CA community to prevent, detect and report Medicare fraud, waste and abuse. The next level of achievement will be to develop and utilize an Outcomes Measurement Tool to evaluate the efforts of our volunteers and build upon our solid foundation of statewide Health Insurance Counseling Advocacy Programs (HICAPs). This will include adult protective services, financial abuse strategists and others in the community throughout California, working together to protect Medicare and its beneficiaries from waste, fraud and abuse. The goals of SCAMS: initiate a survey tool to measure education outcomes; implement a new fraud education outreach method, i.e. web-based trainings; prepare an outreach campaign for disabled Medicare beneficiaries; and continue to recruit, train and retain retired professional volunteer educators and counselors, emphasizing a culturally competent training and outreach curriculum. Major annual outcomes-observable end results: baseline surveys (50 surveys/mo.) designed to reflect program impact on participant's observable behavior; and web-based trainings by a minimum of 4 collaborative agencies - Offices on Aging, Latino Health Access, LTC Ombudsman Program, Financial Abuse Specialist Teams.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2721 Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2006

SURBURBAN AREA AGENCY ON AGING

1048 Lake Street Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

Contact: Laura Rosenfeld (708)383-0258

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	297,000
FY 2004	275,000
FY 2005	275,000

The Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program is a collaborative effort lead by the Suburban Area Agency, in partnership with the Northeastern Illinois Area Agency, Chicago Department on Aging and the Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market. We will build upon the solid success of the program, having been one of the original demonstration projects, to reach new audiences with important messages that can help to preserve the integrity of our healthcare system. The objectives of the project are: to increase awareness among Medicare consumers participating in the SMP program on ways to prevent, detect, and report suspected errors and fraud; and to improve the knowledge of volunteer trainers regarding a) Medicare benefits and services, local options, provider concerns, and b) reading and understanding Medicare Summary Notices (MSNs), Explanations of Benefit (EOBs) and Advance Beneficiary notices (ABNs). We will use the following approaches: recruit and train retired professionals to volunteer as SMP expert resources; work with eight partner agencies to conduct the program throughout Illinois; develop, adapt and disseminate materials to improve the knowledge of trainers, volunteers and Medicare beneficiaries on the prevention, identification and reporting of suspected errors and fraud; and inform and educate diverse Medicare beneficiary communities through presentations and outreach events. A special emphasis will be placed on reaching out to rural, low functionally literate, and limited and non-English speaking beneficiaries utilizing partnerships with community-based organizations, and innovative and grass roots methods. The major products from this project will be: a "Train the Trainer" manual; a Press Kit with sample media messages; Fraud Alert publications in English, Spanish and possibly other languages; and a Training Video for new volunteers, including sample SMP presentations.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2724 West Virginia Senior Medicare Information and Error Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2003 - 06/30/2007

AARP Foundation
601 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20049-0049

Contact: Scott Adkins (202)434-2787

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	175,000
FY 2004	180,000
FY 2005	179,467

AARP assumed responsibility as the new Senior Medicare Patrol project (SMPP) grantee in W.VA , 7/31/03. AARP WV is a SMPP Advisory Committee member, ensuring smooth transition & continued project development in the state. W. Virginians are especially dependent on Medicare & Medicaid (M/M) programs - and billing errors, waste, fraud, or abuse reduce access & availability. The goal of the WV SMIEPP is to establish systems and mechanisms to educate M/M beneficiaries to identify and resolve billing errors & report possible fraud/abuse, thus reducing the incidence of waste, fraud & abuse in vital programs and services. Objectives: 1) strengthen development of infrastructure to detect/combate health care billing charge errors, fraud, waste, & abuse in M/M programs; 2) recruit/train Volunteer Educators to inform and educate M/M beneficiaries; 3) expand partnerships thru links with public & private agencies; 4) conduct outreach & develop promo materials; and 5) establish Intake, Reporting, Referral & Follow-up systems. Using these approaches & interventions, we will strengthen the existing consortia of agencies, organizations, community groups, & individuals committed to increasing knowledge among M/M consumers and eliminating healthcare billing errors, waste, fraud & abuse; continue training individuals to serve as SMIEPP Educators; conduct consumer education, inc. at least one Medicare Update seminar; and develop a complaint intake, investigation, mediation, & resolution system. WV SMIEPP will incorporate reporting mechanisms that identify problems & suggested improvements in Medicare. Outcome: Medicare/Medicaid recipients and public are well-informed and educated on the prevention and/or detection and reporting of suspected error, fraud, or abuse. Major products: manuals; data collection & evaluation instruments; training packages; and audio-visuals educating the public & healthcare providers on preventing potential Medicare & Medicaid error & fraud.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2928 Multnomah County Senior Medicare Fraud Education Project

Multnomah County
Department of Human Services
421 SW Oak Street, Suite 620
Portland, OR 97204

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Traci Goff

This is a one-year project of general and targeted activities to educate seniors and their families residing in the county, about Medicare/Medicaid fraud. This project will collaborate with the Oregon State Senior and Disabled Services. Focus will be on seniors on Medicare/Medicaid and their families. Anticipated outcomes: increase in the number of trained volunteers and increase in the number of group training sessions.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2929 Senior Medicare Patrol-NM Seniors Saving Medicare/Medicaid

New Mexico Aging & Long-term Services Department
2550 Cerrillos Road
Santa Fe, NM 87505

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Deborah Armstrong (505)476-4755

This is the second year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant. The overall goal of the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program is to recruit and train senior professionals to be benefits counselors and fraud fighters in their communities. The objectives of the project are to: increase and enhance the project's volunteer base to include more Spanish and Navajo speaking counselors; enhance outreach strategies and initiatives for vulnerable and special populations in the six Planning and Services Areas (PSAs); increase the project's consortium of partners and strengthen their roles in the project; and enhance the project's tools to measure program effectiveness and outcomes. Expected outcomes: an established presence and an active volunteer base in the greater Albuquerque, Santa Fe and Las Cruces areas and in some smaller communities in the state; recruitment of volunteers who speak Spanish and Navajo; a toll-free help line accessible throughout the state; expanded knowledge of Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse through most of the state; an increase in the number of volunteers proficient in M/M issues; a high-percentage of seniors informed on Part D Medicare program enrollment procedures; and the recovery of thousands of dollars. Products will include: training materials and project reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2930 Massachusetts Medicare & Medicaid Outreach and Education Program "Senior Medicare Patrol Project"

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.
360 Merrimack Street, Building #5
Lawrence, MA 01843

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Lucilia Prates (978)946-1326

The Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc. is in its second year of a three-year grant to support the Massachusetts Senior Medicare Patrol (MA SMP) project. The goals are to continue to broaden and increase its outreach and education efforts throughout the state to reach low income, vulnerable, isolated, and limited English-speaking (LEP) populations about their health benefits eligibility, specifically the Medicare Modernization Act--prescription drug coverage, Medicaid and home and health care while educating these populations on how to identify Medicare/Medicaid errors, fraud, and abuse and how to address fraudulent or deceptive marketing tactics. The objectives are to: increase and broaden the MA SMP Program's outreach; continue to enhance the program's visibility; increase dissemination of information and the number of language specific community forums and presentations delivered to underserved and unserved communities throughout the state; and increase the cultural and linguistic capacity of the elder services networks statewide. The expected outcomes are: an increased number of individuals reached with information regarding the Medicare Modernization Act--prescription drug coverage, Medicaid, home and health care and the SMP program message; an increased number of volunteers recruited, trained and retained to inform and counsel LEP elders; and an increased number of presentations, community forums, PSAs that generate LEP community involvement. Products include: culturally and linguistically competent education materials; website; media packets; and required project reports and evaluations.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2931 Senior Medicare Patrol Projects

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Aging and Adult Services
P.O. Box 1437, Slot S530
Little Rock, AR 72203-1437

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	179,533
FY 2006	179,530
FY 2007	179,530

Contact: Herb Sanderson (501)682-2441

This is the second year of the three-year grant to the Arkansas Division of Aging & Adult Services to administer the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project in collaboration with regional partners committed to consumer education and the protection of the aging and disabled populations of the state. The goal of the project is to empower senior beneficiaries to identify, prevent, and report healthcare fraud, waste and abuse. The target populations are the vulnerable and underserved, such as those impacted by low literacy, low income, cultural barriers and geographical isolation. The objectives are to: train partners and volunteers to present the Arkansas SMP (ASMP) message; educate and empower seniors to prevent healthcare fraud; collaborate with the aging, minority and disability communities to reach underserved populations regarding healthcare fraud and health literacy; package the ASMP healthcare fraud and abuse message and health literacy message together with information the public wants and needs; and share all educational materials developed with seniors across the state and with other SMPs. The expected outcomes are: increased beneficiary awareness of healthcare fraud and tools for combating it, as measured by the standard SMP data sets; measurable change in beneficiary behavior regarding both health care fraud and health literacy; and increased competency of project partners and volunteers. Products from this project are: final reports, including outcome results; improved website providing access to pertinent information; relevant publications to include a quarterly newsletter, and updated nursing home consumer guide; updated children with disabilities consumer guide; and up-to-date consumer information on Medicare Part D and enrollment assistance for seniors.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2932 A Medicare Fraud Patrol Project With Underserved Rural-Urban Latino/Hispanic Communities

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

The National Hispanic Council on Aging
1341 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 4.2
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	178,809
FY 2006	178,809
FY 2007	178,809

Contact: Maria Eugenia Hernandez-Lane (202)347-9733

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the National Hispanic Council on Aging to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) with Underserved Rural Latinos. The goals of the project are to mobilize senior Latino Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and to collaborate with AoA resources for training, technical assistance, and support services aimed at identifying, reporting, and reducing health care error, waste, and fraud. The objectives are to: recruit and provide training to volunteer peer advocates; establish and maintain partnerships and linkages with community-based organizations; develop a culture and language appropriate community-based public education and information program to reach older and disabled Latinos; assess project goals using process, impact and outcome measures; and disseminate project activities and outcomes through a national network of organizations, consumers, service providers and Medicare beneficiaries. Expected outcomes are: increased number of peer advocates recruited, trained for each site; established new partnerships at the community level for each site; and increased number of beneficiaries and family members detecting and reporting fraud and waste. Products will include: case studies on lessons learned from partnerships; culturally-appropriate education materials; tips on training/managing volunteers; a validated Hispanic beneficiary survey instrument; survey results with "before" and "after" and demographic comparisons; and project reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2933 Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP)

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Georgia Department of Human Resources
2 Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, GA 30303

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Erika Lawson (404)651-6314

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the Georgia Department of Human Resources (DHR), GeorgiaCares Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of this project is to empower Georgians to take an active role in protecting healthcare for current and future generations by becoming better consumers. The project objectives are to: increase awareness of fraud and the SMP among Georgia's citizens; increase capacity of outreach through the expansion and development of partnerships; increase the number of active recruited volunteers; increase opportunities to provide new training methods to local, certified coordinators for program and volunteer management; and increase capacity to reach target populations. Special initiatives will be made to disseminate information regarding the Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit or Part D and the potential for fraud associated with the increased number of Medicare Advantage Plans and Medicaid Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) in Georgia. Expected outcomes: 100% of all persons completing beneficiary surveys and training evaluations after attending SMP trainings and/or community education sessions will demonstrate an increase in awareness of Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; increased number of active, recruited volunteers entered into the Aging Information Management System (AIMS); increased program outcomes entered into SmartFacts, AoA's web-based data management system; increased outreach activities; increased capacity to reach target populations. Products will consist of newly developed healthcare journals, brochures, playing cards with fraud and consumer protection tips, keychain stress balls, and banner stands. All progress and final reports will be shared with the SMP community, Georgia's aging network and the U.S. Administration on Aging.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2934 Atlanta Senior Medicare Patrol Project

ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

Aging Services Division

40 Courtland St., NE

Atlanta, GA 30303-2538

Contact: Cathie Berger (404)463-3235

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the Atlanta Regional Commission to support the Atlanta Senior Medicare Patrol (ASMP). The project's goal is to change behavior of people on Medicare and others by educating them to take action to recognize, prevent and/or report potential healthcare/Medicare/Medicare fraud and scams. The objectives are to: educate seniors and others through presentations, one-on-one sessions and media outreach; provide outreach to a very diverse population of African-Americans, Asian-Americans (Chinese, Korean and Vietnamese), Caucasians, Hispanic-Americans, and Russian-Americans, and seniors who are socio-economically disadvantaged or underserved; add new component to educate about the fraud and scams that have occurred in the region during sales efforts by Medicare Advantage agents; and additional collaboration with Atlanta's GeorgiaCares unit. Expected outcomes are: 2,800 individuals will receive ASMP presentations about Medicare fraud, errors and abuse; 278,000 people on Medicare, their family members/caregivers and the general public will be educated about Medicare fraud, errors and abuse; at least 94% of presentation attendees will state they understand importance of protecting Medicare; and at least 95% of presentation attendees will state they will read MSNs in the future. Products will include: educational materials; ASMP fraud call line; and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2935 Senior Medicare Patrol Project - New Jersey Healthcare Advocate Volunteer Effort

Jewish Family & Vocational Service of Middlesex County

200 Metroplex Drive Suite 200

Edison, NJ 08817-2598

Contact: Marci Fineman (732)777-1940

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the second year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the New Jersey Healthcare Advocate Volunteer Effort (HAVE) designed to improve the quality of healthcare for senior citizens in New Jersey. The goal is to provide information so that older adults can take the appropriate steps to protect themselves from becoming victims of fraud by educating consumers concerning Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error, and abuse. The objectives are to: utilize trained volunteers to reach as many seniors in the State of New Jersey as possible; partner with professionals in the aging services network, law enforcement and other areas to promote awareness of Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse; develop and/or disseminate consumer educational materials about Medicare and Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse; provide counseling and serve as consumer advocate to resolve billing disputes and errors; and receive complaints about suspected fraud, waste and abuse, and make referrals to appropriate agencies. The expected outcomes are: seniors in New Jersey will become aware of the extent of fraud, waste and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs; seniors will review their Medicare Summary Notices to ensure that they are receiving the services for which Medicare is paying; seniors will take the necessary steps to call their providers to correct any billing disputes and errors; and seniors will report suspected cases of fraud, waste and abuse. The products will include: an education outcome measurement survey; press releases; public relations tools, including articles for publication, television interviews, public service announcements on radio and television, brochures, flyers and tips sheets; and project reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2936 Delaware Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1901 N. DuPont Highway, Main Annex
New Castle, DE 19720

Contact: Carol Barnett (302)255-9390

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	170,000
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

The Delaware Medicare Fraud Alert (DMFA) is in the second year of a three-year SMP project. The goal of the project is to continue to reach vulnerable and hard-to-reach Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries with our message about becoming a good health care consumer and self advocate. The objectives are to: recruit and train senior professional retirees about how to recognize and investigate possible health care fraud; establish and maintain widespread partnerships with other entities to support our efforts; and offer a comprehensive statewide outreach campaign to encourage Medicare beneficiaries to become better health care consumers. Expected outcomes are: documentation of behavioral change by Medicare beneficiaries who agree to review their Medicare statements following our presentations; an increase in inquiries to our 800 number; an increase in the number of volunteers and presentations statewide during the project year; an increase in the number of readers receiving the project newsletter; and an increase in the quantity and quality of the health care fraud information available on the division's website. Products include: a final report; brochures about aspects of health care waste, fraud and abuse; Delaware SMP newsletters focusing on timely issues and the division's programs; a Medicare fraud bookmark; and a placemat with Medicare facts and graphics.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2937 Montana Medicare Waste Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Missoula Aging Services

337 Stephens Avenue
Missoula, MT 59801

Contact: Susan Kohler (406)728-7682

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Missoula Aging Services will build on its eight years of experience in outreach and education to Medicare beneficiaries on the issues of waste, fraud and abuse and general consumer healthcare fraud through the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). The overall goals are to identify, report and reduce errors, fraud and abuse within the Medicare and Medicaid systems and to reach homebound and underserved populations by expanding and enhancing current relationships with state agencies. The objectives are to: inform and educate Medicare beneficiaries statewide to identify potential healthcare error, fraud and abuse; maintain 100 older adults as educators, counselors and advocates for Medicare beneficiaries, their families and the public; educate 5,000 older adults, their families and the community regarding healthcare errors, waste and fraud; and develop and enhance relationships with state agencies and organizations that serve seniors on issues of healthcare fraud. The expected outcome is the education of at least 3,300 Medicare beneficiaries by May 31, 2008. Products will include: project reports as required; abstracts for state and national conferences; and training manuals for partners and volunteers.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2938 Oregon Senior Medicare Patrol

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

676 Church Street, NE - 2nd Floor
Salem, OR 97301-1076

Contact: Lee A Girard (503)947-1199

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the second year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Oregon Department of Human Services to support the SMP project in collaboration with Oregon SHIBA, the Oregon Home Care Commission, the Governor's Commission on Senior Services, AARP, and the Oregon Department of Justice. The goals are to: 1) continue to provide information, outreach, education, resources and advocacy through utilization of retired professionals as volunteers to combat Medicare/Medicaid (M/M) errors, fraud, and abuse; 2) educate hard-to-reach M/M beneficiaries and those most vulnerable to elder rights violations by training in-home caregivers; and 3) enhance outreach to tribal and minority communities. The objectives are to: 1) partner and collaborate with those mentioned above; 2) make systemic changes in the way information is disseminated; 3) continue the model program, training formal and informal in-home caregivers; and 4) increase the knowledge about M/M fraud, errors, and abuse and the new Medicare Modernization Act (MMA) program to tribal elders and tribal caregivers, and elders in the Latino community. The expected outcome of the project is: targeted populations able to utilize the benefits of the MMA and able to recognize and report M/M fraud, waste, and errors. The products will include a train-the-trainer packet, along with video instruction, Fraudbuster Kits, materials for the Latino community and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2939 Senior Medicare and Medicaid Patrol of Florida.

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc.

9887 4th Street North, Suite 100
St Petersburg, FL 33702

Contact: Sally Gronda (727)570-9696 266

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the second year of a three-year project of the Area Agency on Aging of Pasco-Pinellas, Inc. (AAAPP) Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal is to build upon past experiences and expand outreach statewide through strategic partnerships representing a variety of programs whose missions coincide with the SMP. The objectives are to: expand the Steering Committee statewide; establish new partnerships/collaborations to assist in expanding the program statewide and reaching underserved populations; develop and implement a marketing and outreach plan that is culturally competent; develop and implement innovative strategies to expand outreach and education statewide; expand volunteer recruitment efforts in the current project areas of Pasco and Pinellas counties; expand volunteer training to incorporate the new Medicare Modernization Act; and expand volunteer recognition efforts statewide. Expected outcomes include: an increase in the number of complaints to the statewide SMP fraud hotline as a result of an expanded marketing and outreach campaign; a substantial increase in the involvement of retired professionals, particularly older minority individuals, in Medicare/Medicaid education and training; and an increased awareness/knowledge among seniors about fraudulent practices and Medicare Part D. Products include: a webpage; brochures and posters; data/results of community education; articles and interviews for publication; and a final report, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2940 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Legal Counsel for the Elderly
601 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20049

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000

Contact: Jan May (202)434-2164

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the Legal Counsel for the Elderly (LCE) to recruit and train volunteers by tapping AARP's membership to educate beneficiaries to be capable of detecting and reporting healthcare error, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: recruit and train 10 new volunteers to educate beneficiaries to detect and report error, fraud and abuse; design training and revise/update materials on healthcare fraud for volunteers; train volunteers to educate Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries; expand training of social services providers to serve as a resource for their perspective social service agencies and organizations; expand outreach activities to reach Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; and expand and refine current intake and reporting, referral and follow-up system. The expected outcome is informed and educated Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries and the public on preventing and/or detecting and reporting suspected errors, fraud or abuse, for investigation and outcome determinations. Products will include nutrition site placemats, brochures, wallet sized information cards, information bag with project materials, radio and television advertisements, quarterly newsletter, Medicare bingo, refrigerator magnetic boards, and required project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2941 Puerto Rico Alert to Fraud Project-Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMPP)

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

PUERTO RICO OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN FOR THE ELDERLY
P.O. Box 191179
San Juan, PR 00919-1179

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Rossana Lopez-Leon (787)721-6121

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the Puerto Rico Office of the Ombudsman for the Elderly to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the Puerto Rico Alert to Fraud is to empower elder Medicare/Medicaid participants, their families and the community in general with the knowledge and skills to become active allies against wasteful, erroneous and fraudulent use of traditional Medicare and the new Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 (MMA) programs. The objectives are to: maintain a statewide coalition with representatives from at least 15 community, faith-based organizations, public and private sector programs and agencies; continue developing a well-trained staff and a group of at least 17 retired professional volunteers to provide education to Medicare-Medicaid participants; implement a multi-target outreach educational campaign to promote awareness of the PR-ALF/SMP Project and share information on fraud prevention, identification and reporting; and conduct a public education campaign to alert seniors and the community in general against misinformation or improper marketing techniques, fraud, waste and abuse of Medicare-Medicaid programs. The expected outcome is increased island wide educational activities to develop knowledge and skills among Medicare beneficiaries leading to fraud and abuse prevention, consumer awareness and reporting improper marketing practices by health and medical plans. Products from the project will include: required project reports, including evaluation results; educational materials; brochures and articles for publication in Spanish.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2942 2005-2006 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Consortium

State of Washington
Office of the Insurance Commissioner
P.O. Box 40256
Olympia, WA 98504

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Tobi Johnson (360)725-7218

The grantee, the Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) HelpLine, at the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner, supports this second year of the Washington State Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the project is to prevent Medicare fraud, abuse, and waste by educating consumers on how to better monitor what is paid on their behalf, and to identify and report potential discrepancies. The objectives are to: recruit, train, and place undergraduate social work interns and retired individuals to provide service; provide public education and outreach to seniors and their caregivers about fraud, waste, and abuse; develop and disseminate fraud education and consumer protection information to the public, targeting rural, diverse and limited-English speaking populations; develop effective training curricula that supports high-quality service provision; address the information technology gap by recruiting technically-savvy volunteers and ensuring appropriate equipment and connections are available, where possible; and develop and maintain community partnerships that increase program capacity and sustainability. The expected outcomes are: better educate Medicare beneficiaries and their caregivers on how to prevent, monitor and report potential fraud, waste, and abuse; more efficient tracking of fraud and abuse incidences and trends; more support for existing rural, diverse, and limited-English speaking communities. Products from this project will include: semi-annual performance and financial reports; social marketing, public education, and volunteer training materials; and key consumer materials translated into five languages (Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, and Russian).

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2943 West Virginia Senior Medicare Patrol Project

AARP Foundation
601 E Street, N.W.
WASHINGTON, DC 20049

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Julia Stephens (202)434-2051

The AARP Foundation, the grantee for the West Virginia Senior Medicare Patrol Project, is in the second year of a three-year project. The goals are to: reduce error, waste, fraud and abuse in the delivery of health care services within Medicare and Medicaid; increase the level of awareness of fraud, waste, error and abuse in Medicare and Medicaid; and develop partnerships with and augment the visibility of others in the aging community who share the projects overall objectives. The project objectives are to: recruit, train and support volunteer leaders and educators to provide education, training, and consultation about health care fraud and abuse to their peers in rural counties; conduct a media campaign to promote the project and toll-free hotline using newspaper, radio, and television; provide education to Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; and provide assistance through complaint resolution to those reporting suspected health care fraud and abuse. Expected outcomes: reduction in error, waste, fraud, and abuse in the delivery of health care services within Medicare and Medicaid; increased number of volunteer led workshops, beneficiaries educated, complaints received, providers trained, and savings to the Medicare and Medicaid programs; and an increase in the number of people reached through public relations and marketing activities. Products will include a training film aired on cable access television, and required project reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2944 Tennessee Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Upper Cumberland Development District
1225 South Willow Ave.
Cookeville, TN 38506

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Lanelle Godsey (931)432-4111

This is the second year of a grant to the Upper Cumberland Development District/Area Agency on Aging and Disability (AAAD) to administer a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program focusing on fraud, waste, and abuse monitoring in the Medicare and Medicaid systems. The goal is to enhance and expand the existing Tennessee Senior Medicare Patrol Project by focusing on recruitment of qualified volunteers, strengthening our community partnerships and expanding our joint Senior Medicare Patrol project (SMP) and State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) Advisory Board. The objectives are to: expand and enhance the joint SMP/SHIP Advisory Board; hold statewide volunteer trainings to increase the volunteer base; develop new outcome measurement tools; produce a quarterly newsletter; enhance the SMP website; enhance media exposure; disseminate project information; and provide semi-annual reports to AoA. The expected outcome is increased awareness of the Tennessee SMP program. Products from this project are: required reports, including evaluation results; magnifying glasses, fraud playing cards, and other volunteer recognition items.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2946 Senior Medicare Patrol Project - MOD Squad

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Better Business Bureau Educational Foundation
1333 West Loop South, Suite 1200
Houston, TX 77027

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000

Contact: Candice Twyman (713)341-6141

Over the past 4 years, the Better Business Bureau Education Foundation (BBB) has accomplished and continued to implement a collaborative effort utilizing volunteers and community stakeholders educating Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries to detect and report healthcare fraud, waste and abuse. The goal for the project is to combat Medicare fraud and waste by recruiting and training retired professionals as volunteer educators to reach other older adults throughout the Greater Houston area and empower them to become partners in the effort to end Medicare fraud, waste and abuse. The objectives are to: develop and maintain collaborative efforts with eldercare agencies and service organizations; engage older adults to actively participate in protecting themselves from consumer fraud; recruit and train volunteers to provide education; expand outreach to limited English-speaking populations; increase awareness and engage agencies and professionals in promoting the prevention of healthcare fraud. Expected outcomes: increased understanding of Medicare benefits and fraud, increased detection and reporting of healthcare fraud, and increased awareness of consumer fraud. Products will include: educational materials for limited English-speaking populations; tools to reach low-literate beneficiaries; training tools for professionals; napkins containing simple Medicare fraud message; playing cards containing fraud messages; and project reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2947 Ohio Seniors Fight Fraud

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Pro Seniors, Inc.
7162 Reading Road, Suite 1150
Cincinnati, OH 45237

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	129,280
FY 2006	129,280
FY 2007	129,280

Contact: Rhonda Y Moore (513)458-5506

This is the second year of a three-year grant to Pro Seniors to continue its Senior Medicare Patrol Project, Ohio Seniors Fight Fraud (OSFF), in Southwestern Ohio. The goal of this project is to educate seniors and their caregivers and professionals on how to protect, detect and report healthcare fraud and to empower seniors to prevent healthcare fraud. The objectives are to: achieve and maintain a roster of thirty retired volunteers, including six new rural volunteers; educate at least 3,334 beneficiaries and/or caregivers about Medicare/Medicaid fraud, waste and abuse; and educate at least 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries and/or their caregivers about the Medicare prescription drug benefit. Expected outcomes are: thirty volunteers will conduct at least one Medicare fraud education activity per year; ten volunteers will educate Medicare beneficiaries about the Medicare prescription drug program; 3,334 Medicare beneficiaries and/or their caregivers will attend the Medicare fraud presentations; 1,000 Medicare beneficiaries will receive education about the Medicare prescription drug program; and eight complaints regarding fraud will result in referrals to appropriate authorities. Products will include: required project reports; pre- and post-tests to measure the increased knowledge of presentation attendees; volunteer newsletters; an updated Medicare Part D and fraud presentation; educational handouts, such as the Personal Health Care Journal; and radio public service announcements.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2948 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

Maine Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Elder Services
442 Civic Center Drive, 11 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Mary Walsh (207)287-9200

This is the second year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project, known as the Maine Medicare Education Partnership (MMEP), conducted by the Bureau of Elder and Adult Services (BEAS). The goal is to train volunteers statewide to provide Medicare and MaineCare (Medicaid) education to Medicare beneficiaries, Medicaid participants, their families and caregivers. Collaborating with the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) in Maine to provide overall health insurance education, MMEP will have specific focus on identifying and reporting errors, fraud and abuse in Medicare and MaineCare, including home health care and relevant issues from the Medicare Modernization Act (MMA). The expected outcomes are: to train 35 new volunteers and reach 5,000 beneficiaries. Products will include the final report, Community Medicare Advocate Handbook, a presentation handbook, flyers, presentations, Medicare Bingo, brochures, health journals and posters, and an abstract for the SMP National Conference.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2949 Idaho Medicare Education Partnership

Idaho Commission on Aging
3380 Americana Terrace, Suite 120
Boise, ID 83706

Contact: Kim Toryanski (208)344-3833

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	180,000
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the second year of a three-year cooperative agreement awarded to the Idaho Commission on Aging. The Idaho Senior Medicare Patrol Project works with Senior Health Insurance Benefit Advisors (SHIBA), Pocatello Area Agency on Aging, and Hispanic Outreach Division of Canyon County Office on Aging to use trained volunteers to educate beneficiaries in understanding and analyzing their Medicare billing information. The goal is to help Medicare beneficiaries become empowered by having the knowledge necessary to actively manage their health care expenses, reduce the level of stress relating to billing issues, and know where to get help when needed. The objectives are to: update training for staff and volunteers; increase program awareness with existing and new partners; reach out to those in greatest need--minorities, low-income, women, persons with disabilities and those living alone. Expected outcomes are: an increased number of Medicare beneficiaries who will know whom to call if they have questions about their Medicare benefits and an increased knowledge about how to protect their personal identity to reduce the amount of identity theft and fraud. Products will include: powerpoint training presentation and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2950 Trusted Friend Network Project A Senior Medicare Patrol Project.

