

Wisconsin Caregiver Support Community Statewide Webinar

November 26th, 10 – 11 am

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Or call in (audio only) at 608-338-1382 • Phone Conference ID: 261-971-320#

10 am Advocacy Update – Janet Zander, Public Policy & Advocacy Coordinator, GWAAR

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

- Wisconsin Department of Health Services Awarded Grant: <https://acl.gov/news-and-events/announcements/acl-announces-awards-initiatives-advance-national-strategy-support>

- **Peer Place Reminders:**

- [PeerPlace Guides - Aging](#) includes a “Draft Peer Place Reporting Instructions-Caregiver” document.
- All webinars will be recorded and available for viewing on demand [here](#), under “PeerPlace training resources for Aging programs”.
- Updated FAQs on the GWAAR site [here](#), page 21.
- Updated – legislative issue brief (if ready)

10:20 am [Caregiver Post Card Grant Project](#) – Kristin Voss, Family Caregiver, and Center for Caregiver Serenity

**Do you work with family caregivers?
Invite them to participate in the
CAREGIVER POSTCARD PROJECT**

Participate online:
Scan this QR Code:



or go to: go.wisc.edu/caregiver-postcard

Or participate in-person:
Hosting an in-person event or program? Have caregivers write or draw their experiences with the joys and struggles of caregiving, and send them back to us! Email Kristin Litzelman at litzelman@wisc.edu with questions or to request a batch of postcards or a return envelope.

Spread the word:
Contact Kristin Litzelman at litzelman@wisc.edu for a PowerPoint slide or newsletter blurb to share this project with caregivers

An opportunity to lift up the voices of caregivers:

- Use art as a quick tool to share your caregiving journey
- Identify moments of joy within hardship
- Share an “in the moment” struggle
- Express gratitude for a resource, conversation, helping hand, etc.
- Responses may become part of public art and research that will raise awareness about the family caregiving experience

Host a conversation with caregivers:
Conversations with caregivers about these postcards -- about their joys, struggles, and gratitudes in the caregiving role -- can be transformative. Through sharing their experiences, you can give caregivers a voice in the work that YOU do in the community and in policy.

Need a facilitator? Contact Kristin Voss. She is also the founder of the Center for Caregiver Serenity, a professional classroom teacher, and a family caregiver to her daughter with special needs. Contact her at kristinvoss6@gmail.com

Who is running this project?
This project is led by Dr. Kristin Litzelman, a faculty member at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Kristin Voss. The Wisconsin Family Caregiver Support Alliance is collaborating on this work. The Ira and Ineva Reilly Baldwin Wisconsin Idea Endowment is funding this project.

- For more details on the Caregiver Postcard Project you can click here, [Wisconsin Family & Caregiver Support Alliance](#) (WFACSA site).
- Video Storytelling

10:40 am Respite Care Association of Wisconsin (RCAW) – Rachel

- [RCAW Press Release ACL Grant 10.14.24](#)
- Share further details regarding these grants & any other opportunities to collaborate
- Highlight the need for sustainability and state funding
- Supplement grant targeting underserved populations

Future Statewide Webinar Dates:

- Tuesday, January 28th, 2025 – How to assess for greatest economic & social need?
 - Review the [OAA Final Rule](#) language from ACL which reads, “[ACL] Clarifies and strengthens provisions for meeting OAA requirements for prioritizing people with the greatest social and economic needs.”
 - Review of example policy/procedures
 - Share ideas
 - What other supports are considered/assessed at intake?
- Agendas will be forthcoming and posted on the GWAAR [website](#) along with the recordings, notes, and other meeting documents following each meeting.
- Please feel free to email Bryn at: bryn.ceman@GWAAR.org and/or Lynn at: Lynn.Gall@dhs.wisconsin.gov with NFCSP/AFCSA meeting topics or guest speaker ideas.