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Quick Guide to Aging Resources

Information & Assistance

Free Language Assistance is available at 1-800-342-9871

Onondaga County Office for Aging

www.ongov.net/aging

315- 435-2362

Fax 315- 435-3129

Weekdays 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

421 Montgomery Street, John H. Mulroy Civic Center - 10th Floor,

Syracuse, NY 13202

The Office for the Aging provides information on community services available to older adults in Onondaga County.

New York State Office for the Aging

<http://www.aging.ny.gov>

Senior Citizen's Helpline: 1-800-342-9871

518-474-4425

Fax 518-474-1398

Empire State Plaza, Agency Building #2

Albany, NY 12223-1251

Complaint Lines

Adult Care Facilities (Adult Homes/Assisted Living) 1-866-893-6772

Home Health Care

(Including Certified Home Health Agencies) 1-800-628-5972

Hospice 1-800-628-5972

Hospital Discharge 1-800-804-5447

Hospital or Diagnostic and Treatment Center 1-800-804-5447

Managed Care 1-800-206-8125

Nursing Home 1-888-201-4563

Office of Professional Medical Conduct 1-800-663-6114

Ombudsman Program 315-671-5108

- Advocating for the Rights of Those
in Skilled Nursing & Adult Care Facilities

Call 2-1-1 (Formerly Helpline)

24-Hour Health and Human Services Information

www.211cny.com

Emergency Services

For **Elder Abuse** Emergencies Call:

Call 9-1-1 for a life threatening emergency

Onondaga County Adult Protective Services

<http://www.ongov.net/adult/protective.html>

315- 435-2815

Weekdays 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

421 Montgomery Street, John H. Mulroy Civic Center -

5th Floor Syracuse, NY 13202

Vera House

www.verahouse.org

24-Hour Crisis & Support Line 315- 468-3260

TTY (Hearing Impaired) Crisis Line 315- 484-7263

Hiscock Legal Aid Society

<https://www.hiscocklegalaid.org>

Phone: 315- 703-6600

Fax: 315- 472-2819

351 South Warren St. Syracuse, NY 13202

Mon: 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM Tues, Wed, Thurs: 1:30 PM – 3:00 PM

Domestic Violence Project - The purpose of the Domestic Violence Project is to provide complete legal representation in civil cases for qualified domestic violence victims in Onondaga County, obtaining permanent solutions to end violence in the home.

The CONTACT Hotline

315- 251-0600 Counseling, Crisis and Suicide Hotline

Crisis Chat: **[Contactsyracuse.org](https://www.contactsyracuse.org)**

Senior Centers

The following is a listing of Senior Centers and other groups offering programs for older adults in Onondaga County. We encourage you to contact the center directly to find out about their programs, availability and possible residency requirements. Please note: Addresses shown are building locations; mailing addresses may be different. All Area Codes are 315.

All are air-conditioned facilities

Camillus Senior Center.....672-5820 27 First Street Camillus, NY 13031	Dunbar Association.....760-3155 1453 South State Street Syracuse, NY 13205
Canton Woods Senior Center.....638-4536 76 Canton Street Baldwinsville, NY 13027	Fayetteville Senior Center.....637-9025 584 East Genesee Street Fayetteville, NY 13066
Cicero Senior Center.....452-3298 5924 Lathrop Drive Cicero, NY 13039	Jewish Community Center.....445-2360 5655 Thompson Road DeWitt, NY 13214
Clay Senior Center.....652-3800 Ext. 137 4492 Route 31 Clay, NY 13041	Huntington Senior Center.....476-3157 310 Seymour Street Syracuse, NY 13204
Frank DeFrancisco Eastwood Senior Center.....437-4011 401 S. Midler Avenue Syracuse, NY 13206	Jordan/Elbridge Community Ctr.....689-3431 1 Route 31 Jordan, NY 13080
DeWitt Parks & Recreation.....446-9250 Ext.134 DeWitt Town Hall 5400 Butternut Drive East Syracuse, NY 13057	

Manlius Senior Centre.....682-7889
1 Arkie Albanese Avenue
Manlius, NY 13104

**Magnarelli Community Center at
McChesney Park.....473-2673**
2300 Grant Boulevard (Cor. Pond & Grant Blvd.)
Syracuse, NY 13208

Northeast Community Center.....472-6343
716 Hawley Avenue
Syracuse, NY 13203

Onondaga Senior Center.....469-3464
4834 Velasko Rd
Syracuse, NY 13215

Robert Cecile Community Center.....473-2678
174 West Seneca Turnpike6385
Syracuse, NY 13205

SAGE/Upstate.....478-1923
431 E. Fayette Street, Lower Level
CNY Philanthropy Center
Syracuse, NY 13202

Salina Civic Center.....454-0168
2826 LeMoyne Avenue
Mattydale, NY 13211

**The Salvation Army Adult
Community Center.....479-1156**
749 S. Warren Street
Syracuse, NY 13202

Skaneateles Community Center.....685-2266
97 State Street
Skaneateles, NY 13152

Westcott Community Center.....478-8634
826 Euclid Avenue
Syracuse, NY 13210

Exercise

Senior exercise classes are available throughout the county. Check with senior centers, city, town and village recreation departments, as well as private gyms in your area. Many shopping malls also open their doors for walking programs; inquire with the customer service office of the mall for more information. Contact the Onondaga County Office for Aging for Strength and Balance Exercise Class schedules: 315-435-2362

Neighborhood Advisors

Neighborhood Advisor Program - Onondaga County Office for Aging 315- 435-2362

Neighborhood Advisors are trained Senior Services Professionals. They assist older adults in obtaining the services they need in order to remain independent in their home setting. They:

- Promote awareness of community services
- Make referrals and connect older adults with services
- Follow-up to ensure that the services have been received

These services are *free and confidential*. Appointments are available in the senior's home or at a senior or community center.

A Neighborhood Advisor can help you:

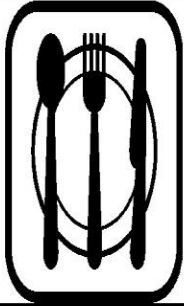
Complete medical applications and other forms. Locate needed services, such as:

- Health Care
- Legal Advice
- Transportation
- Housing
- Nutrition and Exercise
- Socialization
- Caregiver Information

Provide information about income stretching programs such as:

- Social Security Income
- SNAP (Food Stamps)
- Employment
- EPIC and Home Energy Assistance
- Program (HEAP)
- IT-214 Form/• Property Tax Reduction

Senior Dining Sites



Onondaga County Office for Aging Senior Dining Site Information

<http://www.ongov.net/aging/nutrition.html>

(315) 435-2362

Three local agencies prepare nutritious meals for Onondaga County residents age 60 and older. All agencies are ServSafe® certified in food safety through the National Restaurant Association Foundation. A suggested meal contribution of \$3.50 (Kosher - \$4.00/Lunch, \$5.00/Dinner) is returned to the program to help support meal costs and expand services. Guest meals are \$7.00. No one is turned away due to an unwillingness or inability to pay.

P.E.A.C.E. Inc.*	315-470-3331	Meal Times
Bob Cecile Senior Center, 176 W Seneca Turnpike	315-473-2678	Monday - Friday Noon
Brighton Towers Apartments, 821 Brighton Ave.	315-424-1831	Tuesday & Thursday Noon
Camillus Senior Center, 27 First Street, Camillus	315-672-3163	Monday - Friday Noon
Canton Woods Senior Center, 76 Canton St, Baldwinsville	315-638-4536	Monday, Wednesday, Friday Noon
Cicero Senior Center, 5924 Lathrop Road, Cicero	315-452-3298	Monday, Tuesday, Friday Noon
Clover Corner, 310 Seymour St. Syracuse	315-476-3157	Monday - Friday Noon
Dewitt Community Center, 148 Sanders Creek Parkway	315-446-9250 x127	Tuesday - Wednesday Noon
Dunbar Center, 1453 South State Street	315-760-3155	Monday, Wednesday, Friday Noon
Eastside Family Resource Center, 202 S Beech Street	315-470-3325	Friday Noon
Eastwood Senior Center, 401 S Midler Avenue	315-437-4011	Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday Noon
Fay Road Baptist Church, 750 Fay Road	315-468-2071	Tuesday Noon (Closed Summers)
Foster Grandparents, Hopps Mem. Church, 1110 S. State	315-470-3331	Monthly
Heman Street, 121 Heman Street, East Syracuse	315-952-0038	Monday & Wednesday Noon
Jordan Elbridge Comm.Ctr., 1 NY 31, Jordan	315-689-3431	Fri. & Every 2nd, 3rd, 4th Tues., Noon
Limestone Community Center, 7626 Highbridge Rd, Manlius	315-682-7001	Monday & Wednesday Noon
Liverpool Methodist Church, 604 Oswego Street	315-457-5180	Monday Noon
Magnarelli Center @ McChesney Park, 2308 Grant Blvd	315-473-2673	Mon Noon
Marcellus U Methodist Church, 1 Slocombe Ave., Marcellus	315-673-2533	Thursday Noon
Meadows Apartments, 3490 Meadowbriar Lane, B'ville	315-635-6125	Tuesday & Thursday Noon
Norstar Apts Comm Room, 4784 Norstar Boulevard, Clay	315-457-4777	Thursday & Friday Noon
N. Syracuse Community Ctr, 700 South Bay Rd, N. Syr.	315-458-4763	First Thursday Noon
Onondaga Senior Center, 4834 Velasko Road	315-469-3464	Monday - Thursday Noon

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P.E.A.C.E Inc.	315-470-3331	Meal Times
Providence House Apartments, 1700 W Onondaga Street	315-424-1804	Monday - Friday Noon
Ross Towers, 710-712 Lodi Street	315-473-8506	Monday, Wednesday, Friday Noon
Salina Civic Center, 2826 Lemoyne Avenue	315-424-1810	Monday - Friday Noon
Skaneateles Comm. Center, 97 State St., Skaneateles	315-685-5607	Wednesday Noon
Solvay Masonic, 780 Woods Road, Solvay	315-487-0596	Monday Noon
Toomey Abbott Towers, 1207 Almond Street	315-428-0180	Tuesday & Thursday Noon
Town of Clay Senior Center, 4948 County Route 31	315-652-3800	Wednesday Noon (Closed Summers)
Tully United Comm. Church, 5872 Meetinghouse Rd, Tully	315-696-8066	Tuesday Noon
United Church of Christ, 215 Blackberry Road, Liverpool	315-652-6789	Friday Noon
Valley Vista Apartments, 122 W. Seneca Turnpike	315-469-4100	Wednesday Noon
Villa Scalabrini Apartments, 825 East Willow Street	315-472-3142	Tuesday & Thursday Noon
Vinette Towers, 907 Pond St.	315-473-8504	Tuesday, Thursday & Friday Noon
Westcott Community Center, 826 Euclid Avenue	315-478-8634	Monday - Friday Noon

Salvation Army*	315-479-1309	Meal Times
Senior Adult Center, 749 S Warren Street	No reservation required	Monday - Friday Breakfast & Lunch

Jewish Community Senior Center*	315-445-2360	Meal Times
5655 Thompson Rd, Dewitt (Kosher meals)	Reservations required	Monday - Friday Noon Summers Monday @ 5 PM

***Please call main number for reservations**

Informational programs on a variety of topics such as health and wellness, housing, financial and legal matters are often offered along with the meal in a friendly social setting. Senior Dining is sponsored by the Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services, the New York State Office for the Aging and the US Administration on Aging.



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Home Delivered Meals in Onondaga County

The Home Delivered Meals Program provides meals (hot lunch and cold dinner) to people of ALL ages that are unable to prepare their own meals due to an illness or injury. The program provides assistance to, nutritionally at risk, homebound, frail or isolated individuals who are age 60 or over, and in some cases, their caregivers, spouses, and/or persons with disabilities.

Participants are asked to voluntarily contribute \$4.00 for two meals or \$4.50 for two Kosher meals. Any contribution is gratefully accepted; no client is turned away due to an inability or unwillingness to contribute.

Meals on Wheels (MOW) of Eastern Onondaga County, Kosher Meals on Wheels, Meals on Wheels of Syracuse, Inc., and North Area Meals on Wheels, contract with the Onondaga County Office for Aging to provide savory, nutritious meals, comprehensive in-home assessments, nutrition counseling and other services to eligible seniors who are unable to regularly prepare healthy meals for themselves.

Meals are delivered Monday through Friday by caring volunteers who check on clients each day. Participants overwhelmingly report a better sense of well-being and independence as a result. The Home Delivered Meals Program is a primary access point for other home and community-based services.

The program provides much more than food; it provides a wholesome meal plus a safety check.

Onondaga County Office for Aging contracts with the following programs to deliver meals to the homebound:

Meals on Wheels of Eastern Onondaga County

315- 637-5446

P.O. Box 72, Manlius, NY 13104

Serves: Bridgeport, DeWitt, East Syracuse, Minoa, Fayetteville, Jamesville, Kirkville, Manlius, Pompey, Tully/Lafayette Area.

fmjdmealsonwheels@verizon.net

<http://www.fm-jdmealsonwheels.com/>

Kosher Meals on Wheels

315- 446-9111 ext. 256

4101 East Genesee St, Syracuse, NY 13214

Serves: those who require Kosher. Contact: ellisid@sjfs.org

Meals on Wheels of Syracuse, Inc.

315- 478-5948

300 Burt St., Syracuse, NY 13202

Serves: City of Syracuse, Jordan/Elbridge,

Onondaga Nation, Nedrow, Skaneateles

mkaufman@meals.org

www.meals.org

North Area Meals on Wheels, Inc.

315- 452-1402

413 Church Street, North Syracuse, NY 13212

Serves: Cicero & North Syracuse school district; Brewerton, Town of Clay and

Town of Salina south of John Glenn Blvd. northareamow@verizon.net

www.namow.org

**Other meals on wheels programs in
Onondaga County provide meals on a private pay basis:**

Baldwinsville Meals on Wheels

315- 638-2171

76 Canton St., Baldwinsville, NY 13027

Serves: Towns of Lysander and Van Buren, Town of Salina north of John Glenn

ladydm13@yahoo.com

ECHO Meals on Wheels West

315- 487-2878

4600 W. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY 13219

Serves: Camillus, Geddes, Marcellus, Onondaga

Free Meal Sites

You may go to a meal site without a reservation. All ages are welcome.

Assumption Daily Sandwich Program/Soup Kitchen

810 N. Salina St., Syracuse, NY 13208

Lunch Monday-Sunday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Dinner Monday-Friday 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Emmaus Ministry

127 E. Glen Ave. Syracuse, NY 13205

Lunch Monday-Saturday 11 am to 12 pm

Hopps Memorial Church Soup Kitchen

1110 South State St., Syr., NY 13202

Lunch Wednesday-Friday 11:30 am

Payton Temple Soup Kitchen

1816 Midland Ave., Syracuse, NY 13205

Lunch Saturday 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm

Rescue Mission Soup Kitchen

120 Gifford Street, Syracuse NY 13202

Breakfast Monday-Friday 7:30 am to 8:30 am

Lunch Friday-Sunday 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Dinner Monday-Thursday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm Except Holidays

Samaritan Center

215 North State St., Syracuse, NY 13203

Breakfast Monday-Friday 7:30 am to 8:30 am

Afternoon Meal Monday-Thursday 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Friday/Weekends/Holidays 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

Southside Church of Christ Soup Kitchen

1327 W. Colvin St., Syr., NY 13207

Lunch Saturday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

St. Lucy's

432 Gifford Street, Syracuse, NY 13204

Lunch Wednesday 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Food Pantries

Food Pantries provide a limited amount of groceries to be prepared at home. Although pantries serve eligible clients without discrimination, they may limit the number of times a household may receive assistance. There is no guarantee that pantry assistance will be available at any given time. If you need a referral to a nearby food pantry, please contact the **Interreligious Food Consortium** weekdays at 315-474-8855 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Their website is: www.ifccny.org.

Food Bank of Central New York 315- 437-1899

7066 Interstate Island Rd, Syracuse, NY 13209 <http://www.foodbankcny.org>
The core of their work is achieved by partnering with local partner agencies that distribute food to families in need. The key partners that make up their emergency food network are food pantries, soup kitchens and emergency shelters. Other not-for-profit agencies such as day care centers, rehabilitation centers, senior centers and group homes are able to utilize membership as a way to supplement their agency food needs.

Food Bank is committed to providing a wide variety of nutritious food. They are able to complement donated food with food they purchase for their inventory. Due to their vendor agreements, they are able to purchase large amounts of high-demand foods and offer these foods to their agencies at cost. Food Bank maintains an inventory of 100 core food items available to programs at all times.

They rely on food donations from food manufacturers, grocers, wholesalers, businesses and individuals to supplement their food inventory and these donations help to stretch their member programs' food budgets and enhance their inventories. Additionally, The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) provides commodity foods, meats, vegetables and fruits to the Food Bank for the emergency food programs.

Fresh Food Distributions

Fresh Food Distributions are open to the public. All food is given away in a fair and non-discriminatory way. No one is charged for food or required to work. Contact the Food Bank of Central New York by phone at 315-437-1899 or Toll-free at 1-800-444-1562 for information on locations.

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Formerly Food Stamps

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) issues monthly electronic benefits that can be used like cash to purchase food at authorized retail food stores. Eligibility and benefit levels are based on household size, income and other factors.

SNAP Benefits

SNAP can help you put healthy food on the table. SNAP monthly benefits can be used to purchase food at authorized retail food stores. SNAP benefits help low-income working people, seniors, the disabled and others feed their families.

SNAP Eligibility

Eligibility is based on income. If your income is less than or equal to the amounts in the charts supplied (based on your family size), you may be eligible for SNAP benefits.

How to apply for SNAP

Applying for SNAP benefits starts with an application. If you live in Onondaga County, you can apply at: **Social Services-Economic Security**, John H. Mulroy Civic Center, 2nd Floor, 421 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY 13202. **Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Monday-Friday) Phone: 315- 435-2700.**

Online: You can file an application online at www.mybenefits.ny.gov. The completed online Supplemental Nutrition Assistance application will be sent to the agency and you will be screened for expedited Supplemental Nutrition Assistance within five days and have a scheduled phone interview to determine eligibility.

By Telephone: You can request an application by calling 315- 435-2700. We will mail you an application and you can either return it by mail or drop it off in-person. You will need to be interviewed and the interview can be done by telephone or in-person whichever you prefer.

In-person: You can apply at 2nd floor Civic Center, TA/SNAP Intake, 421 Montgomery Street, and they will give you an application. You can submit it that day as long as you have filled in your name, address, telephone number (if you have one) and signed the application. They will give you an appointment for a future interview which can be done by telephone or in-person.

You are responsible to complete your application completely and truthfully. At application, periodic report and recertification you must report ALL employment income and any unearned income such as disability benefits, child support, unemployment benefits and lottery winnings. If your household currently has no income and you receive a change in income, you must report the changes within 10 days after the end of the month in which the change happened.

The information and proof that you provide when applying for or while receiving SNAP must be correct, complete and accurate. If you intentionally provide false, incomplete or inaccurate information or proof, you could be disqualified from the program and possibly subject to criminal prosecution. If you are eligible for and receive SNAP benefits, you can only use them to purchase food for your household. You cannot exchange them for cash, drugs, alcohol, tobacco products or firearms or you could be disqualified from the program.

What to Expect

If you do qualify, you will receive your Supplemental Nutrition Assistance benefits no later than 30 days from the date the office got your application. Your Supplemental Nutrition Assistance benefits will be issued electronically at a participating grocery store.

It's Easier to Use SNAP Benefits

SNAP Benefits are provided through an electronic benefit card, similar to a bank debit card or credit card. This process is called Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT). If you are eligible, you will be issued an EBT card, an account will automatically be set up for you, and every month your benefits will automatically be deposited into your account. Your EBT card and Personal Identification Number (PIN) are used to pay for your food at authorized retail food stores and participating Farmers' Markets.

Nutrition Outreach & Education Program (NOEP)

NOEP, **315- 437-1899 Extension 224**, provides free and confidential prescreening for the SNAP Program. This is a free federal program operated in Onondaga County by the Food Bank of Central New York, 7066 Interstate Island Road, Syracuse, NY 13209 - www.foodbankcny.org

NOEP's primary focus is increasing participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP is our nation's first line of defense against hunger, stretching the monthly food budgets of all who meet program guidelines. Participants use an electronic benefits transfer (EBT) card to buy food from local stores and farmers' markets. NOEP works to increase participation in the School Breakfast Program and the Summer Food Service Program, which provide nutritious meals to school-aged children.

NOEP Coordinators:

- Promote SNAP
- Help applicants gather and copy the necessary documents for application
- Offer translation services, home visits, and in-person or over-the-phone assistance for applicants who need individualized help
- Work closely with local government offices to ensure that each application is processed correctly
- Identify and remedy barriers to SNAP participation
- Refer households to other nutrition assistance programs and community resources
- Collaborate with an array of local service providers

FOOD \$EN\$E

Onondaga County

What is it?

Food \$en\$e offers the opportunity to stretch your food budget by purchasing quality food at a discount. No donated food is used in this program.

Who is eligible?

Anyone who needs to stretch their food dollars can participate. It's a buying club - you are not required to show proof of income.

How does it work?

It's simple. Call or visit the nearest site in your county, order, and pay in advance. Cost is \$20.50 per unit. Cash or EBT card are accepted (no checks). Packages are picked up near the end of the month at your local site.

What is in a unit?

Ten to twelve food items including fresh fruits and vegetables, meats, and grocery staples.

Onondaga County

Syracuse	St. Mark's Church, 1612 West Genesee St.	Barry Guinn (315) 488-8511
Syracuse	Eat to Live Food CO-OP, 2323 S. Salina St	Arlaina Harris (315)283-0629
Syracuse	Northeast Community Center, 716 Hawley Ave.	Kathie Deaver (315) 472-6343 ext. 230
Baldwinsville	Canton Woods Senior Center, 76 Canton St.	Avis Neupert (315) 638-4536
Camillus	Camillus Senior Center, 25 1/2 First St.	Tricia Bacon (315) 672-5820
Mattydale	CC Salina Civic Center, 2826 Lemoyne Ave.	Toni Buckley (315) 424-1810 ext. 13
Dewitt	Town of Dewitt, 5400 Butternut Dr.	Megan Ball (315) 446-9250 ext. 9
Tully	St. Leo's Church, 10 Onondaga St.	Amber Dulles (315) 741-0240



Shopping Services

Check with local grocery stores in your area about shopping options.

**Dominick's Market, 139 Gertrude Street, Syracuse, NY 13203
315-474-0012**

Will deliver groceries in Onondaga County. Monday through Friday. There is a \$7.00 minimum delivery fee and at least \$30.00 in groceries must be purchased. You must call before 11:00 a.m. to put your name on list. You will receive a call back; same day grocery delivery.