Friendship House Association
619 D Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003-2711

Contact: BJ Brooks (202)546-7876

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	125,000
FY 2006	125,000
FY 2007	125,000

This is the second year of a three-year grant to the Friendship House Association, a community-based social service agency in Washington, DC, to support a Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMPP). The goals of the project are to: increase the awareness of the hard-to-reach senior community in Wards 5, 6, 7 and 8 about fraudulent health care practices and scams; build on the heightened level of awareness to change attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors; develop vehicles which serve to reduce and/or prevent the incidence of such practices; and evaluate the impact of SMPP activities. The objectives are to: utilize retired persons to serve in the communities as volunteer experts, resources and educators to teach beneficiaries to detect and report error, fraud and waste in the Medicare system; increase public awareness of fraudulent practices; reduce and prevent the incidence of fraudulent practices; detect and punish wrongdoing; and create Washington Metro Area SMP Resource Guide and database for seniors and local community-based providers. The expected outcomes will include: an expanded and well-trained volunteer base; education and training tools for seniors of varying literacy levels; and a citywide (integrated) system for achieving measurable outcomes and evaluating the universal impact of the SMPP in the District. Products will include project reports, including evaluation results; a community-based program model for replication; universal training and education materials; and standardized measures to evaluate and assess the program's effectiveness.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2951 Anti-Fraud Education Project

State of Colorado
Department of Regulatory Agencies
1560 Broadway Street, Suite 850
Denver, CO 80202

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	167,591
FY 2006	167,591
FY 2007	167,591

Contact: Liz Tredennick (303)894-7552

The Colorado Division of Insurance, through its Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP), supports the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project in collaboration with 16 SHIP affiliates and Colorado Access to Benefits Coalition (ABC) members. The goals of the project are to provide consumer education on anti-fraud messages, assist consumers with fraud/abuse complaints, decrease the number of cases of undetected fraud/abuse and increase the resolution of cases when fraud/abuse occurs. The approach is to expand the network of organizations and individuals delivering the fraud/abuse message and to assist those who suspect fraud and/or abuse has occurred. The objectives are: to include effective, valid messages in all applicable consumer publications; to expand Colorado's network for dissemination of anti-fraud messages through the media, organizations and individuals; to assure an adequate number of SMP "trainers" are available to conduct education at the local level; and to assure quality communications to the largest possible consumer base, as well as to serve as a statewide clearinghouse for consumer fraud/abuse complaints. The expected outcomes of the Colorado SMP project are: increased awareness of potential Medicare fraud among Colorado consumers; a decrease in the incidence of undetected cases of Medicare fraud/abuse in the State; and an increase in the resolution of reported cases of suspected fraud and/or abuse. The products from this project are SMP brochures, Personal Healthcare Journals, fraud alerts, consumer presentations, fraud messages in partner consumer-oriented materials, semi-annual narrative reports with evaluation data and financial reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2952 SUMMIT Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction.

Oklahoma Insurance Department
2401 NW 23, Suite 28
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000

Contact: Cindy A Brown (405)521-6632

This is the second year of a three-year grant for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program, Summit Medicare/Medicaid Fraud, Abuse and Waste Reduction Program (SUMMIT) focused on reducing Medicare/Medicaid fraud, abuse and waste in Oklahoma. The goal is to reduce Medicare/Medicaid fraud, abuse and waste in Oklahoma. The objectives are to: provide fraud information to Oklahomans using catalysts: general public (beneficiaries, family members, caregivers) through community presentations, public education, SMP training, with emphasis on geographically isolated rural/frontier elders; provide Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) recipients through the Literacy Resource Office's Life Skills module; assist isolated elders through home delivered meals by utilizing the Oklahoma Senior Center Association, and SUMMIT, SHICP, and AARP volunteers; educate college/university students through Oklahoma Campus Compact Service Learning; inform Hispanic elders through Hispanic Chambers of Commerce; and educate American Indians through Oklahoma Indian Council on Aging. The expected outcomes are: TANF recipients learn civic responsibility in reducing Medicaid fraud; college/university students realize urgency to preserve Medicare/Medicaid for future generations; and all Oklahomans, including Hispanics, American Indians, isolated rural/frontier and homebound beneficiaries learn self-protection against healthcare fraud. Products: training/resource manual; brochures and resource flyers; lesson plan for Oklahoma Literacy Council Life Skills in audio and visual; fraud booklet written at 4th - 6th grade reading levels; a presentation for college/university Service Learning Coordinators; handouts in Spanish; and required reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2953 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Virginia Association of Area Agencies on Aging
24 E. Cary Street, Suite 100
Richmond, VA 23219

Contact: Susan Johnson (804)644-5628

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	160,000
FY 2006	160,000
FY 2007	160,000

The Virginia Association of Area Agencies on Aging (V4A) is in its second year of a three-year grant to manage a statewide Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) to reduce public funds lost in Virginia due to Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse. The goal of V4A is to further reduce public funds lost to Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud and abuse by continuing to educate Virginians. Area Agencies on Aging are community focal points in all planning and service areas, and these local agencies will continue to be our partners for community education and training. The objectives are to: coordinate efforts with 24 local Area Agencies on Aging staff throughout the state of Virginia; enhance ability to reach older Virginians in rural areas, the disabled and minorities; increase SMP volunteer recruitment and training efforts; increase outreach to beneficiaries; and increase calls to the 1-800 toll-free number by 20%. The expected outcomes are increased beneficiary awareness and increased reporting of suspected fraud. Products from this project will include: PSAs, articles, brochures, bags, pens, journals, and required reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2954 Ferret Out Fraud - Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Arizona Department of Economic Security
Aging and Adult Administration
1789 West Jefferson, 950A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-6572

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	159,943
FY 2006	159,943
FY 2007	159,943

This is the second year of the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), Aging & Adult Administration (A&AA), Arizona Senior Medicare Patrol Project (ASMPP) to address the need to educate and disseminate information about Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse in the health care system. The goals of the program are to build the capacity of the ASMPP to reach beneficiaries with special emphasis on expanding culturally sensitive and linguistically appropriate materials for beneficiaries and develop processes that will result in program improvement. The expected outcomes are: beneficiaries, including those who are culturally diverse, will have increased awareness and knowledge to detect and prevent Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff and volunteers will have increased knowledge to educate beneficiaries, their families and other professionals on Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; AAA staff will have increased understanding of tools to improve the ASMPP; and Arizona Beneficiaries Coalition and Arizona Fraud Prevention Coalition members and other organizations will have increased opportunities to partner in efforts to educate and prevent Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse. Products of this project include: required reports; evaluation materials; and Spanish brochures.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2955 Senior Medicare Patrol

State of Alaska
Health and Social Services
3601 C Street, Suite 310
Anchorage, AK 99503

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	149,482
FY 2006	149,482
FY 2007	149,482

Contact: Essien Ukoidemabia (907)269-3669

This is the second year of a three-year Senior Medicare Project to recruit and train local senior citizens for each group of communities to educate Medicare beneficiaries and their families about the importance of recognizing and reporting Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The goal of the project is to teach Medicare beneficiaries and their families to monitor their Medicare documents and to identify and report potential discrepancies. The objectives are to: reach the vulnerable, isolated and limited English speaking Medicare beneficiaries, through partnering with the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP); Older Persons Action Group (OPAG); Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC); Anchorage Senior Center and other local senior centers throughout the State of Alaska. Expected outcome is: increased comprehensive training for volunteers through holding a large networking training conference in Anchorage. Products will include voice enhanced CD-ROMs; power point training materials; video teleconferences; and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2956 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Kansas Department on Aging
503 S. Kansas Ave.
Topeka, KS 66603

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	63,930
FY 2006	63,930
FY 2007	63,930

Contact: Tina Langley (785)368-7331

This is the second year of a three-year grant with the Kansas Department on Aging. The goal of the Kansas Senior Medicare Patrol Project is to create a statewide network of fraud experts who will educate beneficiaries about identifying and reporting health care errors, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: expedite the planning phase of the project; identify points of contact within the community; recruit working and retired professionals as volunteers; develop education materials to disseminate to professionals and the public; train volunteers and partners as fraud educators; provide education programs for beneficiaries; and evaluate the success of the project. Expected outcomes are: the project will provide training to at least one organization in every county in Kansas; there will be at least one trained volunteer in each county; and the project will provide an average of two education programs in every county. We anticipate that achieving these outcomes will lead to an increase in beneficiaries' understanding of fraud issues and will increase the detection and reporting of errors, fraud and abuse by beneficiaries. The products will include: a volunteer training manual; education materials for beneficiaries; outreach materials to increase public awareness of fraud and the SMP project; documentation of successful strategies for use by other SMP teams, and reports as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2957 Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 07/01/2006

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
P.O. Box 2816
Hagatna, GU 96932

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	75,000

Contact: Cerina Y Mariano,BSW (671)735-7382

The Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Program is a one year demonstration project to provide education and awareness activities that focus on recognizing and reporting Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse in Guam. State Health Insurance volunteers assisted in carrying out the activities of this project. The objective of this grant was to develop a systematic plan for program implementation that builds a proficient volunteer base to conduct educational events and disseminate information. The anticipated outcomes: increased awareness of fraud and beneficiaries reporting suspect cases. Guam developed partnerships to advance efforts of this demonstration project. Products include a standard operating procedures manual and a volunteer training module with an evaluation tool.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2958 Senior Medicare Patrol Projects

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

Virgin Islands Department of Human Services
Office of the Commissioner
Knud Hansen Complex Building A
Charlotte Amalie, VI 00802

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	75,000

Contact: Michal Rhymer-Charles (340)774-8820

The Virgin Islands Senior Medicare Patrol is a one-year cooperative-agreement with AoA to recruit and train retired professionals as volunteers to educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and their caregivers about ways in which they can protect themselves from fraud and any abusive health care practices. The project goal is to develop and begin implementation of the SMP project, to effectively use retired persons as volunteer educators for Medicare and MAP beneficiaries and their caregivers, increasing awareness and educating them about the program, so that they will be able to identify and easily report potential fraud, waste and abuse of funds. Project objectives are to: hire an SMP program director; develop a comprehensive SMP program design; develop formal SMP partnerships; establish a reporting system; develop culturally appropriate educational materials; and recruit and train volunteers. Anticipated outcomes are: target populations identified; volunteers and key staff well-trained; and a system in place for reporting and following up on any suspected fraud or abuse. Products: educational materials in English and Spanish for visually impaired persons, as well for those with limited literacy skills.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2959 Multi-Service Center Medicare Patrol Grant

Multi-Service Center
Long Term Ombudsman Program
P.O. Box 23699
Federal Way, WA 98093-0699

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: (253)835-7678

This is a one-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project operated by the Washington State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program. It is headquartered at the Multi-Service Center and will train volunteer ombudsmen to detect, investigate, and report fraud and abuse among vulnerable citizens receiving long-term care (LTC) services in nursing homes, boarding homes, adult family homes, and home care services. The goal is to increase awareness of fraud, abuse and neglect for long-term care facility residents and Medicaid funded home care residents by training 70 Certified Volunteer Ombudsmen to work with LTC residents. Fifteen will be trained to follow current LTC facility residents who move into their own homes. Project outcomes will include new training materials, a permanent coalition among long-term care advocates and a relationship with the Washington Medicaid Fraud Control Unit to assure that fraud and abuse are reported to federal and state prosecutorial and fund recovery agencies. Products include a training manual and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2960 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

MONROE COUNTY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM, INC
1140 S Telegraph Road
Monroe, MI 48161

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Sherman A Timmins (734)241-2775

This is a one year demonstration grant for the purpose of planning and implementing a Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) that will serve residents of Monroe County, Michigan. SMP projects recruit retired professionals as volunteers to educate beneficiaries, their caregivers and families about Medicare/Medicaid fraud, error or abuse. The goal for this period is to improve the knowledge of county residents about fraud through workshops and the development of local county partners who may carry on this effort after this projects ends.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2961 AoA Senior Medicare Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 05/31/2007

INTER-TRIBAL COUNCIL OF ARIZONA, INC
2214 N. Central Avenue, Suite 100
Phoenix, AZ 85004

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	45,000

Contact: John R Lewis (602)258-4822

This is a one year demonstration project to educate American Indian elders, caregivers and service providers about health care error, fraud and abuse. The goal of the project is to increase the knowledge of participants about the impact detection and reporting will have on the incidence of Medicare fraud. One qualified elder from ten tribes in Arizona will develop key messages, develop appropriate outreach strategies, and evaluate the progress of the tribe. It is anticipated that these outreach and education efforts will increase the overall knowledge of six thousand elders or their caregivers. To avoid duplication, the Inter-Tribal Council will work with other similar projects in the state. Products will include educational fact sheets and outreach evaluation tools, which will be distributed to AoA and other interested parties at the end of the project period.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM2962 Senior Latino Medicare Patrol in Rural Southern New Jersey

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

DH/Perfil Latino TV, Inc.
422 Debbie Lane PO Box 935
Millville, NJ 08332

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	44,702

Contact: (609)703-5806

Diabeticos Hispanicos Perfil Latino will mobilize Latino beneficiaries to collaborate with AOA resources in southern New Jersey to pilot a one-year program for training, technical assistance and support aimed at controlling health care error, fraud and abuse. The project will field test evaluation tools to assess program progress in southern New Jersey. Expected outcomes will be an established, best approach which can be expanded to other Latino locations, and partnerships established with the Aging network community to reach elders at least 3 times per year. Products will include a validated Hispanic beneficiary survey instrument which will be disseminated to all interested parties.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2963 Latino Education Project

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

LATINO EDUCATION PROJECT, INC

1045 Airline Road, Suite 2

Corpus Christi, TX 78412

Contact: Frances Pawlik (361)980-0361

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

This is a one year demonstration project to provide Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program coverage to the Latino communities not served. The project will coordinate with other SMP in the state to avoid overlap. Bilingual volunteers will provide outreach to the target population through culturally appropriate materials. The anticipated outcome for this project is increased awareness of Medicare fraud and a willingness of beneficiaries to report such occurrences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM2964 Health Awareness Program for Immigrants (HAPI)-Medicare

Project Period: 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2006

BOAT PEOPLE S.O.S. INC.

6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100

Falls Church, VA 22041

Contact: Thang D Nguyen (703)538-2190

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	44,989

The Boat People SOS, Health Awareness Program for Immigrants, a one year project, will connect 4,500 Vietnamese seniors in Virginia with the existing Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal is to reduce the incidence of Medicare/Medicaid errors, fraud and abuse. The key objectives are: to expand state coverage to Vietnamese seniors; and to target a mass media campaign to reach half of the total number of Vietnamese seniors in Hampton, Richmond and Northern Virginia. The Boat People SOS will provide mini-grants to associations of Vietnamese seniors to provide information and referral services to their constituents. Anticipated outcomes: 30% of target population will be aware of SMP goals by the end of the year; partnerships will be established with the other Virginia SMP; existing program materials will be redesigned to be culturally appropriate; and bilingual staff will work to conduct outreach efforts and refer complaints to Virginia's primary SMP.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3051 Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Utah Legal Services, Inc.
205 North 400 West
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Eric Mittelstadt (801)924-3388

This is the first year of a three-year grant to Utah Legal Services to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goals of the three-year project are to educate and empower Utah seniors and caregivers to prevent and report health care fraud by recruiting and training volunteers to conduct outreach and education and to interact with law enforcement. The objectives are to: increase outreach to the Native American population through our sub-grantee, Utah State Ombudsman Program; increase the quality and scope of community education events and one-on-one sessions; increase the number of inquiries and rate of resolution or reported health care fraud; gather data for grant reporting; and increase statewide travel. The expected outcomes are: increased awareness of health care fraud following educational presentations and one-on-one sessions; and an increased number of beneficiaries who read notices, report errors and seek assistance from this project. Products will include: project reports as required; training materials; evaluation results; website; brochures; and a monthly newsletter.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3052 SMP- BE-SMART

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Lt. Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street - Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Gloria McDonald (803)734-9900

This is the first year of a three-year grant for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program administered by the Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging-Division of Aging Services. The SMP program provides services that address fraud in Medicare/Medicaid through a statewide aging network with Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) as service providers in each of the ten regions of the state. The goal of the Senior Medicare Patrol project is to provide statewide fraud education and seminars to individuals and groups about Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The objectives are to: conduct ongoing seminars, submit fraud alerts to the media, make home visits and telephone contacts to inform beneficiaries and the public at large about Medicare health care fraud; establish a system for individuals to report suspected fraud/abuse and errors; recruit, train, and retain counselors to help individuals review and understand health care summary notices; collaborate with aging network, PalmettoGBA Benefits Integrity Unit and the Attorney General's Office to train counselors and to serve as a clearinghouse for suspected fraud; and disseminate project information, literature and promotional items. The outcomes of the project are to reach our diverse beneficiary's population with awareness of fraudulent tactics; and increase reading of or have caregivers review Medicare Summary Notices for fraud and errors. Products include: semi-annual reports; final report, including evaluation results; and educational and promotional materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3053 Mississippi Senior Medicare Patrol

Mississippi Department of Human Services
750 North State Street
Jackson, MS 39202

Contact: Donald R Taylor (601)359-4500

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the first year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) to establish a statewide network of trained volunteers serving in their communities to educate and assist seniors in identifying and combating health care fraud, error and abuse. As the State Unit on Aging, DAAS will use oversight and coordination to provide services to Mississippi's older population through a system of Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs). The three-year project will incorporate statewide partnerships and sub-grants to serve seniors in Mississippi's 82 counties. The project goal is to educate Mississippi's population to recognize, report and reduce fraud and abuse of Medicare recipients. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are: increased number of trained volunteers; increased number of volunteer presentations; increased number of Mississippians educated in fraud and abuse awareness; increased number of Medicare abuse/error complaint calls; and increased amount of dollars saved to Medicare, Medicaid or beneficiaries. Products will include: required reports, including evaluation results; low-literacy literature; and a volunteer training manual.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3054 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Hawaii Office of the Governor
Executive Office on Aging
250 South Hotel Street, Suite 406
Honolulu, HI 96813-2831

Contact:

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the first year of a three-year grant, SMP Hawaii, in the State of Hawaii's Executive Office on Aging. SMP Hawaii works closely with partners in the aging network, law enforcement, and various community advocacy organizations. The goal of the project is to encourage seniors to become self-advocates, protecting themselves, their families and their communities from financial, consumer and healthcare fraud. Program objectives are to: establish working partnerships and multi-agency projects with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies; outreach to isolated, underserved, and non-English populations, i.e., Native Hawaiians, Southeast Asian, homebound; develop and replicate innovative outreach tools; and develop volunteer recruitment, retention, and training strategies. Expected project outcomes: conduct four advisory council meetings with representatives from law enforcement, regulatory, consumer advocacy, and aging network organizations; conduct fraud prevention and resource fairs on Oahu and neighbor islands (Oahu, Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai); develop and replicate DVD to highlight various healthcare fraud schemes, i.e., durable medical equipment, home healthcare, HMO, Part D; recruit and train 10 volunteers in both Native Hawaiian and Southeast Asian communities; and develop and distribute a fraud prevention and awareness booklet. Products will include: a DVD; potholders with program information; brochures; fraud awareness and prevention booklet; and project reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3055 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

California Health Advocates
5380 Elvas Ave., Suite 104
Sacramento, CA 95819-2300

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Julie Schoen (714)560-0309

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the California Health Advocates (CHA). The CHA Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) has statewide coverage and is beginning a national presence. The goals are to: collaborate with already established credible organizations; utilize a statewide 800 number in partnership with the State Health Information Program (SHIP); refine relationships with other agencies to improve case tracking, communication and recoupment outcomes; participate in state/regional organizations; California Medicare Coalition, Latino Health Access, Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, Office on Aging groups; provide necessary reporting forms and training materials via Internet; identify high profile cases that will substantiate credibility and value of the SMPs nationwide; maintain and improve our cohesive case tracking system; improve the efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; reach underserved populations by hiring staff with bi-lingual capabilities and proven track records in outreach and service; and be recognized collectively as a national program with the other Administration on Aging (AoA) SMPs and the National Technical Resource Center. The expected measurable outcomes are to: provide minimum of 12 training session per year; ensure a volunteer base of 800 statewide; provide yearly conferences for managers concerning fraud and abuse issues; report a minimum of 24 cases of fraud annually; increase savings to Medicare from \$1.5 million to \$3.0 million; increase numbers of elderly educated from current average of 10,000 to 12,000 per year; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Products will include: a newsletter; fact sheets; placemats; website; brochures; flyer for hard-to-reach populations; and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3056 Nevada's Senior Medicare Patrol Project- Senior Nevada Advocates on Guard (SNAG)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Nevada Office of the Attorney General
555 East Washington Ave., #3900
Las Vegas, NV 89101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: JoAnne Embry (702)486-3154

This is the first year of the three-year grant to the Nevada Office of the Attorney General. The goals of the Nevada Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project are to: create training manuals and develop new materials with the new logo and tag line, and culturally competent materials for non-English speaking and Nevada's rural populations; maximize partner collaborations in order to improve outreach to Hispanic and rural populations; increase complaints to the program through the increased outreach; and incorporate the SmartFacts system to maximize program progress reporting. Expected outcomes will include increased complaints to our state-wide hotline and increased awareness of issues involving Medicare, Medicare Part D, and instances that may point to fraud, error or abuse. The products will include: brochures; training modules; placemats, key chains, pens, pencils, jar openers, notepads, refrigerator magnets, and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3057 Pennsylvania Health Care Fraud Education Project

Center for Advocacy for the Rights
and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE)

100 N. 17th Street, Suite 600
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Contact: Diane A Menio (215)545-5728 244

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Center for Advocacy for the Rights and Interests of the Elderly (CARIE) to support a Senior Medicare Patrol project for the state of Pennsylvania (PA-SMP). The goal is to detect, combat, and increase public awareness of health care fraud and abuse throughout the state of Pennsylvania, thereby reducing the incidence of such practices. The objectives are to: increase program visibility and awareness in Pennsylvania through onsite outreach activities; achieve comprehensive statewide coverage through a partnership with the state health information program (SHIP); recruit and train retired beneficiaries to provide outreach and education to their peers; provide consultation and complaint resolution to consumers; provide measurable outcomes and demonstrate the project's effectiveness; and utilize partners and an advisory committee to build a strong program. The expected outcomes include: several thousand individuals reached at health fairs and presentations leading to increased awareness of fraud and its prevention; a presence in each of Pennsylvania's 67 counties through newsletter articles, consumer education materials and giveaways, and direct contact with consumers; new volunteers who will be trained on health care fraud detection and prevention; increased numbers of consumers assisted with complaint resolution; and an increase in reporting and savings to the Medicare program. Products will include: a semi-annual and final reports as required; consumer education materials, including flyers, bookmarks, promotional items, and health care calendars; consumer materials targeted to non-English speakers, i.e., flyers in Spanish, Chinese, etc.; volunteer newsletters and alerts; and a comprehensive website.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3058 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

North Carolina Department of Insurance
11 South Boylan Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27603

Contact: Carla Obiol (919)733-0111

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

The Seniors' Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP) received funding for the first year of a three-year grant to continue the North Carolina Senior Medicare Patrol (NCSMP) program. The goal of this program is to reduce Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse through statewide coordinated efforts of educational and promotional activities and to encourage reporting by Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries and caregivers. The objectives are to: provide and expand education/promotional activities to Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, caregivers, and traditionally underserved populations; recruit, train and retain volunteers; receive and resolve complaints of error, fraud and abuse; network with statewide partners to serve as advisors, trainers and to provide counseling assistance with resolving error, fraud and abuse issues; develop and disseminate educational materials to the SMP Resource Center and projects; participate in the SMP complaints management system and integration strategies; and evaluate program outcomes. The expected outcomes are to: evaluate the change in beneficiaries/caregivers behavior to read, understand, resolve, appeal and/or report the Medicare Summary Notices (MSNs), Medicare Part D Explanation of Benefits (EOBs) and/or related health care billing statements for errors, fraud and abuse to providers, carriers, or the NCSMP Program, providers, or carriers; increase the number of reported and resolved complaints; increase the number of educational materials and strategies that will serve as examples for other SMP projects. The products from the project are written reports and evaluations; educational; promotional and training materials; and education and outreach activities.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3059 Missouri SORT: New Directions

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

District III Area Agency on Aging
106 West Young Street
Warrensburg, MO 64093-1124

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	179,426
FY 2007	179,426

Contact: Kathy Howard (660)747-3107

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the District III Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for support of the Missouri Senior Medicare Patrol project (SMP). The goal of the Missouri SMP is to increase the awareness of Medicare and Medicaid error, fraud, and abuse among beneficiaries, their caregivers, home health and in-home workers, and hard-to-reach populations in the state of Missouri. The objectives are to: conduct a statewide media campaign that semi-annually will focus on a topic of interest to Medicare/Medicaid recipients; refine and consolidate the training materials needed to train SMP volunteers; contract with each Missouri AAA and the Missouri state prescription assistance program to provide volunteer support and training; utilize the SMP Coalition's expertise to provide direction and support for the project; develop an educational series focused on home health care and in-home care workers that will increase the ability of these professionals to recognize and report potential fraud and abuse to the appropriate agency, as well as distribute fraud and abuse information to their clients; and collaborate with AAA's, local community groups and the state Office on Minority Health to reach targeted hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes are: two retired senior volunteers will be conducting activities to educate beneficiaries about potential fraud and abuse in each county in Missouri; every county in the state will conduct a minimum of one group presentation and one media event; and beneficiary inquiries about health care error, fraud and abuse will increase by 25% in areas targeted for minority outreach. Products will include: educational toolkits, articles for publication, and a final report.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3060 New York State Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Wanda Troche (518)474-8047

