

STATE AND FEDERALLY-FUNDED SERVICE PROGRAMS FOR ELDER IN FLORIDA
AVAILABLE THROUGH YOUR LOCAL AREA AGENCY ON AGING/AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

Statewide Medicaid Managed Long Term Care - Program that provides home and community-based services to elders and adults (18+) who are frail, functionally impaired and at risk of nursing home placement. The program uses Medicaid funds to help elders remain in the home or an assisted living facility {ALF}. The program prevents inappropriate/premature nursing-home placement through ongoing case management and other services such as adult day care, respite, home-delivered meals, personal care, consumable medical supplies, emergency alert response, light housekeeping. Financial, medical eligibility required. **

Community Care for the Elderly - This state-funded program provides community-based services to enable functionally impaired elders {60+} to live dignified and reasonably independent lives in their own homes, or in the homes of caregivers, for as long as possible. The program prevents inappropriate/premature nursing home placement through ongoing case management and other services such as adult day care, respite, home-delivered meals, personal care, consumable medical supplies, emergency alert response, light housekeeping. Co-pay required. **

Alzheimer's Disease Initiative - A 1985 legislatively created program to provide a continuum of services to meet the needs of individuals {18+} with Alzheimer's disease, and similar memory disorders and their families, regardless of age. The program includes four components: 1. Supportive services, including counseling, medical supplies and respite for caregiver relief; 2. Memory Disorder Clinics to provide diagnosis, research, treatment, and referral 3. Model adult day care to test new care alternatives, in Alachua, Dade and Hillsborough; and 4. A research database and brain bank to support research. Co-pay required. **

Home Care for the Elderly - This program provides a subsidy payment (approximately \$106/month) to help caregivers maintain low-income elders (60+) in their own home or in the home of a caregiver on a 24/7 basis. The monthly basic subsidy payment is made to the caregiver for support and health maintenance, and to assist with food, housing, clothing, and medical care of the client; it is not a program to replace the income of a caregiver who chooses to leave their job to care for their loved one on a full-time basis. There is also a special subsidy available to assist with specialized health care needs. An eligible HCE participant must be at risk for nursing home placement. Financial eligibility required. **

Older Americans Act Programs - These programs serve elders {60+} and provide meals and recreational activities at senior centers and other sites, and also deliver in-home services to frail elders - services such as Meals on Wheels, personal care, homemaking help and caregiver support. The Older Americans Act also funds legal services, transportation, evidence based health promotion programs, caregiver education programs and elder abuse prevention programs. The Senior Community Service Employment Program, another Older Americans Act program, provides part-time employment and job training for workers age 55 or older.

SHINE (Serving Health Insurance Needs of Elders) is a free program offered by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs and your local Area Agency on Aging. Specially trained volunteers can assist you with your Medicare, Medicaid, and health insurance questions by providing one-on-one counseling and information. SHINE services are free, unbiased, and confidential, and available in all counties.

** These programs require a telephone screening and have a prioritized wait list.
For information or to apply, contact your local Florida Aging & Disability Resource Center's
Elder Helpline at (800) 963-5337/(800) 96-ELDER