Delaware's ADRC Project: *Planning, Model, Progress*

Delaware ADRC Project Update April 14, 2010 DSAAPD All Staff Meeting

Background

- Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) have been established in most states.
- In 2008, DE applied for, but did not receive, federal funds for an ADRC.
- With help from the national technical support team, DSAAPD continued to plan for an ADRC in Delaware.
- DSAAPD staff & partners actively engaged in research & planning for the implementation of a statewide ADRC.
- In 2009, DE applied for & received federal funds for an ADRC.

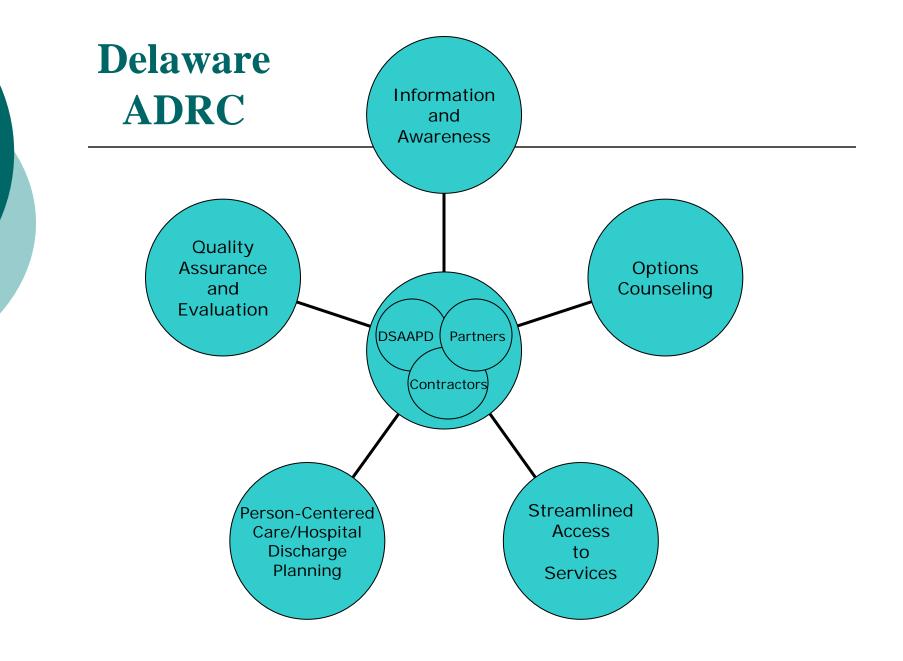
Grant Award

O Project/Budget Period

- 36 months
- Budget certified for 1st year only
- 2nd and 3rd year funding dependant on availability.
- 1st Year Funding: Received \$228,854
- o 2nd Year Request: \$249,978
- 3rd Year Request: \$249,978

ADRC Model in Delaware

- **Target Population**: adults with physical disabilities & older adults
- Service Area: Statewide
- **Emphasis:** improving access to information & services
- Services: available to target populations, regardless of income
- **Partnerships:** will support various core program functions for Delaware's ADRC



ADRC Model in Delaware Information & Assistance

- Information available through traditional printed resources
 - *Guide to Services for Older Delawareans & Persons with Physical Disabilities*
 - various brochures & other media
- Comprehensive *searchable database* will be available on the DE ADRC website.
- DE ADRC staff will respond to inquiries via *phone or e-mail & assist* persons in connecting to needed services & supports.
- Beginning in Year 3 of the grant period, *phone support* will be available on a 24/7 basis.

ADRC Model in Delaware *Options Counseling*

- ADRC staff will provide *one-on-one* assistance to consumers & families who need guidance sorting through options & making decisions about appropriate & preferred services.
- DSAAPD will *coordinate with partner organizations* & contract with community-based agencies to provide technical support to the ADRC in this process.

ADRC Model in Delaware *Streamlined Access to Services*

- DE ADRC *Call Center* will enable staff to make "warm transfers", assisting callers in accessing services, & will track caller information when needed for follow-up.
- DE ADRC *web portal* will allow for 24/7 service referrals.
- DE ADRC staff will work with the *Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance* (DMMA) on developing expedited application processes.

ADRC Model in Delaware Care/Hospital Discharge Planning

- ADRC staff & technical assistance contractors will be available to provide support to hospitals & other long-term care settings in the discharge planning process.
- ADRC & Christiana Care Hospital staff will work jointly on identifying unmet community support needs & engage in cross-training activities & events.
- Christiana Care will disseminate outreach materials developed by the ADRC & make use of technical assistance from ADRC contractors with Options Counseling when needed as part of discharge planning process.

