



THE AGING NETWORK

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Workshop Report

Background...

- The Aging Network is comprised of different levels:
 - Federal
 - [Administration on Aging](#)
 - State
 - [Department of Health & Human Services](#)
 - [Division of Aging and Adult Services](#)
 - Governor's Advisory Council
 - Regional
 - Centralina Council of Governments
 - [Centralina Area Agency on Aging](#)
 - Region F Aging Advisory Committee
 - Local
 - Service Providers
 - Advocacy Groups (i.e. [Council on Aging](#) or [Disability Rights & Resources](#))
 - Individuals
- The U.S. Administration on Aging (AoA) was established by the Older Americans Act (OAA)
 - The AoA is the Federal focal point and advocacy agency for older persons, as mandated by the OAA and administers most OAA programs at the federal level.
- North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services receives OAA funds
- Funding for programs is allocated to each State Unit on Aging based on the number of persons over the age of 60 in the state.
- The Home and Community Care Block Grant ([HCCBG](#)) combines federal and state appropriations supporting home and community care for older adults.
 - The purpose of HCCBG is to improve the planning, management, and coordination, increase county flexibility, simplify the administration, and allow local groups to make the decisions.
 - Centralina Council of Governments Area Agency on Aging is the regional entity responsible for assisting with the implementation of the HCCBG.
 - HCCBG Service Descriptions can include: Adult Day Care, Adult Day Health Care, Care Management, Congregate Nutrition, Group Respite, Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, Home Delivered Meals, Home Health Care (Skilled), Housing and Home Improvement, Information and Case Assistance, In-Home Aide, Institutional Respite Care, Legal Services, Mental Health Counseling

Future Trends in Aging...

- Future trends in aging include: Community Resource Connections, Evidence Based Health Promotion Programs and Nursing Home Diversion.
 - Community Resource Connection (CRC)
 - A coordinated system of information and access to both public and private pay services for older adults, people with disabilities and caregivers.
 - Evidence Based Health Promotion Programs
 - Health promotion programs that help individuals maintain themselves in the home.
 - Courses include interventions that have been studied and have proven results.
 - Nursing Home Diversion
 - A concept that assists people in aging-in-place (within their homes/communities) by providing support and services, such as home delivered meals, transportation, or Adult Day Care.

Resources...

- HANDOUT: The Aging Network [PowerPoint presentation](#)
- Administration on Aging [website](#)
- NC Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging & Adult Services [website](#)
- Centralina Area Agency on Aging [website](#)