This is the first year of a three-year grant to New York State Office for the Aging to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal of this project is to ensure health care fraud control outreach and education in aging, social, health and law enforcement networks. The objectives are to: expand already established programs; expand the number of certified long-term care ombudsman and health insurance information counselors who are trained SMP volunteers; renew contract with National Government Services, Inc. (NGS) to continue its role of maintaining a statewide toll free hotline; work cooperatively with the NY Connects Program, which is an ADRC-type model with regard to staff development and community presentations; continue work with New York State Office of Medicaid Inspector General and the New York State Attorney General Medicaid Fraud Unit to increase enforcement and prosecution of fraud, error and abuse cases; work with long standing and new partners who are committed to reaching those in most economic and social need who are particularly vulnerable to health care fraud, error and abuse due to social isolation; and develop multiple ways to disseminate SMP through a variety of conferences and symposiums. Expected outcomes are to: expand the network of SMP volunteers to include providers and seniors across residential and community-based systems; increase the awareness of isolated seniors; and reactivate the state workgroup. Products include: a final report consisting of a model for replication; a legislative proposal for whistleblower protection; data collection; a hotline number for general information; and updated outreach materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3061 Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program

Vernon Council on Aging, Inc.
200 North Third Street
Leesville, LA 71446-4016

Contact: Marvis L Chance (337)239-4361

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	128,900
FY 2007	128,900

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Vernon Council on Aging, Inc. to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, Louisiana Medicare Abuse Patrol Program (LAMAPP). The goal of the project is to educate Medicare beneficiaries to detect and report fraud, error and abuse through use of trained volunteers. The objectives are to: provide an informative "user friendly" curriculum; ensure that the LAMAPP staff and volunteers have the expertise needed to expand the project; act as a data collection center for incoming complaints; keep website "user friendly" for both volunteers and the public; educate Medicare beneficiaries so that they may have the knowledge to fight fraud, error and abuse; continue to evaluate the impact of LAMAPP and its effectiveness; and demonstrate that the program can make a difference. Expected outcomes of the project are to: recruit, train and maintain 165 volunteers; reach rural population through use of two to six additional billboards; increase the number of complaints received from radio programs; and increase usage of website by volunteers and the public. Products from the project will include: required project reports, website, educational materials; pamphlets and brochures; bumper stickers; and pens.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3062 Nebraska ECHO Project (Educating and Empowering Consumers of Healthcare Organizations)

Nebraska Health and Human Services System
P.O. Box 95044
Lincoln, NE 68509-5044

Contact: Cindy Kadavy (402)471-4684

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	150,000
FY 2007	150,000

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Nebraska Office of Long Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman to support the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program, Nebraska ECHO Project (Educating and Empowering Consumers of Healthcare Organizations). The goal of the ECHO Project is to increase awareness among Nebraska's beneficiaries on how to identify, report and prevent Medicare and Medicaid fraud, error and waste and to empower and assist them in protecting their rights, including the right to be billed accurately for services received and to not be victimized by fraud schemes. The objectives of the Nebraska SMP are to: disseminate project information to beneficiaries, their caregivers, and the general public; recruit, train and support qualified volunteers and enlist their efforts on behalf of beneficiaries; develop and maintain a network of partnerships that will work together to eliminate healthcare fraud, error and waste; provide outreach and advocacy to the most vulnerable of beneficiaries; and provide targeted education to hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes of this project are: beneficiaries will have an increased awareness of healthcare fraud, error and waste, and initiate positive changes in their behavior; additional volunteers will be recruited and trained; and an increased number of inquiries and complaints will be resolved or result in some action, including the savings or recoupment of healthcare dollars. The products from this project will include: educational and promotional materials; a consumer website; and a summary of project data and accomplishments.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3063 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Department of Public Health and Social Services
123 Chalan Kareta Route 10
Mangilao, GU 96923-2816

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000

Contact: Arthur U San Agustin, MHR (671)735-7102

In 2005, a one-year demonstration grant to establish a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Project on the island of Guam was granted. In 2006, the Guam Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) received a three-year grant. This is the first year of that grant. The goal of the newly established Guam SMP Project is to continue expanding and further enhancing the Project for the purpose of educating Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries, family members, and caregivers to actively protect themselves against fraudulent, wasteful and abusive health care practices and to report suspected errors. Guam SMP Project objectives are to: train members of the American Association of Retired Persons, local chapter, to serve as Guam SMP Project volunteer resources and educators; educate and provide community awareness of Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse; disseminate, in various formats, project information on Medicare/Medicaid waste, fraud and abuse; foster current and establish new partnerships; and evaluate project activities and communicate project outcomes. Expected measurable outcomes are: an increased number of proficiently trained volunteers; increased numbers of education beneficiaries, families and caregivers; increased tracking of inquiries and the rate of inquiry resolution; and increased Medicare/Medicaid savings. Products will include consumer driven, culturally appropriate informational materials, volunteer training items--training manual, volunteer incentives and certificates of appreciation, evaluation tools, and required reports.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3064 CHOICES Medi\$ave Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Connecticut Department of Social Services
25 Sigourney Street 10th Floor
Hartford, CT 06106

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Marie E Peck-Llewellyn (860)424-5244

The Connecticut Department of Social Services is in its first year of a three-year SMP project. The goal is to enable beneficiaries to become better health care consumers by increasing their awareness of Medicare, Medicaid, and other potential incidences of health care fraud, errors, abuse and scams so that they may detect and reduce improper payments and prevent victimization of themselves and others by ferreting out fraudulent scams and practices. The objectives are to: enhance/create partnerships utilizing volunteers; improve program visibility through an awareness campaign; provide education to beneficiaries and professionals, specifically targeting homecare and other isolated and/or hard to reach populations; and improve project efficiency while increasing results for both operational and quality measures. Targeted areas include seniors in geographic areas, some urban and some rural, with high concentrations of underserved seniors, but which have produced disproportionately low number of clients; African American and Hispanic seniors; and isolated homebound seniors. Expected outcomes include: increased awareness among consumers of health care fraud, abuse and related scams; increased accessibility, quantity and effectiveness of information available to help targeted populations from being victimized; increased awareness of fraud and abuse issues of those professionals involved with homebound/homecare clients; expanded programming for and participation of volunteers in community initiatives; increased beneficiary inquiries and reporting of suspected fraud, waste or abuse that result in action and savings attributable to the project. Products from the project include a web-based training program, power point presentations, and outreach materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3065 North Dakota Senior Medicare Patrol Projects

Minot State University
Research and Sponsored Programs
500 University Avenue West
Minot, ND 58707

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Linda Madsen (701)858-3580

In the first year of a 3 year grant to Minot State University, the MSU Community Outreach Services of the N. Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities (NDCPD) will collaborate with AARP, ND Disability Advocacy Consortium (NDDAC), Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), and the ND Senior Health Insurance Counseling (SHIC) program to help ND rural seniors identify and report Medicare errors, fraud & abuse through a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program. The goal of ND SMP is to help all ND seniors, including those in the most rural counties and those with disabilities, review their Medicare bills to assure that no errors, fraudulent charges or abuse have occurred. Local volunteers, regional volunteer coordinators and disability adapted curricula will be utilized to educate underserved Medicare beneficiaries, including seniors in frontier counties, and individuals with disabilities on Medicare & Medicaid. Objectives are to: increase steering committee membership for comprehensive state input; sustain 8 regional volunteer coordinators and at least 80 volunteers statewide; continue training regional coordinators and volunteers to provide beneficiary assistance; implement SMP activities for at least 400 beneficiaries, including information dissemination, group training, and one-on-one beneficiary education and inquiry processes; provide ongoing guidance and technical assistance to meet individual needs; and evaluate the impact of the ND SMP project. Expected outcomes include: greater public awareness of potential Medicare errors, fraud or abuse; increased skills in examining Medicare charges; and increased inquiries and resolution of errors, fraud & abuse. Products will include a final report with evaluation results; an accessible website; web-based training materials with CD-ROM; adaptable and disability accessible volunteer and constituent training materials; paper and electronic presentations; and professional articles.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3066 Illinois Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Suburban Area Agency on Aging
1048 West Lake Street, Suite 300
Oak Park, IL 60301

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Jonathan Lavin (708)383-0258

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Suburban Area Agency on Aging, AgeOptions, for the Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program for the state of Illinois. The goal of the program is to recruit and train volunteers to conduct health care fraud control, outreach and education. The objectives are to: foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of the SMP program, while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes: statewide coverage through collaborations with all the Area Agencies in Illinois; a centralized intake system to report health care fraud; a statewide media campaign; expansion of the SMP message to people with disabilities through partnership with the Illinois Network for Centers for Independent Living (INCIL); improved targeting to ethnic and limited English speaking seniors through partnership with the Coalition for Limited English Speaking Elderly (CLESE); increased awareness about Medicare Part D and Durable Medical Equipment (DME) fraud; consistent branding of the program with the national SMP effort; an increased number of people reached with the SMP message; and suggested best practices for reaching and educating isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The products from this project are: project reports as required, including evaluation results; website; newsletters; SMP power point presentation; SMP posters; playing cards; fraud prevention toolkit; and SMP brochure.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3067 Senior Medicare Patrol Project for State of New Hampshire

New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services
Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services
129 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301-3857

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Karol Dermon (603)271-4925

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services' Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services (BEAS) for support of a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal of the project is to recruit, train and manage a network of volunteers and counselors statewide to educate Medicare beneficiaries and their families about health care error, fraud and abuse. The objectives are to: foster statewide and local SMP program awareness; provide outreach and education on health care fraud and abuse; conduct targeted outreach and assistance to people who are hard to reach; and improve operational efficiencies and to ensure consistent quality of reporting systems. Expected outcomes are: increased statewide awareness of Senior Medicare Patrol project; increased number of Medicare beneficiaries reached who are homebound, living in isolated or rural areas, who have low literacy, limited income and/or living with disabilities or chronic illnesses; more improved operationally efficient program; and an increase in the number of knowledgeable beneficiaries on matters of health care fraud, error and abuse and other scams. Products will include: brochures; newsletters; PowerPoint presentations; and project reports and evaluation as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3068 SMP Medicare Integrity Project

Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups
2850 Dairy Drive, Suite 100
Madison, WI 53718-6751

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Karen VonHuene (608)224-0606

This is the first year of a 3 year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) grant to the Coalition of Wisconsin Aging Groups' (CWAG) Elder Law Center to build on the successful volunteer and partnering programs of its 9 year Senior Medicare Patrol Grant ("the project") and Integration Grant by expanding the project's scope to address healthcare integrity broadly. The goal is to train seniors to be better healthcare consumers and to increase the reports of healthcare error, fraud, waste, and abuse. Objectives: to enhance its statewide coverage, the project will continue to revise its volunteer structure by expanding the current regional system aligned with the CWAG nine districts to a county-based lead volunteer representative system and redesign the project's volunteer positions to reflect four distinct levels of involvement; to improve beneficiary education and problem resolution, staff will continue to create training materials and publications for use by our volunteers and project partners that teach seniors to be better healthcare consumers by identifying and reporting healthcare integrity problems; to foster national visibility, staff will continue to share materials and experiences with the National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center; to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the project through increased complaint referrals, the project will encourage WI seniors to report suspected cases of healthcare fraud more broadly; and continue to focus educational and training opportunities to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes include: an increase in the number of elderly individuals educated; an increase in the number of inquiries to the project and rate of inquiry resolution; an increase in Medicare, Medicaid, and other healthcare savings. Products will include: project reports as required, evaluation results, two websites, written articles for publication, data on performance outcomes, and presentations at national conferences.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3069 Senior Medicare Patrol Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc.
106 West Adams PO Box BD
Riverton, WY 82501

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	169,987
FY 2007	169,987

Contact: Tamra I Ward (307)856-6880

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Wyoming Senior Citizens, Inc. to conduct a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project to serve isolated and rural, low income, disabled, and Native Americans on the Wind River Indian Reservation. The goal of this project is to educate those persons who will benefit from Medicare fraud and abuse information, Medicare Modernization Act and Medicare Part D changes. The objectives are to: train SMP volunteers; educate beneficiaries and general public about Medicare fraud; test beneficiaries' knowledge through feedback survey to determine if information presented was beneficial; track data on number, types and results of referrals; recruit and maintain retired professionals, as well as one bilingual volunteer; educate seniors who do not visit senior centers; establish at least one coalition partner in each county; and update educational materials. Expected outcomes are: increased volunteer knowledge; increased awareness of the SMP program in the general population; increased identification of problems on health care bills and explanation of benefits; increased efficiency in tracking data; and increased savings of dollars in the Medicare program. Products from the project will include: brochures, posters, bookmarks, health care journals, playing cards, hand sanitizers, band-aid kits and other educational materials and reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3070 Senior Medicare Patrol Projects-Cooperative Agreement

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Virgin Islands Department of Human Services
Knud Hansen Complex Building A
Charlotte Amalie, VI 00802

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	75,000
FY 2007	75,000

Contact: Michal Rhymer-Charles (340)774-8820

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Virgin Islands Department of Human Services to support a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) program to recruit and train senior citizens to include retired professionals as volunteers to educate Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and/or their caregivers on how to protect themselves from fraud and any abusive health care practices. The primary goal of the SMP program is to continue to expand the program territory wide which will include recruitment, outreach, referral, and follow up. The objectives of the project are to: identify target populations, such as seniors in isolated and hard-to-reach areas; develop educational materials to serve the bilingual and culturally diverse and visually impaired, as well as those with limited literacy skills; develop a reporting system to report and follow up on any suspected fraud or abuse; implement program coverage strategies such as web-based applications, media and outreach events; enhance beneficiaries' education through various collaboration efforts and group training sessions with statewide partners; and establish outreach outcomes to seniors at eight senior citizen centers territory wide, caregiver support groups, senior independent living communities, and assisted living facilities. The expected outcomes are: increased number of volunteer recruitment and trainings; increased number of beneficiaries reached; and an increased number of educational activities. Products will include: required reports, including evaluation results; brochures and educational materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3071 Iowa Senior Medicare Program (Operation Restore Trust of Iowa)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging
2101 Kimball Avenue, Suite 320
Waterloo, IA 50702

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	175,000
FY 2007	175,000

Contact: Shirley Merner (319)272-2244

The Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging (HVAAA) is in its first year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP) grant application. The SMP's major partners include Iowa's Area Agencies on Aging (AAA), and Iowa EXPORT Center of Excellence on Health Disparities (Project EXPORT) located at the University of Northern Iowa. Through these partnerships, the SMP continues to achieve statewide coverage, expert knowledge of underserved populations, expertise in design of culturally-sensitive marketing and educational materials, and previously established community relationships. The project's goal is to recruit, train, and empower retired professionals to create responsible beneficiaries of healthcare statewide. The focus of this project is to increase outreach and education to include Iowa's isolated and hard-to-reach, underserved populations including African American, Asian, Hispanic, Native American, rural Iowans and other emerging populations. The objectives include: improve program efficiency statewide; foster and nurture statewide coverage and increase outreach to target populations; increase public awareness to underserved populations; improve beneficiary healthcare education by focusing on underserved populations; and foster national SMP visibility and recognition for Iowa SMP's outreach project. The expected outcomes of this project are: our targeted elderly population will be equipped to be good stewards of healthcare dollars; recovery of misspent healthcare dollars will increase; and target populations will report healthcare concerns for resolution or investigation. The products from this continuation project include folders; informational handouts that are culturally sensitive; an updated ID theft brochure; give-away items for use at health fairs and presentations; and reports as required, including evaluation results. Project lessons learned will be provided to the AoA National Consumer Protection Technical Resource Center (NCPTRC).

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project

90AM3072 Senior Medicare Patrol Project Maryland Curb Abuse in Medicare and Medicaid (CAMM)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Maryland Department of Aging
301 West Preston Street, Suite 1007
Baltimore, MD 21201-2374

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Sue Vaeth (410)767-1108

This is the first year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) Project supported by the grantee, the Maryland Department of Aging (MDoA). The goal of the SMP project is to increase senior awareness of health care fraud, waste, abuse and error, to mobilize state and community resources to work together in resolving and publicizing health care fraud concerns, and to support the goals of the AoA Senior Medicare Patrol. The objectives are to: develop partnerships and collaborations to ensure statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; increase awareness for beneficiaries about the problem of healthcare, fraud waste and abuse; identify and test best practices to reach the hard-to-reach population; target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations; recruit and train volunteers with a variety of skills and education; foster program visibility and consistency; incorporate the new SMP logo and tagline in all MDoA and AAA SMP materials; and incorporate the use of the Smartfacts reporting system in Maryland's Senior Medicare Patrol Program. The expected outcomes are to: provide outreach to 12,000 Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries and their families; receive 400 inquiries of suspected incidences of fraud, waste, error or abuse; document estimated savings attributable to the project; develop 3 new partnerships; assist 4,000 people on an individual basis; and recruit, educate and train a volunteer corps of 75 retired professionals. The products from the project will include: an assessment survey for Medicare beneficiaries; a paper on building partnerships with non-English communities; an updated training curriculum.; a new SMP brochure; and an enhanced web site.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3073 VT Medicare Partnership Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Community of Vermont Elder Affairs
PO BOX 1276
Montpelier , VT 05601-

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Dolly Fleming (802)229-4731

This is the first year of a three-year grant to provide a Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, Community of Vermont Elders. The goals of the project are to: build upon the current structure of collaborative efforts with professionals in Vermont's elder network who can assist with public education, identification of Medicare error and waste and referral; continue to utilize the media as a primary educational strategy which effectively provides useful resource information to isolated and homebound beneficiaries; continue to identify opportunities to educate Vermonters about Medicare program benefits, rights and protections; and develop an outreach and education strategy to reach people with disabilities. The objectives are to: continue collaborative agreement with AAAs; collaborate with SHIP to form an educational strategy for people with disabilities; continue collaboration with the National Senior Service Corps; continue expansion of referral and reporting services; identify/train and incorporate an intern as a designated program outreach assistant; and strengthen/broaden representation and expertise on the Vermont SMP Advisory Council. The expected outcomes are: a reduction in Medicare/Medicaid error, fraud and abuse; increased number of referrals received; an increase in the number of volunteers engaged in education; an increase in the number of beneficiaries and providers educated; addition of key stakeholders in Advisory Council; increased reporting; and increased public awareness about Vermont SMP and Medicare error, fraud and abuse. Products from this project will include: a final report, including evaluation results; public service announcements; and educational materials.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3074 Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol Project Senior ESP (Examine Services Provided)

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

IAAAA Education Institute
5875 Castle Creek Pkwy N Dr.
Indianapolis, IN 46250-4331

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Melissa Durr (317)598-9300

This is the first year of a three-year grant to the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging (IAAAA) Education Institute, Inc. to continue an education and training model, the Indiana Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project. The goal is to create an education and training model on Medicare fraud prevention, including Part D, for elder volunteers and others who work with underserved Medicare populations including rural, low income and African American groups. The objectives are to: continue working with established partners to foster national and statewide program coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of the SMP program while increasing results for both operational and quality measures; and target training and education to isolated and hard-to-reach populations. The expected outcomes are an increase in the beneficiary knowledge of Medicare fraud and abuse and reporting a 10% increase in the number of complaints received over the life of the project. Products will include brochures, personal health care journals, Medicare Summary Notice (MSN) guides and informational sheets, project reports as required, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3075 Senior Medicare Patrol Program Grant

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Alabama Department of Senior Services
770 Washington Ave., Suite 470
Montgomery, AL 36130

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Kathleen Healey (334)242-5743

This is the first year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project grant to the Alabama Dept. of Senior Services (ADSS) to support an SMP program, in collaboration with the 13 Area Agencies on Aging. The goal of the project is to educate beneficiaries and providers to identify errors in Medicare billing to combat healthcare waste, fraud and abuse. The approach is to educate beneficiaries and providers on fraud and abuse, as well as to track events and contacts on potential cases among older consumers. Objectives: educate beneficiaries and providers on how to identify errors in Medicare billing; provide publications to educate beneficiaries on identifying potential fraud and abuse; publicize a statewide 1-800 number for assistance; establish an effective reporting mechanism to track outreach events, as well as potential fraud and abuse cases; build partnerships with healthcare providers, Medicare carriers and fiscal intermediaries; and recruit & train volunteers. Expected outcomes: more rural, low-income, and non-English speaking aging consumers educated and aware of Medicare waste, fraud and abuse, with contacts/assistance should they suspect a problem; measurable outcomes with post-evaluations at seminars will show a marked increase in the awareness and detection of fraud and abuse positively affecting target areas; publications, a website and increased publicity on waste, fraud and abuse will be available statewide; volunteers will be recruited and trained in rural and underserved areas; and healthcare providers will begin to be trained to identify healthcare waste, fraud and abuse. Products will include: website with statewide resources; reference materials on waste, fraud and abuse; and community-based educational programs designed to provide tips on preventing and identifying waste, fraud and abuse, emphasizing the importance of protecting one's personal information; and required reports, including evaluation results.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3076 Senior Fraud Patrol - Medicare Assistance Program

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

East River Legal Services Corporation
335 N. Main Ave., #300
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Candise H Gregory (605)336-2475

The East River Legal Services (ERLS) supports the first year continuation grant of the three-year South Dakota Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP) project, in collaboration with the South Dakota State Health Insurance Program (SHIP Program, Cooperative Extension Services, South Dakota Division of Insurance and South Dakota Attorney General's Office. The goal of the project is to provide education and information relating to Medicare fraud, as well as other types of health care and consumer fraud. The objectives are to: recruit and train volunteers from the network; educate seniors about Medicare benefits and how to recognize and report suspected fraud, error, waste and abuse; expand outreach to seniors in all 66 counties of the state; keep seniors advised in a timely manner of issues affecting their health and well being; and increase inquiry resolution for seniors. The expected outcome is an increase in client contacts and households reached through media events. Products will include a final report of project results and statistical information; an interactive website; the Medicare Advantage handout; scam alerts; and a targeted newspaper column and additional self-help and information publications and tools to assist seniors with health care matters.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3077 Anti-Fraud Health Care Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Minnesota Board on Aging
P.O. Box 64976 540 Cedar Avenue
Saint Paul, MN 55164-0976

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	180,000
FY 2007	180,000

Contact: Krista Boston (651)431-2605

This is the first year of a three-year health care anti-fraud demonstration project in partnership with the seven Minnesota Area Agencies on Aging and related organizations serving hard-to-reach populations. The goal of the project is to empower individuals to identify and report instances of error, fraud and abuse in the health care system with emphasis placed on Medicare and Medicaid programs. Objectives of the project are to: foster national and statewide SMP coverage; improve beneficiary education and inquiry resolution for other areas of health care fraud; foster national program visibility and consistency; improve the efficiency of SMP, while increasing results for operational and quality measures; and target training and education for hard-to-reach populations. Expected outcomes are: an increased number of Minnesotans who receive services from the Senior LinkAge Line who are aware of fraud, abuse and error issues and know how to identify and report them; increased number of consumers and professionals from helping agencies who know where to go for objective help with questions regarding health care fraud, errors and abuse; a decreased number of individuals who experience confusion and frustration when trying to report and resolve fraud, abuse and errors; and increased knowledge, skills and confidence of Senior LinkAge Line staff/volunteers to provide comprehensive health insurance counseling as it pertains to health care fraud, abuse and error. Products will include: a new interactive Web site; secure instant message software and voiceover IP capability; automated statewide tracking of health care fraud, abuse and error grievances; virtual volunteer coordinator reference handbook; a cookbook; and a report as required.

