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#### Agenda

- 1. Strategic Focus Areas
- 2. State Plan Goals and Objectives
- 3. COVID-19 Updates
- 4. Timeline



#### **Strategic Focus Areas**

- Health in Aging
- Protection and Advocacy
- LTSS Infrastructure
- Economic Stability
- Nevada Care Connection





# State Plan Goals and Objectives

**Current Draft** 



- Promote and encourage older Nevadans and their families to make informed choices through a coordinated network.
- Objectives:
  - Conduct ongoing public awareness and outreach activities to promote Nevada Care Connection to older Nevadans and their families.
  - Diversify and expand funding for Nevada Care Connection (ADRC/NWD) to support informed choices regardless of eligibility for public services.
  - Implement statewide curriculum to standardize Resource and Service Navigation across providers.
  - Promote training and education opportunities for older Nevadans, families, and the workforce (para and professional) to increase participation in existing efforts across the agency and community partners.



- Promote age friendly communities for Older Nevadans and their families throughout Nevada.
- Objectives
  - Increase visibility and access to Medicare Assistance Programs (Rx, SHIP, SMP, & MIPPA) in all counties in Nevada.
  - Leverage partnership opportunities with FQHCs, Rural Health Clinics, Tribal Clinics, Medicaid, and state public health services to promote healthy living and evidencebased health promotion throughout NV.
  - Improve access to social determinants of health which includes food security, housing, and transportation.



- Lead efforts to strengthen service delivery throughout Nevada for targeted populations through collaborations and networking.
- Objectives
  - Engage the community to promote access to basic services that prevent or delay Medicaid funded LTSS in rural areas of Nevada.
  - Increase efforts to promote cultural awareness and inclusion of underrepresented populations (i.e. Deaf and Hard of Hearing, LGBTQ, Minorities)
  - Expand efforts to support home and community-based services for Older Nevadans with cognitive impairment and/or dementia.

- Build capacity of community providers through partnership and leveraging resources.
- Objectives
  - Build capacity of the long-term services and supports network through partnerships and advocacy with state and local partners.
  - Promote innovation and alternative service delivery models with community partners.
  - Strengthen all levels of the workforce (informal, volunteers, paraprofessional and professional) to increase access to services.



- Increase the advocacy and protections for adults who are vulnerable.
- Objectives
  - Increase awareness of protection and advocacy services across Nevada.
  - Provide outreach regarding the prevention and recognition of fraud, abuse, and neglect.
  - Promote education and systems advocacy through the LTCOP, APS, and OCHA.
  - Ensure a broad network of Legal Assistance is available throughout NV



# **COVID-19 Updates**

- Lessons Learned
- Forecasted Impacts
- Additional Outreach
  - Provider Network
  - Consumer Surveys
  - Townhalls Virtual
  - Other Ideas?



#### Timeline

- Dec 2020 Jan 2021: Draft "Strategic Focus Areas" narrative
- Jan Feb 2021: Additional Outreach
- Feb Mar 2021: Final Draft, presentation to COA
- Apr May 2021: Posted for Public Comment
- May Jun 2021: Finalize and Submit

Plan Period: October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2024





# Questions?



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#### Acronyms

- CBC-Community Based Care
- FQHC-Federally Qualified Health Center
- ADRC-Aging and Disability Resource Center
- NWD-No Wrong Door
- SHIP-State Health Insurance Assistance Program
- SMP-Senior Medicare Patrol
- MIPPA-Medicare

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- Rx-Senior and Disability Prescription Assistance Program
- LTSS-Long term services and supports
- LTCOP-Long term care ombudsman program
- APS-Adult protective services
- OCHA- Office of Consumer Health Assistance

