



Illinois Department on Aging

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.**

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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 AAA-funded 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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