

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Maryland's Family Caregiver Support Program is administered by the Maryland Department of Aging and is part of a national network of caregiver programs funded by the federal Administration for Community Living. The program helps family and informal caregivers care for their loved ones at home for as long as possible. Family caregivers are the major source of unpaid help for older and disabled adults living in communities across the state. These caregivers typically include spouses, adult children, relatives, and friends.

The program works in conjunction with a host of State and community-based services to create a coordinated array of supports for individuals who need them. Studies show that these services can reduce caregiver depression, anxiety, and stress and enable them to provider care longer, thereby avoiding or delaying the need for costly institutional care.

5 TYPES OF SERVICES:

- ☐ Information to caregivers about available services
- ☐ Assistance to caregivers in gaining access to services
- ☐ Individual counseling, organization of support groups, and caregiver training
- ☐ Respite care
- ☐ Supplemental services (on a limited basis).

FAMILY CAREGIVERS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE INCLUDE:

- ☐ Adult family members or other informal caregivers age 18 and older providing care to individuals 60 years of age and older
- ☐ Adult family members or other informal caregivers age 18 and older providing care to individuals of any age with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders
- ☐ Grandparents and other relatives (not parents) 55 years of age and older providing care to children under the age of 18
- ☐ Grandparents and other relatives (not parents) 55 years of age and older providing care to adults age 18-59 with disabilities.

November is National Family Caregivers Month. This year's theme is, Caregiving Around the Clock. As stated by the Caregiving Action Network, "Caregiving can be a 24-hours a day/7-days a week job. Caring for a senior with Alzheimer's or a child with special needs can be non-stop/ Providing care around the clock can crowd out other important areas of life. And you never know when you will need to rush to the hospital or leave work at the drop of a hat. What challenges do family caregivers face, and how do they manage them day and night? Caregivers truly provide around the clock support for their care recipients.

To learn more about our services visit, www.aging.maryland.gov or www.marylandaccesspoint.info



Call **410.767.1100** or **1.800.243.3425**

MARYLAND'S AREA AGENCIES ON AGING

For more information about Maryland's Family Caregiver Support Program contact your local Area Agency on Aging

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Division of Aging & CARE Services 417 E. Fayette Street Baltimore, MD 21202 410-396-4932

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Department of Aging 611 Central Avenue Towson, MD 21204 410-887-2594

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Upper Shore Aging, Inc. 100 Schauber Road Chestertown, MD 21620 **410-778-6000**

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Aging and Senior Programs 8190 Port Tobacco Road Port Tobacco, MD 20677 **301-934-9305**

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ST. MARY'S COUNTY

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