Kinney Drug Stores

Offer FREE delivery, within five miles of the store you call, of anything they sell in their store. The stores carry many grocery staples and cleaning products, etc. They also offer FREE delivery of prescriptions.

Nichols Supermarket
327 1st St, Liverpool, NY 13088
315-487-5231

Will deliver to Syracuse, North Syracuse and Liverpool. Email or call orders into Dan Turo and he will deliver to your home. \$18 minimum delivery.

Senior Companion
315-708-9239

Shopping Services. Light housekeeping. Meal Preparation. Errands. Companions.

Syracuse Jewish Family Service at Menorah Park
Hodes Way, 4101 East Genesee Street, Syracuse,
NY 13214
315-446-9111 x256

A Ride 'n' More provides grocery shopping, basic errand services and transportation to family functions, social events, and medical appointments, with or without a patient advocate. Call for fee schedule and details.

Serving Seniors Inc.
315- 382-4300

Serves Onondaga County. Will escort, ambulatory individuals shopping, or shop for them. Will run errands; assist with light housekeeping, cooking, companionship, phone calls, paperwork etc. Charges hourly \$25/hour with a 3 hour minimum

TymeSavers Concierge Services

This program is offered to seniors, age 60 or older, or the disabled who are homebound and unable to find assistance for grocery shopping. The service will also pick up prescriptions if they are at the same grocery store.

Eligibility: Onondaga County residents

Application Process: Call the Onondaga County Office for Aging at 315-435-2362.

Fees: No cost for qualifying individuals; call for information. This is not an income-based program.

Housing

Home Repairs/Modifications (City and County Programs)

AccessCNY 315- 455-7591

Environmental Modifications (aka E-Mods) program helps individuals with developmental disabilities make their homes and/or workplaces more accessible. Our adaptive technicians know that the proper accommodations can make daily living easier and allow for maximum independence.

E-Mods staff are available to evaluate a space, design a plan to make it more accessible and then oversee its construction. Past projects have included:

- Ramp construction and repairs
- Installation of custom-made grab bars
- Construction of custom, safer stairs
- Bathroom and kitchen modifications
- Installation of door and window alarms

To complete larger projects the adaptive technician may work with local contractors. If contractors are involved, the E-Mods staff will oversee the process from start to finish. This includes gathering cost estimates and overseeing construction to make sure the plans are executed safely and correctly

Contact: Home Service Director 315- 410-3311

Eligibility/Funding- Referrals are accepted from service coordinators, physicians, agencies, work programs, families and others. Each environmental modification has a specific funding stream, depending on the participant and the project.

Sources include the Central New York Developmental Services Office, the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities, the Home Service program, Medicaid, private insurance, private pay, and the Access to Home grant in conjunction with Home Headquarters.

Costs for materials may be the responsibility of individuals or families. An hourly rate is charged to businesses or other organizations requesting consulting services.

Catholic Charities Project FIX 315-362-7005

Call for a registry of contractors who handle carpentry, electrical and plumbing jobs.

An in-home repair service for senior citizens (age 60+) living in Onondaga County. Helps by assessing the problem and doing the work for you, or if the job is too big, by helping you find a reputable contractor. Some of these minor repairs include: plumbing, electrical, carpentry, and small masonry repairs.

Costs to you:

Materials: Clients are asked to pay for materials for each job. Project FIX will determine what is needed and pick the materials up for you.

Labor: Whenever possible, clients are asked to make a labor donation which is used within the general budget for this program. Call for suggested donation rates.

Home HeadQuarters 538 Erie Blvd., Suite 100, Syracuse, NY 13204, Tel 315-474-1939, Fax 315- 474-0637 www.homehq.org

Home HeadQuarters can help homeowners make necessary home repairs and home improvements that help increase the value of their property and make it more livable, safe and energy efficient. Qualifying home improvements include, but are not limited to:

- Roof Repair or Replacement. Exterior Painting. Step Replacement. Porch Repair
- Window Replacement. Exterior Door Replacement. Sidewalk Replacement.
- Driveway Repair. Fence. Furnace or Hot Water Heater Replacement
- Electrical or Plumbing Repairs. Limited Code Violations. Health and Safety Issues.

Home HeadQuarters Programs

FlexFund Loan Program - FlexFund provides homeowners throughout Central New York with loans of up to \$20,000 for home repairs or energy efficiency-related improvements.

Program Details

- Offers loans of up to \$20,000
- The loans currently have a 4.99% fixed interest rate, and are payable over 7 years.
- No home equity required, no income eligibility requirements, and no upfront costs.
- Homeowner chooses the contractor.

- Available for homeowners throughout Central & Upstate New York

Urgent Care (City of Syracuse) - The Urgent Care program provides income-eligible homeowners with loans of up to \$20,000. Some loans may be partial payback depending on your household income. This program is made possible through the City of Syracuse.

Program Details

- Income-eligible homeowners may receive part of the loan as a grant. If you qualify, you will only have to pay back a portion of the repair costs.
- The portion of the loan that you have to pay back has a 4.99% fixed interest rate.

Eligibility Requirements

- You must own your house in the City of Syracuse.
- Your repairs must be an emergency, including: leaking roofs, sewage backup, broken furnaces, code violations, and other life/safety issues.
- Your household must earn less than 80% of HUD median income guidelines (based on family size).
- Your property taxes, water bill, and mortgage must be current.
- The home must be your primary residence.

Onondaga County Neighborhood Initiative - 1% Exterior Home Improvement Loan Program Note: Funding for this program is extremely limited. Onondaga County Neighborhood Initiative offers homeowners in targeted neighborhoods loans of up to \$10,000 at 1% interest, payable over 7 years. The loans can be used for exterior home improvements. This program is offered through a partnership between Home HeadQuarters and Onondaga County. Funding for this program is extremely limited. Call Home Headquarters to see if your neighborhood is part of this initiative.

Eligible Repairs

- Roof Repair or Replacement
- Exterior Painting/Step Replacement
- Porch Repair/Window Replacement
- Exterior Door Replacement
- Sidewalk Replacement/Driveway Repair
- Fence Installation or Repair

SHAPE-UP Program – 315-435-3558

SHAPE-UP (Safe Housing Assistance Program for the Elderly) is a home repair program funded and administered by **Onondaga County Community Development** Division. Eligible homeowners can apply for a grant to cover the costs of various home repairs.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Homeowners that meet the following criteria:

- Who are at least 62 years old or handicapped;
- Who have owned and occupied the property at least one year
- Whose property is within Onondaga County but outside the City of Syracuse;
- Whose property taxes are current at the time of the application;
- Whose property is covered by Homeowners Insurance; and
- Whose household size and annual gross income fall within these guidelines:

Limits Effective April 2, 2018

Family Size	Income Limit
1	\$44,550
2	\$50,900
3	\$57,250
4	\$63,600
5	\$68,700
6	\$73,800
7	\$78,900
8	\$84,000

Limits effective April 1, 2021

How Much Work Can Be Done On My Home If I Qualify?

Community Development will arrange to pay for the actual cost of necessary home repairs, up to a maximum of \$15,000. This does not mean that each grant recipient is automatically entitled to the maximum grant.

What Kind Of Work Can the Grant Pay For? Repairs to mechanical systems, such as water supply, plumbing, heating, and electrical. Repairs to the structure, such as roofs, foundations, porches, and stairs. Installation of safety and energy related items, such as deadbolt locks, smoke detectors, grab bars, storm windows, and insulation. Lead Hazard reduction as required by HUD Lead-Based Paint Regulations. ****If a child under six lives in the home or visits often and lead hazards are found, a grant of up to an additional \$10,000 may be available.****

Do I Have to Pay Community Development?

No. SHAPE-UP is a grant program and does not require repayment unless the property is sold or transferred within Five (5) years of job completion.

Will There Be a Lien Placed on My Property? YES

Assistance is in the form of a 5-year deferred loan. You must agree to repay 100% of the loan if you do not own and occupy the property as your principle residence for Five (5) years following completion of the work. Please call with any questions.

I Think I'm Eligible, How Do I Find Out More?

For more information, contact: Onondaga County Community Development Division 315- 435-3558

The Ramp Program – 315-435-3558

The **Onondaga County Community Development** Division RAMP Program offers grants to undertake improvements within homes occupied by persons with disability in order to improve their accessibility. Typical improvements include installation of exterior ramps, bathroom and kitchen modifications.

Who is Eligible? Grants are available on a first-come, first-served basis to disabled persons living with Onondaga County, outside the City of Syracuse, who have an annual household gross income less than the amounts shown below for each family size. Disabled tenants must obtain written consent of the property owner.

Family Size	Income Limit
1	\$44,500
2	\$50,900
3	\$57,250
4	\$63,600
5	\$68,700
6	\$73,800
7	\$78,900
8	\$84,000

Limits effective April 1, 2021

ELIGIBLE WORK: Modifications to the residence may include alterations to porches, steps, and doorways and the installation of a ramp, and may also include installation of bathroom and/or kitchen fixtures and other accessories to facilitate use by the disabled person. Bathroom relocation will also be considered if modifications to the present bathroom are not feasible.

Ramp Program Limitations: Assistance will be limited to the amount needed for accessibility modifications. Additionally, assistance will be provided for private residential structures only. Nursing homes and similar facilities are not eligible. Also, households will be assisted only once in a five year period, and will be limited to those unable to secure aid through other programs such as Medicaid.

Program Procedures:

- A. Interested individuals contact: Onondaga County Community Development.
- B. An application is completed, and eligibility is determined.
- C. Ramp and other work specifications are established.
- D. The work specifications are competitively bid upon by CD approved contractors.
- E. The contractor performs the work under CD supervision.
- F. Upon completion of the work, the contractor is paid by CD.

Will There Be a Lien Placed on My Property? -- YES

You must agree to repay the grant if you do not own and occupy the property as

your principle residence for following completion of the work (Currently 5 years with the amount declining after time.). Terms are dependent on each funding source and will be discussed at the time of application.

For Additional Information:

Onondaga County Community Development Division
315- 435-3558

Fair Housing Laws prohibit discrimination in the sale or rental of housing based upon race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, handicapped or familial status, or national origin.

Heating & Cooling Assistance

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

<http://www.ongov.net/dss/heap/index.html>

Onondaga County Office Building, Energy Assistance Unit - John H. Mulroy Civic Center, 2nd Floor, 421 Montgomery Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Monday-Friday) Phone: 315- 435-2700 Prompt #1

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), is a federally funded energy assistance program to help low-income families meet their home energy costs. The HEAP program consists of three components – Regular HEAP, Emergency HEAP and Heating Equipment Repair and Replacement.

Who Is Eligible? Eligibility for the program is based on income and housing situation. Individuals must either pay directly for heating costs or pay rent that includes heating costs. Individuals must be a U.S. citizen or a qualified alien to apply. HEAP money is limited. The HEAP year generally begins in November and closes when the program funding is exhausted, which can be as early as mid-March.

Regular HEAP There are no resource eligibility criteria for Regular HEAP. Regular benefit amounts range from \$20 to \$500. Amounts depend on income, age of household members, energy costs and shelter situation. Typically it is a **one-time only** benefit during the program year.

Emergency HEAP Emergency benefits are available for persons who are eligible for HEAP and have an energy-related emergency such as a power shutoff, less than ¼ tank oil, kerosene or propane or have less than 10 days' supply of wood, pellets or coal. Applicant households must meet a resource test. Benefit amounts vary. Typically it is a **one-time only** benefit during the program year.

If you have already exhausted your regular HEAP benefit you may call 315-435-2700 Prompt #1 to apply for Emergency HEAP by phone.

Heating Equipment Repair and Replacement (HERR):

HERR benefits are available to help low income homeowners repair or replace furnaces, boilers, and other direct heating components necessary to keep the home's primary heating source functional. Homeowners must reside in the home. All applicants receive a standard resource exclusion of \$3000.

How to Apply Temporary Assistance and SNAP (formerly known as Food Stamps) households generally receive their Regular HEAP grant automatically

through their case. Payments to households that pay for heat separate from their rent are sent to the heating vendor. Payments to households that have their heat included in their rent are paid directly to the household. To apply for Emergency HEAP, Temporary Assistance and SNAP recipients must contact the call center at 435-2700. See Emergency HEAP above.

Where to Apply **Individuals under 60** may apply in-person between the hours of 8:00 - 4:00, Monday – Friday. Individuals that have received a benefit last season and **do not have an emergency** have mail-in rights and may call the office to have an application mailed. Individuals who **do not have an emergency and do not have mail-in rights may be interviewed by phone**. Please call 435-2700 Prompt #1 for more information.

If an individual cannot apply in person due to a handicap or because of his or her work schedule, a friend or relative may apply for them. The authorized representative must bring all necessary documents as well as a note from the individual they are applying for.

What to Expect If you qualify, your HEAP payment will be sent to your fuel/utility provider. It generally takes up to 3 months for the credit to appear on your bill.

After Hour Emergency - For after hour heating emergencies, please call the 2-1-1 (formerly Helpline)

Individuals 60 or over, disabled or in receipt of Code A SSI that do not have an emergency may contact the Office of Aging at 315- 435-2362 to apply by mail. All emergencies must apply in person. You must bring in your utility bill, proof of emergency, verification of tenant of record, proof of gross income for everyone in the household, ID for all household members and current resource documentation.

Care & Share: Care & Share was founded by National Grid in 1981 to help low-income families and individuals with elevated bills meet their monthly payments. This year, HeartShare Human Services of New York was asked to administer the fund. Together, HeartShare and National Grid assist hundreds of families each heating season, which starts in January. For more information about the Care & Share Energy Fund, please call (855) 852-2736.

Help Your Neighbors They ask for your help to provide assistance to your neighbors in need by contributing a donation to the Care & Share Energy Fund Program. The program helps HEAP eligible customers pay their National Grid bills when no other assistance is available. Every dollar contributed goes directly to help a family in need and will make a difference for those who desperately need help to

stay warm. If you would like to help someone in need this winter, make a tax-deductible donation to Care and Share, mail a check, made payable to **Care and Share Energy Fund**, to: Care and Share, HeartShare Human Services of NY, PO Box 535450, Pittsburgh, PA 15253-5450

NYSEG Project SHARE Heating Fund

Has combined the strength of NYSEG's and RG&E's heating funds and developed a new program, the Project SHARE Heating Fund. The Project SHARE Heating Fund is designed to help income-eligible customers with energy emergencies in both the NYSEG and RG&E service areas.

To receive a Project SHARE Heating Fund grant, the customer must have an active account with NYSEG, have an active disconnect notice, meet the current HEAP income guideline and have exhausted all other assistance. Active duty military personnel and well-discharged veterans with an active disconnect notice may qualify regardless of income. Customer Service: 1.800.572.1111

P.E.A.C.E., Inc., Energy & Housing

811 East Washington Street, Syracuse, NY 13210

Phone: 315- 470-3315, Fax: 315- 472-2663

energy@peace-caa.org, Hours: Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Our mission: To help reduce utility bills for families by making households more energy efficient. At our Department of Energy and Housing Services, we have been successfully operating New York State's Weatherization Assistance Program in Onondaga County for more than 25 years. This program offers a grant to provide energy conservation measures for income eligible homeowners and renters. Our New York State Energy Smart Programs, include:

The Weatherization Assistance Program, EmPower New York and The Multi-Family Performance Program. These three programs offer the community expertise in energy reduction programs and a commitment to a healthy environment. For more information click on the links below.

<https://hcr.ny.gov/weatherization>

<https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/all-programs/programs/empower-new-york>

<https://www.nyserda.ny.gov/All%20Programs/Programs/MPP%20Existing%20Buildings>

<http://www.peace-caa.org/programs-services/individuals-families-services/energy-and-housing/#sthash.JEvkrAAP.dpuf>

Senior Housing

Referral Services

Eldercare Locator 1-800-677-1116, <http://www.eldercare.acl.gov>

This national service locates housing and other community services available in a specific area. Callers should have the name, address and zip code of the person requesting services available.

Onondaga County Temporary Assistance Office

Clients seeking TA, SNAP and/or HEAP are to check in on the 2nd floor of the Civic Center, TAR recertifications are on the 13th floor and all clients seeking Medicaid are to check in on the 7th floor of the County Office Building located at 600 South State Street.

Hours: 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM (Monday-Friday) Phone: 315- 435-2700

Temporary Assistance is the term used in New York State for public assistance (welfare) programs. Temporary Assistance (TA) offers temporary help for needy men, women and children while they work towards self-sufficiency. If you are unable to work, can't find a job, or your job does not pay enough to meet your basic living needs, TA may be able to help you with basic need expenses such as heat, rent, etc.

Please note: If you have applied for Temporary Assistance, you will be notified of the outcome by 30 days of the receipt of the application, please do not contact the office regarding the application status.

Rent Supplement Programs

The following companies or agencies offer *direct subsidies* for eligible senior citizens, handicapped adults or families. This subsidy can be used for any housing that meets program guidelines. These agencies also utilize the Housing Assistance Payments Program (a Section 8 program) in the City or the County. A Section 8 Program provides rent vouchers that assist very low income elderly in rental housing so that they need not pay more than 30% of their income on rent. For more information, please contact the Syracuse Housing Authority Office at 315-475-6181.

Housing Choice Voucher Program (Formerly known as Section 8) Syracuse Housing Authority, 300 Burt St., Syracuse 13202	315- 470-4400
Christopher Community (Section 8 Voucher) 990 James Street, Syracuse 13203	315- 424-1821
North Syracuse Housing Authority (Section 8 Voucher)	315- 458-7077

Independent Living

The following list may assist in finding a subsidized apartment.

You should file applications with any buildings or programs that interest you. Although some waiting lists are extremely long, it is important to apply if you have an interest in particular buildings. “Long lists” can become “short” ones quickly. Most of these buildings have income and eligibility requirements, but some also have unsubsidized units or take Housing Assistance Payments Program (Section 8) as well.

Depending on your income and the availability of subsidies; in each building, you could pay:

1. 30% of your income
2. The “Basic Rent” (partial subsidy)
3. The “Fair Market Rent” if you are over the income limits
4. For more information call the building manager or Syracuse Housing

Apartment Key

\$	Subsidized
#	Subsidized and Non-Subsidized
@	Pets
+	Mixed age groups
&	Requires a Section 8 Application

City of Syracuse (All #'s Are Area Code 315)

Downtown

\$	Almus Olver Towers, 300 Burt St., Syracuse 13202	475-6181
##+	Clinton Plaza, 550 S. Clinton St., Syracuse 13202	475-2141
\$	YMCA Senior Apts., 330 Montgomery St., Syracuse 13202	474-6851

University

+&	Hillside Apartments, 1530 E. Genesee St., Syracuse 13210	579-2086
\$@	McCarthy Manor, 501 S. Crouse Ave., Syracuse 13210	475-6390
##+	Mt. St. James Apts., 338 Jamesville Ave., Syracuse 13210	478-0731
\$+	Parkside Commons, 1901 E. Fayette St., Syracuse 13210	475-5027
\$	Toomey Abbott Towers, 1207 Almond St., Syracuse 13210	475-6181

West Side

#	Harbor Street Lofts, 710 Emerson Ave., Syracuse 13204	487-2500
\$	James Geddes Rowhouses. 312-338 Gifford Street., 427 Tully St. & 418 Fabius Street, Syracuse 13204	475-6181
\$@	Onondaga Blvd. Apts., 4624 Onondaga Blvd., Syracuse 13219	422-0347
\$@	Providence House, 1700 W. Onondaga St., Syracuse 13204	471-8427
+&	West Park Apartments, 1445 S. Salina Street, Syracuse 13205	579-2086

Eastwood

&	Eastwood Heights, 1025 Sunnycrest Rd., Syracuse 13206	475-6181
\$@	Nichols Brick School Terrace, 311 North Ave, Syracuse 13206	463-5881
\$@	St. Joseph's Manor, 900 Tyson Place, Syracuse 13206	437-7441

North Side

\$@	Bishop Harrison Apts., 300 Pond St., Syracuse 13208	476-8630
\$+	Courtyard at James, 708 James St., Syracuse 13203	479-8612
\$	Fahey Court, 100 Pastime Drive, Syracuse 13208	475-6181
	Hearth on James, 830 James Street, Syracuse 13203	422-2173
&+@	Kasson Place Apartments, 615 James Street, Syracuse, 13203	579-2084
\$@	Ludovico Apartments, 340 Winton Street, Syracuse 13203	422-0475
\$+	Moses Dewitt House, 212 N. Townsend St., Syracuse 13203	479-8612
\$@	Pompei North Apartments, 143 Mary Street, Syracuse 13208	472-2614
\$	Ross Towers, 710-712 Lodi Street, Syracuse 13203	475-6181
#	Salina School Apts., 512 LeMoyne Ave., Syracuse 13208	472-8234
\$@	Villa Scalabrini, 825 E. Willow Street, Syracuse 13203	472-3142
\$	Vinette Towers, 947 Pond Street, Syracuse 13208	475-6181

East Side

\$@	Brick School Terrace, 818 Salt Springs Rd. Syracuse 13224	463-588
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South Side

##@	The Bernardine, 417 Churchill Ave., Syracuse 13205	413-3564
##@	Brighton Towers, 821 & 833 E. Brighton Ave., Syracuse 13205	469-6919
##@	Valley Vista, 122 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse 13205	469-4100

Onondaga County (All #'s Are Area Code 315)

County South

#+	Festival Gardens Apartments, 6162 Rte. 20, Lafayette 13084	677-3836
#+	Lord's Hill Apartments, 2467 Lord's Hill Rd., Lafayette 13084	844-729-3850
\$@	The Meadows Apartments, 1 Village View Drive, Tully 13159	696-6883

County Northeast

#+	Bayshore North Apts., 9457 Chalkstone Course, Brewerton 13029	668-9696
\$@	Bessie Riordan Apts., 211 E. Molloy Rd., Mattydale 13211	455-1457
\$	Byrne Manor Apts., 4122 Pine Hollow Drive, Liverpool 13090	622-0410
@	Buckley Square Senior Apts., 6715 Buckley Rd., N. Syr. 13212	457-2042
#@	Centerville Court, 400 Sandra Lane, N. Syracuse 13212	458-7867
+	Cobblestone Square, 6112 Cobblestone Drive, Cicero 13039	699-5204
	Greenpoint, 150 Old Liverpool Rd., Liverpool 13088	453-7911
\$@	Long Manor Apts., 5500 Miller Rd., Brewerton 13029	668-9871
\$@	Lucille Manor, 5569 Legionnaire Drive, Cicero 13039	698-0507
\$@	Malta House, 212 N. Main Street, N. Syracuse 13212	452-1028
\$@	Malta Manor, 107 Trolley Barn Lane, N. Syr., NY 13212	362-3502
@	Morgan Square Senior Apts., 8547 Morgan Rd., Clay 13041	409-4319
\$@	Pitcher Hill Apartments, 114 Elbow Rd., N. Syracuse 13212	454-0697
\$@	Rogers Senior Apts., 5490 Miller Rd., Brewerton 13029	676-4174
\$@	Sacred Heart Apartments, 8365 Factory Street, Cicero 13039	699-1509
\$@	Spring Village Apartments, 8700 Knowledge Lane, Cicero 13039	915-4164
@&	Toll Road Senior Apts. 108 Singleton Ave., N. Syracuse 13212	214-0284