Program: Senior Medicare Patrol Project
90AM3078 Senior Medicare Patrol Project

Project Period: 07/01/2006 - 05/31/2009

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
35 Howard Ave
Cranston, RI 02920

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	170,000
FY 2007	170,000

Contact: Delia Rodriguez (401)462-0524

This is the first year of a three-year Senior Medicare Patrol Project (SMP). The goals are to recruit and train volunteers to provide a comprehensive, coordinated statewide information and referral system to educate groups of Medicare/Medicaid beneficiaries, their families and professionals about Medicare/Medicaid fraud, error and abuse. The objectives are to: utilize the Rhode Island Adult and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) known as The Point as the central Information & Referral access for persons concerned about SMP issues; contract with six regional agencies to help coordinate SMP activities; partner with SHIP program by conducting a variety of co-sponsored educational community outreach events; recruit more counselors than expected; improve program visibility and impact (particularly in Providence); provide counseling to non-English speakers (especially Spanish); professionalize the training process of SMP counselors through structured certification; and access Dept. of Elderly Affairs' contacts and public awareness mechanisms in communicating the SMP message to the network and relevant community members. Expected outcomes will continue as the successful activities of the past year, with increased program centralization to assure that every week achievable and measurable activities are happening. Products from this project are: a final report, including evaluation results; a resource guide; press releases; newspaper articles; brochures; and abstracts for national conferences.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project
90AM2788 Performance Outcome Measure Project

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT ON AGING
Office of The Director
421 East Capitol Avenue #100
Springfield, IL 62701-1789

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 03/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	30,000

Contact: Betsy Creamer

The Illinois Department on Aging (IDoA) will collaborate with the Administration on Aging (AoA) to develop performance outcome measures which will document the impact of Aging Network services on the lives of older adults and family caregivers. IDoA will work with the East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging (ECIAAA) on the Performance Outcomes Measures Project (POMP). Goal: Develop the foundation for a state-based system to measure outcomes of Older Americans Act services based on statistically-valid sampling. Objective # 1: Pilot test a state-based system to measure the outcomes of four service categories authorized under the Older Americans Act. These services will include: Nutrition, Case Management, Family Caregiver Support Program, and Senior Centers. Objective # 2: Disseminate the results of the POMP project to the Aging Network in Illinois to build support for a statewide system. Products: Performance Outcome Measure surveys and instruments will be developed in collaboration with AoA and a national research corporation identified by AoA. These surveys and instruments can be readily used elsewhere in Illinois and throughout the United States.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project
90AM2867 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

New York State Office for the Aging
Special Projects
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)476-2730

New York will use a collaborative approach to develop and test a comprehensive consumer outcome instrument and a provider survey. The goal of the project is to continue working with performance measurement surveys to fill in gaps in the POMP measurement tools. The project objectives are: 1) the development of consumer and provider performance measurement instruments for home-based services; 2) the collection of data on consumer outcomes and provider characteristics; 3) recommendations regarding the consumer assessment survey for posting on the POMP website; and 4) implementation of a collaborative model with state, local and research partners. Products will include: consumer outcome and provider characteristic surveys and data; documentation of the survey implementation process; evaluation results; and conference proceedings. These products will be disseminated to aging service providers and researchers at the local, state and national level.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2868 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
Aging and Adult Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 03/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000

Contact: Phyllis Stewart (919)733-8400

North Carolina will assist with the development and pilot testing of two performance outcome measurement surveys related to services provided under Title III of the Older Americans Act. These include a service provider survey and a survey of older adults to obtain information about services received and consumers' assessment of service impact and quality. The goal of the project is to increase national, state and local knowledge of services and service packages for the purpose of planning, outreach and improved service delivery. Project objectives include: supporting the identification of appropriate cross-service performance measures; pilot testing the measures by conducting interviews with clients and service providers in one North Carolina region; and providing usable data, sharing findings and making recommendations for revisions to existing instruments and approaches. Project products will include training materials, data sets and reports on the findings of each survey.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2869 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
Planning and Evaluation Unit
4040 Esplanade Way, STE 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

The overall goal of Florida's standard POMP project is to expand the utilization of performance outcome measurement by Florida's elder services network. Florida will: 1) conduct a statistical analysis of POMP developed surveys and data to measure the specific items that correlate most highly with a global measure of performance; 2) conduct a statistical analysis of the internal validity of existing POMP surveys as related to the development of: a) a composite consumer assessment instrument to collect data to measure home and community-based service performance, and b) a tool to measure the capacity of the elder-services network to meet the demand for home and community based services; and 3) share materials and data for replication through website postings and other dissemination.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2870 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

Ohio Department of Aging
Planning, Development & Evaluation
50 West Broad Street 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-5928

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000

Contact: Marc Molea (614)466-7246

The goal of Ohio's POMP 6 initiative is to expand the use of performance outcome measurement in in Aging Network programs. Ohio will partner with AoA, other states and Ohio's Area Agencies on Aging to: 1) develop inclusive survey instruments (recipient and provider) that can be used to measure consumer outcomes and service delivery for a wide range of community services, and to refine and test the surveys; 2) develop protocols to connect and compare POMP results with National Aging Program Information System and Census data; and 3) enhance evaluation capacity by using Senior Community Service Employment Program participants to administer survey instruments.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2872 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

Illinois Department on Aging
Division of Planning, Research, and Development
421 East Capitol Avenue, #100
Springfield, IL 62701-1789

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 06/30/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	47,500

Contact: Joseph Lugo (217)785-2870

Illinois will collaborate with the Administration on Aging to develop performance outcome measures that will document the impact of Aging Network services on the lives of older adults and caregivers. The East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging will participate in the project. The goal is to develop the foundation for a state- based system to measure outcomes of Older Americans Act services based on statistically valid sampling. The objectives are to pilot test a recipient survey and a provider survey and to disseminate the results to the Aging network in Illinois to build support for a statewide system. Products of the projects will be the survey tools suitable for use in Illinois and throughout the United States.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2873 Performance Outcomes Measures Project - Priority Area 1: Standard POMP

State of Iowa

Department of Elder Affairs

510 East 12th Street Jesse Parker Bldg

Des Moines, IA 50319

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)725-3309

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 03/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	50,000

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs, partnering with Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging, will develop, field test and expand outcome measures used in Iowa's Aging Network by concentrating on: 1) developing service provider surveys; and 2) developing consumer assessment surveys to be posted on the POMP website. Expected outcomes are: 1) clients determine how services may be improved; 2) service providers receive assistance in developing outcome measures; 3) care recipients maintain independence longer; and 4) surveys and results are posted on Area Agencies websites. Products will include pilot tested service recipient and provider surveys and survey administration tools. The products will be disseminated to AoA, other states, the Iowa Association of Area Agencies on Aging, County Councils on Aging, aging partners, legislators and local officials.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2874 New York Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

New York State Office for the Aging

2 Empire State Plaza

Albany, NY 12223-1251

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)474-4425

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	60,000

New York will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data New York is able to provide. New York, as co-leader of the Advanced POMP workgroup, will also be working closely with the project officer and technical assistance contractor to identify national data sources appropriate for comparison purposes. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act Services.

Anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model developed and tested; and 2) appropriate comparison group data from national surveys identified to enable nursing home diversion estimation.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2875 North Carolina Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman (919)733-4534

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	49,500

North Carolina will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent to data that North Carolina is able to provide. North Carolina plans to use 27 month retrospective data to determine service utilization and identify reasons for terminated service. The data set will be compared with Medicaid claims data, to estimate cost savings. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) programs. Anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) Medicaid cost savings attributed to OAA programs will be estimated.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2876 Rhode Island Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Rhode Island Department of Elderly Affairs
The John O. Pastore Center
35 Howard Avenue
Cranston, RI 02920

Contact: Donna M Cone (401)462-0500

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	44,985
FY 2006	46,307

Rhode Island will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data Rhode Island is able to provide. In addition, Rhode Island is developing a protocol to measure the impact of congregate meal program participation on targeted health outcomes, improvement of healthy behaviors and reducing known indicators of nutritional risk. The Advanced POMP goals applicable to this project are Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) programs, and Goal 3: Demonstrate Effectiveness of OAA programs. The anticipated objectives of this project are to: 1) pilot test a nursing home predictor model to demonstrate cost benefits of Rhode Island home and community care programs; and 2) document impacts of congregate meal programs and estimate cost savings related to impacts.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2877 Florida Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
Planning and Evaluation Unit
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	59,943

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

Florida is providing project leadership by independently developing a nursing home predictor model and sharing it with the grantee workgroup for broader testing. Florida serves as the co-leader of the Advanced POMP workgroup and has developed the vision for Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) Programs. Florida is currently expanding the nursing home risk model to predict risk of other adverse events such as hospitalization, emergency room visits and functional decline. Objectives are to: 1) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in nursing home placements due to use of in-home services; 2) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in hospital use due to use of in-home services; and 3) produce an algorithm to compute reductions in acute medical care due to use of in-home services.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2878 Delaware Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Delaware Department of Health & Social Services
1901 N. DuPont Highway
Main Annex First Floor
New Castle, DE 19720

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	9,694
FY 2005	37,751

Contact: Melissa A Hinton (302)255-9390

Delaware will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data that Delaware is able to provide. In addition, Delaware will conduct an independent review of cost avoidance methodology used for social programs. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act Programs. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) a report documenting the methodological review of cost avoidance studies of social programs will be developed.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2879 Ohio Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

Contact: Marc Molea (614)466-7246

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	50,000

Ohio will work on the development of a nursing home predictor model, using data available in Ohio and based, in part, on a high risk screening tool being developed for their Medicaid waiver program. They will use key factors determined to be statistically significant predictors for the Medicaid waiver population and they will test the reliability of the high risk screening tool for the population receiving Older Americans Act (OAA) services. Once the tool is validated and introduced into use, cost savings estimates can be generated. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to OAA Programs. The anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) a high risk screening tool for OAA programs will be developed and tested.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2880 Arizona Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1717 W. Jefferson, Site Code 010A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-4446

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	39,000

Arizona's Advanced POMP project is focusing on the efficacy of senior centers. They will conduct a 24 month longitudinal study of new senior center clients to assess the impacts of nutrition and health promotion/ disease prevention programs. The Advanced POMP goal applicable to this project is Goal 3: Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Older Americans Act Programs. The anticipated outcome of the project is the design of a methodology to demonstrate the positive impact of select senior center services.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2881 Georgia Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Georgia Department of Human Resources
Division of Aging Services
2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 9
Atlanta, GA 30303

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	11,250
FY 2005	18,772
FY 2006	21,381

Contact: Arvine R Brown (404)651-6314

Georgia will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data that Georgia is able to provide. Georgia will be the first state to test the Florida model. In addition, Georgia has an extensive database with detailed information on waiting list clients, which can be used to establish a comparison group. The applicable Advanced POMP goal for this project is Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act Programs. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed and tested; and 2) waiting lists will be used as a comparison group to enable nursing home diversion estimation.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2882 Iowa Performance Outcome Measures Project: Advanced POMP

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
510 East 12th St., Jesse Parker Bldg. Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	60,000

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)242-3301

Iowa will be participating in the nursing home predictor statistical modeling component of Advanced POMP, in which the technical assistance contractor will work with the model developed by Florida, adjusting it consistent with data that Iowa is able to provide. In addition, Iowa will conduct an independent analysis of the optimal service case mix using data collected by the recipient survey conducted during an earlier POMP project, as well as administrative data. The applicable Advanced POMP goals for this project are Goal 1: Demonstrate Cost Avoidance Attributed to Older Americans Act (OAA) Programs and Goal 2: Demonstrate the Efficiency of OAA Programs. The anticipated outcomes of this project are: 1) a nursing home predictor model will be developed; and 2) the most efficient service mixes will be identified.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM2883 South Carolina Performance Outcomes Measures Project: Advanced Pomp

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 09/29/2007

Lieutenant Governor's Office on Aging
1301 Gervais Street, Suite 200
Columbia, SC 29201

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	15,000
FY 2005	50,000
FY 2006	60,000

Contact: Bruce E Bondo (803)734-9870

For Advanced POMP, South Carolina has developed an independent analysis path to follow, predicated on their rich database of health services utilization. They will examine the relationship between select older Americans Act services and the use of hospital or emergency room services for conditions such as dehydration and pneumonia. They will then examine service thresholds to determine if the amount of service impacts emergency room or inpatient hospitalization. Finally, they will examine health care expenditure records for the OAA population vs. the Medicaid non-OAA population to estimate savings in health care costs attributed to OAA services. The Advanced POMP goals applicable to this project are: 1) demonstrate cost avoidance attributed to OAA programs; and 2) demonstrate program effectiveness. The anticipated outcomes for this project are: 1) a methodology will be developed to demonstrate a reduction in hospital visits due to OAA services; 2) service effectiveness thresholds will be developed for select services; and 3) health care cost savings attributed to OAA programs will be identified.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3015 Performance Outcomes Measurements Program

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

New York State Office for the Aging
2 Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223-1251

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)474-4425

New York addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will work: 1) independently within the State and develop a sampling methodology for statewide performance measurement; 2) collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys; and 3) their dissemination strategy will prominently feature the Finger Lakes Geriatric Education Center and training that identifies "do's" and "don'ts" of performance measurement. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are to:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project
90AM3016 Standard Performance Outcome Measures Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2007

NC Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman

North Carolina addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will work: 1) independently within the State and collaboratively at the national level to develop a sampling methodology for statewide performance measurement; 2) collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys; and 3) their dissemination strategy will be heavily dependent on identifying what makes performance measurement attractive to AAAs. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project
90AM3017 Implementing Outcome Measures in Ohio Standard POMP 7-Enhancing Outcomes Performance

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 03/31/2007

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Bob Lucas (614)728-9133

Ohio addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will: 1) work collaboratively at the national level to develop a sampling methodology for statewide performance measurement, and they are working within Ohio to develop a performance measurement infrastructure by training participants in Ohio's OAA/Title V program to conduct survey interviews; 2) work collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys (they volunteered to take the lead on the senior center and provider surveys); and 3) their dissemination strategy consists of their commitment to develop materials for dissemination and website posting. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the aging network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3018 2005 Standard POMP

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2007

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

Florida addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will: 1) work collaboratively at the national level to develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement, and they are working within Florida to develop a senior center performance measurement toolkit; 2) they will work collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys and; 3) they plan to work independently in the development of a dissemination strategy in which they are committing to national presentations. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3019 Arizona Performance Outcomes Measurement System AzPOMS-Priority 1

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1789 W. Jefferson (950A)
Phoenix, AZ 85007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-5678

Arizona addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will: 1) work collaboratively with other grantees to develop reporting tools for statewide performance measurement; 2) work collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys, where they will rely on years of previous POMP experiences to identify problematic survey items and; 3) they plan to work collaboratively in the development of a dissemination plan. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) to develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) to develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) to develop a performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3020 POMP 7--Developing/Refining Consumer Performance Measurement Tools

State of Iowa

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs

200 10th Street, Clemens Bldg., 3rd Floor

Des Moines, IA 50309

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)242-3333

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 12/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000

Iowa addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will: 1) work with the participating AAA to develop reporting tools for statewide performance measurement, beginning with their case managed clients; 2) work collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys; and 3) work independently in the development of a dissemination strategy which will feature mentoring other states/AAAs. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the aging network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) to develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) to develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) to develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3021 Standard POMP Performance Outcome Measures Project

Georgia Department of Human Resources

2 Peachtree St., NW, Suite 9-398

Atlanta, GA 30303-3142

Contact: Patricia A Haley (404)651-6314

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	20,791

Georgia addressed each of the Standard POMP 7 objectives, indicating they will: 1) work collaboratively at the national level to develop a statewide performance measurement methodology, and they are working within Georgia to develop a provider scorecard; 2) work collaboratively with the POMP workgroup to finalize performance measurement surveys (they noted a caregiver burden scale which would enhance the POMP instrument); and 3) they plan to work collaboratively to develop a dissemination strategy. The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3022 Standard Performance Outcomes Measures Project (POMP)

Oklahoma Department of Human Services

Aging Services Division

2401 NW 23rd Street, Suite 40

Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Contact: Kimberly K Quigley

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	13,890

Oklahoma indicated that they will work independently to revise the POMP nutrition surveys and implement the revised instruments statewide. They will share their recommendations for revisions with the POMP workgroup. Their dissemination strategy is limited to dissemination of the revised nutrition surveys.

The anticipated outcome for all the POMP projects is enhanced performance measurement throughout the Aging Network. Objectives for Standard POMP 7 projects are:

- 1) Develop a methodology for statewide performance measurement
- 2) Develop final versions of performance measurement surveys
- 3) Develop performance measurement dissemination plan

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3103 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

New York State Office for the Aging

2 Empire State Plaza

Albany, NY 12223-1251

Contact: I-Hsin Wu (518)486-2730

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

The New York State Office for the Aging will work collaboratively with local AAAs and other grantees to enhance the utility of the POMP surveys for the Aging Network. Specifically, they will

1. Conduct validity tests for the Caregiver Support, Case Management and Physical Functioning surveys.
2. Pilot test the statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. Provide recommendations for performance measurement toolkits.

The products of this grant will be validated performance outcome measurement surveys, a pilot-tested statewide performance measurement protocol and performance measurement toolkits for posting on the POMP website.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3104 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: Phyllis Bridgeman (919)733-0440

The North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services will work with national and state partners toward the three project objectives of validity testing, piloting a statewide performance measurement methodology and the development of a performance measurement toolkit. All of these build on previous initiatives with the overall goal of increasing national, state and regional knowledge of the impact of services and service packages. Working collaboratively with the national workgroup they will

1. Conduct validity testing for Caregiver Support, Transportation and Senior Center Surveys
2. Pilot a methodology combining administrative data with minimal consumer surveys for statewide performance measurement and
3. Develop a performance measurement toolkit for use by States and AAAs.

The products will include validated performance outcome measurement survey instruments, a pilot-tested statewide protocol and a performance measurement toolkit for posting on the POMP website.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3105 FDOEA POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	48,742

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

The Florida Department of Elder Affairs has an overall goal for this project of improving the ability of states to evaluate the effectiveness of their efforts to serve elders. The objectives/activities for their project are

1. Conduct validity tests for Caregiver Support, Case Management and Emotional Well-Being/Social Functioning surveys.
2. Pilot test statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. Assist in the development of performance measurement toolkit,

Florida will work collaboratively with AAAs and other state grantees with the outcome: a model to assess program performance allowing comparability across states. This outcome will benefit states by providing a tested, reliable methodology allowing states to identify best practices and areas in need of improvement with respect to elder services.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3106 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1717 W. Jefferson St, Site Code 010A
Phoenix, AZ 85007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: Rex Critchfield (602)542-6324

The Arizona Department of Economic Security, Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) will refine its performance measurement system to achieve its goal of using performance outcome measurement to assess program effectiveness. In collaboration with AAA, Region and Maricopa County service providers, as well as the other grantees, DAAS will pursue the following objectives

1. Conduct validity tests on Caregiver Support, Case Management, Information and Assistance and Social and Emotional Well-Being surveys.
2. Conduct pilot testing on statewide performance measurement methodology and
3. Assist in the development of performance measurement toolkits for use by the Aging Network.

The outcomes will be refined tools and methodologies for performance measurement for use at the State, local and national level. Products will include validated survey instruments, a statewide performance measurement methodology that has been pilot tested and performance measurement toolkits for national use.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3107 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Iowa Department of Elder Affairs
Planning and Administration
510 Est 12th Street Jessie-Parker Building - Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	49,745
FY 2007	49,745

Contact: Jayne Walke (515)725-3309

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs, working in collaboration with Hawkeye Valley Area Agency on Aging and the other grantees will complete work on POMP developed performance measurement surveys and enhance their usefulness for the Aging network by

1. Conducting validity testing for the Caregiver, Case Management and Information and Assistance surveys.
2. Pilot testing the statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. Participating in the development of performance measurement toolkits.

The expected products of this project are the incorporation of outcome measures into existing program data tools. The outcomes will be enhanced and streamlined performance outcome measurement.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3108 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Ohio Department of Aging
50 West Broad Street, 9th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3363

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	50,000
FY 2007	50,000

Contact: Bob Lucas (614)728-9133

The Ohio Department of Aging, working toward the goal of institutionalizing performance measures into state and local practice, will work collaboratively with the Council on Aging of Southwest Ohio, as well as the other grantees to pursue the following objectives

1. Conduct validity tests on the Caregiver Support, Home Delivered Meals and Physical Functioning surveys.
2. Conduct a pilot test of the grantee-developed statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. Participate in the development of performance measurement toolkits.

The products will be validated survey instruments, a pilot test of the statewide performance measurement methodology and performance measurement toolkits suitable for use at the state and local level.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3109 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

Georgia Department of Human Resources
2 Peachtree Street, NW, Suite 9-398
Atlanta, GA 30303-3142

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	18,725
FY 2007	18,725

Contact: Charles R Edwards (229)430-6656

The Georgia Department of Human Resources, Division of Aging Services will work collaboratively with the Heart of Georgia/Altamaha Area Agencies on Aging and the other grantees toward the obtaining valid information to assess service provider performance and drive performance improvements. Specific objectives are

1. Conduct validity tests for Caregiver Support, Congregate Nutrition, Senior Center and Homemaker surveys.
2. Conduct pilot test of the grantee developed statewide performance measurement methodology, and
3. Participate in the development of performance measurement tools to be posted on the POMP website.

The products of this project include validated survey instruments, pilot tested statewide performance measurement methodology and enhanced performance measurement tools. The outcome is improved and consistent performance measurement capacity across the Aging Network.

Program: Performance Outcomes Measures Project

90AM3110 Performance Outcome Measurement Project: Standard POMP 8

The Executive Office of Elder Affairs
Planning/Program Development
One Ashburton Place, Fifth Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	35,000
FY 2007	48,462

Contact: Wey Hsiao (617)222-7497

The Massachusetts Office of Elder Affairs is working collaboratively with local AAAs and other grantees to develop standardized performance outcome measures, methodologies and tools for the evaluation and improvement of Federal and State programs. The specific approach that will be followed is:

1. Conduct validity tests for current POMP survey instruments for Congregate Meals, Information and Assistance and Caregiver Support.
2. Pilot test statewide performance measurement methodology
3. Develop performance measurement toolkits

The products from this project will be validated outcome measure survey instruments, a pilot-tested statewide performance measurement methodology with data and performance measurement toolkits for the POMP website.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3024 Planning Grants Project (PGP)

Florida Department of Elder Affairs
4040 Esplanade Way, Suite 280
Tallahassee, FL 32399-7000

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,750
FY 2007	65,685

Contact: Jay Breeze (850)414-2000

The applicant, the Florida Department of Elder Affairs (DOEA) will develop a comprehensive planning model: (1) suitable for replication by all State Units on Aging (SUAs) and Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs); (2) characterized by uniform data collection, needs assessment and outcome-measurement methodologies; and (3) reflecting coordination/collaboration among partner agencies and elder services providers. Project objectives will be the development of the planning model, and development of a web-accessible national planning database. The applicant will partner with the Florida Association of AAAs, and the AAAs in planning and service areas 3 and 4. DOEA will convene a planners' retreat and a steering committee to obtain AAA and stakeholder input concerning planning objectives, including preparation of Florida's 2008-2010 State Plan on Aging. The DOEA website will be a primary means of making planning grants project information available.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3025 The State Unit and AAAs Planning Grant Project

North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
2101 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2101

Contact: Heather Burkhardt (919)733-0440

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	14,065

The applicant, the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services (NC-DAAS), will develop a coordinated planning model for State and area plans on aging by adapting a logic model to focus on client outcomes and effective use of lessons learned. NC-DAAS plans to tap its experience with the AoA POMP project in the development of its planning model. The model will start with a population framework, tie that to a logic model, and integrate performance outcome measures to form the foundation of effective planning. The project will involve five objectives: (1) collaborate with AoA and the national work group to develop a comprehensive planning model; (2) develop a well-coordinated NC State/area plan model, based on a logic model approach, with emphasis on assisting disadvantaged and vulnerable populations; (3) integrate POMP into the NC State/area plan model; (4) link goals and features of the AoA Strategic Action Plan to State and AAA planning; and (5) establish a sound evaluation method.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3026 Indiana Planning Grants Project (PGP)

Indiana Division of Disability, Aging &
Rehabilitative Services
402 W Washington St
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Contact: Natalie Angel

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,750
FY 2007	39,750

The applicant will test the effectiveness of the AdvantAge Initiative as a planning model on a statewide level. AdvantAge Initiative has been used as a model community development and strategic planning process to foster an "elder-friendly" community at the local level, but has never been used at the state planning level. The applicant will develop and utilize a demographic database for planning purposes, conduct a statewide telephone survey of Indiana elders using the AdvantAge Initiative survey, and utilize local steering committees to create Area Agency on Aging plans that will inform the State Plan. The grantee will partner with Self-Advocates of Indiana, Inc. and the Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, and contract with the Center on Aging and community of Indiana University to customize and implement the model planning process. The applicant will disseminate results through a variety of vehicles, including conference presentations, publications, media releases, and websites. The applicant anticipates reaching non-traditional audiences through presentations at meetings of The American Planning Association, International City Managers Association, The Council on Foundations, Governors Conference on Aging, and others. Results will be shared with other grant recipients and project participants through "Oncourse" an online learning environment offered at Indiana University, which is designed to create collaborative work space for researchers conducting community-based programs and research.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3027 Pennsylvania Department of Aging Planning Grants Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Pennsylvania Department of Aging
555 Walnut Street
Harrisburg, PA 17101

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	40,000
FY 2006	39,940
FY 2007	39,940

Contact: Robert McNamara (717)783-6207

The applicant will contribute to the development of standardized state planning processes through improving measurement strategies to track State Plan on Aging outcomes. The Pennsylvania Department of Aging will use its Plan on Aging's ten priority areas to develop standardized performance measures for priority area outcomes; work with selected Area Agencies on Aging to incorporate performance measures into their plans; and implement performance measurement in the priority area of cultural inclusion. The applicant plans to work with the Pennsylvania Association of Area Agencies on Aging (P4A) and several AAA's, including the Union-Snyder Agency on Aging and New Populations Inc. The Pennsylvania Department of Aging will work with P4A to disseminate results to the state's 52 AAAs. Other dissemination activities include public announcements, web site postings, the Department on Aging's quarterly newsletter, electronic and direct mailings to aging service organizations at national, state and local levels, and presentations at conferences (e.g. ASA, N4A and NASUA).

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3028 Arizona Planning Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Arizona Department of Economic Security
1789 W. Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	39,998
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

Contact: Rex Critchfield

The applicant, the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Aging and Adult Administration (ADES-A&AA), together with the Arizona Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), will build on the existing strengths of its current planning process in order to design a coordinated, systematic and consistent planning process for State and area plans on aging. ADES-A&AA's Aging 2020 plan referenced in the application is well underway and has utilized solid planning strategies, such as needs and resources assessment, input from all identified stakeholders, analysis of existing planning data, e.g. census data, and incorporation of area agency goals into the State plan on aging. Objectives of the project are to: (1) improve consistency and coordination in the planning process; and (2) use the designed State and area plans as strategic documents to strengthen organizational capacity of service systems to meet current and future service needs. These objectives will be aligned with the current Performance Outcomes Measurement Project (POMP) and the Arizona Aging and Disability Resource Center (AzADRC).

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3029 Minnesota Collaborative Planning Model: A Cross-System Approach for Health Promotion

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Minnesota Board on Aging

P.O. Box 64976

St. Paul, MN 55164-0976

Contact: Kari Benson (651)297-5459

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	35,200
FY 2006	35,600
FY 2007	35,600

The applicant, the Minnesota Board on Aging (MBA) will develop a collaborative model that: (1) integrates Federal, State and local priorities; (2) links strategic partners; and (3) results in new and effective system change. Participation of key partners at the State, Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and local level is critical to the project. The focus of the project will be the development of evidence-based health promotion programming, a topic identified as a priority at the Federal, State and local level. The approach refines and expands MBA's current planning model to develop an inter-system, collaborative model for system change and service development across multiple agencies and multiple funding sources. In addition, MBA will develop and implement specific outcome measures and a web based management information system to monitor performance at two levels: (1) service development - measures of new, expanded or redesigned community services; and (2) service outcomes - the direct effects of these services or interventions in the lives of older individuals.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3030 Planning Grant Proposal for NJ Senior Nutrition Program

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services

PO Box 360

Trenton, NJ 08625

Contact: Geraldine Mackenzie (609)943-3499

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	29,656
FY 2006	39,686
FY 2007	39,686

The applicant will contribute to the development of a national comprehensive planning process by developing three replicable models for nutrition program planning in the areas of: 1) cost effective and efficient program operations; 2) integration of nutrition plans into the ADRC initiative; and 3) service delivery for diverse populations. The grantee will work with Stockton College, New Jersey's Mission Nutrition Blue Ribbon Panel and the Nutrition Directors Advisory Group, Atlantic and Warren County AAA's, plus AAA representation on work groups. The evaluation plan will have three components to assess outcomes, process and project context. It will include a logic model linking goals, objectives, activities and outcomes and an impact model for each team. Reports and best practice guides that result from the project will be disseminated via the grantees' web sites, a public health aging listserv, direct mailings to national, state and local organizations, as well as SUAs, presentations at conferences and articles published in professional journals.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3031 The Kentucky Division of Aging Services Planning Grant Project

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services
275 East Main Street 3 W-F
Frankfort, KY 40621

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	15,675
FY 2006	40,000
FY 2007	40,000

Contact: Phyllis E Culp (502)564-6930

The applicant, the Kentucky Division of Aging Services (DAS), will develop a comprehensive and coordinated State and area planning process that is outcomes driven and utilizes evidenced-based practices. Objectives of the project are to: (1) evaluate the current process for improvements; (2) assemble a project work group consisting of State staff, Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff, consumers, and providers; (3) develop statewide outcomes; (4) design a process that will relate the regional area plans to the State plan; and (5) incorporate new information technology systems into the plan design. DAS will incorporate its new client data collection system, SAMS, into the development of a planning model. In addition, DAS will build on its already existing strategic plan and outcomes-based contracting procedures. DAS is currently utilizing outcomes based monitoring in its National Family Caregiver Support Program.

