

Caregiver Grant Programs

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 - a. Every other month meetings
 - b. Fact Sheets
 - c. DHS Family Caregiver Manual
 - d. WisconsinCaregiver.Org
 - e. Trualta

Initial Onboarding



Welcome Letter

- Technical Assistance → [Family Caregiver Support](#)
- Learning Management System → [GWAAR ED](#)
 - OAA Overview, AFCSP 101 & NFCSP 101
- GWAAR SharePoint → [Partner News & Events – External](#)
- Reporting → [PeerPlace – Login](#)
- [Trualta](#)
- Sign up → [GWAAR Newsletter](#)
- DHS SharePoint → [WILMS](#)

Core Competencies Curriculum

- Motivational Interviewing
- DHS Family Caregiver Support Manual
- Health Equity Series
- Grieving, Death & Ambiguous Loss
- Dementia 101
- Kinship aka RAPP Navigator Training
- Advanced Directives
- Diverse Family Caregivers
- Caregiver Support Group Facilitator Training

Overview



- [Alzheimer's Family Caregiver Support Program \(AFCSP\)](#)
 - \$4,000 max / CG, unless approved waiver*
 - Currently \$48K gross annual income (PWD **and** spouse), Dx, and community
 - Tends to be the grant that goes most unused; returning funds each year
 - [National Family Caregiver Support Program \(NFCSP\)](#)
 - No limit set by feds; may have local max*
 - OAA = age criteria; 60+ or dementia Dx or 55+ & CG of adult (18 – 59) with a “[severe disability](#)”.
 - All reporting = tied to a service (e.g. Info Svs/Public Info, Assistance, Respite, Supplemental Svs and Counseling/Training/Support Groups)
 - [Relative As Parent Program \(RAPP\) aka Kinship aka Grandparents as Caregivers \(NFCSP\)](#)
 - 55+ & primary CG of relative child under 18 years of age
 - [Kinship Care Coordinators Contact Information Map](#)
 - [Respite Care Association of Wisconsin \(RCAW\)](#)
 - [Respite Grant](#) - up to 5 days of respite care, can re-apply every 60 days!
 - [Supplemental Respite Grant Program](#) – up \$250 for home modifications, safety technology, housekeeping, laundry, lawn mowing, snow removal, and sensory items. Can re-apply every 60 days!
 - [Respite Care Provider Registry](#)
- *AFCSP waiver process can be found within FAQ document, next slide
**[Examples - Local Procedure Policy Examples Caregiver Grant Programs](#), next slide

Enrollment Forms & Program Management Resources

- [AFCSP Financial Eligibility Screen: Worksheets 1 & 2](#) - **Required for AFCSP.** Use last year's tax return.
- [AFCSP General Information Form](#) - **Required for AFCSP.** Remind CG this info should be on file with their PCP.
- Caregiver Services Registration 2025 - **Required for NFCSP.** Confirms eligibility for PeerPlace reporting (age + I/ADL needs). Updated annually.
- [Caregiver Needs Assessment Form](#) – **Required for both AFCSP & NFCSP.** [Tips](#) available to assist.
- [Customer Satisfaction Survey](#) – **Optional at enrollment** (for both programs). CT to return to Lynn using DHS envelope; email lynn.gall@dhs.wisconsin.gov if you need envelopes.
- [Initial Evaluation](#) – **Optional at enrollment** (for both programs). Can be done by phone 1-2 weeks post-enrollment.
- [Post Evaluation](#) – **For both programs**, complete after 1 x service OR 6-12 months post-enrollment.
- [*Examples - Caregiver Coordinator Checklists and Letters](#)
 - New Enrollee / Checklists / Letters
- [*Examples - Local Procedure Policy Examples Caregiver Grant Programs](#)
 - Waitlists Policies (e.g., first come, first serve, alternating years on the program, acuity based)
- [*FAQs for NFCSP and AFCSP - categorized – UPDATED](#)
 - Eligibility Questions
 - Questions Related to Diagnoses
 - Grandparents/Relative Caregivers
 - What items/services can be paid for with NFCSP and AFCSP
 - PeerPlace Reporting Questions
 - General Program Questions



Ongoing Technical Assistance



- Every other month meetings
 - [Wisconsin Caregiver Coordinators Statewide Meetings](#)
 - Sept. In-Person Meeting
- Fact Sheets
 - [Family Caregiver Marketing Toolkit](#)
 - Articles
 - Customizable brochures
- [DHS Family Caregiver Manual](#)
 - Eligibility
 - Definitions
 - Operational Policies and Procedures
- [WisconsinCaregiver.org](#)
 - Local/State/Federal Resources
 - Caregiver Audience
- [Trualta](#)
 - FREE online CG training modules, webinars, support groups, Care & Share Show, anonymous talk
 - Updates at our Statewide meetings
 - Staff resource for support group content and [Staff Space](#)

Ongoing Technical Assistance



- [PeerPlace](#) Guide & FAQ
 - Caregiver is the Client in PeerPlace
 - Link to Care Recipient
 - Services for NFCSP only entered for Caregiver
 - If PWD enrolls in AFCSP, with no CG, services reported under “**Ind Care**”
 - Case Management tasks include completing enrollment forms, evals, referrals, coordinating services, etc
 - Trualta - No reporting for AUs; GWAAR enters this data for the entire state
 - Public Awareness (AFCSP) & Public Info (NFCSP) – entered as an “Aggregate Profile” – which do not capture individual clients served by name
 - Caregiver Support Group – Event Profile entry only
- **Reminders:**
 - AF/NFCSP funds can only be used for III C meals if CG/Care Recipient are ineligible for III C
 - Use AFCSP Admin Dollars! Every year Aging Units (AUs) have up to 10 % to use annually.
 - Examples: computers, desks, printers, new staff set up (time to register on WILMs, SharePoint, PeerPlace, GWAAR ED, etc.) or other in-direct costs for doing business.
 - Case management is not an admin expense.
 - AFCSP Staff training reported on monthly claim form, not reported in PeerPlace and this is separate from admin costs for AFCSP.



Thank You

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