County Northwest

	The Apartments at Legacy Drive, 7 Legacy Dr., B'ville 13027	635-6290
#+	Baldwin Park Apts., 400 Land Rush Way, Baldwinsville 13027	635-2338
\$@	Conifer Village, 700 Conifer Drive, Baldwinsville 13027	635-7515
\$ #	County Club Apts., 101 Village Blvd., S. Baldwinsville 13027	638-2313
+	Greenway Apts., 8664 Oberon Drive, Baldwinsville 13027	638-4575
\$@	St. Mary Apts., 100 La Madre Way, Baldwinsville 13027	638-2003
\$@	The Meadows, 3490 Meadowbriar Lane, Baldwinsville 13027	635-6125

County West

\$@	AHEPA, 37 Apts., 100 Ahepa Circle, Syracuse 13215	475-3818
@&	Applewood Manor, 5554 W. Genesee Street, Camillus 13031	468-4556
\$@	Bishop Ludden, 817 Fay Road, Syracuse 13219	468-6043
	Brookdale Summerfield, 100 Summerfield Village Ln. Syr., 13215	492-4041
@	Camillus Pointe Senior Apts., 3877 Milton Ave., Camillus 13031	708-0215
+@&	Connelly Acres Apartments, 143 Maple Drive, Camillus 13031	672-5302
\$@	Fairmount Gardens, 4913 W. Genesee Street, Camillus 13031	488-1932
\$@	Gateway Apartments, 79 Fennel Street, Skaneateles 13152	685-3088
\$	Harborbrook Apartments, 811 Fay Road, Syracuse, NY 13219	424-1821
\$@	Nine Mile Landing, 3 Austindale Ave., Marcellus 13108	673-9326
\$@	O'Brien Road Apts., 7170 O'Brien Road, Syracuse 13209	635-3339
\$@	O'Brien Road II., 7174 O'Brien Road, Syracuse 13209	635-5434
\$	Old Erie Place Senior Bldg., 20 Beaver Street, Jordan 13080	689-6275

	Snowbird's Landing, 758 State Fair Blvd., Syracuse 13209	488-0730
\$@	Solvay Senior Apartments, 200 Russet Lane, Syracuse, 13209	468-6590
	The Presbyterian Manor, 49 W. Genesee St., Skaneateles 13152	685-5017
#	Union Free School Conversion, 23 First Street, Camillus 13031	635-6595
\$@	Upper Crown Landing, 33 Maple Street, Marcellus 13108	673-9422
\$	Village Landing Apartments, 55 Jordan Ave., Skaneateles 13152	685-5632

County East

\$	Ahavath Achim Apartments, 4101 E. Genesee St., Syracuse 13214	446-9111
#@	Barrett Dewitt Manor, 1400 Kinne Street, E. Syracuse 13057	434-1854
\$@	Bennett Manor, 100 Bennett Manor Drive, E. Syracuse 13057	437-4864
@&	Colonial Village Apartments, 5890 Bowman Rd., E. Syr. 13057	656-2930
@&	East View Gardens, 112 East Avenue, Minoa 13116	656-3385
@&	Heman Street Apartments, 121 E. Heman St., E. Syr. 13057	432-5150
#@	Limestone Gardens, 7626 Highbridge Road, Manlius 13104	682-7001
	The Nottingham, 1301 Nottingham Road, Jamesville 13078	445-9242
	The Oaks at Menorah Park, 18 Arbor Lane, Dewitt 13214	449-3309
\$@	Redfield Village, 380 Salt Springs Road, Fayetteville 13066	637-8280
\$@	RJ Barrett Manor, 4615 Southwood Heights Dr., Jamesville 13078	469-1533
\$@	St. David's Court, 99 Deerfield Road, E. Syracuse 13057	434-9406
#+	Springfield Gardens, 76 Caton Drive, Dewitt 13214	446-6140
\$@	Tecumseh Road Senior Apartments, 219 Tecumseh Rd, Syr. 13224	299-5677
\$@	Wedgewood I Apartments, 7851 Rte. 298, Kirkville 13082	633-2735
\$@	Wedgewood II Apartments, 7851 Rte. 298, Kirkville 13082	633-9815

Retirement Communities in Onondaga County

Brookdale Summerfield – Retirement Community

100 Summerfield Village Lane

Syracuse, NY 13215

(315) 492-4041

Accommodations: 68 one bedroom apartments; 16 two bedroom apartments. Apartments have a combined living and dining room with kitchenette; community dining as well with a beauty shop, transportation, housekeeping. Pets are allowed. Continuum of care offered, if needed, through third party agencies.

Sources of Payment: Private pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

The Hearth at Greenpoint – Enriched Assisted Living and Retirement Community

150 Old Liverpool Road

Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 453-7911

Accommodations: 186 apartments; studios, 1 and 2 bedroom units and private baths, restaurant-style dining, country store, Beauty Salon, activities, fitness and wellness rooms and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Enriched Assisted Living eligible for long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

The Hearth on James – Enriched Assisted Living and Retirement Community

830 James Street

Syracuse, NY 13203

(315) 422-2173

Accommodations: 71 units - studios, small 1 bedroom apartments and large 1 bedroom apartments, restaurant-style dining, country store, Beauty Salon, activities and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay, Enriched Assisted Living eligible for long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Loretto - The Nottingham – Retirement Community, Enriched Living Program and Skilled Nursing

1303 Nottingham Road

Jamesville, NY 13078

(315) 445-9242

Accommodations: 170 apartments with kitchen and combined living/dining room; 8 cottages; 48 enriched living apartments; 40 bed skilled nursing.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

Maple Downs – Retirement Community

7220 East Genesee Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066

(315) 637-0297

Accommodations: Studios, one and two bedroom apartments, kitchenette with appliances, living/dining room, restaurant style dining room with three daily chef prepared meals, exercise room, beauty salon/barber shop, game room, billiard room, large screen TV lounge, library, chapel, activities and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

McHarrie Towne - Retirement Community

2464 Betsy Drive, Baldwinsville, NY 13027

(315) 638-1172

Accommodations: 111 Single-level patio homes, 1-2 Bedrooms, 1,100-1,400 square feet, attached 1 & 2 car garages with automatic door openers, large 1-2 bathrooms, walk-in closets, etc.

Sources of Payment: Private pay. There is an entrance fee, monthly maintenance fee and 5-15 year waiting list.

Menorah Park – The Oaks – Retirement Community

18 Arbor Lane, Dewitt, NY 13214

(315) 449-3309

Accommodations: 50 apartments: 1 bedroom, 1 bedroom with den, 2 bedroom with 2 baths, and 2 bedroom deluxe with baths. All apartments: kitchen (with appliances), living/dining room, beauty salon, exercise center, library, activities, transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

Parkrose Estates - Retirement Community

7251 Janus Park Drive, Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 452-9500

Accommodations: Spacious studio and one bedroom apartments rented on a month-to-month basis; full size, fully equipped kitchen, living/dining room.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

Towne Center Retirement Community

3900 Medical Center Drive, Fayetteville, NY 13066

(315) 329-6464

Accommodations: 55 and over, senior living community. “All-Inclusive” Resort Style Living; everything for one monthly fee with no buy-in fee or long-term lease; includes cooking and cleaning, round-the-clock service, resort-style dining and lavish accommodations. Pets are welcome. They offer studio, 1, 2 and 3 bedroom suites.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay.

Adult Homes in Onondaga County

An adult home is established and operated for the purpose of providing long-term residential care, room, board, housekeeping, personal care and supervision to five or more adults unrelated to the operator. Adult homes may be operated by an individual, a partnership, a not-for-profit corporation, a public corporation, a non-publicly traded business corporation or a limited liability company.

Kalet Adult Home – Adult Home

504 Delaware Street, Syracuse, NY 13204

(315) 479-7514

Accommodations: 45 beds, private & semi-private; private and shared baths; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, **Medicaid**

Beckwith Family Type Adult Home – Family Type Adult Home

4996 Wingate Road, Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 378-5907

Accommodations: 2 Beds. Shared room or will accommodate a married couple.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

Manlius Adult Home – Adult Home & Assisted Living Program

215 East Pleasant Street, Manlius, NY 13104

(315) 682-6725; Fax: 682-3320

Accommodations: 20 rooms: private and semi-private some with full bath or half bath.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and **Medicaid**

Sunnyside Home – Adult Home Program

7000 Collamer Road, East Syracuse, NY 13057

(315) 656-8606

Accommodations: 20 rooms; 7 double rooms, 6 private.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and **Medicaid.**

Assisted Living in Onondaga County

Assisted Living Program

An assisted living program, which is available in some adult homes and enriched housing programs, combines residential and home care services. It is designed as an alternative to nursing home placement for individuals who historically have been admitted to nursing facilities for reasons that are primarily social, rather than medical in nature. The operator of the assisted living program is responsible for providing or arranging for resident services that must include room, board, housekeeping, supervision, personal care, case management and home health services.

Enhanced Assisted Living

Provides everything an Assisted Living Program does but is also allowed to do the following should a senior require assistance: Oxygen Therapy, Blood Pressure Checks, Indwelling Catheter Care, Nebulizer Treatment, Falls Management, One and Two Person Transfers, Blood Glucose Monitoring, Insulin Administration, Enema Administration, Foley Catheter Care, Suprapubic Catheter Care, Transdermal Patch Application, Internal Feeding via Peg Tube.

Memory Care

Memory Care communities, which include Alzheimer's care and Dementia care facilities, consist of specially designed living spaces and supporting environments for those who are living with cognitive challenges brought on by Alzheimer's and dementia. These may include carefully considered flooring to reduce problematic patterns for those with Alzheimer's or dementia and wall colors that help them to find the way. The dementia care environment helps cue its residents in their daily lives. Areas of the community are set up for safe engagement in activities such as gardening, kitchen work, and other life skills that provide purposeful and meaningful successful moments.

Enriched Housing Program

An enriched housing program is established and operated for the purpose of providing long-term residential care to five or more adults, primarily persons sixty-five years of age or older, in community-integrated settings resembling independent housing units. The program provides or arranges for the provision of room, board, housekeeping, personal care and supervision. Enriched housing programs may be operated by an individual, a partnership, a not-for-profit corporation, a public corporation, a non-publicly traded business corporation or a limited liability company.

The Athenaeum of Skaneateles – Assisted Living

150 Genesee Street
Skaneateles, NY 13152
(315) 685-1400

Accommodations: 16 Beds. Private Baths. Accommodations for couples.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and long term care insurance.

Brookdale Bellevue – Assisted Living and Memory Care

4330 Onondaga Blvd.
Syracuse, NY 13219
(315) 468-5108

Accommodations: 70 private rooms with private baths. No kitchen facilities; there are suites for couples to live together. Pets allowed. There is a 20 room secure Special Care Unit for Memory/Alzheimer's residents.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Brookdale Eastside – Assisted Living

7164 East Genesee Street
Fayetteville, NY 13066
(315) 637-5127

Accommodations: 84 total rooms. All are private with private baths including 4 deluxe rooms with private baths and 6 two-room suites with private baths. Pets allowed. Two suites have kitchens and no stoves. Suites and deluxe rooms are available for couples.

Sources of Payment: Private pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Brookdale Fayetteville – Memory Care

5125 Highbridge Street
Fayetteville, NY 13066
(315) 637-2000

Accommodations: 46 private and semi-private, 52 total residents. Pets allowed. For people with Alzheimer's and other memory impairments, private/semi-private accommodations, individualized assistance with personal care needs, housekeeping services, staffed 24 hours, laundry, mealtime assistance, ongoing monitoring and management of health care needs, nutritious meals and snacks, purposefully designed environment, education programs, specially designed programs by Lifetime Enrichment Coordinator. Completely secure with alarm system throughout residence.

Sources of Payment: Private pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Brookdale Liverpool – Assisted Living

4055 Longbranch Road

Liverpool, NY

(315) 451-3221

Accommodations: 79 apartments, all on one level; studio, deluxe, suites. Pets allowed. Full service dining room, exterior doors alarmed for resident safety.

Sources of Payment: Private pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Brookdale Manlius – Enhanced Assisted Living

100 Flume Road

Manlius, NY 13104

(315) 682-9261

Accommodations: 77 apartments; five different styles: deluxe, two-bedroom, one-bedroom, alcove or studio. Each apartment is private with a handicap-accessible bathroom and a kitchenette (including refrigerator and stove). Individual parking spaces are available for residents, pets allowed.

Sources of Payment: Private pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid

Camillus Ridge Terrace – Assisted Living and Memory Care

2453 West Genesee Street

Camillus, NY 13031

(315) 672-3790

Accommodations: 56 total beds; private rooms with private baths with two semi-privates and a secure Memory Care Unit. Couples are accommodated. Rooms have a small refrigerator & sink, no stove, dining room where meals are served, beauty parlor, activities, and transportation. Pets are negotiable but not on the Memory Care Unit.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay or long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

The Hearth at Greenpoint – Enriched Assisted Living and Retirement Community

150 Old Liverpool Road

Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 849-9056

Accommodations: 186 apartments; studios, 1 and 2 bedroom units and private baths, restaurant-style dining, country store, Beauty Salon, activities, fitness and wellness rooms and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Enriched Assisted Living eligible for long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

The Hearth on James – Enriched Assisted Living and Retirement Community

830 James Street

Syracuse, NY 13203 - (315) 422-2173

Accommodations: 71 units - Studios, small 1 bedroom apartments and large 1 bedroom apartments, restaurant-style dining, country store, Beauty Salon, activities and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay, Enriched Assisted Living eligible for Long term care insurance. No Medicaid.

Keepsake Village at Greenpoint – Memory Care

138 Old Liverpool Road

Liverpool, NY 13088

(315) 451-4567

Accommodations: 48 rooms; all have showers. Secure Memory Care facility, staffed 24-7, only for residents with Alzheimer’s and other cognitive impairments.

Sources of payment: Private Pay, eligible for Long Term Care Insurance. No Medicaid.

Loretto – The Bernardine - Enriched Housing & Assisted Living Programs

417 Churchill Avenue

Syracuse, New York 13205

(315) 413-3564

Accommodations: 185 apartments with kitchens, alcove, 1 bed & 2 bedrooms. 108 assisted living apartments.

Sources of Payment: Private pay for subsidized apartments and Assisted Living Program – private pay and **Medicaid**.

Loretto - Buckley Landing - Enriched & Assisted Living Programs

7430 Buckley Road

North Syracuse, NY 13212

(315) 413-3564

Accommodations: Studio apartments with kitchenette. Enriched and Assisted apartments; dining room where meals are served.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and Assisted Living Program – private pay and **Medicaid**.

Loretto – Community Residences

50 Syracuse Street

Baldwinsville, NY 13027

(315) 413-3592

Accommodations: Loretto - Community Residences is comprised of three homes, housing and supporting a total of 26 residents. Two of these homes are located in the City of Syracuse, and one in the Village of Baldwinsville. These homes serve older adults with **psychiatric disabilities**. Must be 45, or older, and on SSI or SSDI as related to a mental illness.

Sources of Payment: Medicaid

Loretto – Forest View at Fayette – Independent Living

1316 East Fayette Street

Syracuse, NY 13210

(315) 477-5032

Accommodations: Provides independent living for seniors in an affordable, accessible and comfortable setting. Residents receive supportive services from PACE CNY, Loretto’s Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly in cooperation with St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center. PACE CNY provides supportive services designed to help frail seniors remain independent and living in the community for as long as possible.

Sources of Payment: PACE CNY

Loretto – The Heritage - Enriched and Assisted Living Programs

Memory Care

750 East Brighton Ave

Syracuse, New York 13205

(315) 413-3039

Accommodations: For early to mid-stage Alzheimer’s; 79 apartments with private showers and bath; 6 dining rooms. Secure facility with large recreational area.

Sources of Payment: Private pay; Assisted Living Program – private pay and Medicaid.

Loretto – Highland House – PACE CNY

213 Highland Street

Syracuse, NY 13203

(315) 703-3656

Accommodations: Highland House is a lovely Victorian home where elders participate in PACE CNY (Loretto’s Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly, in cooperation with St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center) and live together as a community. Just like other PACE CNY participants, Highland House residents receive personal care assistance in their home and enjoy visiting a PACE Day Center three days a week for social activities, lunch and medical appointments and care.

Sources of Payment: PACE CNY

Loretto - The Nottingham – Retirement Community, Enriched Living Program and Skilled Nursing

1303 Nottingham Road

Jamesville, NY 13078 - (315) 445-9242

Accommodations: 186 apartments with kitchen and combined living/dining room; 8 cottages; 48 enriched living apartments; 40 bed skilled nursing.

Sources of Payment: Private pay.

Loretto - Sedgwick Heights - Adult Home & Assisted Living Program

1100 James Street

Syracuse, NY 13203

(315) 413-3238; Fax: (315) 413-3032

Accommodations: 145 beds; private rooms with private baths and semi-private rooms with shared baths.

Sources of Payment: Adult home is private pay; Assisted Living Program is **Medicaid**.

Manlius Adult Home – Adult Home & Assisted Living Program

215 East Pleasant Street

Manlius, NY 13104

(315) 682-6725; Fax: 682-3320

Accommodations: 20 rooms: private and semi-private some with full bath or half bath.

Sources of Payment: Private pay and **Medicaid**

McHarrie Pointe – Assisted Living & Memory Care

7740 Meigs Road

Baldwinsville, New York 13027

Phone: (315) 638-2525

Accommodations: 26 private rooms in the Memory Care Unit. 19 assisted living private apartments – 1 and 2 bedrooms. Restaurant Style Dining.

Sources of Payment: Long term care insurance and private pay.

Menorah Park - The Inn – Assisted Living

4101 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, New York 13214

(315) 446-9111

Accommodations: Assistive Living Facility with 18 one bedroom apartments for people with physical frailties; 25 studios for people with memory care needs, dining room and three kosher meals daily, café, beauty salon, offer Jewish, Catholic & Protestant religious services, activities, home care and transportation.

Sources of Payment: Long term care insurance and private pay.

Park Terrace at Radisson – Adult Home & Assisted Living Program

2981 Town Center Road

Baldwinsville, NY 13027

(315) 638-9207

Accommodations: Private rooms for Adult home with private baths; semi-private rooms with shared baths for 17 bed Assisted Living Program. Also has a secure dementia floor.

Sources of Payment: Long term care insurance, private pay, Assisted Living – private pay.

Peregrine Senior Living at Onondaga Hill – Enhanced Memory Care

4701 Peregrine Way (Off Route 175)

Syracuse, NY 13215

(315) 469-8900

Accommodations: 60 private apartments; 4 semi-private apartments. Each apartment has a private handicap accessible bathroom with walk/roll in shower. Large and secure community and outdoor spaces. Beauty Spa, transportation, advanced memory care program. Pet Friendly.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay, VA Aid and Benefits and Long-Term Care Insurance

Toomey Abbott Towers - ERIE (Enriched Resources for Independent Elderly)

1207 Almond Street, Terrace Level, Syracuse, NY 13210, (315) 428-8562

Residential care for functionally-impaired elderly (non-institutional setting.)

Accommodations: Up to 86, one bedroom apartments with a kitchen and combined living/dining room; typically 55 years or older, but flexible depending on disability. Community dining for breakfast and lunch (included), dinner is provided and taken to private rooms. Have to be able to live independently; Housekeeping, Finance, Medication assistance, Activity Room.

Sources of Payment: Private Pay and **Medicaid.**

Questions to Ask When Selecting a Nursing Home (Skilled Nursing Facility)

Admission

The nursing home administrator, admissions director or director of social services will be able to explain arrangements for your admission to the facility. If you are receiving care in a hospital, your doctor and the hospital social worker/discharge planner will assist in making arrangements for your placement, hopefully in the nursing home of your choice.

If you have questions about a nursing home contact your attorney, the nursing home administrator or admissions director to explain anything that you do not understand. The New York State Bar Association Referral Service as well as many local bar associations will provide you with a list of elder law attorneys. Call 800-342-3661 for information.

Paying For Nursing Home Care

If you have the means and plan to pay with your own funds, you will have a much better chance of getting admitted to the nursing home of your choice. Meet with an elder law attorney to get advice on estate planning, Medicaid, Medicare and long term care insurance before you apply to a nursing home.

Nursing homes charge a basic daily rate for the services they provide and these vary from home to home. Some homes have all-inclusive rates; others have a rate for room and board and add additional charges for physician's services, laboratory tests, physical therapy, prescription drugs, etc. Discuss with the home's admissions director, administrator or social worker what services are standard and what additional services might be required and what they cost.

Most homes require full financial disclosure from residents who will be paying privately. Since many nursing home residents who enter as private pay residents eventually use up their funds and go on Medicaid, the homes want to know how long the resident will be able to pay privately and when to apply for Medicaid. Once you are eligible for Medicaid, you have the right to have Medicaid pay for your care (if the home accepts Medicaid). When this happens, the nursing home should assist in completing the necessary forms.

In New York State, you may not be moved out of a nursing home because you have

exhausted your personal resources. Also, your spouse need not spend all his/her personal resources on your care if you are institutionalized.

The federal government is now permitting New York State to authorize Medicaid without someone exhausting his/her assets if that person first purchases a long-term care insurance policy authorized by the state. These policies vary in the coverage they provide and should be carefully examined before purchasing. In New York State, only a few policies are valid. The State Insurance Department publishes materials comparing long term care policies offered by different companies. Call 800-342-3736 for more information.

Medicare is a federal health insurance program for disabled people and people over age 65. Skilled nursing services must be needed on a daily basis to be eligible for Medicare. Medicare will pay a maximum of 100 days of care in an approved nursing facility for patients in need of skilled care following a hospitalization of at least three full days. To qualify, the patient must be admitted to the nursing home within 30 days of discharge from the hospital.

Many people leave a hospital and enter a nursing home expecting Medicare to continue to pay for health services. This is generally not the case. Medicare will not pay for a nursing home stay if it is determined that only custodial care is required, or if skilled nursing home care and/or rehabilitative services are needed only on a periodic basis. Under Medicare rules, the need for skilled nursing care must be daily. The program has a number of specifics about what services are included and requires that you be responsible for a co-payment.

