Supportive Service Models for Communities of Older Adults: Villages, NORCs, ALPs, and PACE

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Housing as a Continuum

• In 2011, 5.5 million (15%) of Medicare beneficiaries lived in non-traditional housing
  – 2.5 million in retirement or senior housing (communities with age restrictions, but not residential care)
  – 1 million in independent living (services, but without personal care services)
  – 1 million in assisted living (with personal care services)
  – 1.1 million in nursing homes

(Freedman & Spillman, 2014)
Housing Plus Supportive Services

- Amenities of a home + (some degree of) supportive services
Focus of Aging Services

- Aging in place and in the community
- Traditional focus on the Aging Network
County-Based System
Supports in HUD Housing

• Supportive Service Coordinators as social service staff

• Hired by, or contracted through, owner or property management group

• Link older adults, especially those at risk, and people with disabilities to supports to live independently
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HUD OFFERS APPROXIMATELY $15 MILLION IN GRANTS TO TEST A NEW APPROACH TO HELP LOW-INCOME SENIORS AGE IN PLACE

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) today announced it is making approximately $15 million available to test a promising housing and services model for low-income seniors to age in their own homes and delay or avoid the need for nursing home care. Read HUD’s Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

HUD’s Supportive Services Demonstration for Elderly Households in HUD-Assisted Multifamily Housing will offer three-year grants to eligible owners of HUD-assisted senior housing developments to cover the cost of a full-time Enhanced Service Coordinator and a part-time Wellness Nurse. The purpose of the Demonstration is to test the effectiveness of this enhanced supportive services model for elderly households and to evaluate the value of enhanced service coordination paired with affordable housing for seniors. The demonstration will be independently evaluated to determine the impact of the enhanced supportive services model on:

- aging in place in HUD-assisted senior developments;
- avoiding early transitions to institutional care, and;
Models for Supportive Service Delivery

- Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
- Assisted Living Programs (ALPs)
- Villages
- Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Supportive Service Programs (NORC-SSPs)
Big Ideas

• Highly relevant for communities with large concentrations of older adults

• Models cater somewhat differently to communities with particular needs and resources

• Strong enthusiasm, yet require leadership and partnerships in the face of fiscal challenges
Models for Supportive Service Delivery

REFER TO HANDOUT
Villages are based on the needs of your community

One Stop Shopping: Villages do everything and anything that their members want and need.

Village model complement other community approaches to aging such as Naturally Occurring Retirement Communities (NORCs) and Area Agencies on Aging Programs.

Currently, approximately 190 Villages are operating across the country, in Australia and the Netherlands. 185 additional Villages are currently in development.

"Most of us are learning as we go. So, from my view, all information about other villages and their strategic policy decisions and operating results are very, very valuable."

Peggy Simpson, Dupont Circle Village

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NORC Supportive Service Programs

NORC participants in St. Louis, MO, on a bus trip to a farmers’ market.
Assisted Living Programs (ALPs)

A resident, who is an enrollee of PALS, poses for a picture with a PALS staff member in her unit at the Westwood House.
Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)
The End?

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