



Care for All

Supporting Older Adults, Family Caregivers, and the Home Health Care Workforce Inequality

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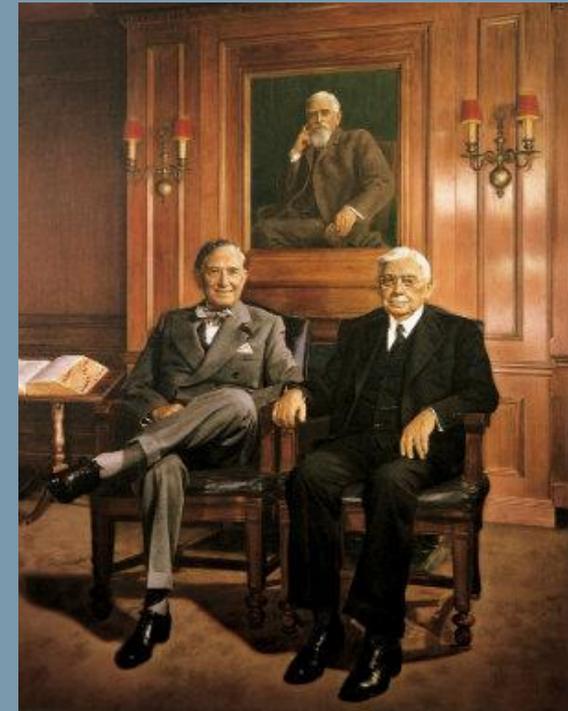
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“It is necessary to carve from the whole vast spectrum of human needs one small band that the heart and mind together tell you is the area in which you can make your best contribution.”



MISSION



The John A. Hartford Foundation seeks to make its best contribution by supporting efforts to improve the care of older adults.



VISION AND VALUES



Vision

- A nation where all older adults receive high-value evidence-based health care, are treated with respect and dignity, and have their goals and preferences honored

Values

- Healthy aging, equity, kindness, integrity, respect



STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK



We believe that grants linking the *five approaches* that make up our strategic framework will be most successful in advancing our mission

- Interprofessional Leadership in Action
- Linking Education and Practice
- Developing and Disseminating Models of Care
- Tools and Measures for Quality Care
- Policy and Communications



Current initiatives of Emphasis for Older Adults



- Family Caregiving
- Serious Illness/End-of-Life Care
- Age-Friendly
Healthsystems



Family Caregiving work from a funder's perspective- why?



- Enormity of the issue-
- Mission central
- Squarely in the older adult space
- 40 m unpaid family caregivers
- 30 m for older adults
- 15m caregivers for those with Alzheimer's
- Families in distress
- Multiple visits to EDs
- Poorer health outcomes

No singular place in the government to address the issue



- Some NIH funding but not a topic that has been targeted by any one Institute
- Foundations can create breakthroughs
- Essential pilot work on models and outcomes



“A need to “stay the course”



- Not an issue that can be addressed quickly
- Will take a consortia of funders and change makers
- Need to compile evidence and get the evidence to policy makers
- Need to translate what we learn into the practice setting quickly– we can't wait



Study on Family Caregiving for Older Adults

Consensus Study: Board on Health Care Services

Chair: Richard Schulz, PhD, University of Pittsburgh
with Jill Eden, Study Director

Due out: late summer 2016

Activity Sponsors (coalition building)



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Goals



- Recommendations for public and private sector policies to support the capacity of family caregivers to perform critical caregiving tasks, minimize barriers and improve the health care and long-term services and supports provided to care recipients
- Focus on family caregivers of older adults, typically age 65 and older- analyze the prevalence of family caregiving and the demographic, societal, and technological trends that influence it

Goals



- Examine caregivers' roles and responsibilities, both current and expected in the future, and the impact of the caregiver role on individual health, employment, and well-being
- Caregivers' unmet needs and the gap between the projected demand for caregivers and the population available to serve as caregivers will be assessed and differences associated with race/ethnicity, culture, rural residence, and geography will be examined

Summary



- From a Foundation perspective:
- Mission critical
- Enormous societal need
- Potential to unfreeze existing problems
- Willingness to stay the course
- Key funding partners
- Key national partners

