

## Recommendation #: 2

TFAD Member Lead(s): Cleveland Clinic (Sabbagh, Mandarino, Hirsch)

**Current Recommendation as Stated:** Support expanded access to Telehealth services throughout the state to enhance early detection and diagnosis of care recipients with dementia. Support the utilization of telehealth to promote caregiver well-being and access to care, especially in rural Nevada. Utilize the statewide information and referral system (Rec #1) to include telehealth providers for persons with ADRD, including those from the Telehealth Early Phase Patient and Family Support Program.

**Determination:** Do you propose that for the 2021 State Plan this recommendation be:

- 1) Retained as is
- 2) Retired to the Appendix (it has been accomplished or is no longer relevant)
- 3) Revised / Updated

**Justification:** If you propose revising this recommendation, what is your rationale for your suggested changes:

**Suggested Revisions:** Please provide the text for your suggestions on how to revise the recommendation (and be sure to include each of the following required elements):

- **Recommendation:**
- **Indicators:**
- **Potential Funding: ADSSP | State of Nevada: ADSD through the Older Americans Act | Federal Government: HRSA GWEP program (in progress), HHS (Office of Science and Technology, Assistant Secretary HHS Lance Robertson). Grants, donations, and/or gifts.**

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<sup>1</sup> Emerging Technologies to Help Aging Americans Maintain Their Independence, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Assistant Secretary of HHS Lance Robertson, tasked with expanding rural broadband to ensure older Americans in all parts of the country could benefit from being digitally connected.

## Recommendation #: 7

TFAD Member Lead(s): Cleveland Clinic (Sabbagh, Mandarino, Hirsch)

**Current Recommendation as Stated: Support the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health in its establishment of a Nevada Consortium to promote current and future research in Nevada. Expand the ADRC website to specifically include information on Alzheimer's research that contains information about current research and a registry that allows individuals to register to participate in clinical research.**

**Determination:** Do you propose that for the 2021 State Plan this recommendation be:

- 1) Retained as is
- 2) Retired to the Appendix (it has been accomplished or is no longer relevant)
- 3) Revised /Updated

**Justification:** *Index for future implementation.* Cleveland Clinic's status as an Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (if granted a P20 grant) can change the scope of the recommendation as well as engagement capabilities. We will find out May 2020 whether we are awarded this grant.

**Suggested Revisions:** Please provide the text for your suggestions on how to revise the recommendation (and be sure to include each of the following required elements):

- **Recommendation: To be determined.**

1. Model this recommendation on the *Arizona Alzheimer's Consortium* (AAC) the nation's leading model of statewide collaboration in Alzheimer's disease research. Established in 1998, the Consortium capitalizes on its participating institutions' complementary strengths in brain imaging computer science, genomics, the basic and cognitive neurosciences and clinical and neuropathology research to promote the scientific understanding and early detection of Alzheimer's disease and find effective disease-stopping and prevention therapies. It also seeks to educate Arizona residents about Alzheimer's disease, research progress in the state and the resources needed to help patients, families and professionals manage the disease. The Consortium is determined to find effective treatments to halt the progression and prevent the onset of Alzheimer's disease in the next 12 years. Members include ASU, Banner Alzheimer's Institute, Banner Sun Health, Barrow Neurological Institute, Dignity Health, Mayo, tgen, UofA. Website: <http://azalz.org/>
2. Remove the Nevada Research Consortium site from ADRC website to an independent website to promote its own identity and authority.

- **Indicators:**

- **Potential Funding: State of Nevada | Partners | Grants |Philanthropy**

## **Recommendation #: 16**

**TFAD Member Lead(s): Cleveland Clinic (Sabbagh, Mandarino, Hirsch), Tina Dortch, Jennifer Carson**

**Current Recommendation as Stated:** Foster the development of Dementia Friendly Communities awareness campaigns to provide information about early signs of dementia and to advance Dementia Friendly Communities across the state. The campaigns should include updates on current research and prevention trials that a delay progression, as well as information about now earlier diagnosis and intervention can lead to a more productive and meaningful life. The campaigns should be designed to help citizens feel better supported and hopeful as well as encourage access to available services. The campaigns should be promoted through public service announcements, broadcast and print interviews, as well as articles in newspapers and magazines, websites, and other Internet venues. The respective target audiences for each public awareness campaign may include, but are not limited to:

