



Delaware Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)

Lead Partners

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Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance



DMMA - Agency Snapshot

- The **Division of Medicaid & Medical Assistance** (DMMA) is one of 12 Divisions within the Department of Health & Social Services.
- It provides medical services to vulnerable populations in Delaware.

Additional Information about DMMA

- There are approximately 150,000 people in Delaware receiving Medicaid.
- Approximately 1 out of every 5.5 Delawareans is on Medicaid.
- Cost is over a billion dollars annually.

Additional Information about DMMA

- Approximately 6,600 are served under Long Term Care:
 - Nursing Home- 2700
 - Out of State Rehab- 10
 - Disabled Children- 1022
 - AIDS Waiver- 697
 - Developmental Disabilities Services Waiver- 866
 - Elderly and Disabled Wavier- 1113
 - Assisted Living Waiver- 228
 - Acquired Brain Injury Waiver- 50



DMMA's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Provide training for ADRC staff & partners on technical issues surrounding various Medicaid programs to enable the ADRC to better assist consumers & caregivers with Medicaid-related questions &/or applications.
- Provide the ADRC & partners with updates about important changes in Medicaid programs.
- Coordinate with the ADRC to expedite Medicaid applications through the ADRC.



Department of Insurance, ELDERinfo Program

ELDERinfo - Agency Snapshot

- As the State Health Insurance Counseling & Assistance Program (SHIP) for Delaware, **ELDERinfo** provides counseling & assistance on questions & problems related to Medicare, Medicaid, Medigap, long-term care insurance & other types of health insurance.

ELDERinfo's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Provide training for ADRC staff on various aspects of the ELDERinfo program.
- Educate ELDERinfo volunteers about the ADRC.
- Distribute ADRC outreach materials to consumers.
- Put a link to the ADRC website on the ELDERinfo website.
- Make referrals to & accept referrals from the ADRC.



Freedom Center for Independent Living, Inc.



Freedom Center - Agency Snapshot

- **Freedom Center for Independent Living** is one of the Centers for Independent Living (CILs) in Delaware.
- CILs provide a range of services to persons with disabilities, including advocacy, peer support, information & referral & independent living skills training.

Additional Information About Freedom Center

- The Freedom Center for Independent Living is a non-profit organization established in 2001 as a Resource Center to assist persons with disabilities in achieving & maintaining a dignified independent lifestyle within the community;
- Believing that quality of life is dependent upon personal empowerment, demonstrable independence, & community participation.

Freedom Center's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Provide assistance in planning & developing ADRC materials.
- Engage in cross-training with ADRC staff.
- Share information regarding services, providers & resources to assist in maintaining & updating the ADRC database.
- Provide information regarding the unmet needs of older persons & adults with physical disabilities.
- Collaborate with DSAAPD on community events & outreach related to the ADRC
- Make referrals to &/ accept referrals from the ADRC.



Independent Resources, Inc.



Independent Resources, Inc. - Agency Snapshot

- **Independent Resources, Inc.** operates two Centers for Independent Living (CILs) in Delaware, with a satellite office in Dover, which gives us a statewide presence.
- CIL's provide a range of services to persons with disabilities, including advocacy, peer support, information & referral, & independent living skills training.



Additional Information About Independent Resources

- Centers for Independent Living, as defined by the Federal Government, are private non-profit, community based, consumer-controlled, cross-disability organizations.
- Centers provide services that consumers consider critical in gaining control over their lives; services they feel will enable them to function in the community of their choosing.

Independent Resource's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

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Delaware Aging Network (DAN)

Delaware Aging Network - Agency Snapshot

- The **Delaware Aging Network (DAN)** is a consortium of over 50 agencies dedicated to improving the quality of services for older Delawareans.
- In addition to operating & coordinating services, DAN also advocates for policy changes that benefit the aging population.

Additional Information About Delaware Aging Network

With funding from AstraZeneca & United Way of DE, care managers from DAN lead agencies in each county:

- Assess client needs
- Identify & link clients to appropriate services
- Educate clients about community resources & services
- Assist clients in building support networks
- Develop realistic goals with clients, promoting independence & safety
- Monitor delivery of services
- Utilize community resources to develop & enhance client opportunities

1,400 clients were served by DAN care managers in 2009,

Delaware Aging Network's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

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Christiana Care Health System



Christiana Care - Organization Snapshot

- The **Christiana Care Health System** is one of the largest health care providers in the mid-Atlantic region, offering a range of services including more than 1,100 licensed beds in two hospitals.

Additional Information About Christiana Care

- Christiana Care Department of Social Work provide services to:
 - All ages
 - People from all areas of Delaware
 - Diagnoses from acute to chronic
 - Variety of follow up needs from temporary to long term
 - High tech medical needs



Christiana Care's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Provide info regarding the unmet post-acute care needs of older persons & adults with physical disabilities in Delaware.
- Provide input into the development of ADRC materials for use in hospital discharge process.
- Engage in cross-training with ADRC staff.
- Distribute information provided by the ADRC to patients & caregivers.
- Coordinate with ADRC partner agencies selected by DSAAPD to support discharge planning efforts.



State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD)

SCPD - Organization Snapshot

- The **State Council for Persons with Disabilities** (SCPD) is charged, in part, with the responsibility of proposing & promoting laws, regulations, programs & policies which improve the lives of individuals with disabilities.



Additional Information About SCPD

The mission of the State Council for Persons with Disabilities is to unite, in one Council, disability advocates & State agency policy makers to ensure that individuals with disabilities are empowered to become fully integrated within the community.

SCPD Membership

- State agencies (DHSS, Kids, DOE, Labor, AAB, DTC)
- Advocacy Councils (e.g. Governor's Advisory Council on Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities, DD Council)
- Providers (e.g. Easter Seals)
- Consumers
- Family Members

Committees

- Policy & Law
- Brain Injury Committee
- Housing
- Executive
- Health Care through the Governor's Commission

Accomplishments

- HB 30
- HB 447
- HB 154
- SB 121
- SB 261
- HB 433
- HB 355
- Revamping of the Regulations for Group Homes for People with Mental Illness
- Amendments to State regulations, policies, programs (e.g. waivers) & legislation

SCPD's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Review draft materials.
- Provide a forum for program planning.
- Assist in outreach activities.
- Participate in training events.
- Carry out other functions needed in support of the project.



**Governor's Advisory Council on
Services for Aging and Adults with
Physical Disabilities (GAC)**



GAC - Organization Snapshot

- The Governor's Advisory Council on Services for Aging & Adults with Physical Disabilities is an advisory board comprised of older persons, adults with physical disabilities & service professionals from around the State.
- The Council takes an active role in advocacy & support on behalf of DSAAPD.



GAC's Role in Supporting the Delaware ADRC

- Serve as the primary advisory body for the development & implementation of Delaware's ADRC.
- Hold approximately seven meetings per year.
- Provide advice & support related to the ADRC to DSAAPD staff & partner agencies.
- Make itself available for special projects & lend technical support, as needed.