Kick-Off Webinar:
Prevention and Public Health Fund 2021
Falls Prevention Grantees

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Welcome, 2021 Falls Prevention Grantees!

About the Administration for Community Living (ACL)

- **Mission** – maximize the independence, well-being, and health of older adults, people with disabilities across the lifespan, and their families and caregivers
- Commitment to one **fundamental principle** – people with disabilities and older adults should be able to live where they choose, with the people they choose, and participate fully in their communities

About ACL (cont.)

Falls Prevention Grant History

- 2014: 13 new grantees and a new National Falls Prevention Resource Center
- 2015 – 2020: 55 new grants awarded
- 2021: 1 integrated network grantee and 10 empowering communities grantees

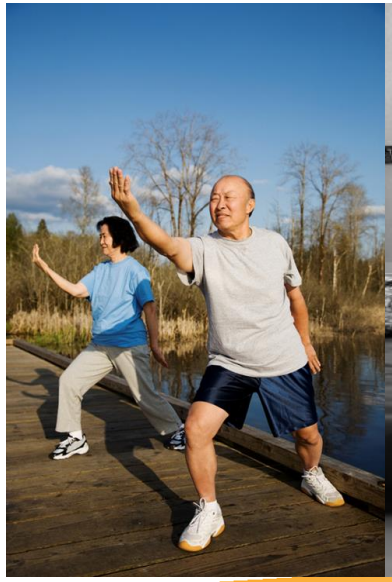
Why Falls Prevention from ACL

- One-fourth of Americans aged 65+ falls each year
- Every 11 seconds, an older adult is seen in an emergency department for a fall-related injury
- Falls are the most common cause of TBI
- Falls and their consequences cost the U.S. healthcare system ~$50 billion annually

Participants Served to Date

Since 2014, ACL grantees have delivered evidenced based falls prevention programs to more than

130,000 participants!



Falls Prevention Grant Goals:
Integrated Networks

- **Goal 1:** Strengthen state or regional community integrated health networks that address the social and behavioral determinants of health of older adults and adults with disabilities.
- **Goal 2:** Significantly increase the number of older adults and adults with disabilities who participate in evidence-based community programs to reduce falls and falls risk.

Meet Your Fellow Grantees!

- Integrated Networks
  - Innovations in Aging (now called Trellis), Minnesota

Falls Prevention Grant Goals:
Empowering Communities

- **Goal 1:** Through robust partnerships, develop a result-based, comprehensive strategy for reducing falls and falls risk among older adults and adults with disabilities living in your community.
- **Goal 2:** Significantly increase the number of older adults and adults with disabilities who participate in evidence-based falls prevention programs, while concurrently pursuing the sustainability of these programs beyond the end of the grant period.

Meet Your Fellow Grantees

- Empowering Communities

Clemson University, South Carolina

Council for Jewish Elderly, Illinois

MHP Salud, Texas

Mississippi State Department of Health

Montana Dept. of Public Health and Human Services

Meet Your Fellow Grantees (con't…)

- Empowering Communities

Putnam County, New York

Sanford Medical Center, South Dakota

Springfield College, Massachusetts

The University of Tennessee

Virginia Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

Falls Prevention Programs to be Delivered

- A Matter of Balance
- Bingocize
- EnhanceFitness
- Otago
- SAIL
- Stepping On
- Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance

Meet Your ACL Project Officers!

- **Lesha Spencer-Brown**
  - MHP Salud
  - Springfield College
  - Va. Dept. for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

- **Shannon Skowronski**
  - Council for Jewish Elderly
  - The University of Tennessee

Meet Your ACL Project Officers!

- **Donna Bethge**
  - Clemson University
  - Innovations for Aging (Trellis)
  - Mississippi State Department of Health
  - MT Department of Public Health and Human Services
  - Putnam County
  - Sanford Medical Center

Getting Started

- The official grant project period began May 1, 2021, which means that you can already begin to draw down funds.

