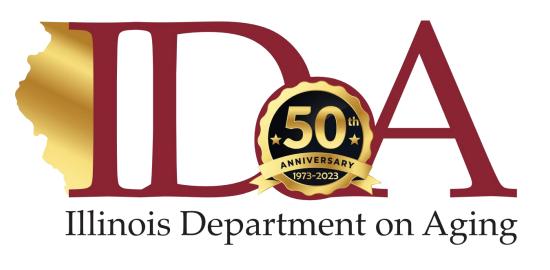


Illinois Care Connections Updates

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The MISSION of the Illinois Department on Aging is to serve and advocate for older Illinoisans and their caregivers by administering quality and culturally appropriate programs that promote partnerships and encourage independence, dignity, and quality of life.





Culturally
Appropriate
Services

Advocacy and Education

Illinois Care Connections FYs 2024-25

- COVID federal grant to address social isolation through technology
 - IDoA partnered with the Illinois Assistive Technology Program
 - Now fully state-funded
- Starting in FY 2024, expanding from tablets and hotspots to durable medical equipment and assistive technology
- Participants must be age 60+, reside in Illinois, and be referred by a Community Care Unit, Area Agency on Aging, Adult Day Site, or AAAfunded entity
 - \$2.5 million, \$2 million CCP, \$500,000 non-CCP
- FY 2023 had 560 referrals, 1015 in FY 2024 to date



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- Continue to send referrals through appropriate channels
 - Providers must refer and participants cannot refer themselves
- Fact sheets coming soon to Network in English and 11 other languages
 - Available to order printed copies
- Working on an updated training on ICC, details soon
- Need based program
 - Social connection
 - IADL/ADL
 - Health/Safety/Welfare
 - Independence in the community
- Updated demographic information on ICC recipients will be shared at next meeting



Illinois Care Connections Contacts

- IDoA website: https://ilaging.illinois.gov/programs/illinois-care-connections.html
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