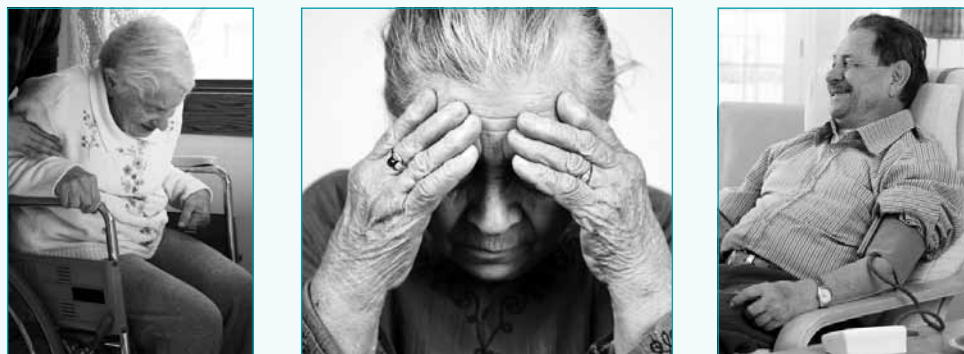


## Services Provided to Frail Seniors Paid for by State General Revenue & Federal Funds

- Personal Care
- Home Delivered Meals
- Nutritional Supplements
- Medical Transportation
- Skilled Nursing
- Care Management
- Emergency Alert Response
- Specialized Medical Equipment
- Adult Day Care
- Incontinence Products
- Caregiver Respite
- Family Training and Support
- Homemaker Services
- Home Repairs/Environmental Modifications

Florida's Home Care Programs provide services over the long term that are **NOT** provided by Medicare.



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## Waiting Lists = Increased Medicaid Costs = Higher Costs to Taxpayers

Program	(General Revenue [GR] Only)					
	A	B	C	D	E	F
	Annual Cost of Home Care (GR Only)	Annual Cost of Nursing Home Care (GR Only) <sup>(1)</sup>	Seniors on Waiting Lists who entered a Nursing Home & GR costs of care <sup>(2)</sup>	GR <u>Costs</u> to care for these same seniors IF they remained at home <sup>(3)</sup>	GR Savings if these same seniors had remained at home	GR Funding needed to serve Seniors on Waiting Lists <u>MOST AT RISK</u> of Nursing Home Care <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>1 Community Care for the Elderly</b>	\$5,340	\$25,529	\$17,027,843 (667 seniors)	\$3,561,780	<b>\$13,466,063</b>	<b>\$38,672,280</b> (7,242 seniors)
<b>2 Home Care for the Elderly</b>	\$3,624	\$25,521	\$2,347,932 (92 seniors)	\$333,408	<b>\$2,014,524</b>	<b>\$5,001,120</b> (1,380 seniors)
<b>3 Alzheimer's Respite Care &amp; Memory Disorder Clinics</b>	\$6,300	\$25,521	\$3,445,335 (135 seniors)	\$850,500	<b>\$2,594,835</b>	<b>\$5,273,100</b> (837 seniors)
<b>4 Aging and Disabled Medicaid Waiver <sup>(1)</sup></b>	\$4,531	\$25,521	\$15,797,499 (619 seniors)	\$2,804,689	<b>\$12,992,810</b>	<b>\$23,534,014</b> (5,194 seniors)
<b>Totals:</b>			<b>\$38,618,609</b> (1,513 seniors)	<b>\$7,550,337</b>	<b>\$32,068,232</b>	<b>\$72,480,514</b> (14,653 seniors)

<sup>(1)</sup> General Revenue (GR) = 43.96%; Federal Matching Rate for Medicaid (FMAP) FY 2011-12 (56.04%). Annual nursing home bed costs (GR + FMAP) = \$58,055.

<sup>(2)</sup> Data provided by the Florida Department of Elder Affairs – # of seniors entering a nursing home July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011 and the cost to serve seniors on home care waiting lists that entered a nursing home for selected programs. Seniors on the DOEA waiting list, for all programs, that entered a nursing home totaled 3,631.

<sup>(3)</sup> FY 2012-13 projected GR cost savings to provide home care to seniors most at risk of nursing home care.