For further information, contact your local Social Security office or call 800-772-1213 for a copy of the Medicare Handbook.

Facilities: Inside & Outside

- Are the grounds and building attractive and well-maintained?
- Are there wheelchair ramps?
- Are there unpleasant odors in the building?
- Are there outdoor areas where residents can sit or walk?
- Is there an activity or exercise room?
- Are the rooms well-ventilated and kept at a comfortable temperature?
Are there individual thermostats in the rooms?
- Is the facility air-conditioned?
- Is smoking permitted?

- Can residents bring their own furniture? Is there ample storage? Can residents have a private phone? A pet?
- Do rooms have windows?
- Are there adjoining bathrooms? Are they private?
- Is a married couple allowed to share a room?
- If the room isn't private, is there a screen or curtain for privacy?

Safety Measures

- Are fire exits clearly posted? Are there smoke alarms and extinguishers?
- Are there grab bars in the bathroom and handrails in hallways and stairs?
- Are there emergency call buttons and intercoms in the rooms? Is there an emergency evacuation plan posted?
- Is there a written statement of patient rights? Is the number to file complaints available?

Staff, Services and Administrative Issues

- What kind of medical supervision is provided? Physical or speech therapy?
- Beauty or other personal services?
- How do staff and residents interact? Are there language barriers?
- Are there social activities? Are residents mostly in their rooms or interacting?
- Is the food appetizing and well-presented? Is assistance with eating available?
- Are you able to get a copy of the owner/developer's financial statement?
What is the history of price increases for this facility?
- Is down payment refundable if the resident moves or dies?
- What role, if any, do family members have in paying unmet obligations?

Nursing Homes -Skilled Nursing Facilities - SNFs in Onondaga County

Nursing Homes, now commonly called Skilled Nursing Facilities or SNFs, provide skilled nursing services and chronic custodial care. They are licensed, and regulated, by the New York State Department of Health.

Bishop Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

918 James Street Syracuse, NY 13203 315- 474-1561, Fax: 315- 476-6435
Accommodations: Facility provides short term and long term care and has a pulmonary/respiratory unit. 440 beds; private and semi-private rooms; 370 long term care (of which 70 are on a specified Dementia Unit); 70 rehabilitation beds; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

The Centers at St. Camillus

813 Fay Road Syracuse, NY 13219 315- 488-2951
Fax: 315- 488-3255

Accommodations: Private and semi-private rooms - 284 total beds; 224 long term care beds; 20 beds in the brain injury unit; 40 beds in the rehabilitation unit and there are provisions for couples to live together. They also have an Adult Day Program.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Central Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center

116 Martin Luther King E., Syracuse, NY 13205 315- 475-1641
Fax: 315- 475-4990

Accommodations: Private and semi-private rooms - 160 total beds; 125 long term care beds; 35 rehabilitation beds; private and shared baths; each floor has a dining room; they accept tracheotomy care, bariatric patients, handle wound care and IV therapy and they offer provisions for couples to live together. They also have an Adult Day Program.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

The Cottages at Garden Grove

5460 Meltzer Court, Cicero, NY 13039 315-699-1619, Fax: 315- 699-7463

Accommodations: 153 total beds; 117 long term care and 36 rehabilitation beds; all rooms are private set up in cottage style homes. 13 beds in a long term care

house and 12 in the rehabilitation houses; private baths with showers in each room.
Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Elderwood at Liverpool

4800 Bear Road Liverpool, NY 13088 315- 457-9946

Fax: 315- 457-8290

Accommodations: 160 total beds - 120 long term care beds with private and semi-private rooms; 40 rehabilitation beds; dining room on each floor; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Iroquois Nursing Home, Inc.

4600 Southwood Heights Drive

Jamesville, NY 13078 315- 469-1300

Fax: 315- 469-5545

Accommodations: 160 total beds - 32 private rooms; 64 semi-private rooms; 40 beds for patients who need respiratory care; 40 beds for residents with dementia; 80 beds for patients with general skilled nursing needs; shared baths; common dining room on each unit; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Loretto Health and Rehabilitation Center

Cunningham – Primarily Long Term Care

Fahey – Primarily Rehabilitation

700 E. Brighton Avenue Syracuse, NY 13205 315- 413-3400

Fax: 315- 492-0765

Accommodations: 583 beds of which 93 are rehabilitation beds, 34 are in the dementia unit, 30 on the palliative care floor. Couples are accommodated; private and semi-private rooms.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance.

Menorah Park

4101 E. Genesee Street Syracuse, NY 13214 315- 446-9111

Fax: 315- 449-0497

Accommodations: 132 total beds; all are long term care; facility offers rehabilitation, 44 beds on the Dementia Unit; private and semi-private rooms; provision for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Onondaga Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation

217 East Avenue, Minoa, NY 13116 (315) 656-7277

Fax: (315) 656-2517

Accommodations: 80 total beds; 58 long term care and 22 rehabilitation beds of which 8 are private rooms; 29 semi-private rooms; small kitchenette on each unit; common dining room on each unit; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Sunnyside Care Center

7000 Collamer Road, E. Syracuse, NY 13057 315- 656-7218

Fax: 315- 656-7394

Accommodations: Private and semi-private rooms; total number of beds 80, offers long term care and rehabilitation; accommodates wound care and G-Tube/Peg Tube Feeding.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare, and private insurance.

Syracuse Home at McHarrie Place Health and Rehabilitation

7740 Meigs Road Baldwinsville, NY 13027 315- 638-2521

Fax: 315- 638-2552

Accommodations: 120 total beds – 88 long term care, 30 rehabilitation and 2 respite; private rooms and semi-private rooms; shared baths, 2 dining facilities; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Van Duyn Center for Rehabilitation and Nursing

5075 West Seneca Turnpike Syracuse, NY 13215 315- 449-6000

Fax: 315- 449-6440

Accommodations: 513 total beds – Long term care and rehabilitation. The 7th floor is a state of the art short-term rehabilitation floor; private and semi-private rooms, dining on each floor; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid, Medicare and private insurance.

Nursing Home Transition & Diversion Medicaid Waiver

Arise – 315-671-4655 manages the Nursing Home Transition & Diversion Waiver program (NHTD.) It uses Medicaid funding to provide support and services to individuals who are nursing home eligible but would prefer to stay in or return to their homes. Waiver programs are specifically for people who would otherwise be in an institution (nursing home, hospital) for long-term care. The NHTD Waiver program includes additional support services, such as counseling, life skills training, structured day program, transition services, assistive technology, and more.

The NHTD Waiver was developed based on the philosophy that seniors and individuals with disabilities have the same rights as others, including the right to remain in control of their own lives and receive care in the least restrictive setting possible.

Regional Resource Development Center (RRDC)

The Nursing Home Transition Diversion (NHTD) Waiver program is administered through a network of RRDCs, each covering specific counties throughout the State. The RRDC at ARISE covers Onondaga, Oneida, Herkimer, Jefferson, Lewis, St. Lawrence, Oswego, and Madison counties. The staff at the RRDC accept referrals, complete intakes, determine eligibility and approve community-based service plans. The RRDC provides oversight to a network of agencies who provide the waiver services to eligible participants. These waivers provide an opportunity for individuals who are Medicaid eligible to receive services in the community rather than in an institution.

NHTD Waiver Eligibility:

- Be eligible for nursing facility level of care
- Be a Medicaid recipient
- Be 18 years or older, if between 18-64 documentation of a physical disability is required
- Choose to live in the community rather than a nursing facility
- Have or find a living arrangement which meets the individual's needs
- Be able to be served with the funds and services available under the HCBS/NHTD waiver and New York State Medicaid State Plan
- Not participate in another HCBS waiver

Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Area – Clay, Cicero, North Syracuse, Salina						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*ANTS (Area North Transportation Service)	Salina Civic Center 2826 LeMoyne Ave Mattydale, NY 13211	424-1810	Mon. – Fri. 9:00 – 2:00 pm	Donations appreciated	Clay, Cicero, North Syracuse, Salina	To St. Joseph's Hospital, Dr. appointments, groceries, Rx, bank, lunch at Salina Senior Center
Area – Baldwinsville, Lysander, VanBuren						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Baldwinsville Express	Canton Woods 76 Canton Street Baldwinsville, NY 13027	638-4536	Mon. – Fri. 8:00 – 4:30 pm	FREE (Volunteers own cars)	Baldwinsville, Lysander, VanBuren	No wheelchairs Provide rides for seniors one trip per week, medical bank, Rx, Post Office, Senior Center
Area – Town of Camillus						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Cat FISH Camillus Area Transportation	25 ½ First Street Camillus, NY 13031	701-5949	Tues., Wed., Thurs. 8:00 4:00 pm Call for appointments on Mon. & Thurs. 9:00 – 4:00 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	Town of Camillus	No wheelchairs Must be ambulatory. Transport to medical and dental appointments only
Area – Town of DeWitt						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
cod/FISH	P.O. Box 105 DeWitt, NY 13214	463-5158	Call for cod/FISH Mon. – Fri. 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Transportation available: Tues. and Thurs. 8:00 – 5:00 pm	FREE	Town of DeWitt	Clients must be ambulatory. Volunteer drivers transport clients to medical and dental appointments
Area – Fayetteville, Minoa, Manlius to East Syracuse						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
F-M FISH	P.O. Box 413 Fayetteville, NY 13066	637-8158	Mon. – Thurs. 9:00 am – 4:00 pm Fri. 8:00 – 5:00 pm	FREE Donations appreciated	Fayetteville, Minoa, Manlius to East Syracuse	Medical and dental appointments

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Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Area – Minoa, Bridgeport and Kirkville						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Senior Adult Transportation Service (SAT)	246 East Avenue Minoa, NY 13116	454-2740	Mon. – Fri. 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Tues. and Thurs.: free trip to Senior Adult Ministry/ Pick-ups 9:00 am	Free-will donations appreciated	Minoa, Bridgeport, and Kirkville	Medical appointments, shopping. 1 st Mon. of month. Those in manual wheelchairs need escort. Senior exercise program & lunch Tues. & Thurs., senior centers. Personal activities. Call one week in advance for reservation
Area – Skaneateles						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Laker Limo	75 Fennell St. Skaneateles, NY 13152	685-3030 Recording Leave a message	Mon. – Fri. 9:00 am – 5:00 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	Skaneateles to Auburn and Syracuse	Residents of Town/School District of Skaneateles. <u>Call 2 days in advance</u>
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Skaneateles FISH	24 Jordan St. Skaneateles, NY 13152	685-6679	Mon. – Fri. 8:00 am – 8:30 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	Skaneateles to Auburn (none from Auburn to Skaneateles)	Medical, groceries, hair salons
Area – Jordan, Elbridge						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Jordan Elbridge Transportation (JET)	5 Route 31 P.O. Box 568 Jordan, NY 13080	604-1322	Mon. – Fri. 8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	Jordan, Elbridge, Onondaga County and Auburn	Medical and dental appointments, shopping. Wheelchairs, walkers, escort service. Senior luncheon the 1 st and 3 rd Tues. of the month & every Fri.

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Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Area – City and County						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
America's Medical Transportation	130 Reed Avenue Syracuse, NY 13217	299-4471	Mon. – Sat. 5:00 am – 7:00 pm	City/one-way: \$28.00; Outside City: \$2.50 a mile; Taxi Service: one-way - \$15.00	City and County	Private Pay, Medicaid, Credit Cards. Transport to medical and dental appointments. Ambulatory
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Empire Transportation Services	222 Teall Avenue Suite106 Syracuse, NY 13210	477-1487 Leave message after 2:00 pm; will call back next day	Mon.- Fri. 9:00 am – 2:00 pm	Call for fees	City and County	Private Pay (discount) & Medicaid. Medical, dental appointments, errands service. Wheelchairs, ambulatory
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Outbound Transportation Services	421 Montgomery St 5 th Floor Civic Center Syracuse, NY 13202	435-2815 Fax#: 435-2801	7 days Mon. – Thurs.: 7 am – 6 pm. Fri.: 7am – 7 pm. Sat.: 9 am – 7 pm. Sun: 9:00 am – 7:00 pm	3 round trips per month. \$12 each way. \$24 per round trip.	City and County	Medical, dental appointments. Wheelchairs. Cannot be enrolled in OSCAR or Call-a-Bus.
Area – City – East and West						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*The Salvation Army	677 S. Salina Street Syracuse, NY 13202	479-1311	Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 10:00 am 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	City East and West	Congregate Centers to S.A. Day Care Centers (Long Term only)
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Westcott Community Center	826 Euclid Ave., Syracuse, NY 13210	315-478-8634	Mon-Friday 9-4	Free-will donations appreciated	City East and University Area	To from the Center for activities & exercise. Grocery Shopping & Dr.'s Appointments

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Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Area – City - North						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Northeast Community Center	716 Hawley Ave. Syracuse, NY 13203	472-6343 ext. 206	Mon., Wed., and Fri. 9 am – 2 pm Tues. & Thurs. Senior Center 9 am – 2 pm	Free-will donations appreciated	City North	To McChesney, Northeast & Eastwood Senior Centers, Medical appts. Call: Mon., Wed. and Fri.
Area – City - Southwest						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Syracuse Community Connections (Formerly Known as Southwest Community Center)	401 South Avenue Syracuse, NY 13204	671-5813	Mon. – Fri. 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. (Needs 48 Hour Notice)	Free-will donations appreciated	City Southwest	Medical appts. shopping, errands & social events.
Area – City and Suburbs						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Best Comfort Care Transportation	25 ½ First St. Camillus, NY 13031	448-9455	Mon. – Sun. 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Call for fees	City, Cortland, and suburbs	Wheelchair, stretcher
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Centro Call-A-Bus	P.O. Box 820 Syracuse, NY 13205	Information 442-3434 Daily: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Reservations Daily: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm Call 442-3420 For Cancellations Daily: 24 hrs/7days Call 442-3434	5 miles or less - \$2.50 6 miles or more - \$3.00	City and Suburbs (Call for information on area of service.)	Curb-to-Curb service. Assists with bus entry-exit & with mobility devices. One personal aide rides free with advance notice at reservation
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
City Taxi	1371 S. Salina Street Syracuse, NY 13202	471-3131	7 days a week 24 hrs a day	Seniors get 10% off cab fare	City and Suburbs	Curb-to-curb. No wheelchairs

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Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Area – County						
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
St. Camillus Transportation	813 Fay Road Syracuse, NY 13204	488-2951 Ext. 242	Mon. – Fri. 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Call for fees	County	Wheelchair, ambulatory, door-to-door transportation. 24-hour notice preferred
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Highland Patient Transport	6331 E. Malloy Road, E. Syracuse, NY 13067	254-6287 office 254-1427 mobile	7 days 5:00 am – 9:00 pm	Call for fees	County & Central New York	Private pay. Door to door assistance w/entry/exit. Wheelchairs, stretchers
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Horizon Transport, LLC	422 7 th North Street, Syracuse, NY 13208	315-679-6779	7 days 24 hours a day	Medicaid Rates Call for fees	County & Central New York	Non-emergency medical transport. Door to door assistance. Call for wheelchair lift availability.
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Speedy Medical Transportation	219 S. Center Street E. Syracuse, NY 13057	463-5148	7 days 7:00 am – 5:00 pm	Call for fees	County	Door to door assistance w/entry/exit. Wheelchairs
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Suburban Transportation	6327 East Molloy Rd. E. Syracuse, NY 13057	437-0058	Mon. – Fri. 7:00 am – 6:00 pm Sat. and Sun. on request	Call for fees	County	24 hr. notice for weekends. Medicaid, wheelchairs, stretchers
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
TLC Medical Transportation	638 Burnet Avenue Syracuse, NY 13203	422-0211	7 days 24 hours a day	Call for fees	County	Medicaid, wheelchairs, escort service. Stretchers. Ambulance emergency & non-emergency

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Onondaga County Senior Transportation Services by Area

Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*OSCAR (Onondaga Senior Call A Ride)(CENTRO)	200 Cortland Ave. PO Box 820 Syracuse, NY 13205	Application: 442-3333 M-F; 8-5 Reservation 442-3420 2 working days in advance	Mon. – Fri. 7:00 am – 7:00 pm Not available on weekends or holidays	Free-will \$6.00 round-trip donation is appreciated	County	Onondaga County to/from areas not served by Centro's public transport. Eligible seniors may receive: 2 round trips per month or 4 one-way trips per month. Subject to change
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
*Native American Transportation Program		Darlene Papineau 412-3110	Mon. – Fri. For Native Americans 60+, on or near the Onondaga Nation	Free-will donations appreciated	County	Wheelchair accessible. Rides to clinic, doctor, food pantry, bank, store
Agency/Program	Address	Phone	Day & Hrs.	Fee	Area	Notes
Wil-Care Transportation Service	2610 S. Salina St. Syracuse 13205	315-491-8533	Call for Hrs. Of Service	Call for Fees	Greater Syracuse Area	Wheelchairs, Veterans, Disabled, Seniors

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Caregiver & Homecare Assistance

Caregiver Support & Discussion Groups

Alzheimer's Association of Central New York, 441 West Kirkpatrick Street, Syracuse 13204 315- 472-4201

The Alzheimer's Association of Central NY makes a difference in the lives of individuals with Alzheimer's disease, and the care partners who support them. Their vision, a world without Alzheimer's disease, is fueled by their organizational mission: To eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health. Their programs and services include:

Information and Referral: Dementia experts are available around the clock through their 24-hour Helpline at 800-272-3900. Their professionally staffed Helpline specialists are available to answer questions about dementia, Alzheimer's disease, Chapter services, support groups and community resources and provide tips and assistance during times of crisis. Translation services available for more than 120 languages.

Care Consultations, 315-472-4201 Ext. 227: Care Consultations assist individuals with dementia and their families to solve immediate problems and plan for the future. These meetings with their dementia experts include the preparation of needs assessments and action plans.

Support Groups: Support groups meet regularly to provide educational information and social support to individuals with the disease and persons who care for someone with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia.

Safety Services: The Alzheimer's Association has partnered with MedicAlert® to bring you MedicAlert® + Safe Return®, a national location management systems for people with Alzheimer's or other memory impairment.

Education and Training Programs: Family caregivers can take part in free education programs with topics including disease progression, communication and behaviors, daily activities and medical and legal planning. Professional organizations can also contract the Chapter to provide customized training to their staff on any number of topics.

Online Services: The Alzheimer’s Association offers a wide variety of services online at their local chapter website: alz.org/cny. Find local events; Read the latest news or connect with them on social media; Link up with other caregivers and individuals with the disease on our ALZConnected® community; Chart your course with the disease on the Alzheimer’s Navigator™; Attend an education program from the comfort of your desktop or laptop computer at the Marty Manning Online Education Center; Join TrialMatch™, their cutting edge clinical trial database of Alzheimer’s research trials.



Caregiver Discussion Groups

Family caregivers, of older or disabled persons, assume responsibilities and experience many changes in their lifestyles. They say they are frustrated in knowing how to solve the multitude of challenges facing them and don't know where to turn for help. They need support. You need support!

Through the Onondaga County Department of Adult and Long Term Care, Office for Aging, **Caregiver Services** provides on-going support through **Caregiver Discussion Groups**. We are now offering our Caregiver Discussion/Support Group meetings **virtually** so that caregivers, or other loved ones, can interact, share, and learn from each other in a safe, supportive environment, either online or through your phone, without geographic restrictions!

Caregivers and loved ones are welcome to join in any group at a time that works best for you. You may join in the discussion or simply listen in. Groups will be conducted on a Zoom platform. You may join in with any of these groups using a computer, tablet or smart phone or if you prefer you can join the meeting by phone.

If you have any questions or are interested in taking part in any of the groups please contact: **Kimberly Connell, MSW**, 315-435-3355 ext. 4693

Group Information

Brookdale Manlius Group

Meets the first Wednesday of each month from 2:00-3:30 pm

Park Terrace at Radisson Group

Meets the third Wednesday of each month from 2:30-4:00 pm

Brookdale Summerfield Group

Meets the second & fourth Thursday of each month from 6:00-7:30 pm

Contact: (315) 435-3355 Ext. 4693



Onondaga County Department of Adult and Long Term Care Services, Office for Aging
John H. Mulroy Civic Center, 10th Floor 421 Montgomery Street, Syracuse NY 13202

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Caregivers Support Group (Any Caregiver is welcome, Chronic Degenerative or Terminal Illness)	4th Thursday of every month at 6:30 PM	HOPE for Bereaved, Inc. 4500 Onondaga Blvd. Syracuse, NY 13219 315-475-9675 hopeforbereaved.com
Syracuse Cancer Support Group	Every Tuesdays 4-5:30 p.m.	Facilitated by social worker and oncology nurses; for patients and families 1000 E. Genesee St., Suite 400. Sponsored by Hematology-Oncology Associates of CNY.
Syracuse Caregivers Support Group	2nd Thursdays at noon	Plymouth Congregational Church, 232 E. Onondaga St., Syr., NY 315-474-4836
Alzheimer's/Dementia	3rd Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m.	Brookdale Bellevue 4330 Onondaga Blvd. Syracuse, NY 13019 315-277-8019
General Therapeutic Caregivers Group (Any caregiver can attend)	Every Tuesday 2:30-4:00 PM	Syracuse Jewish Family Service 1 Hodes Way, 4101 E. Genesee St. Syracuse, NY 13214 315- 446-9111

Care Management Services

Certified Geriatric Care Managers are committed to working towards higher quality of care for the elderly and their families through education, advocacy and high standards of private practice. The Care Management Services in Onondaga County are:

Aging Well Consulting

Barbara Daley

315-569-1360

Theagewellconsulting@gmail.com

CNY Elderplanning

Kate McGahan, Certified Care Manager, Lisa Mitchell, Executive Director

315-673-9876 or 877-243-4436

www.elderplanning.com

Inspire Care of Central New York

Becky Auyer, Certified Care Manager

315-447-3164

bauyerPT@gmail.com

www.InspireCareCNY.com

Senior Advocate Care Management

Gail Rosenholm

315-380-6195

grosenholmRN@gmail.com

www.SeniorAdvocateCareManagement.com

Syracuse Jewish Family Services – Solutions Care Management

315-446-9111 x 231

www.sjfs.org

ACR Health – Non-Profit

627 W Genesee St, Syracuse, NY 13204

315 475-2430

www.acrhealth.org

ACR Health's dedicated care management team is highly knowledgeable in all areas of access to care. Care managers work one-to-one with members to identify needs and link them with services: Primary Medical Care, Substance Abuse Treatment, Mental Health Treatment, Financial Benefits, Housing, Legal Assistance, Nutrition, Treatment Adherence and Medical Transportation.

