# **Elevate Respite**

**Best Practices at Mile Point Seven** 

**Kevin Foley** 17<sup>th</sup> National Lifespan Respite Conference





### **Overview**

- The Administration for Community Living (ACL)
- ACL and the Lifespan Respite Program
- Program status The View from Mile Point Seven

### **About ACL**

- The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is an operating division within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services which brought together:
  - Administration on Aging (AoA)
  - Administration on Disability (AoD)
  - Center for Integrated Programs (CIP)
  - National Institute on Disability, Independent Living and Rehabilitation Research (NIDILRR)
- ➤ ACL is charged with developing policies and improving supports for seniors and persons with disabilities of all ages.

### **About ACL**

#### HHS established ACL to achieve several important objectives:

- ➤ Reduce the fragmentation that currently exists in federal programs addressing the community living service and support needs of older adults and persons with disabilities
- ➤ Enhance access to quality health care and long-term services and supports for all individuals
- Promote consistency in community living policy across other areas of the federal government
- ➤ Complement the community infrastructure, as supported by Medicaid and other federal programs, in order to better respond to the full spectrum of needs among these populations

### Federal Lifespan Respite Care Program

ACL/CIP administers competitive state grants for mandatory uses of the funds:

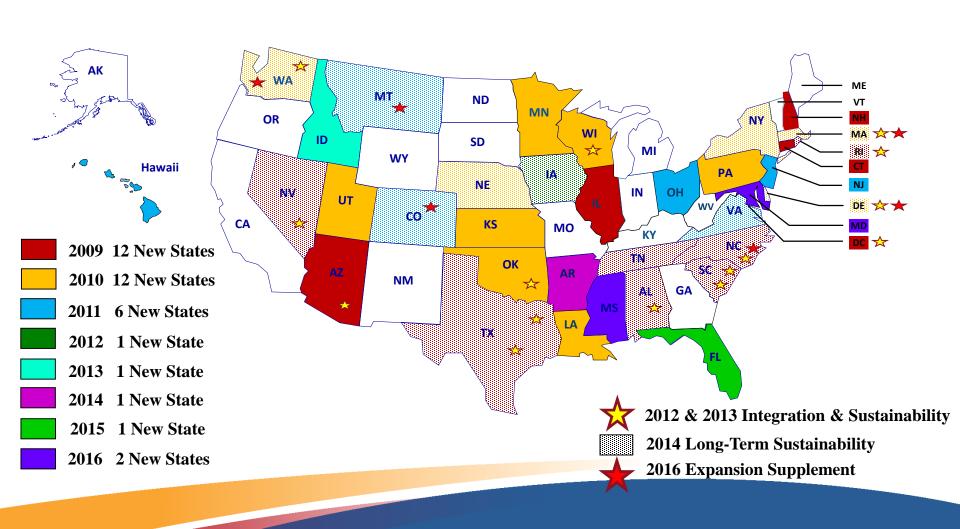
- Development or enhancement of State and local Lifespan Respite systems
- Planned or emergency respite for all ages
- Training and recruitment of providers/volunteers
- Provision of information to caregivers about respite services, and assistance in gaining access

## Lifespan Respite Program Status

- 35 states and DC funded since 2009
  - Up to \$200,000 for initial three year projects
- FY 2009 (Twelve States), FY2010 (Twelve States), FY2011 (Six States)
- FY 2012 & 2013 One New State/Integration and Sustainability Grants
  - Up to \$250,000 each/18-month projects
  - Builds on the initial three-year grant
  - Focus on integrating respite/caregiver supports and sustainable approaches
- FY 2014 One New State/16 Building Long-Term Sustainability (three-year projects)
- FY 2015 One New State
- FY 2016 Two New States/6 State Expansion Supplements
- Technical Assistance Resource Center (FY2009, 2012 & 2016)



### Lifespan Respite States (as of 2016)



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