STATE ADVOCACY 2024

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2024 Advocacy Priorities





Increase the MDHHS FY 25 budget line item for nutrition services to eliminate waitlists for home-delivered meals.

OLDER ADULTS ON WAITLISTS ARE 5X MORE LIKELY TO ENTER A NURSING FACILITY



Increase the MDHHS FY 25 budget line item for ACLS Bureau community services to address longstanding waitlists.

THERE ARE OVER 100,000 LONG TERM CARE RESIDENTS IN MICHIGAN



Permanently increase MDHHS budget by \$3 million in FY 25 to achieve & maintain a 1 to 2,000 Long Term Care Ombudsman staff-to-bed ratio across Michigan.

90% OF OLDER ADULTS WANT TO AGE IN PLACE



Increase the rates paid to MI
Choice Medicaid Waiver Agents
in FY 25 to meet the actual
operational and service costs.



Join our advocacy efforts to make a difference for older adults in your community.

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Now is the time to ensure older adults are guaranteed their basic necessities, including food, housing, healthcare, and other supports.



ADDITIONAL ADVOCACY PRIORITIES



PRESERVE THE SOCIAL SAFETY NET



INVOLVE AAAs IN D-SNP INITIATIVE



COLLABORATE WITH AREA AGENCY ON AGING ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN (4AM)



GROW
TRANSPORTATION
OPTIONS



ADDRESS DIRECT CARE WORKFORCE SHORTAGE



EXPAND HOUSING OPTIONS



SUPPORT FAMILY AND INFORMAL CAREGIVERS



ADVANCE OUTREACH AND SERVICES FOR UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES



COMBAT ELDER
ABUSE, EXPLOITATION
& NEGLECT

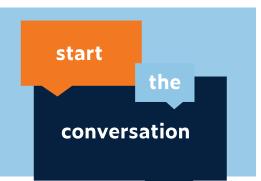


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FEDERAL ADVOCACY 2024

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1 IN 7 OLDER ADULTS STRUGGLE WITH FOOD INSECURITY



Increase the Title III C funding for nutrition services to eliminate waitlists for home-delivered meals.

EXPAND STATE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SHIP) & SAVE



SHIP is a highly valuable free resource for anyone making decisions about their Medicare coverage, including the Part D prescription drug benefit.

*In Michigan, SHIP is known as the Michigan Medicare Assistance Program (MMAP)

INVEST IN THE VITAL OLDER AMERICANS ACT TITLE III B TO INCREASE FUNDING

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Information & assistance, transportation, care management, legal services, and gap filling efforts are some of the critical services made possible by Title III B funding. THE OLDER AMERICANS ACT IS SET TO EXPIRE AT THE END OF FY 2024



Reauthorize and modernize the Older Americans Act. It is the foundation of our nation's aging policy & the touchstone for the aging services network.



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