



Wisconsin Caregiver Support Community Statewide Webinar

August 22nd, 10 am to 11 am

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10:00 – 10:10 am Advocacy Update – Janet Zander, GWAAR

- Review of state budget outcomes – Aging Programs, specifically caregiver supports.

10:10 – 10:30 am State DHS and GWAAR Updates – Lynn Gall, DHS, and Bryn Ceman, GWAAR

- Anticipated topics addressed in 2024 policy.
 - 112 cap on respite waived.
 - Ability to pay primary caregiver if no other respite care provider can be found.
 - Other
- No cost or low-cost supports
 - [Wisconsin TruAlta](#) is free to caregivers and professionals.
 - [Virtual](#) caregiver support groups throughout Wisconsin
 - [Telephonic](#) or virtual support through WellMed and others like [Alzheimer's Association Support Groups](#)
 - [United Way](#) Caregiver Outreach Program offers supportive listening.
 - Share [resources](#) like [Benefits Checkup](#)
 - Utilize and expand the [respite registry](#) in your community.
 - Consider and offer additional programs – does their employer offer ERGs/EAPs, DCS, MA/LTC, other OAA programs, veteran's programs, etc.

10:30 - am – Entire group discussion.

- ARPA flexibilities (e.g., transfers) ends 12/2023; funding officially ends 9/2024.
- Example of waitlist policies
- When to implement a waitlist
- Cap on funding per caregiver
- Other

Next Meeting Date: UPDATE!! We will hold an in-person meeting on **September 26th from 10 am to 2 pm.** A light lunch will be provided. The location is the ADRC of Portage County:

1519 Water Street, Stevens Point, WI 54481. Thank you to Cindy Piotrowski and Portage County ADRC for hosting us!

- Agendas will be forthcoming and posted on the GWAAR [website](#). I am hoping to record the presenters at 10 am, 11 am, and at 1 pm from 9/26/233, they will be uploaded to this page as well.
- Please feel free to email Bryn at: bryn.ceman@GWAAR.org and/or Lynn at: Lynn.Gall@dhs.wisconsin.gov with NFCSP/AFCSPP meeting topics or guest speaker ideas.