ARP SECTION 9817: ENHANCING NO WRONG DOOR SYSTEMS

A No Wrong Door (NWD) System seamlessly connects older adults and individuals with disabilities to the full range of community-based long-term services and supports (LTSS). Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) are an important part of the NWD system model. ADRCs can increase visibility about LTSS options, provide counseling and assistance, and help individuals access public and private programs.

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) provides states with a temporary ten percentage point increase in federal funding to enhance, expand, or strengthen home and community-based services under the Medicaid program. In 2021, states submitted spending plans to the CMS, describing how the funds would be used. Multiple states proposed developing new or strengthening existing initiatives to increase access to LTSS through the NWD system and ADRCs. Click on each state to read their spending plan.



NEW JERSEY

- Expanding person-centered planning
- Temporary funding to support transitions home from nursing facilities
- Increased funding for ADRCs
- Home health workforce development initiatives

WISCONSIN

- Strengthening ADRCs
- Addressing the needs of diverse populations
- Creating a NWD system in the form of a Family Resource Center for Children with Disabilities

RHODE ISLAND

- Increasing outreach to underserved racial and ethnic communities
- Expanding person-centered options counseling
- Modernizing IT to support the NWD system

NEW MEXICO

- Consolidating toll-free phone lines
- Improving resource websites
- Increasing funding for transitions
- Improving workforce development through training

INDIANA

 Conducting an ADRC-related survey (the Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults) and using the results to improve ADRC services by understanding the needs of older adults

TEXAS

 Expanding the NWD portal infrastructure to enable individuals to request placement on an interest list, complete a needs assessment, and update contact information





SOUTH DAKOTA

- Expanding information and referral activities
 - Increasing funding for transitions
 - from institutions
- Expanding options counseling

CALIFORNIA

 Establishing a statewide NWD system to increase person-centered planning and care management as part of CA's Master Plan for Aging

INSPIRED BY THESE INITATIVES?

- Click <u>here</u> to read your own state's plan
- Brainstorm who you can partner with to promote NWD