Program: Planning Grants Project

90AM3032 Technical Assistance Support Center: Comprehensive Planning for Aging Services

Project Period: 09/30/2005 - 09/29/2008

National Association of State Units on Aging
1201 15th Street, NW
Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	200,000
FY 2006	250,000
FY 2007	200,000

Contact: Theresa Lambert (202)898-2578 132

This project will enhance the capacity of State Agencies on Aging to develop comprehensive plans through the development of a model planning process(es) adaptable to each state's unique needs. Objectives include: (1) developing a planning model(s) that addresses OAA program compliance and builds upon the comprehensive planning efforts of SUAs and AAAs; (2) providing technical assistance to the State Planning Grantees and other SUAs; and (3) facilitating pilot testing, refinement and adoption of the planning model(s) by grantees and the aging network. The applicant will provide support and work closely with the State Planning Grantees to develop comprehensive, coordinated planning systems. The approach will be both interactive, facilitating idea and experience exchange among grantees, and process-oriented, making use of expert guidance and the grantees' knowledge and experiences to develop the planning model(s) and plan formats.

Target Population: State and Area Agencies on Aging, local providers, and the seniors they serve.

Anticipated Outcomes: model(s) of State planning process(es); model(s) of Area planning process(es); model(s) of State plan format(s); model(s) of Area plan formats; and coordination of a 3 day orientation meeting. Involvement of the following community based organizations (CBOs) is anticipated: National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (N4A); consumer groups, such as the Alzheimer's Association; and provider organizations, such as the National Association of Nutrition Service Providers (NANSP), AARP, and the National Family Caregiver Alliance.

Program: Choices for Independence

90AM3126 Preparing the Aging Network for the Administration on Aging Choices for Independence Ini

Project Period: 09/30/2006 - 06/30/2009

National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a)
1730 Rhode Island Avenue, NW, Suite 1200
Washington, DC 20036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2006	364,839
FY 2007	514,345

Contact: Robert D Logan (202)872-0888 18

To prepare to meet the goals of the Choices for Independence initiative, n4a proposes to establish a partnership with Scripps Gerontology Center to:

- 1) Develop a relevant, accessible, and comprehensive AAA and Title VI program survey for the aging network.
- 2) Create a National Center for Long-Term Care Business and Strategy in the Aging Network to assist the aging network implement AoA Choice for Independence initiative.
- 3) Institute a pilot program to assess the feasibility of establishing an inventory of Older Americans Act providers.
- 4.) Create a Web-based Board and Advisory Council Training Manual.

Program: Unsolicited

90AM2666 Systems-Building in State Family Caregiver Support and Health Promotion Programs

Project Period: 09/30/2002 - 09/29/2007

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNITS ON AGING (NASUA)
1201 15th Street, NW, Suite 350
Washington, DC 20005-0005

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	250,000
FY 2003	400,000
FY 2004	295,632
FY 2005	75,000

Contact: James Whaley (202)898-2578

The goal of this demonstration project is to build state capacity in collaboration with AoA. A second goal of the project is to assist the State Units on Aging (SUA) to compile and disseminate information about the Older Americans Act and other programs which they administer. The purpose of this activity is to develop a database software product for use by SUAs in their reporting under the National Aging Program Information System. The product is intended to facilitate the submission of this report in a timely manner to AoA, with the least possible burden to SUAs. The objectives of this program are: 1) to develop a software application for use by AAAs to facilitate state transmission of state program reports; 2) to provide training and technical assistance when the application is made available to the states; and 3) conduct a study of state agency and area agency management information systems and innovative approaches to streamlining data collection activities. The expected outcomes of the program include: transmission of information eased; training and technical assistance provided; and software reporting tools developed (edit and validity checking). The products include software for all State Units on Aging, a final report and recommendations for management information systems.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2328 Establishment of the National Center for Seniors' Housing Research

Project Period: 03/01/2000 - 01/01/2006

NAHB RESEARCH CENTER, INC.
400 Prince Georges' Blvd.
Upper Marlboro, MD 20774-0774

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2000	553,285
FY 2002	930,699
FY 2003	445,113

Contact:

Under this cooperative agreement, the grantee, the National Research Center (NRC), has established a National Center for Seniors' Housing Research (NCSHR) to assist older Americans to live comfortably, safely and independently in their own homes as they age, regardless of income or ability-level. The goal of this Center is to develop innovative solutions to accommodate changing housing needs for older Americans who wish to age in place. This information is available to the home building industry, particularly to remodelers, to consumers and to the Aging Network. Project activities for this Center include: web-based information about the value and application of universal design principles; available products which enhance independent living; support and analysis of the National Older Adults Housing Survey; examination of the cost and safe techniques for home modification for an aging population, with improved training for building contractors about the needs of the aging population; an annual student design competition to stimulate innovative residential design for aging in place; stimulating partnerships between the Aging Network and the home building industry to foster user friendly environments; and use of assistive technology and replication of the features incorporated in the new "Life-Wise" house.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2334 Advancing Volunteerism Role in Delivering Home Modification Services to Aging Population

Project Period: 06/01/2000 - 01/31/2008

REBUILDING TOGETHER, INC.
1536 16th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20036-0036

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2000	322,756
FY 2002	493,500
FY 2003	392,234
FY 2005	391,642

Contact:

This is a continuation of a Title IV discretionary grant that was initially funded in June 2000. Rebuilding Together continues to expand the scope of the "Safe at Home" grant activities through its 269 affiliate members. Of special emphasis this year are falls prevention and supporting home modifications for aging-in-place. Expanding partnerships between the affiliate chapters and the Aging Network is an overarching goal. Part of the partnership and coalition building centers around joint training activities to help the affiliates gain increased understanding of universal design that helps seniors remain at home, and to help the Aging Network gain new and valued partners for helping low-income seniors.

FY 2005 Outcomes: Rebuilding Together will disseminate a new brochure and toolbox to stimulate greater public attention about the value of home modification in helping seniors and their caregivers with continued independence. An additional 2,000 people will be trained in home safety assessments. Twenty to forty affiliates will expand their home modification programs for the seniors. Funds will be used to leverage an additional \$250,000 in product discounts and donations for the home modification efforts. The grant efforts this year will benefit some 4,000 sites for safe aging-in-place. This organization will continue to exhibit and make presentations at major aging conferences throughout the year, both nationally and locally. Rebuilding Together collaborates with the organizations sponsoring Aging-in-Place week in November, the National Home Modifications Action Coalition and the NCOA falls prevention programs.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2611 Supportive Neighborhoods

Comprehensive Housing Assistance, Inc.
Senior Friendly Neighborhoods
5721 Park Heights Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

Project Period: 08/01/2002 - 11/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	987,000
FY 2003	513,826
FY 2005	697,122

Contact: Mary Pivawer (410)466-1990

The Senior Friendly Neighborhoods program provides enriched supportive services for older adults age 62 and over living in naturally occurring retirement communities in the mixed housing residential Upper Park Heights and Millbrook neighborhoods of northeast Baltimore. Included within the catchment area are 8 apartment complexes ranging from 25 to 730 units, which offer on-site program activities. Other residents have access to activities in 6 "warm houses" and programming in two community centers and three congregate meal sites and a para-transit transportation service. Program goals include enhancement of community cohesion, increased resident independence, identification of "at risk" elderly and decreased loneliness and isolation of individuals living alone. The non-profit Comprehensive Housing Assistance agency coordinates services in partnership with Jewish Family Services, the LifeBridge Health System, the Jewish Community Center and the Edward A. Myerberg Senior Center. For a small membership fee, residents have access to activity programs, social work services, health education, home repair services and transportation for shopping, medical appointments and recreational activities. Additional funding support is provided by the City of Baltimore, the County of Baltimore, the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation and the Associated Jewish Community Federation of Baltimore.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2612 Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities

Jewish Federation of St. Louis
12 Millstone Campus Drive
St. Louis, MO 63146

Project Period: 08/01/2002 - 04/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	1,263,360
FY 2005	220,298

Contact: Karen Berry-Elbert (314)432-0020

The Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Family and Children's Service and the Washington University Center for Aging are demonstrating a supportive service program for aging in place in a community of 12 St. Louis neighborhoods with high concentrations of older adults. The goal is to promote healthy aging of older adults in their own homes by providing opportunities for meaningful community involvement and increased access to support services. It emphasizes connecting residents to their community by meeting their essential and non-essential needs and offering increased socialization and intellectual opportunities to contribute. Resident councils in each community advise staff teams who coordinate services and programs, including home-maker services, home modifications, minor home repair, case management, social nutrition and access to fitness and health classes. Objectives include: 1) creation of an alternative transportation service for residents to shop and make medical appointments; 2) increasing resident participation in "The Gathering Place" events and activities; 3) offering a 7 week Community Connections for Successful Aging course to train community resident volunteer leadership; 4) exploring concept of an adult children's support group; 5) convening management and owners of complexes to explore potential areas of collaboration and future support; and 6) collaborating with community organizations to perform home repairs. Assessment and performance evaluation studies are being conducted by the Center on Aging at Washington University in St. Louis.

JEWISH FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICE OF

Greater Philadelphia

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Philadelphia, PA 19103

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Project Period: 08/01/2002 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	196,300
FY 2003	245,146
FY 2004	196,235
FY 2005	293,731

The Jewish Family and Children's Service of Greater Philadelphia and its community partners provide psychosocial, spiritual, and medical services to 6 apartment and condo complexes and 5 residential neighborhoods surrounding community centers, with the goal of creating a safe, dignified living environment for adults age 60 and over so that they remain in their homes as long as possible. Five objectives are pursued: 1) to provide comprehensive, coordinate care through interdisciplinary teams providing social services, nursing, chaplaincy, and psychiatry; 2) to provide low-cost, practical interventions such as group lunches and workshops, home maintenance and repair, and support groups; 3) to increase participation of residents through such activities as the recruitment and support of volunteers and transportation; 4) to evaluate the impact of services; and 5) to disseminate information locally and nationwide. An important component of the project is an ongoing evaluation conducted by the Department of Health Policy at Thomas Jefferson University, measuring improvements in the health and wellness of participants.

IOWA DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS

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Des Moines, IA 50309-3609

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Project Period: 09/01/2002 - 02/28/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	1,480,500
FY 2003	980,584
FY 2004	981,177

This is a 3 year demonstration that will improve the system of home and community-based services (HCBS) in Iowa. The goal is a consumer-directed, seamless delivery system of community-based long-term care options for Iowa's consumers. The crux of this grant involves planning and consensus building and the development of a unified information system. Letters of support from the state Medicaid agency and the state Health department document their commitment to work with the State Unit on Aging (SUA) toward a more unified system of services. The objectives are: 1) to design a data management and service delivery system and gain consensus from key partners; 2) to develop reasonable and fair criteria for eligibility and participation in HCBS provided, including fees where appropriate; and 3) to determine rules, regulations, and laws to be revised and/or waived. Outcomes of the project are a data management system that allows better access to programs funded and administered through 3 state departments to elders and their caregivers in Iowa; client participation criteria developed for programs funded through the 3 state departments; rules, regulations, and laws identified to be changed and/or waived to improve access and efficiencies for elders and their caregivers, service providers, and government entities; increased personal empowerment and/or family control in planning and directing care; increased consumer and caregiver satisfaction; and a reasonable and fair criteria for eligibility. The products are a final report, an evaluation, and a unified data management information system.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2665 SOS Nutrition Project: MNT and Therapeutic Meals for Homebound Seniors with Three Chronic Diagnoses

Project Period: 09/30/2002 - 08/15/2006

MECKLENBURG COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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Charlotte, NC 28211-8211

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2002	927,973
FY 2004	686,049

The grantee, the Mecklenburg County Department of Social Services, supports this clinical trial of community-based medical nutrition therapy (MNT), in collaboration with the University of North Carolina Charlotte. Medical nutrition therapy is a benefit under Medicare that provides nutrition counseling for specific diseases, diabetes and renal disease. There is interest from Congress and the medical profession to also cover cardiovascular disease, specifically hypertension and dyslipidemia. The goal of this grant is to test two different community interventions associated with medical nutrition therapy. Project A is a controlled, randomized clinical trial with the goal of determining the efficacy/cost-effectiveness of medical nutrition therapy and therapeutic meals for homebound seniors with hypertension and dyslipidemia. Project B is a feasibility/demonstration project for the provision of Medicare reimbursed medical nutrition therapy and therapeutic meals to homebound seniors diagnosed with pre-end stage renal disease and/or diabetes. Project B will demonstrate how public social service agencies can establish and manage this Medicare funded service and demonstrate the ability of the aging network to integrate social and medical services. The evaluation of Project A will be an analysis of change in serum cholesterol and blood pressure, changes in food and nutrient intake, and cost-effectiveness. The evaluation of Project B will be a process evaluation for the implementation of medical nutrition therapy and therapeutic meals in the community. The expected outcomes of the two projects are improved community-based nutrition service interventions for older adults. Products are: a final report; an evaluation for Projects A and B; presentations at conferences, publications in peer-reviewed journals; and a "How-To" manual for the aging network.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2726 Seniors Parenting Again Program

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 07/01/2006

METROPOLITAN FAMILY SERVICES

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Chicago, IL 60604

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	220,631

Metropolitan Family Services proposes a one-year community-based program for low to moderate income seniors who are primary caregivers for children and adolescents. This office and home-based program will be located on the south side of Chicago, Illinois and target older adult residents of the Roseland, Pullman, West Pullman, Washington Heights, Morgan Park and Riverdale communities. The goal of the Seniors Parenting Again Program is to increase the capacity of senior caregivers to cope with their "parenting again" responsibilities. Program objectives are to: 1) reduce stress, depression, and anxiety; and 2) increase general well-being of caregivers raising children and adolescents. Products will include: family stabilization plans for senior parenting families; a senior parenting resource guide tailored to the specific communities in which families live; assessment tools, and evaluation tools. Products will be disseminated to the State, service providers, and seniors in the community.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2728 Creating a Seamless System of Care for Iowa's Aging Population

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 01/31/2006

DES MOINES UNIVERSITY

3200 Grand Avenue

Des Moines, IA 50312-0312

Contact: Alice Breemer (515)271-1657

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	481,078

The two primary purposes for this grant are: 1) to support the development of a comprehensive repository of information about Iowa's aging population; and 2) to create a web-based educational program for caregivers who provide daily services to Iowa's aging population. The curriculum of this training will be based on the needs profiled from the data repository. Two of the products resulting from this project will include: 1) a data warehouse, in which numerous databases containing information on the health care needs of older Iowans are stored and integrated; and 2) a web-based training program, for caregivers providing daily services for older Iowans. The availability of these products will be disseminated to all organizations participating in the project and to interested organizations outside of Iowa.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2729 Caregiver Resource Center - Fountain Square

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2006

UNIVERSITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

1400 East Hanna Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46227

Contact: Connie Beran

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	196,117
FY 2004	152,082
FY 2005	313,313

Caring for a loved one who is suffering from dementia, Alzheimer's, or any number of debilitating conditions or diseases is a labor of love. The Center for Aging and Community at the University of Indianapolis will create the Indianapolis Caregivers Resource Center-Fountain Square (ICRC-FS). ICRC-FS will provide holistic resources and support services to individuals and families assuming a caregiver role. Partnering with other community organizations in the southeast-side Indianapolis urban neighborhood of Fountain Square, ICRC-FS will identify caregivers in need of support and provide services to meet those needs. The overall objective of this ongoing program is to provide needed tools of intervention for caregivers in Fountain Square by involving and engaging multiple community organizations. Outcomes include increased knowledge of care and community resources, coping skills, the importance of self-care, and avoiding burnout; and decreased self-reported incidences of caregiver burnout and elderly mistreatment (self-neglect, abuse, and exploitation).

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2730 Senior Center Healthcare Coordinator Program

CITY OF ST. LOUIS
Department of Human Services
634 N. Grand - Seventh Floor
St. Louis, MO 63103

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 02/28/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	147,088

Contact: David P. P Sykora

The St. Louis Area Agency on Aging (AAA) will develop and implement a Senior Center Healthcare Coordinator Program that will create an organized system of health, wellness and nutrition programs, as well as medical and information services to improve the quality of life for seniors living in the City of St. Louis. The program's objectives are: 1) to increase the knowledge and understanding of healthcare issues by senior citizens; 2) to enhance the community services provided by senior centers; 3) to develop a supportive referral network; and 4) to provide community healthcare related education programs. The anticipated outcomes include: increased wellness of seniors; increased usage of healthcare providers; and improved ability of seniors to manage their own healthcare. The program will incorporate a recommended care plan, and a resource data bank. Upon completion of the 12-month project, information will be disseminated to partners, universities, community organizations and Area Agencies on Aging. The products are a final report; evaluation tools; assessment tools; and manuscripts.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2734 Southcare Home Services

SOUTHCARE NURSING CENTER INC.
PO Box 967
Glenside, PA 19038-0513

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	490,292
FY 2005	24,478

Contact: David Dobson (215)205-1754

Southcare Home Service (SHS) will demonstrate an innovative model of home-based care for the elderly, focused on enhancing health, safety and quality of life for frail, isolated seniors, while lowering the cost and facilitating consumer-directed care. The project will emphasize highly targeted nutritional and home safety interventions that will significantly reduce the risk of nursing home placement and costly hospital stays. SHS will provide an integrated "umbrella" program including: 1) home delivered meals and nutritional counseling and support focused on reducing obesity and diabetic problems; 2) non-medical homemaker and companion services, as well as respite for caregivers; 3) handyman services for minor home repairs, safety modifications, and general life safety maintenance of owner occupied housing; and 4) transportation to aid in the prevention of medical and nutritional problems. The project is expected to demonstrate an innovative model of service delivery, which will reduce the cost of services. In addition, it also will demonstrate opportunities for senior employment, volunteerism, and activity to improve the quality of life.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2735 NORC Demonstration -- Chicago

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 09/30/2007

JEWISH FEDERATION OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO

One South Franklin Street

Chicago, IL 60606-0606

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	245,146
FY 2004	98,118
FY 2005	146,866

The Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, through its affiliate, the Council for Jewish Elderly, is conducting a demonstration of supportive services for seniors aging in place in two communities. One is in a condo neighborhood on the north side of the City of Chicago and the second is in a condo complex in a Southside Chicago suburb. The program goals are to: (1) enhance the ability of seniors in the targeted Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) buildings to continue living independently in the community through increased access to needed supportive services; (2) enhance healthy aging for older adults through NORC services, programs and community involvement; and (3) establish a framework that will facilitate senior's use of the services/programs and sustain their involvement. The project objectives are: (1) create a project infrastructure; (2) select NORC sites; (3) develop connections with community, social and recreational service providers; (3) establish relationships with building residents and assess needs; (5) provide on-site service provision; (6) enhance program through continual assessment, evaluation and collaboration with local community organizations; and (7) disseminate information about the program. Anticipated outcomes at the time of project completion are: (1) 80 percent of NORC residents surveyed will indicate that their awareness of an ability to access services and programs has increased; (2) 80 percent of NORC residents will indicate that their knowledge of aging issues has increased; and (3) 70 percent of NORC residents will indicate that they perceive an opportunity for expanded involvement in their building community and the community at large. Program products include presentations at local, state and national organizations; a monthly calendar and a quarterly newsletter for resident participants; web pages, and a final report that includes data and analysis of resident assessment and program impact evaluation.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2736 NORC Continuation Grant

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2008

GREATER MIAMI JEWISH FEDERATION

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	490,292
FY 2004	245,294
FY 2005	97,910

The Greater Miami Jewish Federation, along with the Jewish Federations of Broward County, South Palm Beach County and Palm Beach, are conducting a demonstration of the provision of services and activities in five age-restricted residential communities in four counties in Southeastern Florida. The goal is to increase resident access to services, which improve their quality of life and enable them to function more effectively in their homes, thereby reducing the need for extended institutional long term care. Objectives include: 1) establishment of agreements and working relationships with apartment and condominium management agencies and boards for on-site location of staff and creation of program services and activities; 2) assessment of resident needs and priorities for group activities and individual services; 3) planning and delivery of activities and services for each program site; 4) expansion and use neighborhood councils to promote information about services and assist in outreach; 5) recruitment, training and support of volunteers to assist residents; 6) evaluation of program implementation and resident involvement; and 7) dissemination of program findings and achievements. Anticipated program outcomes include: 1) a demonstration that neighborhood organization of services reaches more people and is more efficient than existing and traditional forms of service delivery; 2) a demonstration that community support and involvement improves access and utilization of services; and 3) increased community and resident awareness of the availability and value of aging in place services and activities. Anticipated products include information materials and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2738 Las Vegas Senior Lifeline

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2006

Jewish Federation of Las Vegas
2317 Renaissance Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89119

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	637,380
FY 2005	244,776

Contact: Beth Miller (702)732-0556

The Jewish Federation of Las Vegas and its partners are conducting a project demonstration creating a supportive service program for older adults aging in place in Las Vegas neighborhoods. The goal of the project is to provide senior citizens the necessary tools and support systems to continue living an independent lifestyle in their own homes with an increased quality of life as they age in place. Service components include congregate and delivered meals, medical prescription and supplies, homemaker services, transportation, environmental home improvement, and home technology. Objectives are: 1) to improve the quality and direction of services being delivered in the key areas of component services; and 2) to compile, evaluate and disseminate information about the development and the effectiveness of Las Vegas Senior Lifeline. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) a network of services for older adults; and 2) identification and evaluation of cost effective high tech resources which contribute to seniors remaining in their own home. Key partners are the United Way of Southern Nevada, Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada, the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, Intel Corporation, Nevada State Department of Aging, and the Regional Transportation Authority. Anticipated products include assessment and evaluation tools, web pages, and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2739 Supportive Communities

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 10/31/2007

JEWISH FEDERATION OF METROPOLITAN DETROIT
6735 Telegraph Road
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	441,263
FY 2005	489,552

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The Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit's Commission on Jewish Eldercare Services (COJES) is conducting a demonstration of supportive services to older adults aging in place in the suburban communities of Oak Park and Southfield, Michigan. The project goal is to develop programming in Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs) which will: 1) enable older adults to age in place; 2) enhance their quality of life; and 3) involve older adults in and strengthen their community. Major objectives: 1) maintain a team of professional staff and partnership agencies to provide supportive services; 2) empower older adult residents through resident councils, volunteer opportunities and community events; 3) develop and maintain neighborhood partnerships and collaborations; 4) develop intergenerational and older adult programming activities; 5) provide social services and link older residents to community resources; 5) provide transportation services; 6) explore and develop new programming; and 6) evaluate and disseminate information about the program to local and national audiences. Measurable outcomes include: 1) increased ability of older adults to live in their own homes through access and use of services; 2) increased engagement of non-senior community residents with older adult neighbors; and 3) increased involvement of older adults in their community; 4) non-senior community residents more involved, providing more supports for older residents; and 6) the latter group more involved & contributing to the community. The plan is to create a replicable model, conduct formal evaluation with AoA and NORC grantees & disseminate results to community groups seeking ways to support older adults to remain in the community.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2740 Atlanta NORC Demonstration Projects

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 12/31/2006

JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER ATLANTA, INC.

1440 Spring Street, NW

Atlanta, GA 30309

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	98,058
FY 2004	73,588
FY 2005	97,910

The Jewish Federation of Greater Atlanta, together with a coalition of community, state, and county partners, is conducting a supportive service demonstration to meet the needs of communities in Greater Atlanta and Savannah, Georgia, which have high concentrations of older adults living in their homes. The project's goal is to build the capacity of older adults to age in place and the community's capacity to support them in this process. The project is working in four sites in Atlanta, three with disproportionately high percentage of older adults over the age of 85, and one with a high percentage of older adults living below the poverty line. Major objectives are: 1) building individual capacity to age at home through addressing service provision and environmental issues; 2) building neighborhood capacity to support aging at home through support networks and a neighborhood advisory council; and 3) building a more "elder friendly" community through working with organization, businesses and religious institutions to more effectively service older adults. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) an assessment of the needs and resources of older adults in each community; 2) an identification of service gaps and establishment of new initiatives to meet them; 3) neighborhood institutions with a better understanding of their older adult consumers' needs; and 4) new partnerships and volunteer opportunities that address the needs of older adults. The project will share its best practices and evaluation findings being conducted by Georgia State University, with local, state and national audiences.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2741 AgeWell - Promoting Senior Independence Through Community NORC Interventions

Project Period: 08/01/2003 - 07/31/2006

UNITED JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER PITTSBURGH

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Pittsburgh, PA 15213

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	245,146
FY 2004	245,294
FY 2005	97,910

The United Jewish Federation of Pittsburgh and its partners, the Jewish Association on Aging, the Jewish Community Center of Greater Pittsburgh, and the Jewish Family and Children's Service, are conducting a four year demonstration project of service delivery to older adults aging in place in selected census tract neighborhoods of Pittsburgh. The program goal is to assure that older adults and their families are aware of, and have access to all available programs and services that will help older adults remain independent and safe for as long as possible in their own homes. Project objectives are: 1) assess the needs for supportive services of at risk older residents; 2) provide support for caregivers of frail older adults; 3) strengthen the capacity and relationships between program partners; 4) support service access activities, including case management and information referral services; and 5) evaluate and disseminate information about the program. Anticipated outcomes include: 1) older adults and their families will demonstrate a high degree of awareness of available services and the ability to access them; and 2) the AgeWell model will be expanded, improved and marketed to the public as a virtual seamless program of services and not as a collaborative effort of different agencies. Products will include development of materials for presentation to local organizations, government agencies, foundations and national professional organizations; a final report of care teams; and continued work with Unicentric to enhance the database and system reporting capabilities.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2742 Comprehensive Approach to Aging in Place (CAP)

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 06/30/2008

JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	1,176,701
FY 2005	979,104

The Jewish Federation of Washington and its community partners are conducting a multi-year demonstration program of supportive services to older residents aging in place in suburban apts. & condominiums. Goals: help seniors age 60 and over cope with daily activities; feel personally safe; engage in social, educational & recreational activities; and ensure access & availability of wellness services, enabling independent living in their own homes as long as feasible. Objectives include: 1) develop and implement services and supports for seniors in accordance with the program goal, and transitioning into a fee for service model; 2) recruit and train intergenerational volunteers to provide support to senior neighbors; 3) reach out to residents of Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities to promote programs and services, provide information/referrals, and address neighborhood issues impacting quality of life; 4) involve community organizations and landlords in support and participation with seniors; 5) provide transportation to increase independence and community engagement; and 6) evaluate program components and their impact on participants & disseminate findings to local, state & national audiences. Anticipated outcomes: 1) improved availability and effectiveness of necessary and desired services for seniors living in targeted residential buildings; 2) identification of the value seniors place on for fee services; and 3) determination of the value landlords & management companies place on ensuring tenant stability through customized service provision. The Research Institute on Aging of the Hebrew Home of Greater Washington conducted a formal needs assessment of older residents in five apartments in Silver Spring and Rockville, MD. This information and data has been used to develop programming and modify delivery of services, and will be used to evaluate the impact of programming on the behavior and perceived changes in participant quality of life.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2743 Older Communities in Transition