ACR Health services are offered to anyone without discrimination based on age, race, creed, color, gender, sexual orientation, economic status, political affiliation, marital status or handicapped status. You will be treated with dignity and respect. Your information is confidential and services are provided in strict accordance with state and federal laws. You will receive services in a reasonable and timely manner.

Care Management - Through frequent, planned contact, the family-centered care manager helps the family achieve goals and objectives set out in the care plan. This includes helping families access a range of supports and services and creating opportunities for them to learn and practice new skills. Family-centered care management includes communication and planning with multiple service systems to ensure provision of appropriate services and assess service effectiveness and client progress. Families are encouraged to use their skills to access resources, fully participate in services, and evaluate their progress toward desired goals and outcomes.

Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly (EISEP)

Onondaga County Office for Aging
315- 435-2362

EISEP is a state-wide program which offers seniors non-medical assistance in their own homes to help them maintain their independence and remain in the community. They serve people age 60 years of age, and older, with functional impairments and unmet needs who are not eligible for Medicaid.

Services include:

- **Case Management** – Involves in-home evaluation, - coordination of services, on-going monitoring, and a reevaluation every six months.
- **Personal Care/Housekeeper** – Hands-on care to assist with bathing, dressing, light housekeeping, laundry, linen change, shopping, and meal preparation.
- **Respite Care** – Social Day Program Service to participants who have a full-time informal caregiver. This allows “time off” for shopping, household tasks, appointments, and rest.

There is a cost share for aide service and the social day program that is paid by the client. It can be from 0 to 100%, depending on income.

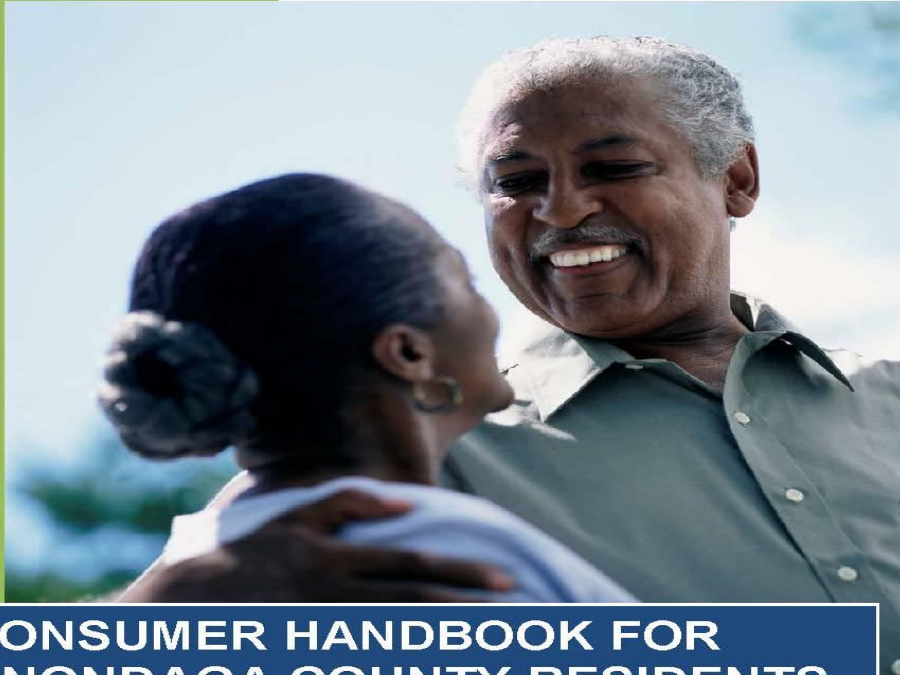
Anyone can make a referral by calling EISEP at 315-435-2362.

Consumer Directed EISEP

See the full brochure at: <http://www.ongov.net/aging/eisep.html>

Consumer Directed EISEP

Expanded In-Home
Services for the
Elderly Program



**CONSUMER HANDBOOK FOR
ONONDAGA COUNTY RESIDENTS**

Consumer Directed Care

Long Term Care Resource Center

Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services
315- 435-1400 M-F, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

Offers comprehensive assessment and information to anyone in Onondaga County considering home care or other long term care services to achieve appropriate level of care. The completion of a PRI (Patient Review Instrument) can be done if nursing home placement is considered.

The Long Term Care Resource Center also provides nursing assessment and case management for Medicaid funded home care programs such as the Consumer Directed Program and the Personal Care Program.

- Provides on-going, medically-based care management for adults and children with disabilities
- Works collectively with Protective Services for Adults to provide nursing assessments
- Works collectively with Medicaid Waiver programs to provide personal care
- Provides Consumer-Directed and Personal Home Care Services

Consumer Directed Program allows a self-directing client to arrange and direct their own aide service. The Resource Center assesses the client's appropriateness for the program as well as the amount of service to be authorized for Medicaid payment. Enable provides training for new clients and acts as fiscal intermediary for the aides.

Personal Care Program. Home Care Services arranged and directed by an agency.

PRI – Patient Review Instrument

PRIs are completed for the purpose of determining the level of care needed. They are completed by Registered Nurses who have had special training and are certified to conduct them. Patients are assessed for the type of assistance they need (medical or custodial) and psychosocial status. They receive a score which indicates the level of care they need.

To obtain a PRI, contact any Certified Home Care agency or the Onondaga County Long Term Care Resource Center 315- 435-1400. *Fee for services depends on the provider.*

University Geriatricians

550 Harrison Street
Suite A, Syracuse, NY 13202
315- 464-6100

Geriatric evaluations designed to classify existing problems and to help plan for the immediate and long term future of the patient. For the frail elderly or those with suspected Alzheimer's and dementia's or cognitive disorders. Appointments may be made by individual, family member, physician or social service agency.

NY Connects

315- 435-1400 M-F, 8:30 am-4:30 pm.



of ONONDAGA COUNTY

(800) 342-9871 (315) 435-1400

- Provides information, assistance and resources on Long Term Care Services and Supports for any age and any payer source.
- Certified staff will provide Options Counseling to assist families in choosing appropriate, person-centered services.
- Provides outreach to community groups promoting access to services

Adult Day Programs in Onondaga County

Adult programs provide a variety of services including recreational and social activities, meals, personal care, physical and occupational therapy and counseling. Some adult day care programs specialize in caring for frail, older adults in need of supervision.

Adult day care may be appropriate for a person whose needs are ordinarily met by his or her own family members. Family members may have to work outside the home but are generally home in the evenings and on weekends. Many caregivers simply need a break during the week.

There are two types of adult day care programs:

- **Social Adult Day Care**
- **Medical Adult Day Care**

Social Adult Day Care

Social adult day care provides social interactions, activities and meals in a supervised setting. Although social programs do not have medical care, staff in Social Day Programs maintain close contacts with the participant's caregiver in order to report observed changes in physical, mental or emotional condition.

The Centers at St. Camillus

813 Fay Road
Syracuse, N.Y. 13219
315- 488-2951

The Social Day Program is offered Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and serves adults 18 and older with cognitive and neurological impairments. The program provides: full and half day care, meals, oversight and supervision of health, personal care activities, and safety throughout the day, modified activities for individual cognitive and psycho-social impairments, maintenance and enhancement of activities of daily living to increase independence, caregiver respite, coordination of social, intellectual, cultural, educational, and physical activities – both group and individual, the opportunity to promote the highest level of physical, mental, and psycho-social functioning, assistance with arranging transportation, if needed. Admissions/Referrals: A simple phone call is all it takes to get started. A case manager will review your individual situation and needs. If the program seems right for you, a more comprehensive evaluation by their registered nurse and case manager will be conducted. They accept payment from Medicaid, private insurance and self-pay clients. For more information on Adult Day Health at St. Camillus, please contact: Director of Day Programs, 315-703-0740.

Keepsake Village at Greenpoint - Social Day Program

138 Old Liverpool Road
Liverpool, NY 13088
315- 451-4567

Open 8:30 to 5:00 Monday through Friday. A Social day care program specially designed to offer the assistance needed to improve daily stimulation of participants with Alzheimer's disease or memory loss. Caregivers receive peace of mind knowing their loved one is receiving quality care in calm and stress free environment. Open Monday-Friday, weekend days available upon request and availability. Call for fee schedule, self-pay is \$90/day.

Nascentia Health - Eldercare Social Day Program

1050 West Genesee Street
Syracuse, NY 13204
315- 424-1003

Social Adult Day Program for the frail isolated elderly. Open 7 am until 5 pm, Monday – Friday. A program of health, social and related support services provided on an individual basis. Program provides an alternative to long term care. It assists the elderly adult to extend their independent living or ability to live with relatives. Age 60+. Call for interview appointment. Wheelchair accessible, interpreter provided when needed. There is a sliding scale, Medicaid, self-pay or Veteran’s Benefits or LTHCP. The program is designed to create a social setting for participants and respite for their at-home caregivers. In order to create an environment that’s both safe and fulfilling for all participants, there is a list of criteria that must be met in order to be admitted to the program: Must be able to benefit from the program.

- Must be able to remain safe while attending the program
- Must be able to be redirected
- Must be able to stand with the assistance of one to transfer to a chair or toilet
- Must have manageable incontinence
- Must attend a minimum of one day each week

Must be present for lunch each day they attend the program Medications are supervised by our trained staff and kept in a locked medicine cabinet. Special diets may be available and dietary needs should be discussed with the administrator or nurse manager. Program aides provide assistance with toileting, walking and eating if necessary, and the entire program site is handicap accessible. Tours available on request and a trial day can be arranged. Tour and trial days are at no-cost.

North Area Adult Respite Center (Located in Andrews Memorial United Methodist Church)

106 Church Street – Steckel Hall
N. Syracuse, NY 13212
Contact: Pat Paver - 315-695-2234 or 315-457-9443
Hours: Mondays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Serves adults in a social model setting including stroke patients who can help themselves somewhat, early stage Alzheimer’s patients who do not wander and those who would otherwise be isolated at home. They provide loving care for the

elderly while the caregiver is worry-free to do their personal and family needs. A full-course nutritional meal is served to each participant at noon. Arts and crafts, entertainment, games, and puzzles fill the time. For more information, feel free to call Pat Paver at 695-2234. A contribution of \$10.00 dollars is requested, but no one is denied. The program is staffed by trained volunteers.

Salvation Army Social Day Program

749 S. Warren Street
Syracuse, NY 13202
315- 479-1309

The Salvation Army's Social Day Program provides opportunities for socialization and wellness that support independence for our community's seniors. The Senior Center provides a warm and welcoming atmosphere that fosters a sense of community. Nutritionally balanced breakfasts and hot lunches are available for all participants. Seniors have the choice to participate in many programs, including computer instruction, yoga, exercise and strength training, falls prevention, diabetic support, health monitoring and education, ceramics and crafts, music, spiritual programs and personal enrichment. Support is provided for full participation by frail elderly who are at risk for institutionalization and/or nursing home care. Available services include transportation, referral to case management services and other community resources, assistance on outings and trips and caregiver support/assistance. A full time Nurse/LPN is on the Senior Center staff. Contribution-based and fee based upon need.

Self-Direct Social Adult Day

80 Smokey Hollow Road
Baldwinsville, NY 13207
315- 635-5374

<http://www.selfdirectsocialday.com>. Monday-Friday 9 am to 3 pm.

The Self-Direct, Inc. Social Day Program "Without Walls" provides individually designed services, that take place in the community to improve and maintain the skills and abilities of participants to live as independently as possible in the community. The program will provide assistance, training, and supervision to individuals with varying abilities related to: Self-Care, Task Completion, Communication Skills, Interpersonal Skills, Problem-Solving Skills, Socialization, Sensory/Motor Skills, Mobility, Community Transportation Skills, Challenging Behaviors, and Financial Management. Provides Social Transportation to Community Outings. Nutritious meals planned daily by a licensed nutritionist. Accepts most insurance and private pay.

Silver Fox Adult Day Centers

Silver Fox West 22 East Genesee Street, Baldwinsville NY 13027 - 315-715-5335

Silver Fox East 240 W. Seneca Street, Manlius, NY 13104 – 315-635-5335

Silver fox is a non-profit Adult Social Day Program that provides functionally impaired older adults with socialization, supervision, personal care, and nutrition in a protective setting. Open Monday-Friday 7:30am-6pm, located in Baldwinsville and Manlius. Membership includes: Socialization, Organized recreational activities, Assistance with personal care, Assistance with transfers, Medication reminders, Homemade meals on-site, Case Coordination and Assistance.

*Assistance may be available through the VA Administration, local county funds or Long Term Care insurance.

Winds of Agape

1414 Grant Boulevard , Syracuse, N.Y. 13208

315-425-0547

Winds of Agape Social Adult Day Program (SDP) provides services for individuals with Traumatic Brain Injuries (TBI), stroke, mild dementia, and respite care. Their day program offers activities such as arts & crafts, cognitive exercises, games, guest musical artists, choral & dance performances, computer skills, exercise program, outings, volunteering and more.

Medical Adult Day Care

Medical Adult Day Care programs are staffed with at least one registered nurse to administer medicine and perform routine medical tasks, a social worker, therapists and other professional staff, as well as physician back up when needed. Medical model programs must have an affiliation with a licensed nursing home.

The Centers at St. Camillus

813 Fay Road

Syracuse, N.Y. 13219

315- 488-2951

The Medical Day Health Program is offered Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and serves adults 16 years or older who: are returning home from a hospitalization and/or short/long term rehabilitation, require additional medical, rehabilitation, and support services to maximize health status, can increase independence so they can remain safely in their home, have a progressive or chronic illness that has resulted in a gradual decline in health, require ongoing medical services and coordination of multiple services to maximize health and the

ability to remain at home. The Medical Day Health Program offers: rehabilitation services, restorative therapies (OT, PT, SLT), Nursing rehabilitation activities, medical Support – skilled nursing service, which includes the following: health assessment and monitoring, medical case management, individual treatments, medication administration and management, pre-fill med boxes and insulin syringes, wound care and lab draws, case management, assistance in securing/coordinating medical care and appointments, arranging transportation to/from medical appointments, assisting with health insurance issues, assisting in accessing community resources i.e. Medicaid, food stamps, and HEAP, personal care, personal care services which include showers, based on the need of the individual. Pay Sources: Medicaid and some long term care policies cover the cost of the program and transportation; Medicare does not. They develop a comprehensive individualized plan that coordinates their medical day program services with any additional community services needed to remain living at home. Contact: Medical Day Program Case Manager, 315-703-0670.

Central Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center – Adult Day Program

116 Martin Luther King East, Syracuse, N.Y. 13205
315- 475-1641

Open Days, 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. Breakfast, lunch and snack, bathing, podiatry, therapy, beauty shop and other facilities are available. It is located in a skilled nursing facility. Adult Day Care Program - Central Park recognizes that family members are the major caregivers for disabled adults, elderly parents, or chronically ill adults. Providing 24-hour care is a difficult task while attending to the needs of loved ones while trying to retain a job outside of the home and the usual daily activities.

Adult Day Care gives the care giver the opportunity to reduce the feeling of stress from trying to do everything and reduces the feelings of guilt, knowing your loved one is cared for while you work, or when having the time to get caught up on the daily errands.

While at Central Park Day Away Program your loved one will enjoy a safe and secure environment while you work, or while you have time to shop, keep your appointments and perform daily errands. Central Park offers the Bridge Program which is designed for the participants who have recently been admitted to the rehabilitation/transitional care unit and who have reached a certain level of independence, but require additional monitoring and supervision of care.

They also offer the Day Away Program which allows for additional time at the participant's pace, all while living at home and receiving the additional support such as medication administration, wound care or personal care services.

Central Park provides enjoyable, supervised recreational activities such as, entertainment, music, daily exercise, cognitive stimulation activities, and creative art programs allowing for a chance to socialize with other adults.

Nursing services are available with a Registered Professional Nurse who, along with a Licensed Practical Nurse and Certified Nursing Assistants, provides medication administration, wound care and personal care such as bathing, toileting assistance and incontinence care.

Loretto - Daybreak Adult Medical Program

161 Intrepid Lane
Syracuse, NY 13205, 315- 498-4405

Open 6 days per week 8:00 am – 4:00 pm and all Holidays except for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Services: nursing, medication assistance, skill training and education, rehabilitative therapies, nutritional counseling and hot lunch, personal care, recreational activities including weekly community outings, entertainers, Tai Chi and wellness programs, hair dresser, case management and psychological services. Fees: Medicaid, sliding scale fee, private insurance and self-pay. RNs, LPNs, and Certified Nurse's aides, Registered Dietitians, Therapists, Case Managers, Recreation staff. It is a community-based day program in a comfortable, safe environment which brings the individual's primary care doctor, specialists, case managers, and other representatives together to create a comprehensive health service plan.

It focuses on prevention to minimize hospitalizations including: Medication management, insulin shots, etc. through their nursing services, Nutritional services (i.e., daily lunch), Physical, occupational, and speech therapy, Personal care such as assistance with toileting, Pharmacy review of medications, Coordination of transportation. Requirements: Adult 21+ years old with a medical condition in need of assistance. Phone interview to determine type of service needed. There is an assessment day for RN to determine services and eligibility.

Program obtains orders from the Primary Care Physician in order to complete enrollment. Continue eligibility by attending a minimum of 1 day/week for 5 hours. Contact: Christine Tanchak, Executive Director, at 315- 413-3708 or ctanchak@lorettosystem.org.

Menorah Park Campus - Rothschild Adult Day Health Services

4101 E. Genesee Street
Syracuse, NY 13214
315- 446-9111 ext. 137 or 128

Adult Day services (medical model) – Provides individuals with the opportunity to participate in a comprehensive health program. It offers structured, supervised health, nursing, recreational, social, nutritional, rehabilitation and social work services. Program runs Monday – Friday- 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Evenings and Sundays available. Physician’s referral and physical need eligibility. In-home assessment. Wheelchair accessible, Interpreters provided as available. Set fee, sliding scale, Medicaid, private insurance or self-pay.

Loretto-PACE	McAuliffe Health Center
CNY Sally Coyne Center	115 Creek Center
100 Malta Lane	East Syracuse, N.Y. 13057
N. Syracuse, N.Y. 13212	315-452-5800
315-452-5800	

PACE CNY provides an alternative to nursing home placement for people 55+ who have health problems that would qualify them for nursing home placement. An interdisciplinary health care team completes an in-depth health care evaluation and develops a comprehensive individualized care plan, based on medical and supportive needs. Services may be provided at a day center, the participant’s home, the hospital, or a long term care facility as needed. Full range of services from case management through health care and medical specialties to transportation. On-call health coverage by M.D. and R.N. available 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Older adults who are frail, yet prefer to remain in their homes can be provided medical, social, rehabilitative and supportive services by the multidisciplinary health care team. The program is a Long-Term Care ManagedCare Program.

Admission Criteria:

- 55 years of age or older
- Resident of Onondaga County
- Able to live safely in community
- In need of long-term care service greater than 120 days
- Assessed to be eligible for nursing facility level of care

Cost/Payment: Fees are completely covered for individuals eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid benefits. Those eligible for Medicare only are responsible for a monthly fee that may be paid through private payment or private insurance (with prior approval.)

Certified Home Health Care Agencies in Onondaga County

The Centers at St. Camillus Home Care Agency

813 Fay Rd., Syracuse, NY 13219

315- 488-2831

Gentiva Home Health Services (An Affiliate of Kindred at Home)

200 Elwood Davis Road, Liverpool, NY 13088

315-461-0209

HCR Home Care

Serving Onondaga County

800- 270-4904

Nascentia Health

1050 West Genesee St., Syracuse, NY13204

315- 477-4663

St. Joseph's Home Health Care

7246 Janus Park Drive, Liverpool, NY13088

315- 458-2800

Licensed Home Health Care Agencies in Onondaga County

A licensed home care service agency provides nursing and home health aides for long term care. Although services may be similar to those offered by a Certified Home Health Agency, Licensed Home Care services are not reimbursed by either Medicare or Medicaid. Services are available to clients who have private insurance and those who pay privately. In some cases licensed agencies contract with local social services departments, or certified home health agencies, to provide services to persons with Medicaid coverage.

Private long term care insurance policies usually limit the length of time care is allowed. Note that home care agencies generally require several days' notice to complete a home care plan and to make the necessary arrangements for in-home services. **Many of these Agencies also offer Companion and Respite Care as well. Call for more information.**

All Metro Health Care

526 Old Liverpool Road, Suite 1, Liverpool, NY 13088
315-453-5537

CareGivers

4205 Long Branch Road, Liverpool, 13090
315-451-6886

Comfort Keepers

6834 E. Genesee Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066
315-474-0444

Dignity Plus, Inc.

675 South Main Street, Central Square, 13036
315-668-9381

Franciscan Health Support (A Div. of St. Joseph's Home Care)

7246 Janus Park Drive, Liverpool, 13088
315-458-5600

Home Aides of CNY, Inc. (A Division of Nascentia Health)

1050 West Genesee Street, Syracuse 13204, 1-888-477-HOME (4663)

Integrity Home Care Service (A Div. of St. Camillus)

813 Fay Road, Syracuse, 13219, 315-468-1484

Interim Healthcare

3300 James Street, Suite 201, Syracuse 13206
315- 437-4500

Maxim of NY Healthcare Services

1011, West Genesee Street, Suite 3, Syracuse, NY 13204
315- 476-0600

Menorah Park Home Health Services

4101 E. Genesee Street, Syracuse, NY 13214
315- 446-9111

Nursecore of Syracuse

2301 Teall Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13206
315- 433-9100

Self-Direct, Inc.

12 Oswego Street, Baldwinsville, NY 13027
315-635-5374

StaffKings

417 Electronics Pkwy, Liverpool, NY 13088
315- 432-5636

VA Hospital Based Home Care Program (Veterans Only)

Must be in Veterans Hospital System

800 Irving Avenue, Syracuse 13210
315- 425-6903

Winds of Agape

1414 Grant Boulevard, Syracuse, N.Y. 13208
315-425-0547

Respite Care in Onondaga County

Respite care provides relief to family members from their caregiving responsibilities. It may involve a person coming into the home on a regular basis for a few hours or an arrangement to allow the caregiver a break for a weekend or vacation. Some of the home health care agencies listed above offer respite.

Some hospitals, assisted living facilities and skilled nursing facilities (nursing homes) have beds available for respite purposes on a limited basis as well. Call for more information.

Caregiver Respite Program

Onondaga County Office for Aging

Civic Center, 421 Montgomery St., 10th Floor, Syracuse, NY 13202

315-435-2362

For full-time caregivers of seniors, age 60 or older. In-Home Respite and Social Adult Day Services.