<sup>(4)</sup> 'Most at risk' includes seniors assessed at risk levels 4 & 5. (14,653 seniors × \$25,521 = \$301.5 million)

**By appropriating \$72.5 million for home care, Florida could reduce its probable increase in General Revenue Nursing home care costs by up to \$301.5 million. <sup>(3)</sup>**

## 2012 Legislative Priorities



### ✓ Help Frail Seniors Who are Waiting for Essential Services

Provide additional funding to serve frail seniors waiting for home care that are most at risk of nursing home care

### ✓ Pass Background Screening Bill for Volunteers & Caregivers

Exempt from FBI Level 2 fingerprint background screening:

- Volunteers who work 20 hours or less per month delivering Meals on Wheels or working in a senior center who successfully pass screening under the free National Sex Offender Registry and the FDLE Career Offender Database
- Caregivers who are blood relatives or a spouse providing care to an elder loved one

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## Quick Statistics

- 1) Over 4.4 million seniors call Florida home – 23.5% of our state's total population. Home and community-based care programs serve less than 3.5% of the senior population.
- 2) Many of these seniors are now in their 80's, 90's, and 100's – those MOST at risk of nursing home placement.
- 3) Without home care assistance, seniors are left with one choice – more costly nursing home care.
- 4) As of November 24, 2010 over 63,000 seniors are on waiting lists for home care programs.

## Who are the Seniors we are Serving?

- Average Age: 80.4 years
- Percent Female: 70.6%
- Those with NO Caregiver: 63.4%
- Average Number of Serious Health Conditions: 3.9
- Diagnosed with Dementia: 50.9%
- Those with Incontinence: 66.4%

## Personal Responsibility

- Seniors are assessed a copayment for Community Care for the Elderly based on income and ability to pay.
- Over \$10,000,000 in local matching funds collected by the Aging Network and expended to enhance state/federal appropriations every state fiscal year.

## Home & Community Care Programs Reduce Long Term Care Costs

	← Least Impaired & Lowest Cost	Older Americans Act Programs	Local Service Programs	Alzheimer's Disease Initiative & Respite Care	Home Care for the Elderly Program	Community Care for the Elderly Program	Aged & Disabled Medicaid Waiver	Assisted Living for the Frail Elderly Medicaid Waiver	Nursing Home Diversion Program	Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)	Nursing Home Care	→ Most Impaired & Highest Cost
<b>Average Annual Cost of Care * (State and Federal)</b>		\$4,066	\$325	\$6,300	\$3,624	\$5,340	\$10,308	\$10,500	\$17,711	\$18,688	\$58,055	
<b>Total Clients Served (FY 2011-12) *</b>		85,646	21,561	6,578	3,994	15,376	10,551	3,607	19,869	550	15,557,043 (patient days)	
<b>Waiting List Count (as of 11/24/10)</b>		21,879	89	1,801	2,812	24,575	16,067	1,486	8,688	N/A	N/A	
<b>Program Budgets FY 2010-11</b>		\$97,090,726	\$7,465,811	\$12,489,878	\$7,903,357	\$40,479,617	\$120,471,314	\$35,083,803	\$355,766,698	\$14,269,333	\$2,726,566,334	

\* Projections from 2010 Department of Elder Affairs Summary of Program & Services, published March 2010 (Budget/Clients served #'s based on FY 2009-10 Budget)

**Home care programs cost less and employ thousands of Floridians.**  
**Home care programs delay the need for nursing home care and provide a service seniors want – help to remain at home.**  
**Home care programs provide care that seniors want and make fiscal sense.**

## Pass Background Screening Bill

Legislation is needed to address the unintended consequences of background screening legislation passed in 2010 that now requires volunteers who work on an intermittent basis (20 hours or less per month) delivering meals on wheels or those volunteering in a senior center to undergo a costly (\$52-\$70) Level 2 FBI background check. An additional 'glitch' in the 2010 legislation requires caregivers, even blood relatives and spouses who care for their family member under the Home Care for the Elderly Program, to also undergo a Level 2 FBI background check.

**Governor Scott's Background Screening Workgroup has recommended the following changes:**

- Add the exemption for volunteers who assist on an intermittent basis for less than 20 hours per month.
- Prior to exemption being granted, the volunteer must be screened by the employer to determine if the person is listed on the National Sex Offender Registry or the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Career Offender Database.
- An exemption from a Level 2 background screen for those individuals who are either related to the client by blood or marriage.

