

## Community Living Program Grants

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**Project Abstract:**

**Goal:** To build statewide capacity offering seamless, flexible service delivery including self-directed options to divert participants from nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down.

**Objectives:**

- 1) Use peer mentoring learning communities to expand self-directed program capacity to serve 200 consumers in 7 AAAs and build the foundation to expand to 25% of State's AAAs;
- 2) implement continuous quality improvement strategies to ensure that training, standards and protocols support effective, seamless delivery of traditional and self-directed care in the identified AAAs;
- 3) set-aside Federal and State monies to support self-directed approaches to targeted populations; and
- 4) amend EISEP regulations to support self-directed delivery and implementation in 25% of State's AAAs.

**Overall Approach:** This project builds upon work begun with Broome, Oneida and Onondaga AAAs, expands to 7 additional AAAs, serves over 200 persons (19% of eligibles in those counties) at imminent risk for nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down and prepares for statewide adoption of flexible service delivery including self-directed approaches. Potential participants will be screened by **NY Connects**, linked to AAA care coordinators, and offered choice of self-directed or traditional services. Federal grant, Titles III-B/III-C/III-E and state-funded EISEP/CSE/SNAP funds will support seamless service delivery. Continuous quality improvement will monitor and adjust to ensure effective and satisfactory delivery.

**Measurable Outcomes:** (1) Diversion of persons at-risk for nursing home placement and Medicaid spend-down, (2) funding realignment, (3) quality delivery, and (4) statewide replication/sustainability.

**Products:** Final report including evaluation results, policy, procedures, and toolkit dissemination.