

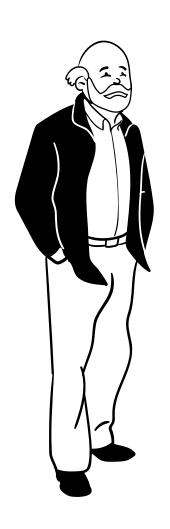
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The National Family Caregiver Support Program (NFCSP) was established in 2000 as Title IIIE under the Older Americans Act and was officially launched a year later - February 2001.



Our program standards are meant to provide support to unpaid caregivers who care for their loved one to help prevent or delay placement into a long-term care setting. The program is designed to ease the stresses of Caregivers.



A Family Caregiver is anyone who provides assistance to another person so that person can maintain an independent lifestyle.



### What do Family Caregivers do?

"Family caregivers operate as extensions of health care systems performing complex medical and therapeutic tasks and ensuring care for their care recipient adherence to therapeutic regimens. They operate as home-based "care coordinators" and personal advocates for care recipient."

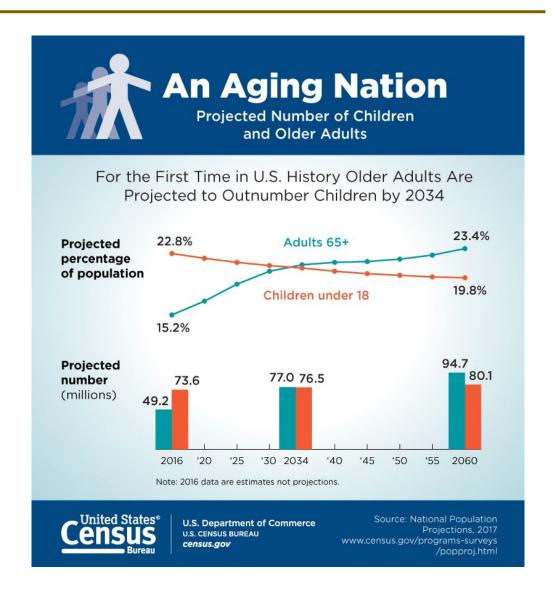


- The fastest-growing age group is 85 and older.
- 35 million older Americans today will increase to 70 million in 2030.

## Caregiving is expected to increase in the future due to:

- Growth of older population
- Smaller family size
- Increase in two-earner households
- Long distance caregiving













# Questions to ask yourself before becoming a caregiver:

- How will becoming a caregiver affect my finances?
- Will becoming a caregiver affect my mental and emotional health?
- Will I need to hire additional help?
- How will becoming a caregiver affect my relationships?



Family Caregivers Support Program focus is to ease the stressors of being a Caregiver.



# The Program provides services for both programs:

- Relative as Parents Program (RAPP)
- Caregivers for Older Adults (FCSP)

#### **Types of Services**

- 1. Case management
- 2. Counseling
- 3. Information and assistance
- 4. Respite care
- 5. Training
- 6. Support groups
- 7. Supplemental services



#### **RAPP - Eligibility**

- Older relatives (not parents) age 55 and older providing care to children under the age of 18; or
- Older relatives, including parents, age 55 and older providing care to adults ages 18-59 with disabilities





#### FCSP - Eligibility

- Adult family members or other informal caregivers 18 and older providing care to individuals 60 years of age and older
- Adult family members or other informal caregivers 18 and older providing care to individuals of any age with Alzheimer's disease and related disorders





To find the number for your local Family Caregiver Support Program, call the Aging and Disability Resource Connection toll-free 1-855-673-2372 or 1-855-ORE-ADRC

Or find them online at www.ADRCofOregon.org

