



NORTH WEST KANSAS AREA

AGENCY ON AGING, INC.

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MISSION

The Northwest Kansas Area Agency on Aging (NWKAAA) is part of a national network of agencies created in 1973 by the Older Americans Act. It is a private, non-profit organization with the responsibility of administering Older Americans Act programs in the 18 counties of northwest Kansas. Designated as the local single point of entry, the NWKAAA serves as the unbiased, trusted source for older Americans and their caregivers. Whether it is information on available options, in-home services, nutrition services or insurance counseling a senior only needs to make a call to the local Area Agency on Aging office to connect them with the resources needed to help them remain independent in their homes and communities. Additionally as a grassroots organization, advocacy for senior services is a high priority of the Area Agency on Aging.

SERVICES

HOMESTEAD Nutrition Project: The nutrition program provides hot meals, services and activities at 30 locations throughout northwest Kansas. Home-delivered meals are available to qualifying home-bound elderly.

Older Kansans' Information Service: This service provides confidential information regarding available services to senior citizens in the 18 county region and referrals to agencies that can best help.

Client Assessment, Referral and Evaluation (CARE): Provides pre-admission screening for all individuals prior to admission to Medicaid certified nursing facilities in the State of Kansas. The screening provides for individual assessment, referral to community based services, appropriate placement in long-term care facilities.



Agency on Aging News: Annual newsletter sent to those 60 and older upon request. The newsletter includes articles on services, programs and issues of interest to seniors.

Senior Citizens Law Project: Legal representation in specific areas of concern: public benefits, landlord/tenant issues, appeals, wills and consumer issues.

Senior Health Insurance Counseling for Kansas (SHICK): The SHICK program recruits and trains local volunteers to assist with Medicare and supplemental insurance questions and concerns.

In-Home Services: In-home care programs are designed to assist older adults in maintaining and improving independence in their own homes. These programs may include personal care, homemaker services, respite care, chore services, and a host of other support services. In-home services available include: **Senior Care Act, III-B, Home and Community Based Services.** Each client is assessed and assigned to the appropriate program based on level of needs and available income. Depending on the program, there may be a co-payment for the service.



Family Caregiver Program: The Family Caregiver Program is designed to provide support services to families who are providing care for an elder loved one at home. These services include: Information, Assistance, Education/Training/Support Groups, Respite Care, and a variety of Supplemental Services to fit the specific needs of each caregiving situation.

AAA At Home Solutions: AAA At Home Solutions provides private professional case management services. This program is an option for individuals who do not want to receive subsidized state and federal program services, but want a service providing a comprehensive assessment, coordination, referral, advocacy and monitoring of their individual needs. This is an essential program giving family members peace of mind if they cannot be close to their loved ones.



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