Exceptional Family Resources (Serves the Disabled Community)

1065 James Street, Suite 220, Syracuse 13203

315- 478-1462 (Ext. 334 or 329)

Home Aides of CNY, Inc. (A Division of Nascentia Health)

1050 West Genesee Street, Syracuse, NY 13204

1-888-477-HOME (4663)

Veteran's Administration Respite Program (Veterans Only)

Must be in Veterans Hospital System

800 Irving Avenue, Syracuse 13210

315-425-4669

Planned limited stay in the VA Hospital in Syracuse.

Companion Care (Non-Medical) in Onondaga County

Companion care offers social interaction and companionship. Services are non-medical. Aides are there for safety and supportive care. They do not give baths (just reminders), do not give medications (point out what to take), use monitors for overnight stays. Some assist with shopping and transportation.

Alzheimer's Solutions

PO Box 412, Jamesville, NY 13078
315-469-1000

At Home Independent Living

4464 Milton Avenue, Camillus, NY 13031
315- 579-4663

Comfort Keepers

6834 E. Genesee Street, Fayetteville, NY 13066
315- 474-0444

Griswold Home Care

110 Buchman Cl. Circle, Fayetteville, NY 13066
315- 636-5191

Home Instead Senior Care

6443 Ridings Road, Suite 123, Syracuse NY 13206
315- 438-3168

Seniors Helping Seniors

315-720-4441, 315-280-0739

Serving Seniors

5858 East. Molloy Road, Syracuse, NY 13211
315-382-4300

Syracuse Home Care

126 South Terry Road, Syracuse, NY 13219

315- 430-7481

Senior Home Care Solutions

Grace Court, 4583 North Street, Jamesville, NY 13078

Mailing Address: PO Box 412, Jamesville, NY 13078

315-469-1000

315- 247-6741

Touching Hearts at Home

290 Elwood Davis Road, Suite 290, Liverpool, NY 13088

Phone: 315-503-4896

Friendly Visitor and Telephone Reassurance in Onondaga County

Jewish Family Service

4101 East Genesee Street, Syracuse, 13214

315- 445-0820

M,Tu,Th 9am-5pm; W 9am-9pm; F 9am-4pm

Project Chaver - volunteer outreach program of friendly home visits and telephone reassurance. It includes shopping services. Interpreters are available if needed. It is a program for homebound seniors who have little family contact, and are first assessed by Jewish Family Services as someone in need of the program.

Senior Companion Program

InterFaith Works

315- 449-3552

Volunteer outreach program of friendly visitors/companions offering socialization and advocacy for isolated older adults.

Are you homebound or living alone?

Ask about a daily call from **TeleCare**

Our free service provides:

- Medication reminders
- Reassurance and emotional support
- Regular connection

For information about **TeleCare** call **Contact Community Services**
315-251-1400 ext. 115

CONTACT
Community Services
Advocate, Counsel, Teach
www.contactsyracuse.org

Home Care Resources in Onondaga County

Personal Emergency Response Systems

Personal emergency response systems provide emergency assistance with just a touch of a button. This small electronic device offers 24 hour security and peace of mind to individuals who live alone or who may be at risk during the day or night. This device is worn by an older adult who can activate it in case of an emergency. When triggered, a message is sent to a response station which immediately phones the older adult. If there is no answer, individuals listed will be called to check on the adult and if there is still no response, emergency assistance is immediately sent. Help is always available even for those unable to dial the phone. Units accommodate 140 foreign languages and those who are deaf. **Many home health agencies can assist with these devices or you can contact:**

LifeFone Medical Alert	1-800-882-2280
Philips Lifeline	1-800-543-3546
QuickAlert	(585) 690-2387
Response4HELP	315- 857-8939
Service Alert Systems	315- 487-6858
Time Warner Security Medical Alert	315- 432-0373
Vital Link	1-800-338-4825

“Safe Return Program” Alzheimer’s Association 315-472-4201.

“Project Lifesaver” Onondaga County Sheriff’s Department 315-435-3006.

Assistive Devices & Accessibility Resources

Assistive devices are any item or piece of equipment used to maintain or improve a person's functional capabilities. There are many advancements in computers and communication devices which can be difficult to find. **AccessCNY (315-455-7591)** is the local representative of TR Aid (Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities) and a good source of information regarding Assistive Devices.

Funding for assistive technology can come from a number of sources including Medicaid, Medicare, private insurance etc.

AccessCNY

315- 410-3335

Assistive technology, as well as augmentative and alternative communication diagnostic services. Accessibility for disabled.

Aurora

315- 422-7263, TTY/TDD 315- 422-9746, VP 315- 679-4168

Assistive visual and hearing equipment.

Arise

315- 472-3171, TTY 315- 479-6363

Adaptive Equipment Program with financial aid in purchasing equipment for those who meet eligibility requirements.

Verizon

Center for Customers with Disabilities

1-888-262-1999

Products for people with certified visual, hearing, speech or motion disabilities. Products for lease or purchase are: Amplified telephones, weak speech handset (increases volume of your voice), Electronic Artificial Larynx (reproduces sound of your voice when held to your throat), teletypewriter (TTY), loud tone ringer device, amplified volume handset (amplifies incoming voices). There are also certain exemptions and discounts which apply for those who qualify. Braille and large print bills are available also.

End of Life Issues

Palliative Care and Hospice

Palliative care is for patients and their families who are facing a potentially life threatening illness, but are at a stage where hospice care is not appropriate or desired. Active treatment options are still part of the care and the patient's life expectancy is often undetermined. Even during an active treatment program when the prognosis is hopeful and optimistic, patients and caregivers are still faced, often for the first time, with the possibility of having a terminal illness.

Hospice programs provide support and care for terminally ill persons and their families. They assist a person who is dying to do so with dignity. Hospice care may be provided at home, in some nursing facilities, or in a hospice facility. Services include pain relief, symptom management, home health care, respite care, counseling and homemaker services. Medicare provides some hospice benefits.

Nascentia Health Palliative Care

1050 West Genesee St., Syracuse, NY13204
315- 477-4663

Palliative Care is a holistic approach to care through its support of symptom management by addressing psychological, social, and spiritual issues.

Francis House

315- 475-5422

This is a private home where custodial care is provided the last six months of life for those with no primary caregiver or whose caregivers cannot provide care. Referrals can come from family members, Hospice or any social service department of a care facility.

Hospice Of Central New York

990 Seventh North St., Liverpool, NY 13088
315-634-1100

Serves individuals living in Onondaga, Oswego and Madison counties with a terminal illness, as well as their families and caregivers, through an interdisciplinary healthcare team that provides a holistic (physical, emotional, social and spiritual) approach to care through terminal diagnosis to bereavement. Our compassionate staff treats individuals at home or skilled nursing facilities, we support those who are grieving, help caregivers and educate medical professionals and the community on life-limiting illnesses.

Hope For Bereaved

4500 Onondaga Boulevard, Syracuse 13219
315- 475-4673

Support groups, telephone hotline, etc. for those coping with the loss of a loved one. The organization was founded on the understanding that sharing the journey from grief to hope with others who are going through or have experienced the same suffering is essential to the healing process. These monthly meetings are hosted at Hope for Bereaved at 4500 Onondaga Blvd. in Syracuse.

HOPE for Bereaved (General)

Death of a child, sibling, parent, spouse, partner, relative, friend or co-worker

Second Tuesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

HOPE for Widows and Widowers

General – *First Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm*

Young – *Third Tuesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm*

Senior – *Third Wednesday 10 a.m. to noon*

HOPE for Children and Teens (6 and up)

Death of a sibling or friend, *Third Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm*

Death of a parent, grandparent or caregiver

Third Tuesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

HOPE For Bereaved Parents

HOPE for Parents Death of an infant or child by accident or illness

Third Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Death of infant by miscarriage, stillbirth or newborn death.

Third Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Please call HOPE in advance if you plan to attend this group.

HOPE for Survivors

Death by suicide of a child, sibling, parent, spouse, partner, relative, friend or co-worker

Second and fourth Wednesdays 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

HOPE for Bereaved (Substance Abuse)

Death of a child, sibling, parent, spouse, partner, relative, friend or co-worker due to substance abuse

First Tuesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

HOPE for Caregivers

Discussion group for those caring for family members or friends with chronic or degenerative disease.

Fourth Thursday 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm

HOPE for Death by Homicide

Death of spouse, partner, family or friend by homicide.

Fourth Wednesday 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Health

Medical Services & Information

Alzheimer's Association Central New York Chapter

441 West Kirkpatrick Street, Syracuse 13204

315-472-4201

Offers telephone information line and referrals to community resources. The association also provides literature, education and support groups.

Amaus Medical Services at the Cathedral

259 East Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

315-424-1911

Amaus is located just past the Cathedral Rectory - Enter the parking lot on the left side of the Cathedral Rectory and proceed to the rear entrance of the building in the right corner of the parking lot. Blue sign over the entrance reads "Cathedral Parish Center" "Amaus Health Services"

Amaus Medical Services at Cathedral is a walk-in interim primary care facility for persons who are without insurance and with limited access to health care. Their doctors and staff will provide a compassionate system of health management for many common diseases as well as sick visits. Hours of Operation - Patients are seen on a first come, first served basis

Wednesday - 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Thursday - 12:00 PM to 2:30 PM

Hours may change - For the most current schedule please call 315-424-1911.

ARC Of Onondaga County – Horizons Clinic

600 S Wilbur Avenue, Syracuse, New York 13204

Monday through Friday: 8:00 am – 4:30 pm (By appointment only)

315-476-7441 x1167 horizonsintake@arcon.org

Horizons Clinic provides therapeutic, clinical services to individuals with developmental disabilities, enhancing their quality of life and helping them achieve their fullest potential. A division of Arc of Onondaga, Horizons is a free-standing, Article 16 Clinic certified by the New York State Office of People With Developmental Disabilities. Licensed, dedicated and professional staff provide all services offered by Horizons under the direction of a Board-certified physician. Horizons staff members are particularly familiar with the special needs of the people they serve. Services Provided by Horizons Clinic include:

- Psychological Evaluation and Testing
IQ/Adaptive Testing for OPWDD eligibility
- Sexuality Assessments
Determines ability to give informed consent for sexual relationships
- Medical and Guardianship Affidavits
- Social Work Counseling
Grief, anger management, self-esteem, social and healthy relationship skills.
- Occupational/Physical Therapy - Fine motor skill development, muscle tone improvement, perceptual and sensory skill development.

Individuals four years and older who have been diagnosed with a developmental disability before their 22nd birthday are eligible for services at the Horizons Clinic.

HealthLink – Upstate Medical University

HealthLink Site, 6333 Rt 298, East Syracuse (off Carrier Circle, 1 Telergy Parkway, 315-464-8668

HealthLink is an initiative of Upstate Medical University bringing health information and education to individuals and their families at no cost.

<http://www.upstate.edu/hospital/healthlink/>

Onondaga County Medical Society

Learbury Centre, 329 N. Salina St., Suite 303, Syracuse NY 13203
315- 424-8118

Physician referrals. Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5 pm.

OASIS Syracuse

Sponsored by Upstate University Hospital
6333 Rte. 298, East Syracuse, NY 13057
315- 464-6555

Classes in health and wellness, the arts and humanities.

Onondaga County Health Department: Clinic

421 Montgomery St., Room 80 Basement, Syracuse, New York 13202, 315- 435-3252
www.ongov.net/health/clinics - for clinic schedule and more information.

Hypertension Screening 315- 435-3287

The Onondaga County Health Department provides free blood pressure screenings at numerous sites throughout the county. Screenings are conducted by licensed volunteer nurses trained to provide education and referral. Call to locate a blood pressure screening site.

Influenza (Flu) and Pneumococcal Vaccine Immunization Clinics

315- 435-3287

Onondaga County Health Department offers a weekly flu clinic, from October to May, for the public every Wednesday, from 9:00am - 12:00 noon in room 30 (basement level) of the Civic Center. The clinic provides flu vaccine for Onondaga County residents 6 months of age and older, while supplies last. Please call 435-2000 for availability. This is a walk-in clinic, no appointments are necessary.

The fee for the flu vaccine is based on a sliding fee scale, family income, and family size. The cost for the flu vaccine will range from \$0 - \$30. Cash, check, Medicaid, and Medicaid managed care are all accepted. Nobody will be turned away from receiving a flu shot due to their inability to pay.

Cancer Services

315- 435-3653 is a preventative health program providing education, screening, referral, and follow-up for breast, cervical and colorectal cancer. The program is for women 40-64 and men 50-64. It is for those without health insurance.

Syracuse Community Health Center, Inc.

Syracuse Community Health Center is a network of locations centrally located throughout Onondaga County. Five primary health centers serve as important sources of health services for key neighborhoods in and around Syracuse. SCHC's main location in downtown Syracuse houses administrative offices and SCHC Total Care Inc., the largest Medicaid Managed Care plan in Central New York. In addition, SCHC supports school based health centers and satellite locations. Each site offers health care services staffed by professional providers. Each location is convenient to bus lines and free parking is available.

For more information call the SCHC Main offices. 315-476-7921

St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center Resource Line; 301 Prospect Avenue, Syracuse, 13215, 315- 448-5111, 1-888-785-6371, toll-free.

For people needing a new physician or information about St. Joseph's programs and services. M-F, 8 am-4:30 pm.

St. Joseph's Wellness Place; 7246 Janus Park Drive, Liverpool 315- 458-3600

Syracuse's first health screening, disease prevention and general information center, the Wellness Place provides free blood pressure screening and general health information. The Wellness Place is open for walk-in blood pressures and general health counseling on Tuesday and Wednesday only from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. It is closed daily for lunch between noon and 1 p.m.

Upstate University Hospital- Upstate Connect

750 E. Adams St., Syracuse, NY, 13210

(800) 464-8668 or 315- 464-8668

Your Connection to Upstate: Free, Confidential, and Around-the-Clock

Contact a professional staff of RNs for the most up-to-date health information—available 24 hours a day—on a wide variety of diagnoses and health issues. Nurses can provide information over the phone or even mail it to you free of charge. And, if you have an immediate health problem, they can help you to decide what to do. Staffed by Registered Nurses. Upstate Connect also has an extensive computerized data base of physicians and health care services from which to choose. Staffed by registered nurses nationally certified in telephone triage.

University Geriatricians, 550 Harrison Street, Suite A, Syracuse 13202, 315-464-6100

Offers a geriatric evaluation designed to classify existing problems and to help plan for the immediate and long term future of the patient; for the frail elderly; those with suspected Alzheimers, dementia or cognitive disorders. Appointments may be made by individual, family member, physician or social service agency. Fee generally covered by Medicare and most other medical insurance coverage.

Dental, Vision, Hearing and Podiatry Services

Dental Services

Amaus Dental Services

259 East Onondaga Street in Syracuse, NY
315-802-6741

Amaus Dental Service is an outreach of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Their mission is to provide quality dental care to the members of our Central New York community who find themselves unemployed, homeless or without dental insurance. This care will be provided free of charge by volunteer dental professionals and support staff. The scope of the care they offer is limited to examinations, x-rays, hygiene (cleanings), fillings and routine extractions. They do not do root canals, replace any missing teeth, provide or repair dentures, nor extract wisdom teeth. They will not be able to address all of the dental needs of many of their patients, and it may be necessary for the patient to pursue further care on their own. They do have a very limited formulary of medications which includes basic antibiotics, and non-narcotic pain medication.

St. Joseph's Hospital Health Center Dental Services

315- 448-5477

Provides a full spectrum of dental services. Call for an appointment. Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay and based on services rendered, financial counseling available.

Syracuse Community Health Center, Inc.

315- 476-7921

Provides a full spectrum of dental services, routine appointments, follow-up, and emergency dental care are provided. Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay

McAuliffe Health Center – Loretto

115 Creek Circle, East Syracuse, NY 13057, 315- 492-6430

Provides a full spectrum of dental services. Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay.

Vision

Amaus Vision Services

259 E. Onondaga Street, Syracuse, NY 13202 (Cathedral Parish Center)
315-314-7004

Comprehensive free eye exams and eyeglasses for those without insurance.

Aurora of CNY

518 James Street, Suite 100, Syracuse, NY 13203

315- 422-7263 Assistive visual and hearing equipment.

Lions Club of New York State

315- 478-3131

Help with vision needs; for low income.

McAuliffe Health Center – Loretto

115 Creek Circle, East Syracuse, NY 13057, 315- 492-6430

Provides a full spectrum of vision services. Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay.

Syracuse Community Health Center, Inc. 315- 476-7921 Eye Care Services

Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay.

Vision USA (NY State Optometric Association) 1-800-766-4466

Free Exam based on income, lack of insurance, lack of eye exams in past 2 years and having at least one unemployed family member and one employed family member. <http://www.aoafoundation.org/vision-usa>

Hearing

Aurora of CNY, 518 James Street, Suite 100, Syracuse, NY 13203

315) 422-7263 Assistive visual and hearing equipment

Lions Club of New York State

315- 478-3131. Help with getting hearing aides for low income.

Syracuse University Gebbie Clinic

315- 443-4485. Hearing testing and hearing equipment. Fees on a sliding scale based on income.

Podiatry

McAuliffe Health Center – Loretto

115 Creek Circle, East Syracuse, NY 13057 315- 492-6430

Provides a full spectrum of podiatry services. Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay.

Syracuse Community Health Center, Inc. 315- 476-7921 Podiatry Services

Medicaid, private insurance, self-pay.

Medical Equipment/Assistive Technology Loan Closets in Onondaga County

ACCESS CNY/ TRAIID Center

1603 Court Street, Syracuse, N.Y. 13208
315-410-3335

The **Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disability (TRAID) Center** is AccessCNY's assistive technology lending library. The TRAIID Center's primary mission is to increase access to assistive technology and durable medical equipment such as wheelchairs, walkers and augmentative communication devices.

TRAID accomplishes this goal by providing *short term equipment loans at no cost*; individuals simply borrow items, use them and then return the items to the TRAIID Center for others to utilize. Services are available to individuals with disabilities of all ages, their family members, service providers, employers, and others who are interested in disability issues and/or assistive technology.

In addition to short term equipment loans, AccessCNY's TRAIID Center also:

- Does demonstrations to compare different devices
- Facilitates trainings on assistive technologies & durable medical equipment
- Provides information and referrals
- Raises public awareness at events, conferences, etc.

TRAID Center staff know that a short term loan of the right equipment can make a huge difference in someone's life and even help a person with a disability stay in their home.

ARISE/Medical Equipment Loan Closet

635 James Street, Syracuse, N.Y. 13203- 315-472-3171
Advocacy and Accessibility - (315) 671-2927

The ARISE Medical Equipment Loan Closet allows you to borrow and test wheelchairs, walkers, and a variety of other adaptive devices on a short-term basis. Borrowing equipment can help you select the best option before purchasing your own equipment. It also fills the gap during temporary periods of need. They have a variety of walkers, crutches, canes, wheelchairs, shower and tub benches of different designs, shower chairs, and other specialized types of medical equipment.

To find out if they have a specific item you need to call. All you need to do is contact them and fill out a simple form. The Medical Equipment Loan Closet is free of charge for people with a disability and there are no eligibility requirements.

Typically items are loaned out for 2-4 weeks and sometimes 2-3 months, depending on the circumstances of the individual requesting the item. They will thoroughly discuss this with you to see how they can accommodate you fully. If you need an extension, just give them a call. Some items are more limited and so they have to limit the amount of time that those particular items are loaned out.

Everything in their Loan Closet has been donated by individuals and families, various agencies, businesses, and organizations. If you would like to make a donation, please give them a call first so they can get an idea and some more information on the items you would like to donate. If for some reason they cannot accept the item, they will be happy to provide contacts to other places where you can make the donation.

Female Charitable Society of the Village of Baldwinsville

10 River Street, Baldwinsville, N.Y. 13027

315-638-6277, Open 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday-Friday

Eligibility: Must be a resident of the Baldwinsville Central School District
Makes available, for loan: wheelchairs, hospital beds/mattresses, commodes, walkers, crutches, canes, raised toilet seats, geriatric chairs, etc.
Loan free of charge.

Multiple Sclerosis Society

6743 Kinne Street, E. Syracuse, N.Y. 13057 - 315-438-4790

Eligibility: Must be a client of the Multiple Sclerosis Society. Call to enroll. Makes available, for loan: wheelchairs, commodes, walkers, crutches, walkers etc.
Loan free of charge.

Muscular Dystrophy Association

100 Elwood Davis Road, N. Syracuse, N.Y. 13212 - 315-451-8269

Eligibility: Call for information; must be registered with M.D.A. Makes available, for loan: wheelchairs, Hoyer lifts, walkers, standers, bathroom equipment, crutches, hospital beds and mattresses, canes etc. Loan free of charge.

Winds of Agape

1414 Grant Boulevard , Syracuse, N.Y. 13208

315-425-0547

Winds of Agape has a Family in Crisis Program. If someone is in need of a wheelchair, walker or other piece of medical equipment and brings a referral letter from an agency, on agency letterhead, stating this need, if the item is in stock (they rely on donated items) they will loan it out, free of charge.

Crisis Assistance, Referral Services and Support Groups:

- 211 CNY: Dial 2-1-1 for referrals to community, social or government services. <https://211cny.com>
- Al-Anon/Alateen: For families and friends of alcoholics. 12 Step Program 315-471-0191, <http://www.syracuseais.org>
- Alcoholics Anonymous: 12 Step Program, 315-463-5011 - 24 Hour Line <http://www.aasyracuse.org>
- Central Region Problem Gambling Resource Center: 315-413-4676, <https://nyproblemgamblinghelp.org/central/>
- Depression Bipolar Support Alliance CNY: Every Tuesday at 6:15 pm. AccessCNY, 420 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, 315-428-9366
- Contact Community Services Hotline: 24 Hour Crisis Line - 315-251-0600 <http://www.contactsyracuse.org>
- Family Support and Education Center: Crisis and ongoing supports and advocacy. AccessCNY 420 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY, 315-478-4151
- Hiscock Legal Aid Society: 351 S. Warren St. Syracuse, NY 13202, 315-422-8191 info@hiscocklegalaids.org
- Hope Connections: Peer Led Coaching Program at Catholic Charities advocating recovery in the community, 315-362-7629, www.ccoc.us
- Legal Services of CNY: 221 S. Warren St., Syracuse, NY 13202 315-703-6500, <http://www.lscny.org>
- NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Syracuse: Support and Sharing Meeting for family/friends of those with mental illness diagnoses. 3rd Tuesday each month at 7 pm. AccessCNY 420 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, 315-487-2085
- Narcotics Anonymous: 12 Step Program, 315-472-5555 <http://honyana.org>
- National Helpline: 1-800-662-4357, TTY 1-800-487-4889
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-8255, TTY 1-800-799-4889
- Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services: www.ongov.net/adult: Mental Health (315-435-3355) Veterans (315-435-3217) Office for Aging (315-435-2362) Adult Protective Services (315-435-

2815) NYConnects (315-435-1400) and the Long Term Care Resource Center (315-435-5600.)