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 06/30/2007

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES OF LOS ANGELES

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	490,292
FY 2005	636,418

The Living Independently in a Friendly Environment program gives older adults the resources and support needed to remain independent in their community as they age in place. The program was initiated with support of an AoA earmark FY2003 grant and continues its implementation objectives, which are: 1) collaborating with other service providers to enhance existing services and build new ones; 2) increasing access to services; and 3) disseminating information to increase community awareness and support of aging adults. The program is being implemented in two geographically defined urban communities within the greater Los Angeles area, each with very different cultural and residential profiles. The City of West Hollywood includes 6,400 older adults 65 years and older. While predominately white, more than half of 882 responding to an assessment speak Russian as their primary language. The apartment community of Park La Brea includes 1,500 older persons age 65 and older. Also predominately white, less than 25% of Park La Brea elderly who responded to an assessment indicated they spoke Russian, and less than 2 percent spoke it as a primary language. Program implementation stresses a proactive approach to empowering seniors to become decision makers in their communities, with emphasis on their involvement in program planning, implementation and volunteer support of services. The program offers a "basket of services" to enrollees that includes educational programs and brochures, health and wellness activities, information and referral, socialization/recreational activities, transportation, volunteer programs, fall prevention programs, outreach to homebound and underserved populations, and home safety assistance. Evaluation of program outcomes is being conducted by the University of Southern California. Targeted outcomes: decreased isolation, increased home safety, increased access to healthcare, and creation of more integrated service delivery systems.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2744 St. Louis Park: A Nurturing Community for Seniors

JEWISH FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES OF MINNEAPOLIS

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Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 02/28/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	833,497
FY 2005	97,910

The Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis and its 13 organizational partners are conducting a demonstration of supportive services and activities for older residents of two suburbs and a county adjacent to the City of Minneapolis - the Cities of St. Louis Park and Hopkins and Carver County, Minnesota. The project goal is to create an environment that nurtures healthy aging and helps older adults remain independent for as long as possible in their own homes with the activities and services they need to be healthy, safe, engaged citizens. Current project objectives are to: 1) reach out to isolated seniors in need of community support; 2) enhance information and referral through education and technology; 3) encourage and support intergenerational special projects; 4) create and encourage a self-sustain service program model; 5) evaluate program outcomes; and 6) write a replication guide. Measurable outcomes are: 1) data from a community survey measuring participant involvement and outcomes; 2) completion of a replication guide; 3) documentation of coordinated and enhanced resources for seniors; 4) numbers of isolated seniors connected to activities and services; 5) operation of an intergenerational special project; and 6) identification and engagement of community stakeholders to assume responsibility for sustaining program activity after federal funding. The project focuses on health, safety and personal engagement as the pivotal areas that will prevent premature institutional placement, and targets the most isolated residents, while involving the whole community.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2747 Technology Supported Health Promotions for Community Based Seniors: Healthy Town

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION HEALTHCARE PARTNERS OF OHIO

2500 East 22nd Street

Cleveland, OH 44115-3204

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 06/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	490,221
FY 2005	244,775

The Visiting Nurse Association Healthcare Partners of Ohio, in collaboration with the University of Akron and three Ohio Area Agencies on Aging, will conduct a 17-month community-based program for older adults. The goal of the project is to deliver health promotion/disease prevention interventions to 800 older adults who reside in a 13-county target area in Ohio. Outreach workers will conduct interventions using innovative software on laptop computers. Participants will be screened for adherence to disease prevention guidelines and risks related to mental health, falls, nutrition and injury. Expected outcomes include: improved prevention behaviors by individual participants, comprehensive prevention health planning for the regional target age group, and the development of a standardized intervention. Evaluation will include a follow-up survey conducted by University of Akron researchers. The intervention software, final report, manuscripts for publication and web page information will be made available to direct service organizations and Area Agencies on Aging.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2750 Florida's Minority Elders: An Assessment of Physical and Mental Health Service Needs

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

Division of Research Grants

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Contact: Kathryn Hyer

Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 12/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	392,234
FY 2005	979,104

Disparities in the health and service utilization patterns of ethnic minority groups are evident in the research literature. Policymakers, however, lack data on the key indicators of physical and mental health needs and the barriers to services faced by these elders. The current project will address this problem by collecting such data through a survey of a representative sample of older African Americans, Cubans, other Hispanics, and Caucasians. A carefully designed, culturally appropriated instrument will be used to conduct telephone interviews (in English and Spanish) with a sample of 2600 respondents (650 of each group). Data collected from the participants will be used to identify differences between ethnic groups and subgroups, physical and mental health disparities, and service needs and barriers to services. The results will be disseminated to government agencies, organizations, academics, and the public through reports. The findings will be used to develop policies and practices that reduce gaps between health and long-term care needs and services, which will begin to ameliorate disparities of health status among elderly in different ethnic minority populations. As the first step in the development of a minority aging program involving five Florida universities (USF, FSU, UF, FM, and FMU), this project will be used to create an agenda for the program, including additional research, policy analyses, and development of public education initiatives to be conducted in the coming years.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2775 Senior Rx Program for Dale County, Alabama

DALE COUNTY COMMISSION

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Project Period: 09/30/2003 - 09/29/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2003	39,223

The goal of this Dale County proposal is to use the program to assist Senior Citizens, who live within the ten municipalities in Dale County, to obtain free medications or pay a lower price for their prescriptions. There are seven counties (Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry and Houston) participating in this program. The objectives are: 1) to accept applications to employ 4 to 5 employees; and 2) to conduct two training seminars in order for the employees to be qualified to process the applications for the applicants. The applicants will be given a full description of the program by radio, television, telephone, etc. The program will be managed by Julie Jones, (Clerk/Supervisor) who is employed by Dale County Commission, and also has worked with the elderly on different programs for over seventeen years. The number of clients processed daily and other information will be kept on file. Within the seven counties, results of the program will be shared quarterly at our Southern Alabama Regional Council On Aging/Area Agency meetings. Work Plans Daily will be filled out and followed. The overall Senior Rx Program is to assist low income elderly persons with their prescription drugs.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2818 New Mexico NORC Project

Project Period: 09/01/2003 - 08/31/2007

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE
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Albuquerque, NM 87109

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	514,984
FY 2005	489,552

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The Jewish Family Service in Albuquerque is conducting a three year demonstration project of supportive services programs for older adults aging in place in four urban, suburban and rural communities in New Mexico. The project goal is to enhance physical and emotional well-being through social, educational, and health-related services identified with community partners and community residents. The project objectives are to: 1) develop and sustain collaborative partnerships with neighborhood associations, housing facilities, for and not-for profit organizations, and with state and local government agencies; 2) implement the project in four locations, which includes three rent supported apartments in Albuquerque, a 250 unity condominium in the nearby town of Rio Rancho, a 250 home single family housing development in Albuquerque, and the rural isolated community of Ft. Sumner; 3) implement enhanced homemaker/housekeeper and handyman services; 4) develop on-site mental health counseling services; 5) enhance on-site fitness programming to minimize fall-related injuries; 6) create a recognizable name for the program, which includes outreach, case management and services; and 7) evaluate and disseminate information that measures changes in participant's health behaviors and emotional well-being and the quality of service delivery. Periodic assessments of service and activity participants are conducted to determine quality and effectiveness in meeting project objectives and the goal of enhancing physical and emotional well-being. Project progress, results and lessons learned will be distributed to local, state and national audiences, including the New Mexico state legislature and Department of Aging and Long-Term Care Services.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2833 A Demonstration Project to Increase Access to Social Services by Indian Elders

NATIONAL INDIAN COUNCIL ON AGING
Administration
10501 Montgomery Blvd, NE
Albuquerque, NM 87111

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	735,883

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The primary goal of the National Indian Council on Aging's (NICOA) Washington State Demonstration Project is to increase the number of Indian elders who access needed health and social services (including Veterans benefits) in the State of Washington. Providing individualized training and support to members of Indian communities to enable them to identify, contact and effectively assist elders in obtaining benefits, has the potential to simultaneously address many of the barriers faced. This strategy will allow needs identification and responses to be customized for each community, acknowledging that generalized training and service approaches are often limited in addressing the unique sets of needs and behaviors of individual tribes. Although the proposed demonstration project is only for the state of Washington, NICOA expects that the methods and strategies developed, tested and documented through this project can be replicated by American Indian and Alaska Native tribes nationally.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2835 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Targeting Riviera and Warwick Facilities

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 06/30/2006

Jewish Federation of Atlantic & Cape May Counties
501 N. Jerome Avenue
Margate, NJ 08402

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	122,647

Contact: David Nussbaum (609)822-4404

Jewish Federation of Atlantic and Cape May Counties in New Jersey will conduct a 17 month demonstration of social, health and case management service delivery to older adult residents of two apartment buildings on the Southern edge of Atlantic City, New Jersey. Nearly 60% of the residents of the Riviera Apartments and Warwick Condominiums are age 60. Many of them were displaced in their 40's and 50's with the expansion of gambling casinos. The project will include partnership with the Atlantic County's Office of Aging, Jewish Family Service, Beron Jewish Older Adult Services, Seashore Gardens Living Center and the Jewish Community Center, with the guidance of a governing council. To attain its goals of sustaining resident functioning, increasing socialization, and community tenure, the project will organize residents and provide support for addressing their social, medical and emotional issues. A care coordinator will serve as a focal point for provider access, and will staff the governing council consisting of residents (as majority members) and representatives of partnering organizations. Recreational, meal and other community services will be provided in the neighborhood community center. Chore, emergency homecare, home delivered meals and visiting nurse services will be delivered in the residences by professionals and a cadre of volunteers. Special attention will be given to care management of resident's transition home following a hospitalization. Evaluation activities will focus on ten areas of functioning, on the monitoring of medical hospitalizations and community tenure, and tracking connectedness of residents with respect to volunteer and recreational activities.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2836 Independence for Seniors

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 10/31/2006

Jewish Family Services, Inc.
6718 Patterson Avenue
Richmond, VA 23226-3914

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	196,235

Contact: Larry D Jackson (804)282-5644

Jewish Family Services, Inc. of Richmond, Virginia and its collaborative agencies, Commonwealth Catholic Charities and Richmond Better Housing Coalition, will conduct a 17 month demonstration project of services to low and fixed income older adults in two Richmond neighborhoods in order to keep them independent and healthy in their own homes, as long as possible. A third site, in Southwestern Virginia (Roanoke), will be included in project activities through affiliation with Commonwealth Catholic Charities. In all sites, the goal of maintaining independence will be met by integrating social services, socialization and educational activities, and health and wellness in the daily lives of residents. Key elements of the project include outreach and involvement of residents and management stakeholders, and formation of resident advisory boards at each site. They will help project staff conduct and interpret needs assessment surveys of residents to identify priority, resident specific services, which are expected to include case management, bill paying, transportation, in-home care, health and wellness activities, and educational and recreational activities promoting socialization.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2837 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Tidewater Demonstration Project

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 10/31/2007

Jewish Family Service of Tidewater, Inc.
260 Grayson Rd
Virginia Beach, VA 23462

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	171,705

Contact: Betty Ann Levy (754)893-111

Jewish Family Service of Tidewater of Norfolk, Virginia, and its partnership agencies, the Jewish Community Center of South Hampton Roads and Senior Services of Southeastern Virginia, will conduct a 17 month demonstration project of services to isolated older residents in two apartment complexes in Norfolk and Virginia Beach, Virginia. A 2003 study of elderly in the Tidewater region revealed over 10,000 with a self-care disability and 15,000 elderly over age 75 living alone. Analysis of these findings revealed a number of locations with unusually high concentrations of profiled adults with limited access to community services, accentuated by language and cultural differences. Based on the experience of work with subsidized apartments and lessons from other urban NORC (Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities) programs, this project will work with community service providers, property owners, businesses and other neighborhood residents to bring social, health care and recreational services to the residents of Colony Point in Norfolk and Old Donation in Virginia Beach. Guidance for development of programs in each facility will be given by community advisory committees, including representation of residents and collaborating agencies and organizations. One of the key partnerships is with the local Area Agency on Aging for expanded transportation services - both for instrumental needs, such as grocery shopping and medical appointments, and to reach community activity centers. Volunteers will be recruited from residents and neighbors to strengthen intergenerational ties, while providing services.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2838 A Caring Approach to a Commonplace Continuum: Aging in Place in the Suburbs of New Jersey

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

United Jewish Communities of MetroWest, New Jersey
Planning Program Services
901 Route 10
Whippany, NJ 07981

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	196,235

Contact: Diane Klein (973)929-3094

United Jewish Communities of MetroWest New Jersey will conduct a 12 month demonstration project in community organization, service coordination and service provision for well and frail elderly in a section of suburban Parsippany, New Jersey, with the goal of maximizing their independence and having them remain in their own homes as long as possible. The project will be a testing ground for a suburban services model of supportive services in Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities developed in urban settings. The challenge for addressing older adults in suburban areas, in terms of structuring community building and integrated service delivery, is their critical mass. This project borders 5 census tracts, and is 4 miles long and 2 miles wide. This includes approximately 1,150 adults age 75 and older, with varying levels of disability, income and English speaking ability. Metro-West will work with the Morris County Division on Aging and the Parsippany Department of Human Services, with local service providers, and churches and synagogues to increase a sense of community and increase outreach to the most isolated. Key partners in interpreting assessment data and planning services are the Jewish Community Center, Jewish Vocational Service, Jewish Family Service, Daughters of Israel and Volunteers of Morris County. Initial assessments indicate that priority needs will be case management, companion and chore services, friendly visitation, geriatric nurse practitioner home visits, transportation, and telephone reassurance. A featured activity will be working with other United Jewish Federations and local AARP chapters in New Jersey to develop a cadre of advocates for seniors in the state.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2839 The Jewish Family and Children's Service Senior Community Care Program

JEWISH FAMILY & CHILDREN'S SERVICE OF
SOUTHERN ARIZONA, INC.

4301 East Fifth Street
Tucson, AZ 85711-2016

Contact: Nancy A Alexander

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	196,235

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Southern Arizona is conducting a demonstration of supportive services for elderly residents in the east central area of Tucson, Arizona, using concepts developed in other Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) settings. The goal is to empower the community to engage and recognize older adults as valued members of the community and enable them to continue to maintain their independence, while aging in place. This project addresses these issues using community organization and consumer direction as key elements, looking at older neighborhoods of the east-central region of Tucson, which typically have single-family homes and small rental units built before 1980, but which include several age segregated senior Housing and Urban Development projects. Residents living within the geographic boundaries of the project have lower than average incomes, and higher rates of disability and impairments. The neighborhoods have limited transportation and community services (e.g. no senior center) and have concentrations of immigrants from the former Soviet Union with language and acculturation issues. An advisory board of residents and community partners, including the Pima Council on Aging, Handmaker Jewish Services for the Aging, the Jewish Community Center, United Way, Pima Health Systems, Family Counseling Agency, and the University of Arizona Center on Aging, help identify specific needs, create community involvement and plan delivery of services. The major challenges are lack of transportation, and linking residents to information about neighborhood services and resources in culturally and linguistically appropriate ways.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2840 Supportive Senior Outreach Program

Jewish Family & Children's Service of Sarasota-Manatee,
2688 Fruitville Road
Sarasota, FL 34237

Contact: Pam Baron (941)366-2224

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	220,764
FY 2005	73,433

Jewish Family & Children's Service of Sarasota-Manatee, Inc. in Sarasota, Florida and its collaborative partners, Catholic Charities, and Senior Friendship Center are conducting a supportive services demonstration project for older adults in selected age restricted complexes and communities in Sarasota County, enabling them to remain in their own homes. Nearly a third of residents in the county (30%) are age 75, with nearly half living alone. Despite this high proportion, the county does not have definable neighborhoods with higher concentrations of elders, making it difficult to reach those who are isolated and unaware of community resources in order to determine their needs and coordinate necessary services. The partners have established a Supportive Seniors Outreach Council to plan outreach activities and help the grantee engage other organizations, agencies, institutions and businesses in volunteer and educational activities concerning the challenges of older adults living alone. One emphasis is on reaching older adults who have, or are at risk of, depression and other emotional disorders, and on providing counseling, case management, volunteer visitations and/or emergency financial assistance to them. An evaluation of the first year's performance, conducted by the University of South Florida, indicates that participants are satisfied with the programs activities and services and believe they are helpful in maintaining their independence.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2841 Crossroads NORC Demonstration Project

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 01/31/2006

Jewish Family Service

1601 16th Avenue

Seattle, WA 98122

Contact: Donald R Armstrong (206)861-3165

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	147,177

Jewish Family Service of Seattle, Washington, will conduct a 17 month comprehensive health promotion demonstration project in the Crossroads neighborhood of Bellevue, Washington. The three residential areas targeted within this neighborhood have a high concentration of older adults, but are diverse in their type of housing, place of birth and facility with the English language. They include immigrant elders from the former Soviet Union who live in two apartment complexes (Elbert House and Cascadian Apartments), and East Asians and American born elders predominately living in single family residences within a geographically defined census block. A variety of health promotional activities will be offered through partnership with the management of the apartment houses, the local Area Agency on Aging, and the School of Nursing at the University of Washington. Bi-lingual outreach workers and staff of the Asian Counseling and Referral Service will help a nurse practitioner access older residents, in order to conduct on-site health screenings and provide referral and advocacy services. Other activities planned include collection and development of multilingual health education materials, health fairs, short educational programs, physical fitness program and implementation of a fall prevention program.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2842 Services to Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Seniors in Indianapolis

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 01/31/2007

Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis

6905 Hoover Road

Indianapolis, IN 46260

Contact: Ann Allen (317)259-6822

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	829,094

The Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis, Eldersource, and the Jewish Community Relations Council of Indianapolis are collaborating on a demonstration project of two supportive service aging in place models for older adults living in the Indianapolis Metropolitan area. Using lessons learned from other Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs), one model is targeting and delivering services to older residents of an apartment complex. A second model is serving a geographic area with a mixed array of single family and multi-family housing. Both models share the goal of decreasing isolation, promoting independence and increasing access to community organizations and services. Intergenerational support networks, created with the assistance of neighborhood councils, are recruiting volunteers who will assist in the operation and conduct of transportation, social activities, dissemination of information on programs and services, and in-home services. Service needs of individuals, mediated by care coordinators, will be met by both the collaborative agencies and other community organizations who are members of an advisory committee. These agencies and organizations include St. Vincent's Hospital, United Way of Central Indiana, Home Services Unlimited, the University of Indianapolis' Center on Aging, CICOA In-Home Services, Hooverwood, Park Regency, and ATAIN, a technology assistance agency created by the Indiana Division of Disability, Aging and Rehabilitative Services.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2843 Aging in Place - In Search of Community

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

Jewish Family Service of Buffalo and Erie County
70 Barker Street
Buffalo, NY 14209

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	98,118
FY 2005	48,955

Contact: Marlene A Schillinger (716)883-1914

Jewish Family Service of Buffalo and Erie County is collaborating with partner agencies, the Amherst Center for Senior Services and the Jewish Community Center of Greater Buffalo, to conduct a demonstration of supportive services for older adults living in two adjoining neighborhoods. These neighborhoods are in the central corridor of Buffalo and a suburban community within the Township of Amherst, located immediately northeast of the city. The project goal is to promote maximum independence and encourage community awareness, social integration, and volunteerism, in order to support aging in place of older residents. Project objectives are: 1) outreach to neighborhood organizations and businesses to become program supporters and partners; 2) outreach to older adult residents, assessing their needs and making referrals and linkages to supportive services; 3) increase opportunities for social inclusion and promote volunteer initiatives; and 4) compile and disseminate information about the development, implementation and evaluation of a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) without walls service model. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) needs assessment data on older residents; 2) indicators that the community and its organizations have increased their support for aging in place; and 3) evaluation data supporting the efficacy of the NORC without walls intervention.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2844 Falls Prevention Program

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 01/31/2006

Jewish Seniors Agency of Rhode Island
229 Waterman Street
Providence, RI 02906-5212

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	49,059

Contact: Susette Rabinowitz (401)351-4750

The Jewish Seniors Agency of Rhode Island will conduct a 17 month falls prevention program for residents of a 153 unit, two apartment building complex in Providence, Rhode Island. Residents will be visited by graduate students from the University of Rhode Island Geriatric Education Center and the College of Pharmacy Outreach Program, who will identify environmental hazards and conduct comprehensive prescription drug reviews in order to avoid interactions known to be risk factors associated with falls. The senior housing complex will also be a test site for a Tai Chi exercise program, under sponsorship of the Rhode Island Long-Term Care Coordination Council, to strengthen muscle tone, improve gait and increase balance. A final report will document participant gains in balance and agility and reduction of falls during the grant period.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2845 Providing Services to Facilitate Aging in Place

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 01/31/2006

Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado
300 S. Dahila St. Suite 300
Denver, CO 80246-8136

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	194,924

Contact: Cathy Grimm (303)316-6490

Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado, in partnership with Jewish Family Service of Colorado, conducted an aging in place, supportive services demonstration for older adult residents in two Denver, Colorado high-rise apartment complexes. The primary goal of the project was to enhance physical and emotional well-being of resident older adults, to sustain their independence. Allied Jewish Apartments is an age segregated (age 62 and over), low income apartment complex of approximately 400 units, with 420 residents in its three buildings. Most (3/4ths) residents are age 70 and over, with half born in the old Soviet Union. It has a relatively high turnover rate created by residents leaving for higher care facilities. Crestmoor Downs Apartments is a moderate income, age-integrated complex of seven low rise apartments and townhouses with 300 older residents. An advisory committee, consisting of residents, apartment complex staff and administrators and project staff, was formed in each complex for the purpose of defining goals, identifying interventions, and providing oversight. Services were coordinated through care managers, who worked directly with residents and helped them identify and select service needs, including residence modification, home and personal care, transportation, medical care, and recreational and educational opportunities. Residents had access to information, referral and advocacy services to help them understand the services and resources in the community, and provide assistance with applications for benefits. A final report, written by the Center for Policy Research, included information on 307 seniors who participated in the demonstration, as well as post-program assessments of 80 residents who reported high levels of participation and satisfaction with services.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2846 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Supportive Services Program

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2007

Jewish Family Service of Rochester, Inc.
441 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14607

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	98,118
FY 2005	48,955

Contact: Janet Sunkin (585)461-0110

Jewish Family Service of Rochester, in partnership with other community organizations, is conducting a demonstration of supportive services for older adults aging in place in two apartment complexes in suburban areas of Rochester, New York. The project goal is to enable older adults to access a continuum of supportive services, including transportation, social services and activities, which will keep them independent and connected to their community. Project objectives are: 1) conduct outreach to residents; 2) create resident's councils; 3) provide information and referral to social services and community resources; and 4) increase opportunities for volunteer activities. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) an increase in the ability of older adult residents to conduct activities of daily living and stay connected to their community; and 2) an increase in the ability of older adult residents to access services and engage in activities that improve their physical and mental well-being. Project evaluation is being performed by the University of Rochester Graduate School of Nursing.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2847 Aging in Place in Bergen County, New Jersey

UJA Federation of Northern New Jersey
Strategic Planning and Allocation
11 Kinderkamack Road
River Edge, NJ 07661

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	196,235

Contact: Alan P Sweifach (201)488-6800 364

United Jewish Appeal Federation of Northern New Jersey will conduct a 17 month demonstration project of health and supportive services for adults aging in place in suburban neighborhoods and towns. UJA provides programs and services for residents of low and high rise urban apartments buildings and complexes within traditional Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCS). The goal is to deliver locally based, in or near-home services that improve and maintain the physical well-being, socialization and general quality of life for older adults within the catchment area served by the Federation, which includes more than 10,000 persons over the age of 85. A major challenge for residents of the 4 towns targeted in this suburban area is limited public transportation, which seldom crosses municipal lines. Older adults, who are frail and/or living alone with a minimal social support network, will be provided access to an array of services, including case management; social, cultural, educational, recreational, and wellness programs; nutritionally balanced meals; adult daycare; home health care; and outpatient rehabilitation. Service delivery will build on the existing partnership between the Federation and beneficiary agencies and expand to include local and county government, additional social service agencies and older adult social and advocacy groups. Project collaboration will be guided by members of the Federation's Council for Older Adults, who include staff and lay leaders of the Bergen County Young Jewish Community Center, Jewish Community Center on the Palisades, Jewish Family Service, and the Jewish Home and Rehabilitation Center.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2848 Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Demonstration Project

Jewish Federation of Ocean County
301 Madison Avenue
Lakewood, NJ 08701

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 02/28/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	245,294

Contact: Danny Goldberg (732)363-0530

The Jewish Federation of Ocean County, New Jersey will conduct a 17 month demonstration of social, health and case management service delivery to older adult residents living in three "gated", age-restricted adult communities built prior to 1985 in Ocean County. A 2002 needs assessment of older adults living in Ocean County found that as residents of active adult communities age, they become increasingly isolated from friends and neighborhood services, in part because public transportation routes do not extend into their communities. This project will create a model for connecting at risk and frail residents of gated communities with supportive services of local institutions, resident associations and local businesses. Partnership organizations include Caregivers, Inc., Ocean County Community College, Community Services, Inc., and the Ocean County Department of Senior Services. The project will feature the development of new volunteer opportunities for older residents working with existing resident councils, including training to assist in planning new programs for socialization, health and wellness, learning and nutrition. A primary role for resident volunteers will be to help form caregiver, bereavement and social support groups which are available for isolated individuals living outside of gated communities. Special efforts will be made to reconnect residents to the services and organizations supported by the Ocean County Senior Services (Area Agency on Aging). Anticipated challenges to the success of the project include the cost of transportation to county activity and service centers, the ability to maintain positive relationships with the community resident councils who wish to retain their community (and property value) images as active adult communities, and the sustainability of the project after federal funding.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2849 The Madison Area Continuing Care Consortium (MACCC) NORC Project

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

Oakwood Lutheran Homes Association, Inc.
6201 Mineral Point Road
Madison, WI 53705

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	343,412

Contact: John A Noreika (608)692-8486

The Madison Area Continuing Care Consortium, with its member organization Oakwood Lutheran Homes serving as fiscal agent, will conduct a 17 month demonstration project developing a community-based supportive services program for a five census tract residential urban area in Dane County, Wisconsin, which includes 3,442 residents age 65 and older. The demonstration will also fund the extension of this program to two low-income neighborhoods in a second phase, which will be completed with foundation and private funding. The goal of developing a comprehensive integrated community-based system of care for older adults will be reached through coordination of the consortium's three continuing care retirement communities with community-based providers, and establishment of associations of residents living outside the consortium communities. The faculty and students of University of Wisconsin and Edgewood College will facilitate the integration process through all phases of the program, and beyond federal funding. To meet the goal of improving the quality of life of older adults and reduce the cost of care through improved coordination between medical and social service providers, the project expects to enroll at least 2,000 residents as members of a senior association. It is hoped that by invoking a modest sliding scale fee that guarantees core services and offering wellness and prevention activities, more affluent elders will become members and help subsidize the participation costs of lower income participants.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2850 Supportive Services in Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

Jewish Family & Children's Service, Inc., Boston, MA
Senior Service
31 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	686,824

Contact: Rimma Zelfand (617)784-8274

The Jewish Family and Children's Service of Boston will conduct a 17 month demonstration project that brings supportive services to three neighborhoods and housing developments in the greater Boston Metropolitan Area (Brookline, Malden and Swampscott), where the majority of residents are over age 65. The goal is to enable residents to live in their homes for as long as possible, with dignity and avoiding preventable nursing home placement. The typical resident in these settings is a widowed woman living alone, age 75 or older, with multiple chronic conditions that limit her mobility and ability to maintain her independence. The project will offer a comprehensive array of affordable health, mental health, fitness, social, educational, recreational and personal care services delivered through on-site care planning and case management and collaborative relationships between established local service provider agencies, property managers and residents. Resident councils will be formed at each site and volunteer participation of younger and older resident and neighborhood volunteers will be encouraged. Information for residents will be prepared in English and Russian and a secured access website will be created for resident family members and service professionals to facilitate development and monitoring of care plans. Partners include the Jewish Family Services of the North Shore, the Urban Medical Group, Springwell Area Agency on Aging, Mystic Valley Elder Services, Greater Lynn Senior Services, Brookline Council on Aging and Senior Center, Russian Community Association of Massachusetts, and the National Center on Women and Aging.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2851 Elder Consumer Protection Education Project

