

Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources



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# **GWAAR Updates**

Calendar of Events

Links to files may download or open, depending on your settings.

## General

#### Need to Know

#### **Register Now!**

All County and Tribal Aging Units: It's time for more ACE Meetings! The meetings will be as follows:

- October 8, 2019
  - o Lussier Family Heritage Center, 3101 Lake Farm Rd., Madison, WI 53711
- October 15, 2019
  - Fairfield Inn, 7100 Stone Ridge Dr., Weston, WI 54476

#### Register at this link.

More information and agenda to come. We hope everyone can make one of the dates!

#### Nice to Know

#### Newsletters Posted on gwaar.org

A couple of you have asked about past newsletters, so we'll post the most recent newsletters on the website at <u>https://gwaar.org/newsletters</u>.Typically, the last 4-6 weeks will be there.

## Family Caregiver Support

#### Jane Mahoney, Older Americans Act Consultant

#### Nice to Know

The Wisconsin Family and Caregiver Support Alliance (WFACSA) conducted a survey of family caregivers in Wisconsin earlier this year. Over 500 caregivers completed the survey! You can read a preliminary summary of the results <u>here</u>. Additional reports will be released in the upcoming months that can be used for advocacy purposes.

## **Health Promotion**

Angie Sullivan, OAA Consultant - Health Promotions Specialist

#### Need to Know

#### Title III-D Health Promotion Dollars

There are only four months of the year left. Will you be able to spend all of your Title III-D Health Promotion dollars? Please check your budgets and determine if you have a plan to get all your money spent by the end of the year. If you need help, please contact Angie Sullivan at <u>angela.sullivan@gwaar.org</u>

## **Transportation**

Carrie Diamond, Older Americans Act Consultant - Transportation & Volunteerism Specialist

#### Need to Know

Several years ago, GWAAR conducted a survey to gather comprehensive data about the number of volunteer driver programs operating in WI and how many volunteers drive for these programs. This data was compiled and used as part of our state and federal advocacy efforts on the charitable driving reimbursement rate and volunteer vehicle insurance issues.

As we scale up advocacy on these two issues again, we are updating the survey. In the last round, over 60 volunteer programs were identified with 48 responding to the survey. Please take a few minutes to <u>fill out the</u> <u>survey</u>. If you do not operate a volunteer driver program, please forward the survey link: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VolunteerDriver2019</u> to a program in your area who does or send me their contact information and I will reach out directly:

#### Nice to Know

#### Kudos to Wisconsin's Mobility Management Network

Wisconsin's mobility management network was recently highlighted in AARP Public Policy Institute's Emerging Innovations series. The AARP Long-term Services and Supports State Scorecard identified transportation as one of the biggest challenges for non-drivers who want to remain living in their own homes and communities.

Many of you have a Mobility Manager on staff or work closely with one and some of you are members of the WI Assn. of Mobility Managers (WAMM). <u>Read AARP's findings</u>, the case study on WAMM and other highlighted programs.