- Onondaga County Department of Social Services: Economic Security: <http://www.ongov.net/dss> 315-435-2700
- Prevention Network: Substance Use Referral Service, Monday-Friday, 8 am to 4 pm and education and training for Substance Abuse/Addiction Prevention. 315-471-1359 <http://www.preventionnetworkcny.org>
- Spouses/Partners Support Group: For the spouse/partner of someone with a mental health diagnosis. Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 7:00 to 8:30 at 2503 E. Genesee St., Syracuse, NY 13219, 315-468-9809
- Youth Emergency Services (YES): 24/7 Line, 315-463-1100
- Unique Perspectives: Peer led support, 315-475-1994
- Veterans Crisis Line: Available 24/7 at 1-800-273-8255, <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net>
- Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc.: No cost legal assistance for low income clients. 221 S. Warren St., Suite 320, Syracuse, NY 13202, 315-471-3409 <http://www.onvlp.org>

Helpful Links

- Behavioral Health Treatment Locator: <https://findtreatment.samhsa.gov>
- Buprenorphine Treatment Physician Locator:
<http://www.samhsa.gov/medication-assisted-treatment/physician-program-data/treatment-physician-locator>
- Center for Community Alternatives: <http://www.communityalternatives.org>
- Central New York Prevention Resource Center: <http://www.cr-prc.org>
- Couple and Family Therapy Center:
<http://falk.syr.edu/marriagefamilytherapy/Goldberg.aspx>
- Faces and Voices of Recovery:
<http://www.facesandvoicesofrecovery.org/guide/support>
- Huntington Family Center: <http://www.huntingtonfamilycenters.org>
- NAMI - National Alliance on Mental Illness New York State:
<http://www.naminys.org>
- NAMI - National Alliance on Mental Illness Syracuse:
<http://namisyracuse.org>
- New York State Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS): <https://www.oasas.ny.gov>
- Opioid Treatment Program Directory:
<http://dpt2.samhsa.gov/treatment/directory.aspx>
- Rescue Mission: <http://rescuemissionalliance.org>
- U.S. Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): <http://www.samhsa.gov>
- U.S. Department of Health & Human Services Mental Health:
<http://www.mentalhealth.gov>

Crouse Hospital Outpatient Older Adult Recovery Service (OARS) – Age 55+

<http://crouse.org/services/chemical-dependency/special-populations/>

Abuse of alcohol and medications is often overlooked in older adults. A higher level of denial exists in the community and symptoms of this problem can differ from those displayed in younger individuals. Physiological challenges in older adults can make them more susceptible to the effects of alcohol. A decrease in muscle tissue and an increase in fatty tissue reduce an older body's ability to absorb and dispose of alcohol, resulting in a lower tolerance level.

Common signals of drug or alcohol abuse in people over 65 include:

- Falls or accidents
- Poor nutrition
- Inadequate self-care
- Social isolation

These symptoms can often be misdiagnosed as stereotypical signs of aging like dementia, depression, disorientation or confusion.

Crouse's Outpatient Older Adult Recovery Service (OARS) is staffed by specialists with experience in the treatment of chemically-dependent older adults. It provides an affordable and accessible program that takes into account the special treatment needs related to:

- Physical health
- Nutrition
- Spirituality
- Family and social relationships

Cost/Coverage Most private insurance, Medicare and Medicaid are accepted. A sliding fee scale is available for those without insurance.

Location 410 S. Crouse Ave., just down the hill from the main hospital. **How to Access the Program:** 315-470-8304 or 1/800-727-6873 For more information on the OARS Program, contact: Ellen Gerace, LMHC, NCC, CASAC, Clinical Supervisor CD Outpatient Services - Admissions, Adult/Adolescent Outpatient Program 315-470-8340.

Health Benefits

Health Insurance Counseling

HIICAP (Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program)

315- 435-2362 HIICAP counseling provides Medicare beneficiaries, their representatives, and people planning to retire with unbiased information and assistance relating to health insurance. This is a free and confidential service offered by volunteers trained by the Onondaga County Office for Aging. HIICAP Counselors can also help consumers understand their medical bills and health insurance policies; provide information on Long Term Care Insurance, Medicare, Supplemental Insurance, and Medicare Managed Care. Call 315- 435-2362 to arrange for a free, convenient consultation.

Long Term Care Insurance

New York State Partnership for Long Term Care Insurance

1-866-950-7526

<http://www.nyspltc.org>

The NYS Partnership for Long-Term Care (NYSPLTC) is a unique Department of Health program combining private long-term care insurance and Medicaid Extended Coverage (MEC). Its purpose is to help New Yorkers financially prepare for the possibility of needing nursing home care, home care, or assisted living services someday. The program works by allowing an individual or couple who purchases a Partnership insurance policy and keeps it in effect to hold onto all or part of their assets (depending on the type of policy purchased) under the Medicaid program if their long-term care needs extend beyond the period covered by their policy.

What does this mean to you? If you buy NYSPLTC insurance and use the benefits according to the conditions of the program, you can apply for MEC, which may assist in paying for your on-going care. Unlike regular Medicaid, MEC allows you to protect some or all of your assets, depending on whether you select a Dollar for Dollar Asset Protection plan or a Total Asset Protection plan. However, MEC does require that you contribute your income to the cost of your care according to Medicaid income rules.

How is the NYS Partnership a win-win situation? NYSPLTC helps New Yorkers pay for their long-term care without having to “spend down” their assets, as they would have to do if they relied totally on Medicaid to pay for their long-term care. By allowing New Yorkers to keep what they've worked hard to acquire, and reducing Medicaid costs for the State, NYSPLTC provides a win-win scenario for everyone.

Medicare

(Courtesy of Myrna Koldin – Retired Onondaga County Office for Aging
Senior Services Specialist & HIICAP Counselor)

New Information for 2021

COVID 19

- Vaccine will be covered at 100% under Part B; not subject to deductible or coinsurance
- Test to diagnose or rule out COVID 19 will be covered at 100%; not subject to deductible or coinsurance
- Antibody test to check if developed immune response and may not be at immediate risk of re-infection; will be covered at 100%; not subject to deductible or coinsurance

Medicare will begin covering acupuncture for chronic low back pain

- Up to 12 visits in 90 days with an additional 8 sessions for patients demonstrating improvement
- No more than 20 acupuncture treatments covered annually

Prior Authorization for certain Outpatient Department services

- For services provided starting July 1, 2020
- Includes blepharoplasty, eyelid surgery, brow lift and related services; Botulinum toxin injections; Rhinoplasty and related services; Vein ablation and related services; Panniculectomy, excision of excess skin and subcutaneous tissue (including lipectomy) and related services

Competitive Bidding for certain Durable Medical Equipment (DME)

- Beneficiaries must use Contracted Supplier who must accept Medicare assignment
- - Non-contracted Supplier must notify beneficiary and have an Advanced Beneficiary Notice signed
- Categories of Equipment include: Commode chairs; Continuous positive airway pressure (CPAP) devices and respiratory assist devices (RADs); Enteral nutrition; Hospital beds; Nebulizers; Negative pressure wound therapy (NPWT) pumps; Off-the-shelf (OTS) back braces; OTS knee braces; Oxygen and oxygen equipment; Patient lifts and seat lifts; Standard manual wheelchairs; Standard power mobility devices; Support surfaces (Group 1 & 2); Transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS) devices and Walkers

Advanced Beneficiary Notice (ABN)

- New form must be completed for services which may not be covered by Medicare

- Must list service and date of service
- If claim is denied by Medicare, beneficiary is not liable for cost UNLESS a valid ABN was signed
- Still retains right to appeal
- Always liable for non-covered (excluded) services

You are eligible for Medicare if...

You are a U.S. citizen or have your resident visa and have lived in the U.S. for 5 consecutive years and

- you are 65 years and older; or
- you have been getting disability benefits for at least 24 months; or
- you have kidney failure; or
- you have ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease).

You can apply for Medicare three months before you turn 65, the month you turn 65 or the three months after the month of your 65th birthday by contacting the Social Security Administration at 800-772-1213; going on-line to ssa.gov; or going to the local SSA office.

If you are already collecting Social Security, you will automatically be enrolled into Medicare.

There are four Parts of Medicare

- Part A – Hospital Insurance
- Part B – Medical Insurance
- Part C – Medicare Advantage Plans
- Part D – Prescription Insurance

Medicare Part A (Hospital Insurance)

- **What it Covers:**
 - Inpatient Hospital Care
 - Post Hospital Skilled Nursing Facilities (not unskilled or long-term care) - Medicare doesn't cover long-term or custodial care in this setting
 - Hospice Care for people with a terminal illness. A Medicare-approved hospice usually gives hospice care in your home (or other facility like a nursing home).
 - Some Home Health Care - Limited to medically-necessary part-time or intermittent skilled nursing care, or physical therapy, speech-language pathology, or a continuing need for occupational therapy.
 - Coverage is the same from State to State

- **What You Pay:**
 - FREE if you or your spouse have worked at least 10 years (40 quarters) in the U.S. (Up to \$471 monthly premium for those who do not get premium-free Part A)
 - \$1,484 deductible and no coinsurance for days 1-60 of a hospital stay in a benefit period. There are lifetime reserve days which can be used.
 - \$371 per day in the hospital for days 61 – 90 each benefit period.
 - No co-payment for the first 20 days in a Skilled Nursing Facility after a three-day inpatient hospital stay. You pay \$185.50 per day for days 21 – 100 and all costs after the 100 days.

Medicare Part B: (Medical Insurance)

There are two kinds of Part B covered services:

- Medically-necessary services - Services or supplies that are needed to diagnose or treat your medical condition and that meet accepted standards of medical practice
- Preventive services – Health care to prevent illness or detect it at an early stage

- **What it Covers:**
 - Physician Services
 - Outpatient Hospital Care
 - Durable Medical Equipment
 - Ambulance Services, on a limited basis
 - Lab and Diagnostic Testing
 - Some Physical & Occupational Therapy
 - Some Home Health Care
 - Preventive Services
 - “Welcome to Medicare” physical exam
 - Yearly wellness visit
 - Bone mass measurement
 - Colorectal screenings
 - Diabetes screenings
 - Glaucoma tests
 - Mammograms
 - Pap test
 - Influenza & pneumococcal shots

- Smoking cessation
 - Prostate cancer screening
- Coverage the same from State to State
- **What You Pay:**
 - \$148,50 per month in 2021 if you file an individual tax return and your income is \$87,000 or less or if you file a joint tax return of \$174,000 or less. (For 2021 it will be based on the 2019 annual income). Premiums increase on a sliding scale for individuals in higher income brackets. A hold-harmless clause may result in a lower Part B premium.
 - \$203.00 deductible
 - 20% of the Medicare approved amount after the deductible is met
 - 20% for outpatient mental health care after the deductible is met
 - If you don't sign up for Part B when you are first eligible, you may have to pay a late enrollment penalty.

Medigap Supplement Plans

- Works as a supplement to Original Medicare Parts A & B
- May cover all co-payments after Medicare makes their payment
- Does not cover any non-Medicare Parts A & B services
- Does not cover prescriptions
- Standardized plans available through private insurance companies
- Open enrollment all year in New York State
- Anyone who becomes eligible for Medicare after 12/31/19 will not be able to enroll into Plans C, F or the high deductible F.

Medicare Part C : Medicare Advantage Plans (MA plans)

- Plans include:
 - Medicare HMOs – Health Maintenance Organizations
 - Must stay within their network of providers in most cases
 - Medicare PPOs – Preferred Provider Organization
 - Stay within the network for the lowest copayments, out of network would cost more
 - Medicare PFFS – Private Fee-for-Service

- Can go to any provider within their network or any provider who will accept the plan
- Special Needs Plans – These are plans which limit their membership to people who live in certain institutions (nursing homes) or who are eligible for both Medicare and Medicaid.
- Private insurance companies administer your Medicare instead of the government; you need to have Medicare A & B.
- Plans must cover at least what Original Medicare covers, but may include additional benefits such as vision, dental and/or wellness and health programs
- Very strict marketing rules apply to these plans
- Some plans offer prescription coverage, while others do not
- Original Medicare covers Hospice care even if you are in a Medicare Advantage plan
- You cannot be sold a Medigap supplemental plan if you have a Medicare Advantage plan.
- For 2021, in Onondaga County, there are 42 plans from 7 different companies with monthly premiums ranging from zero to \$156.00. There are also 1 Medicare Savings Account and 13 Special Needs Plans (institutionalized and dual eligible).

Medicare Part D: Prescription Drug Coverage

Medicare prescription drug coverage is available to everyone with either Medicare Part A or B or both. To get Medicare drug coverage, you must join a Medicare drug plan offered through a private insurance company. Plans vary in cost and drugs covered.

- Outpatient prescription drugs
- Different from Parts A and B
 - Part D is through a private insurer
- Two ways to get Medicare drug coverage:
 - If you have **Original Medicare:**
Stand-alone prescription drug plan (PDP)
 - If you have a **Medicare Advantage Plan:**
Must join the Part D Plan offered by your Medicare Advantage Plan.
Some exceptions apply.
- Very strict marketing rules apply to these plans

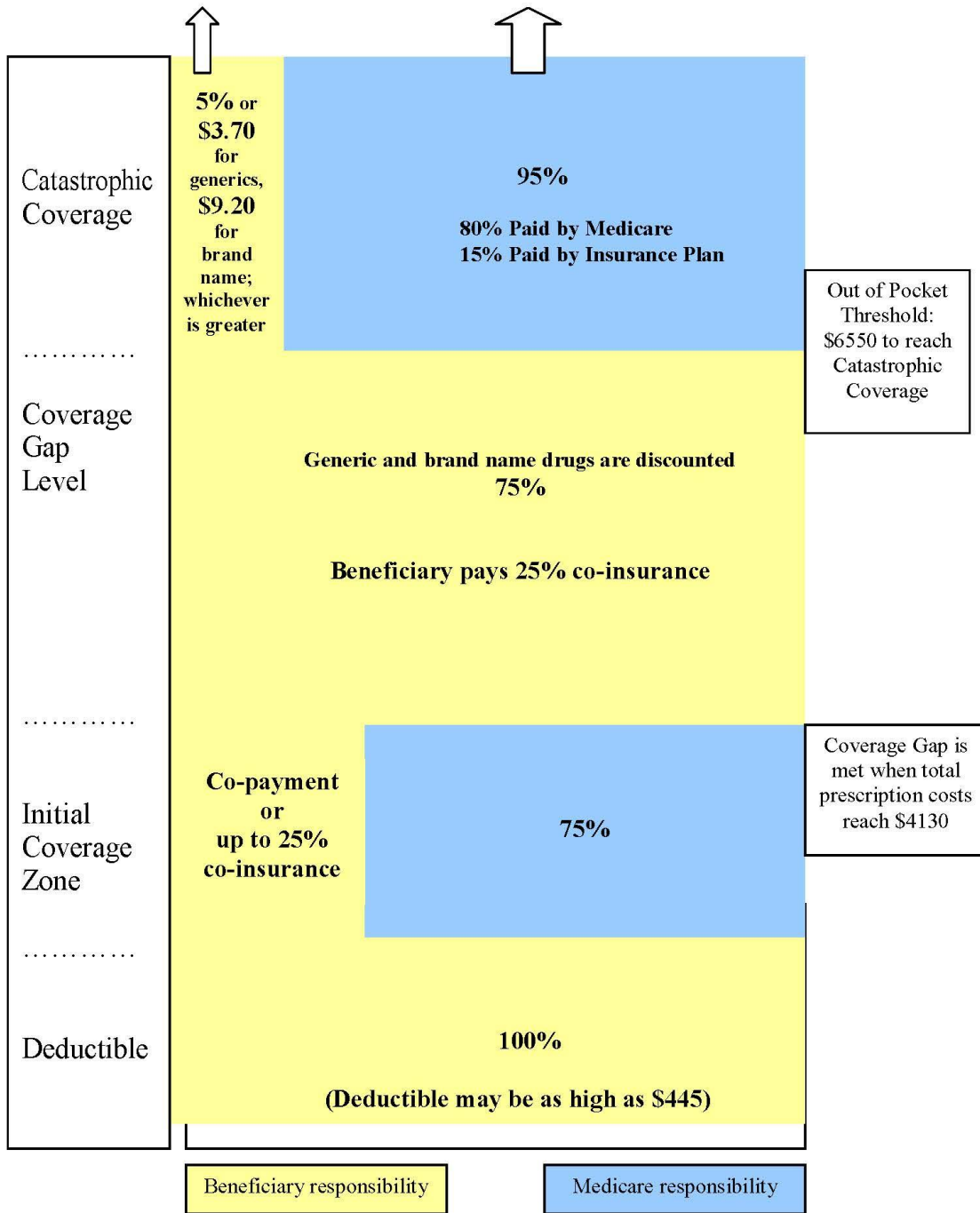
- For 2021, there are 28 plans from 9 different companies, ranging in monthly premium from \$7.30 - \$94.80.
- Each Medicare PDP has its own formulary (list of covered drugs), which may include both brand name and generic drugs
- Medicare PDP's must offer at least 2 drugs under each drug class. In addition, each plan must cover a majority of drugs in the following classes:
 - Antidepressants
 - Anti-psychotics
 - Anticonvulsants
 - Anti-retrovirals
 - Anticancer
 - Immunosuppressants

Some groups of medications are specifically excluded from Medicare Part D plans:

- Most prescription vitamins and minerals (with the exception of prenatal vitamins and fluoride preparations)
- Prescription drugs used for - anorexia, weight loss or weight gain; fertility; cosmetic purposes or hair growth; relief of symptoms of colds

If you have drug coverage that is equal to or better than Medicare Part D, you have “creditable coverage” and will not need to enroll in Part D. Your employer/former employer or insurance company will let you know. You should get written proof of this and keep it in case you need it in the future. **ALWAYS** check with your employer/retiree plan before you enroll in a Part D plan so as not to jeopardize your coverage!

2021 Part D Standard Plan Features



Other Prescription Resources

- Generic Drugs
- Tier Exception
- Preferred Pharmacies
- Mail Order
- EPIC - New York State's prescription benefit
 - Eligibility:
 - NYS Resident
 - Age 65 or older
 - Meet Income Guidelines (based on previous year's income)
 - \$75,000 for an individual; \$100,000 for a couple
 - Works with Medicare prescription drug plans
 - Payer of last resort; may help with premium cost as well as prescription costs
- Extra Help Low Income Subsidy
 - Reduces cost of Part D premium and copayments (\$3.70 / \$9.20 for 2021)
 - Low Income Subsidy through Social Security Administration
 - Individual Income- \$1,615; Resources-\$14,800 (includes burial exclusion)(2020 limits)
 - Couple Income - \$2,175; Resources -\$29,160 (includes burial exclusion)(2020 limits)
- Medicare Savings Programs
 - Administered by the local Medicaid Office
 - Pays Part B premium; may offer other benefits
 - Beneficiary automatically becomes “deemed eligible” for Extra Help
 - Income -Individual - \$1,456; Couple -\$1,960(2020 limits)- no resource limits in NYS
 - Incomes can be higher as there may be medical premium disregards
- Charity Programs
- Patient Assistance Programs
- Discount Programs & Cards

- Some are available through local stores
- Onondaga County offers the ProAct card
- NYRx Card

Information Resources

HIICAP: Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program
Onondaga County Department of Adult & Long Term Care Services
(315) 435-2362
Free, Unbiased and Confidential

Medicare

- www.medicare.gov
- 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227)
- www.MyMedicare.gov

Social Security Administration

- 1-800-772-1213 www.ssa.gov

Medicaid

Medicaid – Chronic Care Medicaid

Onondaga County Office Building, 600 S. State St. 6th Floor,
Syracuse, New York 13202

Hours: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM (Monday-Friday)

Telephone: 315- 435-2928 Fax: 315- 435-8530

The Medicaid Chronic Care Unit processes Medicaid applications for those individuals who are seeking help in paying for nursing home or long term home health care services.

Financial eligibility is determined based on the income and resource standards governing the Medicaid Program. A Supplemental Security Income recipient is granted Medicaid based upon his/her certification for SSI Benefits.

The amount of assistance that the Medicaid program will pay toward the cost of nursing home and/or home care services is determined using a comparison of the available income and resources of the applicant against the cost of the medical services needed. Since each financial and medical circumstance is unique, the regulations and policies governing what assets are exempt and what assets are used in the determination of eligibility vary, therefore, income and resource standards are not listed here. Anyone who needs financial assistance in paying for nursing home or long term home health care services is encouraged to contact the Medicaid office for consultation regarding their specific need for benefits.

Applications may be mailed. A face to face interview is not required. A pre-screening interview appointment is a courtesy service but is not required.

In Onondaga County, if you need to apply for Medicaid for a person who is already in a hospital or a nursing home or is receiving services from a Home Care provider, someone on the staff of one of these organizations usually can help you with getting a prescreening appointment with Medicaid. If they can't help, you can call the Medicaid Chronic Care office at 315-435-2928. The office is located on the 6th floor of the County Office Building, 600 S. State Street, Syracuse, NY.

When you request a Medicaid Chronic Care prescreening appointment, an application form will be provided to be completed and brought back at the time and date of the prescreening. The application will be asking questions regarding the income and resources of the person who is in need of Medicaid benefits. Documentation of income and resources will be required and should be brought with you to the prescreening interview along with the completed Medicaid

application. The agency can accept legible photocopies, but if originals are provided they will be copied and returned.

If the person who's in need of Medicaid can't attend the interview, the interview may be attended by someone who has Power of Attorney or who has written authorization enabling them to represent the applicant. The Power of Attorney papers, written authorization to represent, and identification of the authorized representative must be provided at the interview.

The law requires that you provide documentation to verify your sources of income, your assets, birth date, marital status, and citizenship, as well as some other items. Below is a list of some of the items that will be required. You will receive a detailed list when you receive the application to complete and a prescreening appointment date and time.

- Birth certificates for the applicant and spouse
- Social security cards for the applicant and spouse
- Alien registration card / I-94 card / Naturalization papers for the applicant and spouse
- Marriage certificate or separation papers or divorce papers
- Death certificate(s) of spouse(s)
- Veteran Discharge papers for applicant and /or spouse
- Power of Attorney Papers
- Written Authorization to Represent the Applicant
- Medicare and other health insurance cards and verification of monthly premiums
- Verification of ALL sources of income for the applicant and the spouse, such as but not limited to: wages, social security, pensions, veterans and military benefits, interest and dividend income. The gross amounts must be verified, with all deductions, and the frequency with which the income is received.
- Verification of ALL the assets of both the applicant and spouse MUST be documented.

