

Other Assistance for Caregivers

The State of New Jersey also provides and funds other services to assist caregivers. We hope that they support you in your caregiving:

Direct Care:

- Statewide Respite Care Program
- Jersey Assistance for Community Caregivers (JACC)
- Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS), a NJ FamilyCare Program

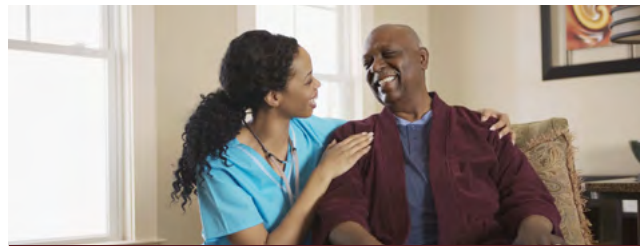
Support For You:

- National Family Caregiver Support Program (Title III-E), a federal matching program
- Care2Caregivers Peer Support (1-800-424-2494)
- Women's Caregiver Retreat

Information and Assistance:

- County Area Agencies on Aging (Offices on Aging) and Aging & Disability Resources Connection

For these or any other service,
please contact: 1-877-222-3737



Additional Information About the Program

The **Statewide Respite Care Program** was created by legislative action in 1987 specifically to provide support and relief to family or other uncompensated caregivers in meeting the demands of the daily care of frail elderly and other functionally impaired persons.

This program is funded by the State of New Jersey and managed by the
**NJ Department of Human Services,
Division of Aging Services.**



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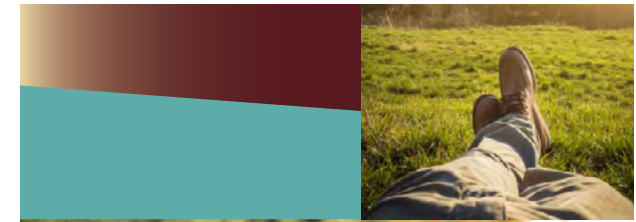
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Statewide Respite Care Program

Services To Provide Short-Term,
Intermittent Relief to
New Jersey's Caregivers



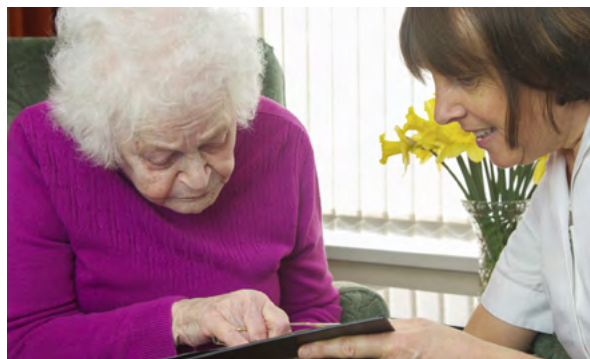
A Program of the New Jersey
Department of Human Services,
Division of Aging Services
to Benefit Caregivers

About the Program



Caring for a family member – or someone you care for as if you were family – is a huge job. When you're caring for someone who needs daily, basic assistance, there often isn't much time for anything else. Whether you're redirecting someone with memory or other cognitive problems, or giving hands-on care to a frail or sick person, it takes time, effort, patience, and involves a lot of emotion. You need time to do other things, time to think and organize, and time to rest.

The **Statewide Respite Care Program** offers services to the person who needs care so that you, the caregiver, has a break ("respite"). The services should replace a task or period of time that you would otherwise provide. Services can include adult day care, home care, companion services, campership, or a short stay in a facility. There is even a Caregiver Directed Option, so you can pay for services or items that make caregiving easier and be reimbursed.



Does the Person You Care for Qualify?

This program is for unpaid caregivers. The person needing care must:

- Be a frail or functionally impaired adult who requires daily, basic care;
- Have an unpaid/uncompensated caregiver, such as a spouse, partner, child, other family member, neighbor, or friend, who provides the necessary daily care;
- Live in the community, and not in an assisted living, nursing home, or residential care facility;
- Not participate in other services that provide this care, such as JACC (Jersey Assistance for Community Caregiving), Alzheimer's Adult Day Services Program, MLTSS (Managed Long Term Services and Supports) or other NJ FamilyCare program, VA Aid & Assistance, etc.; and
- Meet financial guidelines for income and assets. There may be a co-pay based on income.

What Else Should I Know?

This program is designed to give short-term, intermittent relief to the caregiver. It's not for ongoing, routine care. For example, if you are having surgery or become injured and can't provide your regular care, the **Statewide Respite Care Program** may be able to arrange home care, adult day care, or inpatient care at an assisted living or other facility while you recuperate. Maybe you need a break to take a vacation with your family, or a weekend to settle a child into college. Perhaps you are taking a caregiving class for six weeks and need someone to stay with the person you care for during class times.

For Statewide Respite and more:

www.state.nj.us/humanservices/doas/services/srctp

Or call the

Ageing and Disability Resource Connection
1-877-222-3737

If you need regular, long-term care for the person you care for, then the **Statewide Respite Care Program** may not be for you. Contact the **Ageing and Disabilities Resource Connection (1-877-222-3737)** and explore other options, such as MLTSS, the Alzheimer's Adult Day Services Program, or JACC.