

Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan

Established in April 1974, the Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan (AAAWM) exists to help older adults and persons with disabilities live in their community with independence and dignity.



Serving Seniors in Nine Counties

- | Allegan
- | Ionia
- | Kent
- | Lake
- | Mason
- | Mecosta
- | Montcalm
- | Newaygo
- | Osceola



What are Area Agencies on Aging?

- | A nationwide network of over 600 agencies
- | Created by the federal Older Americans Act in 1973
- | Designed as a system that would support services in the community

What AAAs Do

- | Contract with outside agencies to provide services
- | Serve as independent evaluators to monitor quality of services
- | Provide training and technical support to service providers
- | Advocate for older adults
- | Provide Information and Assistance and Care Management

Funding for AAAM Services

- | Federal, State or Local dollars
- | Private Payment
- | Medicaid or Medicare
- | Some may qualify for service at little or no cost

Older Americans Act (OAA) Funded Services

- | Adult Day Services
- | Care Management
- | Outreach & Assistance
- | Transportation
- | Homemaker
- | Respite Care
- | Personal Care
- | Legal Services
- | Long-Term Care Ombudsman

OAA funded Nutrition Services

- | Congregate Meals
- | Home Delivered Meals
- | Nutrition Education



Kent County Senior Millage



- | Approved by voters in November 1998
- | Designed to help seniors remain at home
- | Administered by AAAWM

*Kent County
Senior Millage*

Kent County Senior Millage Types of Services Offered

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| Adult Day | Home Repair |
| Care Management | Information and Referral |
| Nutrition Programs | Legal Assistance |
| Flu Shots | Personal Care |
| Foreclosure Intervention | Respite |
| Health Education | |
| Home Chore | |

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Health Education

- | PATH-Personal Action Toward Health
- | EnhanceFitness
- | Matter of Balance
- | Arthritis Foundation Exercise



Services Provided by AAAM

- | Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP)
- | Information and Assistance
- | Long-term Care Options Counseling (Choices for Independence)
- | Caregiver Resource Network
www.caregiverresource.net

Care Management

- | In-home services to promote dignity and independence
- | Person Centered
- | Designed to be affordable for clients



MI Choice Medicaid Waiver Program

- | Certified Disabled aged 18 to 64
- | Older Adults over age 65
- | Medically eligible for nursing home
- | Meet Medicaid income & asset requirements
- | In need of community-based services



MI Choice Waiver Services

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| Adult Day | Personal Emergency Response System |
| Chore Services | Personal Care |
| Community Living Supports | Private Duty Nursing |
| Counseling Services | Respite Care |
| Home Modifications | Training |
| Home Delivered Meals | Transportation (non-medical) |
| Homemaker | Nursing Facility Transition Services |
| Medical Equipment & Supplies | |

Choices for Independence

- | Assessment and consultation
- | Provides information on services available in the community
- | Supports individuals and their family and friends in reviewing choices

Nursing Facility Transitions

- | Supports people currently living in a nursing home, who want to return to their own homes, move in with relatives or friends, or find other living arrangements.
- | Assessment
- | Care Plan Development
- | Identify Supportive Services
- | Housing

Resources


- | Area Agency on Aging of Western Michigan
www.aaawm.org
- | Caregiver Resource Network
www.caregiverresource.net
- | Eldercare Locator
www.eldercare.gov or 1-800-677-1116

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