If you are seeking nursing home services, monthly statements for all financial accounts for the 60 months prior to the date of application must be provided. This includes accounts currently closed but that were active at any time in the 60 month look back period. If the applicant or spouse set up a trust or are the beneficiaries of a trust, the trust document must be provided and all assets owned by the trust must be documented for the 60 months prior to the date of application. Examples of some types of assets that must be documented are (but not limited to): checking & savings accounts, CDs, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, retirement funds, annuities, life insurance policies, burial spaces, burial funds, all properties owned, vehicles, mobile homes and RVs.

At the prescreening interview, the application, as well as the necessary documentation, will be reviewed with you in detail. If, as a result of that review,

there are more documents required to determine eligibility, a list of these outstanding documents will be given to you, and a length of time, usually two weeks, will be given to provide them. This is called the “pending period”. If you cannot obtain the required documentation within the time frame given by the Agency, you can request an extension of time which will be granted only if the agency feels there is justification that additional time is necessary.

After all the necessary documentation needed to determine Medicaid eligibility has been provided, a decision will be rendered by the Medicaid Office and a formal written notice will be mailed to the applicant, their representative, and the facility or home care provider involved.

If you are found eligible for ongoing Medicaid benefits or another Public Health Insurance Program you will be required to re-establish your eligibility at regular intervals as determined by the New York State Social Welfare law. This is called “Renewal”. You will receive notification of your renewal and a renewal form by mail. It must be returned by the date in the notice for your benefits to continue. Social Services law requires that you report any changes in your income, resources, third party health insurance, family composition and residence to the Medicaid office. You may also be contacted by the department if a computer income match indicates a change in your circumstances.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Medicaid Chronic Care Unit at 315-435-2928.

Medicaid - Community Medicaid

Onondaga County Office Building, 7th Floor,
600 South State St., Syracuse., NY 13202

Hours: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM Monday through Friday

Telephone: 315- 435-2928 Fax: 315- 435-3938

The Medicaid Community Unit processes applications for a variety of public health insurance programs including Medicaid, Prenatal care services (Presumptive Eligibility), Family Planning Benefit Program and the Medicare Savings Program.

Financial eligibility is determined based on the income and resource standards governing the Public Health Insurance Programs. A Supplemental Security Income recipient is granted Medicaid based on his/her certification for SSI benefits. A separate application for Medicaid is not needed for SSI recipients.

Persons eligible for Medicaid may be required to enroll in a managed care plan. Managed Care information and options will be provided upon application.

You can obtain more information online at www.mybenefits.ny.gov.

Individuals may apply for Medicaid in the following ways:

NY State of Health, The Official Health Plan Marketplace (855) 355-5777
Online at nystateofhealth.ny.gov. Managed Care Organization (MCO)
Navigators and Certified Application Counselors. Local District Social Services
Offices.

WHERE individuals apply for Medicaid will depend on their category. The
Marketplace determines eligibility using Modified Adjusted Gross Income
(MAGI) rules.

The Following individuals apply with New York State of Health Marketplace:

Adults (not pregnant) and aged 19-64, **NOT** eligible for Medicare
Pregnant Women and Infants
Children ages 1-18
Parents and caretaker relatives

**THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS APPLY WITH THEIR LOCAL
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES (LDSS)**

- Individuals age 65 and older, who are not parents or caretaker relatives,
when age is a condition of eligibility
- Individuals whose eligibility is based on being blind or disabled or who
request coverage for community based long term care services (CBLTC)
- Medicare Savings Program (MSP)
- Medicaid buy-in for Working People with Disabilities enrollees (MBI-
WPD)
- Residential treatment center/community residences operated by the
Office of Mental Health (OMH)
- Presumptive Eligibility (PE) for pregnant women apply with provider,
processed by the LDSS

**WITH THE APPLICATION THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTATION MUST
BE PRESENTED:**

- Birth Certificates for all persons who are applying
- Social Security Card for all who are applying
- Proof of citizenship status
- Veteran Discharge papers (if applicable.)
- Verification of ALL income, including but not limited to: wages, Social
Security, pensions, veteran's benefits and interest or dividends.
- Depending on your circumstances you may be asked to verify ALL your
resources, including but not limited to: bank accounts, trust funds, insurance,
CDs, burial accounts, burial spaces, vehicles and property.
- Medicare and other health insurance cards and verification of premium cost

After all the necessary documentation needed to determine eligibility has been received, a decision will be rendered by the Medicaid office and a formal written notice will be mailed to the applicant and to their representative.

If the applicant does not agree with the written decision the notice includes information on how to apply for a Fair Hearing through the New York State Department of Health.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE MEDICARE SAVINGS PROGRAM MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING 315- 435-2928

If you are found eligible for ongoing Medicaid or another Public Health Insurance Program you will be required to re-establish your eligibility at regular intervals as determined by the New York State Social Welfare law. This is called a “Renewal”. You will receive notification of your renewal and a renewal form by mail. It must be returned by the date in the notice for your benefits to continue.

Social Services law requires that you report any changes in your income, resources, third party health insurance, family composition and residence to the Medicaid office. You may also be contacted by the department if a computer income match indicates a change in your circumstances.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Medicaid Community Unit at 315- 435-2928.

Financial Issues

What Do I Qualify For?

Services Determined by Age

(Eligibility depends on program)

Contact the Onondaga County Office for Aging

315- 435-2362

Prior to age 60:

Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Referrals (HIICAP)

Medical Assistance (MEDICAID)

Medicare Coverage

Medicare Savings Program

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits

Telephone Lifeline Discount

In addition to above, at age 60 for:

Expanded In-Home Services for Elderly (EISEP)

Free Tax Preparation

Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

Home Delivered Meals

Information about Transportation Programs

Meals at Senior Dining Sites

In addition to above, at age 62 for:

Retirement Social Security Payments (see program requirements)

In addition to above, at age 65 for:

EPIC Pharmaceutical Coverage

Real Estate Tax Exemption

Supplemental Security Income (SSI) No payment back to Social Security for income from working

Legal Services

Legal Referral Services

Onondaga County Bar Association Lawyer Referral Services at 471-2690.

If you are in need of a referral, call the **Onondaga County Bar Association (OCBA) Lawyer Referral Service**, your call will be answered by a Referral Specialist who will connect you with an attorney who is familiar with your type of legal issue. The attorney will provide a telephone consultation and further advise how the attorney **will charge for his/her services**. The lawyers are licensed and members in good standing with the OCBA. LRS staff is available between 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday, except for holidays. The LRS staff are NOT attorneys and cannot provide you with legal advice. The attorneys who participate in this service are private attorneys who charge regular rates as determined by them.

If you are looking for an attorney at no charge, you may want to try contacting one of these legal services organizations:

Legal Services of Central New York lscny.org 315-703-6600

A non-profit law firm founded in 1966 to provide free, civil legal assistance to low-income families and individuals in thirteen counties of Central New York. We provide our clients legal assistance with 34 lawyers and 5 paralegals. Call Toll Free: 1-877-777-6152. If you have an emergency involving a hearing date or legal papers, please contact us immediately. Do not wait until the hearing date or deadline to answer legal papers has passed. By calling the Central New York Legal HelpLine, you can get free legal advice about civil (non-criminal) legal problems. Please note that we can only help you if you qualify for our services. An intake worker will talk to you first to see if you qualify. In some cases, our services may be limited to advice only. Other cases may be referred to a staff attorney for further action. Consumer Problems, Housing Problems, Divorce and Other Family, Access to healthcare, Elder law.

Hiscock Legal Aid Society hiscocklegalaid.org 315-422-8191

NYS Attorney General's Office - Syracuse Office

615 Erie Blvd. West, Suite 102, Syracuse

315- 448-4800 Office Hours: 8:30 am to 6:00 pm Monday-Friday.

www.ag.ny.gov General Helpline: 1-800-771-7755

(For calls made within New York State)

TDD/TTY Toll Free Line: 1-800-788-9898

Immigration Fraud Hotline: 1(866) 390-2992

Healthcare Hotline: 1-800-428-9071

Medicaid Fraud Control Unit: 212-417-5397

To contact by mail, please write to:

Office of the Attorney General
The Capitol
Albany, NY 12224-0341

Catholic Charities 1654 West Onondaga St., Syracuse 13204 424-1810

Provides information and referral services, and advocates for those in need of case management and representative payee services (finances).

Onondaga County Commission on Human Rights

Suite 19 – Basement Level, Civic Center, 421 Montgomery St., Syracuse
315- 435-3565

Promotes understanding and acceptance of diversity, facilitates intergroup communication, identifies and addresses sources of intergroup tension and conflict, reduces conditions which can lead to discrimination and restrict opportunity, and provides related education, information and referral.

The Human Rights Commission especially focuses on addressing prejudice and discrimination on the basis of color, creed, sex, age, religion, nationality/national origin, language used for communication, disability, marital status, sexual orientation or any other arbitrary factors.

The Human Rights Commission staff are also the contact point for the new Jail Oversight Committee. For more information, or to address serious concerns about treatment or conditions at the Onondaga County Jail, please contact the Human Rights Commission staff. Hours: 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Please call ahead for appointments.

Mental Hygiene Legal Service

The Syracuse Building, 224 Harrison Street, Suite 502, Syracuse, New York
13202-3066
315- 401-3350

The Mental Hygiene Legal Service (MHLS) provides legal services, advice and assistance to persons receiving care or alleged to be in need of care at inpatient and community-based facilities for the mentally disabled. MHLS represents such persons in judicial and administrative proceedings concerning admission, retention, transfer, treatment and guardianship.

In addition to handling judicial proceedings, MHLS provides advice and representation regarding standards of care and other matters affecting the civil liberties of persons receiving care at facilities for the mentally disabled. MHLS can

be assigned as counsel or court evaluator in Mental Hygiene Law Article 81 guardianship proceedings for persons in any type of facility or in the community. Finally, Article 10 of Mental Hygiene Law institutionalizes MHLS as counsel of choice in all sex offender civil management cases.

Syracuse University Elder Law Clinic

Dineen Hall, 950 Irving Avenue, Syr., NY 13244, 315-443-4582

The Elder Law Clinic (ELC) provides general practice legal assistance for those aged 60 and over and who are of low or moderate incomes. Areas of practice typically include simple wills, advance directives, health insurance (Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance), access to medical care, social security issues, consumer law, housing law, real estate, financial abuse and exploitation, and more.

Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc.

221 South Warren Street, Suite 320, Syracuse, NY 13202

315- 471-3409

The mission of the Volunteer Lawyers Project of Onondaga County, Inc. is to expand access to justice by identifying and meeting the unmet civil legal services needs of low income people in Onondaga County through increasing the pro bono participation of the legal community.

Mediation Services

Elder Transitions Mediation Program

New Justice Conflict Resolution Services

400 Leavenworth Avenue, Suite 100, Syracuse, 13204

315-489-3015 (Elder Transitions)

315-471-4676 (Main Office)

The Elder Transitions program is designed to support collaboration, reduce stress, and preserve or repair relationships among elders, their adult children, and community members. Mediation is a confidential, informal, problem-solving process guided by trained, impartial mediators. Participants identify issues, develop options, consider alternatives, and work together toward decisions about future actions and outcomes. Common elder mediation issues include living arrangements, financial management, and estate and end-of-life planning. Fees, which include a two-hour mediation meeting, range from \$0-\$100 and are charged on a sliding scale based on annual income.

New Justice also offers mediation, arbitration, and process facilitation services as alternatives to litigation for resolving other types of disputes, including custody/visitation, landlord/tenant, and customer/merchant.

Veterans Services

Veterans Agencies and Resources

Clear Path for Veterans

1223 Salt Spring Road, Chittenango, NY 13037
315-687-3300

Business Hours: 9a–4:30p M-F, 10a–2p Saturday

Assists Veterans, military members and their families. They provide a myriad of programs and services to make this happen. Each program and service relies on one of three methods:

Self-empowerment

Peer-to-Peer support

Community involvement

NYS Division of Veterans Affairs

333 East Washington Street, Room 430, Syracuse, NY 13202-1422
315- 428-4046

Provides information on benefits, offers counseling and acts as an advocate for veterans.

Onondaga County Veterans Service Agency

10th Floor Civic Center, Syracuse, NY 13202
315- 435-3219

8:30 am- 4:30 Pm, Monday-Friday

A one-stop advocacy agency for assistance in filing claims for all veterans benefits on a local, state and federal level. Assistance is provided to all veterans, their dependents and survivors. The agency also does the Pre-registration and Registration for burial in the County Veterans Memorial Cemetery. Some of the benefits are Real Property Tax Exemption, Disability, Pension, Home Loan Guarantee, Insurance, Medical Care, Education, Burial, Civil Service, Recording of Discharges, NYS Veterans Nursing Home, and State Parks Access Pass.

Syracuse University College of Law's Veterans Legal Clinic

315-443-4582

Support to our veterans is deeply ingrained in the history of Syracuse University. With one of the country's largest military bases, Ft. Drum, a reserve unit from

every military branch in Onondaga County, and the Syracuse VA Medical Center directly next-door, Syracuse Law is uniquely positioned to establish New York State's first comprehensive Veterans Legal Clinic.

The Clinic benefits our veterans and community by assisting with VA claims, representing clients in VA Claim appeals, and helping veterans in upgrading discharges. Priority status will also be given to veterans in existing Clinics, such as Family Law, Bankruptcy, Criminal Defense, Disability Law, Elder Law, Tax Law, and Consumer Law.

Veterans Administration Medical Center

800 Irving Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13210-2716

315-476-7461

Telcare: 1-888-838-7890

Automated Prescription Refill: 477-4885

Provides medical and psychiatric care for veterans and their families.

Veterans Memorial Cemetery

4069 Howlett Hill Road

315-484-1564

All Honorable Discharged veterans, legal spouses and dependent children under the age of 18 or a child who became totally disabled prior to age 18, are eligible. Must be a current resident or former resident for at least 5 years. Grave marker is provided at no charge by the VA and spousal information may be included at no charge. Apply at the Veterans Service Agency.

Services for People with Disabilities

For Information on the Americans with Disabilities Act Call 1-800-514-0301

Agencies and Resources

AccessCNY

1603 Court Street, Syracuse, NY 13208
315- 455-7591

AccessCNY offers home care through its **Self-Direction** program. Self-Direction is an option that embraces AccessCNY's key principles of choice, inclusion, empowerment, and family involvement. This program gives individuals with disabilities their choice of services, empowering them to make their own decisions and have control over their own lives.

It is a person-centered approach that focuses on all aspects of service planning. Self-Direction gives participants and their families the power to use resources in ways that make sense in their lives.

A Self-Direction Broker brings together the most important people in a person's life in a circle of support to help plan a better lifestyle that allows them to contribute as equal citizens in their community. Participants then have more power in hiring support staff, choosing which services to receive, and allocating money from their budget. AccessCNY's Self-Direction approach helps participants manage their services and staff through initial and ongoing training.

The Self-Direction program manager will co-manage with the person to ensure that quality services are provided and help with conflict resolution. The program manager will work with the person towards the goal of increased control over their supports and services. Self-Direction offers traditional options for support, but strongly encourages people to be creative with their services. To qualify for SDPS, individuals must live in Onondaga County, and be enrolled in Medicaid, and the Home and Community Based Services Waiver.

ARC of Onondaga
600 Wilbur Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13204
315- 476-7441

Arc of Onondaga offers **day habilitation** at eight sites throughout Onondaga County five days a week. Participating individuals must be HCBS (Home and Community-Based Services) Waiver enrolled, 18 years of age or older, and diagnosed with a developmental disability. Arc supports 20 **residences** in the community and views each resident as an adult who possesses, to the greatest extent possible, the same rights and privileges as any other adult. **Horizons Clinic** A division of Arc of Onondaga, Horizons is a free-standing, Article 16 Clinic certified by the New York State Office of People With Developmental Disabilities. **Respite Reimbursement Program** is designed to provide funds in order to assist individuals' and their families' access to respite services and goods deemed appropriate to meet the needs of the person being served. The program is designed to assist family members by giving them some relief from full-time caregiving and may also potentially increase social interactions for individuals with developmental disabilities. Funding is intended to complement, not supplement, other support and assistance programs. **Medicaid Service Coordinators (MSCs)** assist individuals with developmental disabilities in obtaining the services and supports necessary for them to lead successful, independent lives in the community. MSCs develop, implement and maintain Individualized Service Plans (ISPs) which reflect the informed choices of the individual by outlining the personalized goals he/she wants and needs to achieve. MSCs use a person-centered approach; focusing on the needs and desires of the individuals and helping them to create a vision of a desirable future. The person-centered approach builds on an individual's abilities and skills - concentrating on achieving goals and outcomes. MSCs assist individuals in exploring and achieving what they want and need in their daily lives by targeting specific activities and community services. To be eligible to receive Medicaid Service Coordination a person must:

- Have a documented diagnosis of a developmental disability
- Be enrolled in Medicaid
- Demonstrate a need for ongoing, comprehensive service coordination
- Give consent, or have a person authorized to give consent, to receive Medicaid Service Coordination
- Not be enrolled in any other comprehensive Medicaid long-term service coordination program.

ARISE

635 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13203
315-472-3171

Arise is a non-profit, community-based organization that works to ensure that everyone, regardless of disability, has the power to make life choices and achieve their dreams. Navigating the world of disability services can often be confusing and overwhelming for many families. Whether you have a simple question or have no idea where to start, they are here to help. Since 1979, they have provided opportunities so that people with disabilities can live freely and independently in the community. Everything they do is based on the independent living philosophy, the belief that people with disabilities have a right to self-determination – the freedom to make choices and work toward achieving personal goals and systems change. As a designated non-residential Independent Living Center, they are organized and directed by people with disabilities. Many of their services are available to people of all ages who have all types of disabilities. All their programs are consumer directed, maximizing choice and opportunities for the people they serve.

Aurora of CNY

518 James Street, Syracuse, NY 13203-2219
315- 422-7263, TDD: 422-9746

Offers a wide range of services to individuals and their families who are blind, visually impaired, deaf or hard of hearing in Onondaga and surrounding counties. Services include: Instruction in daily living skills, safe and independent travel training, instruction in adaptive technology for people with vision loss, information and referral, counseling, outreach, volunteer services (assessment and training), the Marjorie Clare interpreter referral services, and alcohol and substance abuse/prevention services geared to the cultural and linguistic needs of the deaf community.

ERIE

(Enriched Resources for the Independent Elderly)

Toomey Abbott Towers, 1207 Almond Street, Terrace Level, Syr., NY 13210
(315) 428-8562

Residential care for functionally-impaired elderly (non-institutional setting).

Accommodations: Up to 86-bedroom apartments with a kitchen and combined living/dining room; provisions for couples to live together.

Sources of Payment: Private pay, Medicaid

Exceptional Family Resources
1820 LeMoyne Avenue, Syracuse, NY 13208
315- 478-1462

Exceptional Family Resources provides services to individuals with developmental disabilities who live in Onondaga County. Their staff works to ensure that all people, regardless of their abilities or disabilities, lead full, active and productive lives in the community. They offer: C.A.R.E.E.R.S. assists adults with developmental disabilities who have previously experienced significant barriers to employment identify their own career path and reach their personal objectives to employment. Family Directed Supports provides direct financial assistance to support the needs of a family member living with a disability. Family Education & Training provides training opportunities to caregivers of individuals who are eligible for this Medicaid Waiver service. First Step helps establish initial links to services and support to families new to the developmental disabilities service system. Friends Connection pairs youth and adults with developmental disabilities with volunteer companions to share community recreation opportunities. Habilitation Services helps people with disabilities acquire skills, expand their interests and increase independence. Medicaid Service Coordination assists individuals with developmental disabilities and their families with access appropriate supports and services. Project Explore provides a half-day summer program of recreational activities for students with developmental disabilities. Recreation provides recreation opportunities at various community locations. Respite provides care and supervision to individuals with a developmental disability. Senior Caregivers serves families in which a caregiver 55 or older lives with and cares for someone with a developmental disability. Specialized Resources provides families with information and referrals to disability-related programs and services.

Huntington Family Centers, Inc.
405 Gifford Street, Syracuse, NY 13204
315- 476-3157
Senior Services

The goal of each of Huntington Family Centers' senior programs is to reduce isolation and loneliness through outreach, linkages, and support services so that each individual is able to experience their highest degree of independence. Huntington's Neighborhood Advisor program provides intensive outreach and referrals to persons 60 years of age and older to services and support networks, which lessen feelings of isolation and enables them to experience their highest degree of independence.

Onsite assistance for residents living at Brighton Towers with information and referral to needed services. A "lending closet" of mobility aids, as well as a small food pantry for emergency assistance is provided.

Clover Corner senior program is a multipurpose program designed to offer adults 60 years of age and older of all abilities daily options for socialization, information, education, and leisure time activities. This program provides contact with other seniors in the community by providing peer support, fostering friendships and lessening feelings of isolation.

Onondaga County Public Library Special Services for the Disabled

315-435-1876; TDD: 315-435-1872

Talking books program, large print collections, described videos, reference and referrals.

Person to Person: Citizen Advocacy

7000 E. Genesee Street, D Building, Lower Level, Fayetteville, NY 13066

315- 445-7902

Recruits and provides volunteer Citizen Advocates to individuals with a disability. Citizen Advocates may become a spokesperson, friend, ally, helper or advisor. Some assume more formal roles like becoming a guardian, trustee, or adoptive parent.



Onondaga County Office for Aging
315-435-2362 www.ongov.net/aging
Resources for Older Adults

Caregiver Services

Information and Consultation for people caring for older persons.

- Caregiver Information & Assistance
- Caregiver Discussion Groups
- Public Education

HIICAP

Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance

- Free, unbiased information on supplemental health insurance, Medicare and prescription coverage options.

EISEP

Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program. Sliding Scale Fee

- In-home, non-medical care to help frail individuals age 60+
- In-home assessments & personal care services
- Respite/Social Adult Day Programs
- Consumer Directed Options

HEAP

Home Energy Assistance Program

- Utility subsidy to those 60+ & income eligible

Community Service Programs

- Home Repairs/Housing Counseling
- Legal Services/Neighborhood Advisors
- Senior Center Activities
- Social Work Services
- Referrals for Transportation Options

New York Connects

Information & Assistance On:

- Long-Term Care services & supports - any age and any payer source
- Certified staff will provide Options Counseling to assist families in choosing appropriate, person-centered services

Long-Term Care Resource Center

- Provides on-going, medically based care management for adults & children with disabilities
- Works with Adult Protective to provide nursing assessments
- Works with Medicaid Waiver Programs to provide personal & consumer directed home care services

Nutrition Services

- Nutrition Counseling & Education
- Take Out Meals at County Dining Sites for age 60+
- Home Delivered Meals
- Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program Coupons



NY Connects

Your Link to Long Term
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of ONONDAGA COUNTY

(800) 342-9871 (315) 435-1400



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