- a) Allied health professionals, bankers, ...
- b) Caregivers and family members of persons with ADRD.
- c) The general public

**Determination:** Do you propose that for the 2021 State Plan this recommendation be:

- 1) Retained as is
- 2) Retired to the Appendix (it has been accomplished or is no longer relevant)
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**Justification:** The second and third sentences above are incongruent. Are we trying to steer people to research trials or are we trying to inform people about resources to help them navigate the dementia journey? Clinical trial participation can be a part of this, but the more general goal is to create awareness about the disease and how people affected could obtain help.

Further, the target audiences in this recommendation support awareness of disease symptoms and resource navigation rather than research and prevention trials. The latter is something that can be incorporated in to Rec #7

**Suggested Revisions:** Please provide the text for your suggestions on how to revise the recommendation (and be sure to include each of the following required elements):

**Recommendation:** Foster the development of Dementia Friendly public awareness campaigns to include but not limited to:

- Updates on research and prevention trials
- Initiatives to promote brain health and disease prevention
- Information about symptoms, diagnosis and treatment
- Resource navigation to identify programs/services and other types of assistance for persons living with dementia and care partners

Campaigns should be designed to increase awareness, promote access and offer support to individuals living with dementia, family and professional care partners. The public awareness campaigns can utilize public service announcements, broadcast and print interviews, as well as articles in newspapers, magazines, websites and other Internet venues. Public awareness presentations can also include tools developed by Dementia Friendly America and Dementia Friendly Nevada such as Dementia Friends, Community Awareness Training (CAT) and Dementia Training for First Responders video.

The respective target audiences for public awareness campaigns may include:

- Outreach to professional audiences such as businesses, financial institutions, legal services, first responders and others who may have interact with persons living with dementia and care partners
- Individuals and care partners including information about brain health, early diagnosis, education and resource navigation
- The general public with a focus on increasing awareness of dementia and healthy brain initiatives
- **Indicators:** Monitor various types of media, public relations/awareness efforts by Dementia Friendly communities, Dementia Friendly website, Healthy Brains website
- **Potential Funding:** In-Kind support from service providers such as Nevada 211 and Nevada Care Connection Resource Centers, Alzheimer's Association. NevadaADSD. Grants, donations and/or gifts

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**Recommendation #: 17**

**TFAD Member Lead(s): Cleveland Clinic (Sabbagh, Mandarino, Hirsch), Tina Dortch, Jennifer Carson**

**Current Recommendation as Stated: Encourage the business community to establish and implement employee assistance programs and dementia-friendly activities that encompass education and training for employees including those who are caregivers. Specifically, foster partnerships with other organizations that are also affected by Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia, such as diabetes, stroke, and heart organizations, to help promote information about services and care for those who have symptoms of dementia.**

**Determination:** Do you propose that for the 2021 State Plan this recommendation be:

- 4) Retained as is
- 5) Retired to the Appendix (it has been accomplished or is no longer relevant)
- 6) Revised / Updated

**Justification:** We want them to have the capacity to assist employees with issues related to dementia. We cannot force an employee/business to implement an assistance program and it sounds presumptuous to assume we can. Better language would be to provide free training about dementia similar to DFSNs CAT Training or DFN's Dementia Friends.

**Suggested Revisions:** Please provide the text for your suggestions on how to revise the recommendation (and be sure to include each of the following required elements):

- **Recommendation:**

Encourage the business, government, social service and non-profit sectors to:

- Incorporate dementia -related information/resources into existing employee assistance programs to offer specialized assistance to individuals living with dementia and care partners
- Offer dementia awareness programs to their employees such as Dementia Friends and Dementia Friendly Community Awareness Training (CAT)
- Promote education regarding brain health initiatives
- Develop partnerships with statewide Dementia Friendly Community Action Groups

- **Indicators:** Monitor dementia friendly activities and collaborations with businesses, government agencies, social service organizations and not-for-profit entities

- **Potential Funding:** Employers and employer organizations. Grants, donations and/or gifts