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 03/31/2006

STETSON UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW

1401 61st Street South

Gulfport, FL 33707

Contact: Rebecca C Morgan

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	981,177

Stetson University College of Law conducted a one-year consumer protection education project for elders, their families, and professionals. The goal was to develop an elder consumer protection statewide education program that will educate elder consumers, their families, and professionals about consumer fraud and how to minimize the risk of becoming victims. Stetson conducted community outreach and educational programs, e.g. community presentations at local senior centers, for elders and their families and for professionals; held consumer forums on the campuses of the Law Center, churches and other venues; held monthly walk-in clinics at senior centers; developed a webpage for consumers and professionals; designed an elder-friendly courtroom; developed, in collaboration with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, statewide professional education training for law enforcement and investigators on ways in which to investigate cases of health care and consumer fraud; and developed follow-up data collection activities. A national symposium on health care fraud, consumer fraud, and financial exploitation, specifically targeted at the elderly was held.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2852 Geriatric Assessment Program-Rapid Response

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 02/28/2006

Lapeer Regional Hospital

1375 N. Main Street

Lapeer, MI 48446

Contact: Ruth A Schalm (810)667-5579

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	58,870

This project is a one year assessment education program called Rapid Response, the goal of which is to improve knowledge of community resources and options by the elderly population, families and professional caregivers. The Community Based Organizations (CBOs) involved include: local home health agencies, local retirement groups, local newspapers, local nursing homes, county senior coalition groups, local unions, and the business community. The target population is elderly persons 60 years and older, which includes 20 homebound elderly who are frail, with chronic health problems, isolated and with limited knowledge of community resources and options. Three, 3 month interventions for 20 elderly, to enable them to remain at home include: 1) an in-home visit and assessment by the social worker or nurse; 2) a telephone call and assessment with information and referral to community resources; and 3) (six) verbal and written education sessions with home health agencies and retirement groups, and education and outreach for the general public, and articles for local newspapers. The Senior Resource Directory is to be used for all interventions. Anticipated outcomes: 1) a pre-post test to measure new knowledge; 2) a client satisfaction survey on effectiveness of (GAP) Rapid Response program; 3) home visits and telephone contacts each month; 4) a Senior Resource Directory; 4) an evaluation; and 5) dissemination to senior coalitions for replication of the program.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2854 Enhancing Life Satisfaction of Older Adults

COLLEGE MISERICORDIA
Assistive Technology Research Institute
301 Lake Street
Dallas, PA 18612

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	196,235
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: Renee G Zehel (570)674-6307

This project, originally designed for one year, was granted a second year to complete the planned work. The original plan goal was to conduct two complimentary studies that focus on the ways in which the Internet can enhance life satisfaction for institutionalized older adults. The two studies will examine: 1) the potential impact of Internet/e-mail communication use by older people who are depressed and socially isolated; and 2) the impact that website design has on older people's accessibility to the Internet. The first study will involve 10 seniors with physical and/or sensory impairments at Mercy Center and twenty seniors at Summit Health Care without such impairments, who will receive specially designed training and then use the Internet to determine its impact on their levels of cognition, depression, and social isolation. The second study will involve testing 120 able-bodied seniors on information access using an existing website, versus a website rebuilt according to Section 508 and W3C standards. In addition to the original plan, the second year goal will be to expand the population to include community-dwelling elders experiencing the changes associated with normal aging. Objectives include developing, testing and disseminating information on the settings and adjustments of operating systems that will result in maximally effective computer interface. Products will include: assessment/evaluation tools; training protocols; webpage information and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2856 North Philadelphia Development Center

Olde Kensington Redevelopment Corporation
1313 N. 4th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19122

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	98,118

Contact: Paul J Ruddy (215)787-2930

This is a computer-focused program for low-income seniors age 60 and older. The goal is to provide 56 senior citizens with an opportunity for seven weeks of computer training and access to technology that will enhance their lives, encourage activity, and enable them to communicate with their family members and friends. Completion of the training will allow the seniors to apply their education towards employment or volunteerism in their community.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2859 The Use of Complementary and Alternative Medicine (CAM)

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 07/31/2007

Adult Care Center of the Northern Shenandoah Valley Inc
115 Wolfe Street
Winchester, VA 22601

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	98,118

Contact: Tara N Lescalleet

The Adult Day Center proposes to use and advance the complementary and alternative medicine (CAM) model for a broad range of health-related needs for persons with probable Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders (ADRD). It plans to develop a 12-month CAM program and provide in-service training for staff and family caregivers on the use of CAM approaches relevant for persons with ADRD. The CAM modalities for intervention include: body work (therapeutic touch, shiatsu, massage therapy, and tai chi); creative arts therapies (music, art, dance, and drama therapy); natural environment (horticulture therapy, aromatherapy, and herbal medicine); the modality of spiritual/religious expression; and finally bibliotherapy (poetry therapy). This program will be presented to individuals, agencies, and organizations associated with geriatric care. Experts from eleven CAM disciples will convene to identify research and practice-based CAM approaches of potential application to adult day health care. A CAM model program will be implemented, including articulation of protocol for program planning, assessment and evaluation. Special emphasis will be given to the role of CAM practitioners, as consultants to administrators, family, direct care staff and volunteers using an interactive consultation model. Products include: six CAM-based in-service trainings, Alzheimer's Disease workshops for agencies, and an in-service training monograph.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2861 Montessori-based Programs to Seniors with Dementia

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 12/31/2005

Hearth and Home Senior Adult Day Healthcare Center
8730 Sudley Road
Manassas, VA 20110

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	240,388

Contact: Phyllis Watson (703)361-5843

This is a senior adult day healthcare center with therapeutic recreational programs. Hearth and Home Senior Adult Day Healthcare Center plans to conduct a one-year project whereby 20 to 40 participants diagnosed with early to late stage dementia will participate in Montessori-based activities throughout the day, while attending the Center. The goal is to develop high self-esteem and promote the highest level of function possible in all participants, while in the Center and in the home environment. Objectives include: independence; positive engagement; ability to make choices; and ability to learn through meaningful activities and influence home environment. Center staff, and later family caregivers, will be taught methods to use so that goals achieved at the Center are reinforced at home. Products include: a final report; manuscripts for publication; a web page information; and assessment and evaluations.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2862 Maine Center for End of Life Care

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 12/31/2006

Maine Hospice Council, Inc.
P.O. Box 2239
Augusta, ME 04338-2239

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	245,294

Contact: Kandyce Powell (800)438-5936

The purpose of this proposal is to create a Center for End of Life Care in Maine. The overall goals are to increase knowledge and improve delivery systems for end of life. The Center's mission (and objective) will be to act as an incubator for change by exercising responsible stewardship and promoting innovation in the following focus (priority) areas: 1) community engagement; 2) clinical improvement; 3) research and data collection; 4) professional education; and 5) advocacy. Four data collection projects will be designed and implemented to assess the state of dying in Maine, and assess efforts to benchmark the Center's progress toward improving end of life care. An interdisciplinary mentoring program for end-of-life (EOL) care, including hospice and palliative care, will be created. It will develop and continue to be a role-modeling program, which is critical to the care of and sensitivity to the dying and/or bereaved.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2863 Boise State Center for the Study of Aging

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 07/31/2007

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY
1910 University Drive
Boise, ID 83725

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	245,294
FY 2005	391,642

Contact: James T Girvan (208)426-5776

The Center for the Study of Aging (CSA) will be established at Boise State University (BSU), which will assist stakeholders with research, educational delivery and policy to assure a healthier life for all Idahoans. The Center will employ the majority of strategies from the 16 social sciences. It will set up a CSA infrastructure: assessing current gerontology activities and future needs for the aging population and the health and social sciences service providers; and establishing a Steering Committee, for strategic planning, and preparation for the development and delivery of training and education of state/local health and social sciences professionals and providers throughout the state. In concert with the Idaho Commission on Aging (ICOA) and the Idaho Office of the Attorney General, the Center will plan and develop an intervention, i.e. an aging issue/educational seminar on elder abuse and fraud for law enforcement officers and prosecutors.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2865 Project Independence

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY

Dean of Research and Graduate Studies

Post Office Box 8795

Williamsburg, VA 23187

Contact: David Finifter (757)221-2468

Project Period: 09/01/2004 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	392,440

The project will enhance the independence of older Americans by: improving community organizations' access to relevant research and lessons learned; providing a facility and administrative assistance to support collaborative interventions; improving community coordination of transportation and home support services and information; educating primary care physicians in the identification and evaluation of geriatric syndromes; educating in-home caregivers on the care of older adults; and providing the community a cardiac health education and exercise program. The overall goal is to demonstrate how communities can work with regional partners to develop and sustain a center that improves the health, dignity, and independence of older adults by integrating the research capacity of universities, colleges, and medical schools with the capabilities of service providers and community resources.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2884 Community Connections: Moving Seniors Toward Wellness

MEALS ON WHEELS ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA

203 S. Union Street

Alexandria, VA 22314

Contact: Enid A Borden

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 02/28/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	1,569,883

The Meals on Wheels Association of America (MOWAA) will promote health, wellness and independence of older adults by transforming Senior Nutrition Programs (SNPs) from their current roles as primarily nutrition providers into core programs within a restructured continuum of care. The MOWAA will target older adults immediately discharged from the hospital, provide immediate post-discharge nutrition services and assist them in integrating back into the community through the provision or coordination of other health-related, "wrap-around" services. The objectives are to: 1) change the external environment of SNPs through enhanced community partnerships; 2) change internal environment through development and incorporation of new services/service delivery systems by SNPs; and 3) facilitate SNP change through a Leadership Institute. The outcomes for the project are: changes in targeted older adults (nutrition, social support, health, etc.); changes in service (timeliness, care planning, wrap-around services, etc.); organization change (program capacity, community collaborations, increased hospital/community integration); and increased public/private collaborations. Products from the project include: a final report, including evaluation results for individual and community interventions; SNP "Best Practices" Report; "How To" Manual for SNPs; an on-going Leadership Institute; presentations at national conferences; and articles for publication.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2904 Regional Partnership for Older Adults

Project Period: 09/30/2004 - 06/30/2006

Shaw Jewish Community Center of Akron
750 White Pond Dr.
Akron, OH 44320

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2004	245,294

Contact: Todd P Rockoff (330)835-0021

The Jewish Community Centers of Akron, Canton, Cleveland and Youngstown, Ohio will collaborate in offering social recreation and physical wellness activities to older members of their communities during a 12 month period. Inactive community members will be encouraged to serve as volunteer Center administrative support and pre-school program aides. Transportation will be provided for participants to and between the four Centers. Participants will be assessed for changes in their physical well-being. The Centers will exchange information on their success in increasing participation and changes in wellness and socialization of the participants. A report on "lessons learned" will be included in the final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2920 National Center on Caregiving

Project Period: 05/01/2005 - 06/30/2007

FAMILY CAREGIVER ALLIANCE
180 Montgomery Street, Suite 1100 Suite 1100
San Francisco, CA 94104

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	294,776

Contact: Lynn F Feinberg (415)434-3388

The goal of the National Center on Caregiving at the Family Caregiver Alliance is to advance the delivery of high quality and cost effective policies and programs for family caregivers nationwide. It will provide focused technical assistance to the aging network, other program developers and policymakers to start or sustain innovative and evidence-based caregiver support programs. They will provide training and education to the aging network to enable them to provide high quality and outcome oriented caregiver support programs. Finally, they will advance research and policy analysis by serving as a knowledge base for practical applications of caregiver policies, identifying emerging trends, and highlighting promising practices.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2921 Counseling for Caregivers

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2007

Madlyn and Leonard Abramson Center for Jewish Life
1425 Horsham Road
North Wales, PA 19454

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	73,433

Contact: Frank Podietz (215)371-1800

Counseling for Caregivers will implement a 1-year project to enhance the existing educational component for caregivers. The objective is to mitigate caregiver burden through in-home assessment and counseling, education, care management, linkages to respite care and other health and social services, information and referral, and advocacy. One of the products to be produced is Educational Guide for Caregivers.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2922 Regional, Collaborative Plan for the Long-Term Care of Older Adults

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 01/31/2007

Foundation on Aging
7312 Antioch Road
Merriam, KS 66204-2739

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	146,866

Contact: Mitzi E McFatrigh (913)789-6796

The project's goal is to develop a regional community-based, long-term care plan to provide seniors of the Kansas City metropolitan area with greater autonomy, more choices and better access to services. Objectives include: 1) assessing senior and caregiver needs, including housing, transportation and other services; 2) creating short-term strategies to strengthen service delivery and a long-term care plan for at-risk older adults and their caregivers; 3) collaborating with area nonprofit, for-profit and government senior-serving agencies to incorporate community assets in plan development and subsequent implementation; and 4) promoting a greater understanding of aging and caregiving issues within the community at large. Anticipated outcomes include: strategies to improve service delivery for the area's elders; strategies to improve training and support for elders' caregivers; an expanded, coordinated coalition of better informed service providers; among community decision makers, a greater awareness accompanied by a commitment to collaboratively address the identified challenges and needs of elders and their caregivers; and an outline for engaging local media in public education aimed at making the region "Elder Friendly."

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2923 Early Interventions in Support for Alzheimer's Caregivers

Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging, Inc.
207 Mosby Lane
Front Royal, VA 22630

Contact: Roberta Lauder (540)635-7141 210

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 12/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	48,955

The project will create and evaluate a series of on-going in-home interventions with caregivers of early to mid-stage Alzheimer's family members. The goal is to increase the receptivity of caregivers to utilizing community resources, including social model group respite sites, adult day care and support groups.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2924 Wexner Heritage Village: VanTran Wheelchair Program

WEXNER HERITAGE VILLAGE
Heritage at Home, VanTran
1151 College Avenue
Columbus, OH 43209

Contact: Lisa Eible (614)559-0314

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	48,955

The goal of the program is to develop a wheelchair accessible vehicle transportation program. The objective is to increase access to services for the frail and disabled seniors of the Columbus East-side community. The program will offer much needed service to an aging population and enable seniors to remain in their own homes longer by ensuring that they have a way to meet their medical and shopping needs. Access to healthcare is noted to be a major barrier in community health. Through these trips, the program will provide opportunities for socialization that contribute greatly to the overall physical and mental health of seniors. Key partners are critical in the operation of the VanTran program. It will be evaluated by data collected quarterly with regard to ridership rates, satisfaction survey, and customer feedback. Dissemination plan includes program information on the website.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2925 Medication Assistance Program

Medford Senior Center
510 East Main Street
Medford, OR 97504

Contact: Patti Proctor (541)772-2273

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 03/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	24,478

The goal of the project is to provide comprehensive information to seniors seeking assistance with the Medicare Modernization Act. The objectives are to help meet the need for trained personnel in the field of aging and to increase awareness of the need for individuals to assume responsibility for their own longevity. The expected outcomes of the project are: 1) seniors educated on how to choose the medication discount program that is right for them; and 2) seniors helped with developing a long term plan for their medication needs. The products from this project are pre and post training surveys and pre and post client evaluation surveys. The target population for this project are the Medicare beneficiaries typically 65 years of age and older. The Medford Senior Center partnered with the local Social Security office, Senior and Disabled Services and Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance Program to provide comprehensive information and assistance to those seeking help.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2926 Senior Wellness and Transportation Program

City of Rancho Cucamonga
Community Services Department
10500 Civic Center Drive
Rancho Cucamonga, CA 91730

Contact: Paula Pachon (909)477-2762 2105

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	146,866

Goal of the program is to improve participation and access to health, wellness and fitness information and services for the senior population. Objectives include: a series of physical fitness classes; a resource library; educational workshops on health; an adaptive technology center; and the provision of transportation. The expected outcomes are improved health, physical fitness, vitality and quality of life of seniors at the Senior Center. Products include a final report and analysis of outcomes for distribution. The intervention is to maintain optimal physical and mental health as the key for healthy aging and to keep seniors engaged in society longer. The program will evaluate participants and users of programs, services and equipment. Results from the evaluation will be disseminated and posted on the website.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2965 Technology and Medicare Part D

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

Utah Department of Human Services
120 North 200 West, Room 319 Room 319
Salt Lake City, UT 84103

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	29,373

Contact: Sally Ann Brown

The grantee will assist the local Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) health insurance information coordinators to develop local coalitions with local partners to recruit trainers and counselors to inform seniors about the benefits of the new Medicare program and how to obtain prescription drug coverage. This grant will provide for one staff person to inform and educate beneficiaries and their families about Medicare Part D. Much of the training and resource building will be accomplished utilizing computers and accessing various websites. Activities will be conducted in local communities to offer assistance to beneficiaries and their families to help them make the best choice possible concerning the Part D benefit. Coalitions will be organized to identify strategies to ensure that all beneficiaries are aware of this program.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2966 NORC Supportive Living Project

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2006

Jewish Family & Child Service
1130 SW Morrison St., Suite 316
Portland, OR 97205

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	29,373

Contact: Marian Fenimore (503)226-7079

Jewish Family and Child Service of Portland, Oregon, will conduct, in partnership with Multnomah County Aging and Disability Services, Cedar Sinai Park, and the Neighborhood House, a 12 month demonstration of a supportive service program for seniors aging in place in a southwest Portland apartment complex. Many of the residents are recent immigrants from East Europe, the Mid-East, and Latin America. The project goal is to foster independent living through the provision of services that promote self-sufficiency and allow residents to remain in place for as long as possible. Project objectives are to: 1) conduct a needs assessment survey and hold provider and resident focus groups to identify needs and gaps in services; 2) increase senior's use of existing services through outreach; and 3) work with community partners to improve coordination of services, filling gaps and elimination of unnecessary duplication in services. Anticipated project outcomes are: 1) community partners will have a greater understanding of the needs of older adults and gaps in services impacting older adults ability to successfully live in independent housing; 2) seniors will have an increased awareness and use of exiting services; and 3) partnerships will be strengthened through provision of direct services, use of needs assessment data and empowerment of seniors through participation oversight of the program and its activities. A report on the conclusions and outcomes of the project will be prepared and shared with local agencies, the state legislature and conference forums.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2967 Sugarhouse Supportive Services Program

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 05/31/2007

Jewish Family Service
2 North Medical Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84113

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

Contact: Carol Einhorn (801)581-1330

The Jewish Family Service of Salt Lake City will collaborate with the Community Services Council LifeCare Chore Services Program, the Valley Mental Health Masters Program, Community Nursing Services, the University of Utah Sugarhouse Health Center Senior Clinic and W.D. Goodwill Initiatives on Aging Program, and the Salt Lake County Aging Services, to conduct a 17 month demonstration. The goal of this program is to design and implement a supportive service program that supports positive aging-in-place for residents of an apartment complex housing low and moderate income seniors and a senior condominium complex, and its surrounding residential neighborhood. Project objectives are to: 1) develop a project infrastructure; 2) increase senior interaction; 3) decrease senior isolation; 4) strengthen partnerships among service providers; 5) maximize access to healthcare and social services; 6) increase awareness of issues and resources for older adults and their families; and 7) evaluate the impact of the project. The expected outcomes are that older adults will have access to a more coordinated system of service and will have received the assistance they need to more positively age in place. The expected products of this project are an evaluation and analysis of data collection, and a final written report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2968 Skilled Nursing Facility Quality of Care Demonstration Project

Project Period: 07/15/2005 - 07/14/2006

The Good Shepherd Home
622 Center Street.
Ashland, OH 44805

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	244,742

Contact: Tom Stofac (614)228-5200

Goal: Good Shepherd Home of Ashland, OH and STA Healthcare, Inc., will implement an automated system of Nursing Care Processes, based upon: disease management, measurement of disease-specific outcomes, use of standardized nursing processes, outcomes analysis/reporting, and continuous performance enhancement.

Objectives: Improved disease management for skilled residents; improved staff performance; increased resident and family satisfaction; decreased re-admission to hospital; increased discharge to more independent settings (home, long-term care, and assisted living); improved disease-specific clinical and process outcomes; decreased frequency of MDS Quality Indicators flagged/resident; increased standardization/decreased variation in care processes; and improved functional outcomes.

Project Outcomes: improved disease management for skilled residents; improved staff performance; increased resident/family satisfaction; improved functional/ADL outcomes; and decreased MDS Quality Indicators flagged.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2969 PACE CNY Program Expansion

Loretto Independent Living Services
PACE CNY
1305 Nottingham Road
Jamesville, NY 13078

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	440,597

Contact: Calvin Barrett (315)251-2662

PACE CNY proposes to improve the quality of life for frail elderly in Onondaga County, New York, through expansion of program enrollment by 75 to 100 new participants. The strategy is to create a third PACE CNY interdisciplinary team serving Onondaga County. The specific objectives are to: (1) create a project management team; (2) upgrade management information systems necessary for program expansion; (3) recruit and hire an interdisciplinary care team; (4) implement a care provider staff development program; (5) recruit new PACE CNY participants; (6) enroll 30 new participants by project completion; and (7) evaluate the impacts and benefits of the project. PACE will support formative and summative evaluation processes using internal quality assurance, participant satisfaction and project activity data sources collected and reviewed by both project staff and an external evaluation consultant.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2970 West Philadelphia Survival of the Caregiver

Haddington Multi Services for Older Adults, Inc.
5331-41 Haverford Avenue
Philladelphia , PA 19139

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: Geneva A Black (215)472-6600

Haddington Multi Services, Inc. will ease caregiver burden by providing education, relief, and access to services and supports necessary for caregivers to provide quality care in a home-based setting. The staff of the "Survival of the Caregiver Program" will develop a searchable database of various service supports. Additionally, they will undertake extensive outreach efforts to alert West Philadelphia's caregiving community about the extent of informational resources and services available. A variety of caregiver workshops will also be offered. Key partners include representatives from government, direct service providers, academia, health care, legal service providers, and representatives from faith-based organizations. This program will enhance caregivers' ability to provide care for longer periods of time, thereby prolonging the period during which care recipients can remain home. Evaluation efforts will focus on this program's effectiveness in identifying caregivers in need and in providing services and referrals. A monthly newsletter will be disseminated to over 1,000 individuals in the West Philadelphia community. Information will also be disseminated through a website, weekly radio broadcasts, print, television, religious institutions, social clubs, and senior housing developments.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2971 Vermont Senior Center Earmark Project

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 01/31/2007

Vermont Department of Aging and Independent Living
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05671-2301

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	274,149

Contact: Amy Nickerson (802)241-2400

This one year, Senior Center project of VT's Dept. of Aging and Independent Living, is a statewide effort to increase awareness of, access to & participation in Vermont's rural, multi-purpose Senior Center programs promoting older adult health, socialization, and independence. Focus: 1) evidence-based service delivery approaches/methods to meet emerging needs of rural senior center customers; and 2) ways to improve public perception by non-users. Goals: 1) facilitate access to services; and 2) strengthen community-based service delivery systems and senior center infrastructure. Objectives: through an RFP, eligible senior centers and meal sites will collect data to: 1) improve delivery of OAA nutrition program services; 2) expand training and technical assistance on nutrition, health promotion and disease prevention programs to meal sites and senior centers; 3) develop innovative programming in senior centers; and 4) develop marketing strategies and build community support for senior centers. Anticipated outcomes: funded entities will collect & report quantitative and qualitative data to the contractor to document outcomes and evaluate effectiveness, replicability, and sustainability of community-based projects. Outcomes, determined by the nature of proposed RFP projects may include, but are not limited to: a) improved nutrient consumption & knowledge, and more culturally diverse meals; b) improved functional capacity thru physical activity; c) increased social engagement; d) increased partnership/collaboration with community-based providers; e) improved support services coordination; f) new or strengthened innovative programs promoting successful aging & independent living; and g) increased community support and participation in senior centers & meal sites. Collaborations: VT Dept. of Health; local organizations, e.g. COVE & Vermont AARP; senior centers; meal sites; AAA's. Dissemination products include a report on successes, challenges, & lessons learned.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2972 Innovative Senior Support Program for a Naturally Occurring Retirement Community

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 06/30/2007

Jewish Family Service of Sacramento
2862 Arden Way, Suite 103
Sacramento, CA 95825

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	195,821

Contact: Jack Kennedy (916)484-4400

Jewish Family Service of Sacramento and its partners, Paratransit, Inc., California State University, Sacramento, Area 4 Agency on Aging, Community Services Planning Council and Caring Neighbor volunteers, are establishing a supportive service demonstration program for aging in place seniors in Campus Commons, a large garden apartment complex in Sacramento. The goal is to help seniors age successfully and to prevent relocation for avoidable causes. The project objectives are to: 1) increase senior's awareness of supportive resources in the community; 2) reduce isolation of seniors to enhance life satisfaction, community connection and reduce the risks of suicide; 3) improve access to healthcare and supportive services; 4) ensure that neighborhood associations understand and take action to make Campus Commons an aging-friendly physical environment; 5) encourage seniors to take an active role in determining programming and services; 6) increase intergenerational connections; and 7) improve seniors knowledge of preventable injuries. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) improved communication and collaboration among service providers in the community; 2) increased awareness by seniors of supportive services in the community and how to locate them; 3) increased frequency of interactions with neighbors; 4) better access to health services for seniors; and 5) fewer homeowner association barriers to installing assistive devices in senior's homes. The project is developing and disseminating materials and information at local, regional and national conferences, and will prepare a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2973 Southeast Brooklyn Supportive Services Network for the Frail Elderly

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 06/30/2007

Sephardic Community Center

1901 Ocean Parkway

Brooklyn, NY 11223

Contact: Mark Kranczer (718)627-4300

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

The Sephardic Community Center (SCC) will develop a new support system for physically disabled and frail elderly requiring temporary or permanent in-home services. The support system will be primarily based on the services of caregivers and volunteers. SCC will prepare an information brochure and post enrollment information on their website. Core services to be provided include: case management; a caregiver support and respite center; preventative care measures, such as blood pressure screening; reliable information and referral for caregivers; transportation; onsite physical exercise and cultural programming; linkage to SCC New Horizons Program; access to in-kind health professional services; and friendly volunteer visitors. Volunteer "friendly visitors" will check on the status of homebound elderly clients, provide in-home respite for the caregiver, and shopping assistance, as well as telephone reassurance. Support groups for caregivers will be held on a bi-weekly basis at the center and will include a secure Internet-based "chat room" where caregivers can post comments. The target population consists of elderly in the catchment area of the SCC. Anticipated outcomes: at least 60 temporarily or permanently homebound people will feel less isolated and have a more positive outlook on their living situation; 15 adults suffering from early stages of dementia will benefit from social adult day care activities; at least 10 people will be prevented from unnecessary hospitalization or falls; at least 40 caregivers will benefit from caregiver respite program; at least 35 volunteers will be recruited and trained; at least 50 caregivers will be better equipped, by the Caregivers Information Resource Center, to provide care and feel less stress; and a determination on the feasibility of implementing a NORC supportive services program in their catchment area will be determined by a NORC Feasibility Assessment.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2974 Home Alone