ADRC Model in Delaware Quality Assurance & Evaluation

- Quality Assurance & Evaluation: DSAAPD will modify its current *Quality Improvement Strategy* to incorporate the ADRC.
- Improvements to the QA strategy will be supported by the new Call Center, Web Portal & ADRC Website.

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Progress Update & Next Steps **DE ADRC Project:** *Key Objectives* & *Benchmarks 2010*

- **I. Develop ADRC Infrastructure**
- **II.** Launch & Operate ADRC statewide by 2010
- III. Support Person-centered Care Transition/Hospital Discharge Planning
- **IV.** Plan for Long-term Expansion & Sustainability
- v. Conduct Quality Assurance & Evaluation Activities

October 2009

- Announced ADRC grant award on DSAAPD's web site.
- Convened ADRC Governor's Advisory Council, Lead Partners & DSAAPD staff for initial ADRC orientation.
- Initiated ADRC infrastructure development. (e.g. Call Center hardware & software procurement)
- Initiated DSAAPD computer performance assessment & review.
- Coordinated technical support & training through the ADRC Technical Assistance Exchange: <u>www.ADRC-</u> <u>TAE.org</u>.

November 2009

- Conducted ADRC orientation sessions for community partners & stakeholders. (e.g. Easter Seals, Healthy Delawareans with Disabilities Council)
- Participated in national TA teleconferences for new grantees.
- Developed & implemented plans for engaging staff & partners in national training opportunities.
- Established a dedicated Delaware ADRC Planning Hotline.
- Initiated planning for web-based portal to support provider referrals to the ADRC.
- Planned ADRC public information sessions & presentations for community stakeholders & consumers statewide. (ongoing)

December 2009:

- Conducted ADRC presentations for community stakeholders & consumers statewide. (ongoing)
- Planned for phased development of ADRC infrastructure. (e.g. Call Center, Searchable Database, Web Portal, Cross-training)
- Planned cross-training curriculum for staff & partners.
- Developed training calendar.
- Developed ADRC outreach information & resources.
- (e.g. DSAAPD website, Guides to Services, Lifestyles 50+)
- Established Delaware ADRC Planning e-mail account: <u>DEadrc@state.de.us</u>.
- Planned & coordinated *Delaware ADRC Project Forum* & *Planning Workshop*. (January 25, 2010)

January 2010

- Hosted the *Delaware ADRC Forum & Planning Workshop*, the official kick-off for the DE-ADRC Project
- Planned for installation & activation of the ADRC Call Center System
- Posted ADRC training calendar & initiated training for staff
- Developed requirements for the Delaware ADRC web portal

February 2010

- Installed & activated ADRC Call Center System
- Conducted *Call Center System* training for ADRC staff & supervisors
- Participated in & presented at the National ADRC
 Grantee Meeting, *Changing Systems, Changing Lives*
- Provided ADRC presentations and updates to lead partners, stakeholders & consumers statewide

March 2010

- Continue to provide ADRC updates & seek TA from GAC & Lead Partners' (ongoing)
- Conducted 1st in series of ADRC cross-trainings: Computer-based Community Resources (De Helpline & Children & Families First); Lead Partner Orientation
- Developed job descriptions/roles & responsibilities for ADRC staff; conducted interviews for ADRC Coordinator
- Planned & participated in the Delaware Lifespan Respite Summit (preparation for Lifespan Respite Grant)

Delaware ADRC Project: Next Steps & Ongoing Activities

- Semi-Annual Report due April 30, 2010
- GAC & Lead Partners are assisting in ADRC planning. Meet regularly & participate/provide cross-training for staff.
- Selected workgroups are fully-activated; others in progress.
- DSAAPD continues to participate & support other LTC initiatives (e.g. HCBS, Money Follows the Person, Lifespan Respite, CDSMP)
- DE ADRC Legislation State & National
- DE ADRC info & updates are posted on DSAAPD website. (e.g. QA, Training, Outreach, Meetings/Minutes)

Delaware ADRC Project: Lead Partners

- 1. Division of Medicaid & Medical Assistance (DMMA)
- 2. ELDERinfo, DE State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP)
- 3. Freedom Center for Independent Living, Inc. (CIL)
- 4. Independent Resources, Inc. (CIL)
- 5. Delaware Aging Network (DAN)
- 6. Christiana Care Health Services (CCHS)
- 7. State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD)
- 8. Governor's Advisory Council for Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities



We need you!

To learn more about the DE-ADRC initiative: visit: <u>http://www.dhss.delaware.gov.dsaapd/</u>

Want to get involved?

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