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 12/31/2006

City of Pawtucket

137 Roosevelt Avenue

Pawtucket, RI 02860

Contact: Joan A Crawley (401)728-7582

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	24,478

The goal of this project is to target older adults living in the community who do not reside in congregate housing and provide them with access to information about resources, programs, and services available on local, state, and federal levels. The objectives are to: 1) identify those older adults who are at risk in the community; 2) provide assessment and intervention services in the home; 3) provide ongoing case management services; 4) provide the opportunity for socialization by offering transportation to the Leon Mathieu Senior Center; and 5) provide transportation for such necessities as marketing, banking, pharmaceuticals, etc. A part-time nurse will be hired to provide medical assessments. Key partners include: Memorial Hospital Rhode Island, State Department of Elderly Affairs, Community Counseling Center, Blackstone Health, Inc., Community College of Rhode Island, and the University of Rhode Island. Before and after questionnaires/surveys will measure levels of social interaction of the elderly participating in this program. Transportation service usage will be documented. Evaluation will also include assessments of individuals' general physical and mental health. Newly-acquired software will collect demographics, services and programs accessed, case management notes, and other miscellaneous information. An analysis of the information accumulated from this project will be documented in a final report to be sent to the city's Department of Planning, the mayor's office, the Administration on Aging, and other interested parties.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2975 ExperienceSeniorPower (ESP): Intergenerational Computer and Job Skills Training Program

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 12/31/2006

Cyber Seniors
305 Michigan Avenue, 5th Floor
Detroit, MI 48226-2631

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

Contact: Krista Bajoka (313)237-4687

ExperienceSeniorPower, an intergenerational computer learning program and one year Federal grant project, will significantly help close the "digital gap" that is growing between haves and have-nots, in terms of access to technology. This digital gap tends to leave those with less money out of economic/job opportunities, with little or no access to resources to increase their knowledge and advance in our society. ExperienceSeniorPower is increasingly concerned about diversity on the Web and the recent findings on differences in computer usage among whites and people of color. In some of the locations, ExperienceSeniorPower programming will be introduced as after school programming for at risk youth, teaching the young computer and job skills. Also, children will have access to the computers on their own time to continue to develop the skills they need to excel both academically and in the job market. In all settings there is a commitment to bridging the digital divide through uniting generations, and so this after school program will come with a twist. Senior citizens will learn computer skills alongside children, insuring "adoptive grandparent" relationships, and providing children adult role models few have had the opportunity to savor, while providing senior citizens a sense of self-worth in a society often marginalizing their contributions.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2976 Recruit/Train 100 Volunteers to Fill Out Vital Health Records for individuals Over Age 65

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

Faith In Action of Central Stark County, Inc.
806 Crosswyck Circle
Louisville, OH 44641

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	48,955

Contact: Eileen Baroni (330)875-7434

Through a network of faith communities with trained volunteers, our purpose is to work with and enable the frail elderly to maintain their independence and dignity, the goal being to promote health and wellness in persons over the age of 65, so they can maintain their independence and remain in their own homes for as long as possible. Faith In Action, in collaboration with area congregations, fire departments, medical personnel, community organizations, hospitals, and community agencies, will provide vital health records for individuals over the age of 65, fill these records out, and place them in a designated spot for any possible future need by emergency personnel. The objectives are: 1) to work with pastors and congregations of all faiths to recruit and train volunteers; 2) to identify individuals at risk; 3) to integrate vital health records in Faith In Action Programs; 4) to develop linkages with community agencies; and 5) to evaluate the impact of added services. The expected outcomes of this project are: to improve the care of individuals in an emergency situation; provide medical emergency personnel with up to date data when responding to an emergency; and eliminate unnecessary confusion when time is of essence. The products from this project are: vital health records provided to individuals over 65; an evaluation; and in-home assessments.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2977 Mt. Airy Bethesda Satellite Senior Technology Education Program

Mt. Airy Bethesda Manor, Inc.
6401 Ogontz Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19126-3604

Contact: Winifred W Morris (215)276-2960

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 07/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,000

This one year project will establish the Mt. Airy Bethesda Satellite Senior Technology Education Program, a computer literacy and Internet training project for older Americans living in inner city urban areas. The goals of this program are to enhance physical, educational, social, vocational, recreational and spiritual well-being of seniors through their increased ability to access the wealth of resources available to them through the Internet. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) prolonged independent living through an increase in supportive services accessible via the Internet; 2) receipt of vital information from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid on revisions pertaining to the Medicare Modernization Act of 2003 provisions on prescription drugs; and 3) increased employability skills of seniors aged 55+. The program already has a cooperative agreement with the Department of Labor to allow seniors 55+ to seek 20 hours of employment weekly to enhance their limited income. The primary communities to be served fit the profile for urban minority poverty. At the end of the 12 week program, participants will be interviewed to evaluate the success of this project. Results of the evaluation will be disseminated to AoA and other interest groups.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2978 NORC Demonstration Project

Jewish Family & Children's Svc of Greater Mercer County
Senior Services
707 Alexander Road, Suite 102
Princeton, NJ 08540

Contact: Wendy C Cacacie (609)987-8100

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 01/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	122,388

Jewish Family and Children's Service of Mercer County will conduct a 17 month demonstration project to support and develop services and activities for older adults in three diverse county residential communities. The project goal is to prevent frail, elderly individuals from premature institutionalization by increasing functional independence and life enrichment in their own communities, and enhance their physical and emotional well-being. Project objectives are: 1) maximize older adults functional independence in their own homes through improved access to and utilization of health and human services; 2) decrease incidence of depression among older adults who are aging in place and increase their sense of well being; and 3) increase older adult's access to wellness and recreation programs in community-based social milieus through the use of volunteer "Peer Educators", and develop additional volunteer opportunities for residents. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) 65% of older adults contacting the program for information and referral resources will establish working relationships with community treatment and service providers matched to their specific needs; 2) 90% of older adults receiving mental health screening and referral services will experience a significant reduction in the presence of symptoms of depression; and 3) members of older adult communities will have a heightened awareness of mental health issues and treatment options. Project products include development of materials for presentations at the local, state and national levels, and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2979 Aging in Place in Union County, New Jersey

Jewish Family Service Agency of Central New Jersey
Department of Older Adult Services
655 Westfield Avenue
Elizabeth , NJ 07208

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 01/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	195,821

Contact: Jerold Starr (908)352-8375

Jewish Family Service of Central New Jersey and its collaborators, the Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, the Young Men's - Young Women's Hebrew Association of Union County, the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey, the Bethel American Methodist Evangelical Church, and the Union County Division of Aging Nutrition Program, will conduct a seventeen month demonstration project for seniors living in their own homes and private apartment complexes in Union county, New Jersey. The project goal is to help seniors remain in their own homes and age in place with dignity and with the support of the community. Project objectives are: 1) increase access to support services; 2) increase support services to under-served homebound and frail seniors, including Kosher home delivered meals, home care services, transportation and activity therapy; 3) assure feedback, through survey of the at-risk, frail older adult population to assess changing needs and development of a senior council; 4) monitor project development and effectiveness; and 5) disseminate results and outcomes to other supportive service programs. Anticipated project outcomes are: 1) 80% of those provided services will remain in their own home for the duration of the project; and 2) 50 % of those provided services will report a satisfactory or improved quality of life. Products include web pages about the program, presentations at national conferences, local newspaper articles and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2980 Aging in Place Initiative Providing Support Service Programs...Hamilton Co.

Jewish Family Service of the Cincinnati Area
Senior Adult Services
11223 Cornell Park Drive
Cincinnati, OH 45249

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2006

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	97,910

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The Jewish Family Service will conduct a twelve month demonstration supportive service program for residents of two Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs) in the Greater Cincinnati area, with the involvement of residents, funders, service providers, and property owners. The project goal is to enable seniors to remain in the comfort and security of their own homes for a long as possible, in accordance with their wishes, with optimal health, independence, and dignity. Project objectives are to: 1) help residents maintain or improve their physical and mental health status; 2) mitigate their isolation and loneliness; 3) provide services and programs that respond to the needs and interest expressed by the residents; 4) create an environment that promotes an independent lifestyle and maximizes use of community resources; and 5) assure sustainability of the project. Project anticipated outcomes are: 1) 80% of residents will maintain or improve their levels of ability to perform daily living tasks; 2) 50% of residents will be less isolated and lonely; and 3) 80% of residents will remain independent in their own homes for as long as possible. Products include a directory of service providers, a policy and procedures handbook, and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2981 Creating Opportunities for Older Persons (CO-OP)

Jewish Family Service of San Diego
Senior Services
3715 Sixth Avenue
San Diego, CA 92103

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 01/31/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	146,866

Contact: Craig Lambert (619)291-0473

Jewish Family Service of San Diego, in partnership with the San Diego County Department of Aging and Independence Services, the San Diego State University's Gerontology Department, the United Jewish Federation, the Claremont Friendship Center and a number of homecare agencies, is conducting an aging in place supportive services demonstration for older residents living in University City Village Apartments. The goal is to support residents living in their own homes for as long as possible, in accordance with their personal desires. Project objectives are: 1) identify current service gaps, needs, and barriers confronting residents; 2) create and/or enhance services to meet the needs of residents, based upon identified gaps, needs, and barriers; 3) provide activities that promote healthy aging and offer preventative measures against declining health; 4) increase social interaction, reducing isolation and symptoms of depression; 5) provide essential and recreational transportation; 6) offer services to meet the needs of caregivers and residents who may need an enhanced level of care; 7) develop volunteer opportunities for older adults who can assist in program provision; 8) conduct project evaluation; and 9) disseminate information. Anticipated outcomes are: 1) 80% of the residents surveyed at the end of the project period will indicate awareness of, and ability to access, project services; and 2) 70% of the residents surveyed at the end of the project period will indicate that they perceive an opportunity for expanded involvement in their residential community and/or the community-at-large. Products include web pages on the grantee's website, presentations to local and state legislative representatives and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2982 NORCs -Standardizing Best Practices in Both Congregate and Individual Residential Settings

Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland
1750 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44115

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 02/28/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	48,955

Contact: Cathy Weiss (216)566-9200 308

The Jewish Community Federation of Cleveland will conduct this twelve month study of selective naturally occurring retirement community (NORC) supportive service programs in the state of Ohio, pursuing two goals: 1) to identify and begin to standardize best practices and approaches to service delivery within congregate settings; and 2) identify principles, practices and strategies for delivering such services to people living independently in their own homes. Four objectives will be pursued: 1) convening groups of stakeholders for educational seminars where current practices and challenges can be shared, and standards for optimizing success suggested; 2) educating local and state legislators on identified best practices; 3) facilitating a planning process with local professional and volunteer leaders to direct efforts and resources to non-congregate NORC programming; and 4) surveying current baby boomers, and utilizing their insight and input into future planning strategies. The expected outcomes of this project are the development of models and structures for delivering tailored, targeted and individualized supportive services to adults who remain in congregate living settings and who live independently in their own homes. The products of this project include a written report on the needs and desires of baby boomers; a set of guidelines for non-congregate service delivery; and a written compilation of best practices in the delivery of support services to older adults within congregate living settings.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2983 Help is Where the Home is: The NORC Aging in Place Initiative

Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey
Jewish Family and Children's Services
1301 Springdale Rd
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 11/30/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	391,642

Contact: Ronit Boyd (856)751-9500 188

Jewish Family and Children's Services of Southern New Jersey, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Southern New Jersey, is implementing a 17 month demonstration project for seniors aging in place in a Cherry Hills, New Jersey apartment complex. The project goal is to prevent premature placement in an institutional facility. Project objectives are: 1) improve health care of the elderly residents by having geriatric physicians, occupational and physical therapists and an on-site Registered Nurse provide professional services, promoting self-management of chronic diseases and improved health care literacy; 2) maintain the dignity of elderly residents by providing licensed and certified home health aides to assist with personal care needs; 3) decrease isolation by providing on-site socialization programming and transportation to community-based programs; 4) improve the nutritional intake of residents by providing congregate meals and/or a homemaker for grocery shopping and meal preparation; and 5) ensure overall physical and emotional needs of residents through coordination of care by an on-site Master's level social worker. Anticipated project outcomes are: 1) improved health care; 2) improved self management of chronic diseases and health care literacy; 3) decreased isolation; 4) improved nutritional intake; and 5) improvement in overall physical and emotional needs being met. Products include a quarterly newsletter, presentations at local, state and national forums, a step by step manual, and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2984 Outreach Activities for Independent Seniors (OASIS)

Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines
Jewish Family Services
910 Polk Boulevard
Des Moines, IA 50312

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

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Jewish Federation of Greater Des Moines is conducting a supportive service demo. project for aging in place, collaborating with Aging Resources of Central IA; Polk Co. Senior Services; Geriatric Education Center of Des Moines U.; United Way - Central IA; Des Moines Catholic Charities; Lutheran Social Services; Visiting Nurses of IA; IA State Dept. of Elder Affairs; Advocacy Network of Aging Iowans; Des Moines Community Foundation & KG InterDev, LLC. Goal: develop innovative, efficient and individualized services that increase seniors' ability to age safely in place in their homes and communities, avoiding premature and costly institutionalization. The project will create and evaluate two different program models of services for seniors, enabling them to live as independently as possible. An apartment model services a diverse, low socio-economic population of seniors located on Des Moines' east side. A targeted group model for two groups serves: 1) urban, moderate income seniors who regularly attend Eddie Davis Comm. Center programs; and 2) a group of first generation, moderate to low income, immigrants mainly from Eastern Europe, who regularly attend Jewish Family Services senior activities programs. Project objectives: 1) develop collaborative partnerships with neighborhood assns., senior groups, housing facilities, for and not-for profit organizations, and state & local govt. agencies; 2) provide enhanced case mgmt. services to targeted populations to assess resident needs & assist accessing services; 3) provide individual & group social and educational activities, not limited to transportation, health, medical, home modification, chore svcs., visiting nurse, meals on wheels and social & educational activities; 4) conduct a comprehensive program evaluation. Outcomes: an MOU defining services and cost-sharing provisions; infrastructure for enhanced case management; reduction in isolation & greater independence; and evaluation reports widely disseminated.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2985 SEQUOIA: Serving the Elderly with Quality Outcomes In Community and at Home

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 04/30/2007

Jewish Family Service of Greater Clifton - Passaic

199 Scoles Avenue

Clifton, NJ 07012

Contact: (973)777-7638

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	195,821

Jewish Family Services of the Jewish Federation of Greater Clifton-Passaic will conduct a 17 month demonstration of supportive services for older adults living in county high-rise multi-family housing facilities. The project goal is to enhance the ability of seniors to age in place by increasing access to services. Project objectives are: 1) develop and conduct a needs assessment; 2) provide case management and social work services; 3) provide health education and screenings; 4) provide social, spiritual and cultural activities; 5) create an advisory council comprised of seniors; 6) collect data and monitor effectiveness of the project; and 7) disseminate findings to assist in sustaining and replicating this model. The anticipated outcome is to increase access to services for older adults not currently being assisted. Products include development of materials for presentations and a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2986 Co-op City Comprehensive Community Care Project

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 09/30/2007

Jewish Association of Services for the Aged

132 West 31 Street

New York, NY 10001

Contact: Amy Chalfy (718)365-4044

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	244,776

Jewish Association for Services for the Aged, in partnership with the Co-op City's Naturally Occurring Retirement Community (NORC) Supportive Services Program Network, and in collaboration with Gloria Wise Senior Services, Inc. and Montefiore Medical Center, will conduct a seventeen month demonstration project in a large cooperative apartment complex in the Bronx, New York. The project goal is to establish a community cooperative program supporting aging in place for elders suffering from dementia, by enlisting community residents and local businesses and service providers as gate-keepers and providers of professional services to meet the senior's medical and social service needs in order for them to remain safely at home. Project objectives are to: 1) reduce the stigma and hopelessness associated with dementia through a community education and awareness program; 2) create a supportive community environment for people with dementia and their families; 3) develop an early identification and diagnostic protocol for clinically appropriate care planning and service delivery; 4) expand existing NORC network services to persons with dementia and their family caregivers; 5) increase the competency of providers; 6) evaluate the impact of added services; and 7) disseminate project information. Expected outcomes: 1) the community at large will experience an increase in knowledge about dementia and resources for care; 2) individuals with early stage dementia will have an increased period of stable functioning, physical well-being, and freedom from exacerbations of psychological and behavioral disturbances; 3) caregivers burden will stabilize rather than increase; and 4) service delivery expertise, linkage and continuity will be improved. Products include a service delivery protocol for dementia stage-specific interventions and a final written report.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2987 Wasilla Area Seniors (WAS), Inc.

Project Period: 08/01/2005 - 10/31/2006

Wasilla Area Seniors Inc.

1300 Century Circle

Wasilla, AK 99654

Contact: Judith Wake (907)376-3104

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

Wasilla's 1 yr. project goals are to: 1) provide more nutritious and culturally appropriate meals to seniors in Matanuska Susitna Borough, and look at the relationship between mood, food associations and memory improvement; 2) make the Assisted Living home safer for residents and prevent wandering; 3) increase mental and physical activity level of residents-to stimulate, and lessen prevalence of depression; 4) improve quality and safety of campus transportation and ensure safety of perishable & non-perishable items, i.e. food delivered to homebound elderly, as well as local and remotely dwelling seniors; 5) train seniors in CPR and First Aid & natural disaster or emergency response; and 6) establish Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT), and share CERT training with churches, community groups, and senior centers. Target Populations: 1) seniors in Wasilla Area seniors assisted living facility and senior apartments on campus; and 2) all seniors in the Matanuska Susitna Borough, focusing on predominately low-income apartment dwellers, including three culturally diverse groups of Russian, Korean, and Spanish language seniors. Anticipated Outcomes: 1) increased nutritional value, more culturally appealing cuisine, and accommodation of special food needs (e.g. diabetics) through a "natural foods of Alaska program"; 2) elevated mood and improved memory; 3) safer environment for residents, and reduction in wandering behavior; 4) improved physical and mental well-being, and reduction in number of residents on anti-depressants; 5) consistent, temperature-controlled delivery of meals to homebound seniors in a well-equipped, multi-purpose vehicle; 6) disaster prepared, CERT certified seniors; 7) strengthened campus complex enabling seniors to age in place; and 8) a model "senior campus concept" to share with other Senior Centers. Products include "memory books" for residents; and a model, replicable "senior campus" plan.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2988 Training to Enhance the Capacity of a Long-term Care Workforce

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 12/31/2006

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee

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Milwaukee, WI 53201

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FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	293,731

A Training Research Institute (TRI) will be created to serve as a vehicle for identifying, evaluating and disseminating evidence-based training programs to enhance the capacity of the long-term care work force in the US. The goals for the first year are: 1) establish the infrastructure of the TRI; 2) conduct a statewide survey of long-term care organizations and direct-care workers; 3) implement and evaluate two training programs; and 4) develop scientifically appropriate and viable study designs to serve as evaluation templates for training programs targeted to family caregivers, direct-care workers, and professional care staff providing long-term care.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2989 Expansion of a National Data Collection System for Improving Care at the End of Life

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2007

The Carolinas Center for Hospice & End of Life Care
PO Box 4449
Cary, NC 27519

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: William Smith (919)677-4115

The Carolinas Center for Hospice & End of Life Care will conduct a one-year project to develop a comprehensive Internet-based resource for accessing data about the epidemiology and experience of end-of-life in the United States.

During 2004/2005, The Carolinas built the EDELE (Epidemiology of Dying and End of Life Care Experience) website/portal that provides ready access to data about decedents and end-of-life for use by healthcare providers, health planners, and advocacy organizations for clinical practice improvement, informed policy change, and planning.

This project will increase the utility of the website by: 1) adding data for two to three more states; 2) developing a cost-effective mechanism to add more states in the future; and 3) including information about and access to data not currently posted on the website. Information about the website and its uses will be disseminated via professional newsletters and conferences and via links from websites frequented by target audiences.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM2990 The "Aging Opportunities" Project

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2008

Senior Services, Inc.
2895 Shorefair Dr
Winston-Salem, NC 27105

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	489,552

Contact: Elaine M Patterson (336)725-0907

The "Aging Opportunities" Project will demonstrate the opportunities for meaningful civic engagement and planned giving for aging services. The goals are to design, test, demonstrate and disseminate strategies that will: 1) utilize the untapped potential of older adult, younger and diverse volunteers through innovative and expanded services, thereby reducing costs through expanded use of unpaid workers; and 2) generate additional/stable, short-term and long-term funding for aging services. The objectives are: 1) to develop a simple, user friendly personnel/human resources system and guidebook for the administration of volunteers, student interns, and other unpaid workers; 2) to recruit, orient, train and engage volunteers, student interns and other unpaid workers in new and expanded ways through creative marketing approaches through the implementation of the personnel system; and 3) to develop a planned giving system and guidebook unique to the aging field which will include innovative, marketing, advertising and outreach approaches. The outcomes are: 1) to significantly increase the quantity and quality of volunteer engagement in the provision of aging services, thereby reducing costs while providing enriching opportunities; and 2) to increase community-based services to people who cannot afford to pay for them. The products are: 1) an Unpaid Workers Personnel Guidebook; 2) a Planned Giving Guidebook; 3) documentation of the approaches, successes, barriers and outcomes of the personnel and planned giving system; 4) samples of advertising, volunteer job description, planned giving strategies, etc.; 5) a web site link to the above products to provide easy access to the lessons and information; and 6) a final report.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2991 The Dementia Care Specialist Training

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2007

Alzheimer's Association South Central Wisconsin Chapter
517 N Segoe Road, #301
Madison, WI 53705

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	391,642

Contact: Paul R Rusk (608)232-3400

The Alzheimer's Association South Central Wisconsin Chapter will develop a 15-hour "Dementia Specialist" training curriculum to be offered to direct care facility staff around the state of Wisconsin. Each of the three Alzheimer's Association chapters in the state will offer this training at least twice a month. The comprehensive curriculum will address the most important issues related to dementia care. It will be designed to be practice-based using experiential exercises, interactive activities, media, and dialogue to help gain the knowledge and practical skills necessary to provide compassionate, person-centered care. The overall goal is to improve the quality of dementia care provided by long-term facilities throughout Wisconsin. The objectives are: (1) to increase the knowledge and understanding of the symptoms and nature of dementia among facility staff; (2) to increase person-centered care practices in long-term care facilities; and (3) to enhance the workplace benefits of facility staff who work under difficult conditions. Products include: (1) a state-of-the-art dementia specialist curriculum; (2) a final report outlining "lesson learned" and data supporting the premise that training improves the of quality of care in facilities; and (3) information indicating the direction of additional steps needed to actually change the culture in facilities.

Program: Congressional Mandates
90AM2992 Senior Services Program

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 02/28/2007

Jefferson Regional Medical Center
565 Coal Valley Road
Pittsburgh, PA 15236

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: Deborah M Machi (412)205-6024

Jefferson Regional Medical Center plans to establish an information and referral "one-stop shop" program to match senior callers' needs with the available resources with the Pittsburgh/Allegheny area of Pennsylvania. The goals of the project include: 1) coordinating the area's numerous programs and services; and 2) collaborating with the community resources already available to enable seniors to access the assistance they need and thereby remain independent as long as possible. Objectives include: 1) providing a single point of contact for the client; 2) offering information and referrals free of charge; 3) providing case management and follow-up; 3) supporting a database that is comprehensive and in categories that parallel the client's need; and 4) cultivating a relationship with the client that is caring, confidential and progressive. Expected outcomes include: 1) an expanded opportunity to serve the older adult by offering referrals in extensive categories of need; and 2) satisfaction survey relating to the program ability to help. Products and materials include: 1) satisfaction surveys and comments; 2) categories of need addressed by referrals.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3012 Alzheimer's Assn.-N. Central TX Chp.,Physician Partnership-Case Mgmt., Alzheimers Families

Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association,
Inc. - North Central Texas Chapter
101 Summit Avenue, Ste. 300
Fort Worth, TX 76102

Project Period: 09/01/2005 - 08/31/2007

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	97,910

Contact: Theresa Hocker (817)336-4949

The North Central Texas Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association will design, implement and evaluate a model of case management based on an approach developed for cancer patients and their families by Cancer Care Services, a non-profit agency operating in Tarrant county Texas. The goal of the project is to enhance the quality of life of person's with Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and their families through the timely provision of case management services. Locating and accessing supportive services for persons with Alzheimer's Disease can be difficult, can add to caregiver's burden and result in patient needs not being fully met. Caregivers frequently turn to primary care physicians for information and assistance obtaining services that physician's are often ill-prepared to provide. The proposed intervention will establish formal partnerships with two medical clinics, one metropolitan and one rural, for the provision of case management services. Outreach social workers will be present in the medical clinics to facilitate the provision of case management services and work with clinic staff to increase their knowledge and awareness of the case management needs of patients with AD and their families. Key partners for this project are The Fort Worth Clinic and a second clinic in rural Parker County. The North Central Texas Chapter plans to partner with Texas Christian University to assist with project evaluation. Project outcomes include: enhanced quality of life due to interventions provided through case management for people with AD and their family members who are providing home care; and an increased rate of referral to case management for AD patients and their caregivers by primary care physicians.

Program: Congressional Mandates

90AM3013 Technology to Enhance Aging in Place at Tiger Place

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
Nursing
310 Jesse Hall
Columbia, MO 65211

Project Period: 09/29/2005 - 02/28/2008

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	979,104

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Along with supportive services, enabling technology, in the form of low cost sensors, computers, and communications systems, has become available, making the dream of aging in place a reality. This project proposes to develop and evaluate technologies for use by residents at a new living facility for seniors - Tiger Place. The project goal is to develop the technology infrastructure at Tiger Place to enable the development and evaluation of the technologies for resident use. Objectives: 1) install, implement, and develop an integrated monitoring system that reliably captures data about elder residents and their environment in a noninvasive manner, balancing the needs of health, safety and privacy; 2) describe supportive health care services needed to maximize benefits of the integrated monitoring system; 3) evaluate usability of the technology and investigate fundamental issues in human-computer interactions for older adults; 4) and evaluate usability of videophone technology to increase and enhance communication between residents of Tiger Place and their family members separated by geographic distance, encouraging family involvement. Measurable outcomes: 1) technology will facilitate detection of adverse events, such as falls or major changes in health status; 2) technology will increase perception of safety, while providing for privacy; and 3) videophone technology will increase communication and family involvement in the lives of participating residents.

Project Period: 09/29/2005 - 12/31/2007

IOWA ST DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS
510 E. 12th Street, Suite 2
Des Moines, IA 50319

FY	Grant Amount
FY 2005	391,642

Contact: Deanna Clingan-Fischer

The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs will develop the educational materials and training tools necessary to initiate a statewide Office of Substitute Decision Maker. This Office establishes a least restrictive system of substitute decision making services for older adults and disabled adults at least 18 years old who might be in need of a decision maker, but do not already have access to a guardian, conservator, representative payee, and/or attorney under a power of attorney. During the grant period, the Department of Elder Affairs will establish the infrastructure of the program, including training of staff and recruitment of local partners. The Iowa Department of Elder Affairs is simultaneously working to secure a new appropriation from the Iowa Legislature in order to implement and sustain the program. The proposed intervention will screen potential clients using intake and assessment tools that they develop. The project will be evaluated using a number of means. The tools, forms, and trainings developed to implement the program will be evaluated for effectiveness using an advisory group and focus groups.

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