Getting Started (con't…)

- Familiarize yourself with the resources, FAQs, reporting calendar, etc. on the Falls Prevention Resource Center Grantee website:
- https://www.ncoa.org/professionals/health/center-for-healthy-aging/national-falls-prevention-resource-center/national-falls-prevention-resource-center-grantee-information

- Grantee project profiles will be prepared and posted on the ACL and Falls Resource Center website.

Remote Programs

- All 2021 grantees are expected to be implementing ***at least one*** remote Falls Prevention program.

- For a listing of current remote program availability/details, see: https://www.ncoa.org/article/tracking-health-promotion-program-guidance-during-covid-19

Required Reporting

- ACL Semi-Annual Progress Reports
  - 2021 Falls grantee reports are due November 30 and May 30 each year of the grant
- Final Report (in lieu of last Semi-Annual Progress Report)
- Financial Status Reports (SF-425)
  - Quarterly
  - Annual

For detailed reporting instructions, i.e., due dates, templates, submission instructions, etc., please visit the reporting calendar located at: https://www.ncoa.org/article/acl-grant-reporting-requirements-for-falls-prevention

GrantSolutions

- All program reports (semi-annual and final) submitted via GrantSolutions
  - https://home.grantsolutions.gov/home
- Resources available on ACL website to assist with requesting a GrantSolutions user account, logging in, basic navigation, etc.
  - https://www.acl.gov/grants/managing-grant

Payment Management System

- All fiscal reports must be submitted via the Payment Management System.
  - https://pms.psc.gov/

Grantee Access

- Please ensure you have access to GrantSolutions and Payment Management System as soon as possible so that you can view your Notice of Award and be able to access your funds.

What's next?

- You will be contacted by a member of the National Falls Prevention Resource Center to:
  - confirm grantee contacts; and
  - schedule an individual grantee kick off call in August with your ACL Project Officer and Falls Prevention Resource Center TA liaison
  - receive training for the National Falls database June 17 from 1-2 p.m. ET

Questions?

- Feel free to enter any questions into the chat box. We will answer them at the end.

Contact your ACL Project Officer

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Introductions

- Please share with us:
  - Your name
  - Your organization
  - Location
  - The program(s) you will offer

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Agenda

1. About NCOA
2. Meet our team
3. Technical assistance resources
4. Questions

Who we are

Vision	A just and caring society in which each of us, as we age, lives with dignity, purpose, and security
Mission	Improve the lives of millions of older adults, especially those who are struggling
Goal	Impact the health and economic security of 40 million older adults by 2030, especially women, people of color, LGBTQ+, low-income, and rural individuals

The work we do

Resources

Trusted, unbiased information that enable older adults and their caregivers to take small steps that can have a big impact on their health and financial security

Best Practices

Technical assistance and support for professionals in community-based organizations who serve older adults every day

Tools

Personalized, online support for individuals to find benefits, choose a Medicare plan, prevent falls, and plan for a healthy and secure life

Advocacy

A national platform and voice to fight against ageism—and to strengthen the federal programs we all depend on as we age

Our focus areas

Healthy Living

1. Prevention
2. Physical Health
3. Behavioral Health
4. Aging Mastery

Financial Security

- Money Management
- Job Training
- Retirement Planning
- Benefits Enrollment

The people we serve

Older Adults

Parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends, aged 60 to 80, living at home

Professionals

Individuals who serve older adults every day at senior centers, community-based organizations, and social and human services agencies

Caregivers

Multigenerational family and friends who care for an older loved one at home

Advocates

Individuals who want to shape aging policy and influence policymakers

Center for Healthy Aging

Goal: Increase the quality and years of healthy life for older adults and adults with disabilities.

- **Two national resource centers funded by the Administration for Community Living (ACL)**
  - Chronic Disease Self-Management Education (CDSME)
  - Falls Prevention
- **Other key areas:** Behavioral health, physical activity, immunizations, oral health

Meet Our Team

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Technical Assistance Activities

One-on-One Support

Tailored technical assistance based on your needs

Networking & Peer Learning

- Work groups
- Learning Collaboratives
- Listservs for professionals

Online Tools and Resources

- Ongoing webinars
- Best practices from organizations across the country

National Databases

- Data collection & management
- Workshop and participant-level data
- CDSME & falls prevention

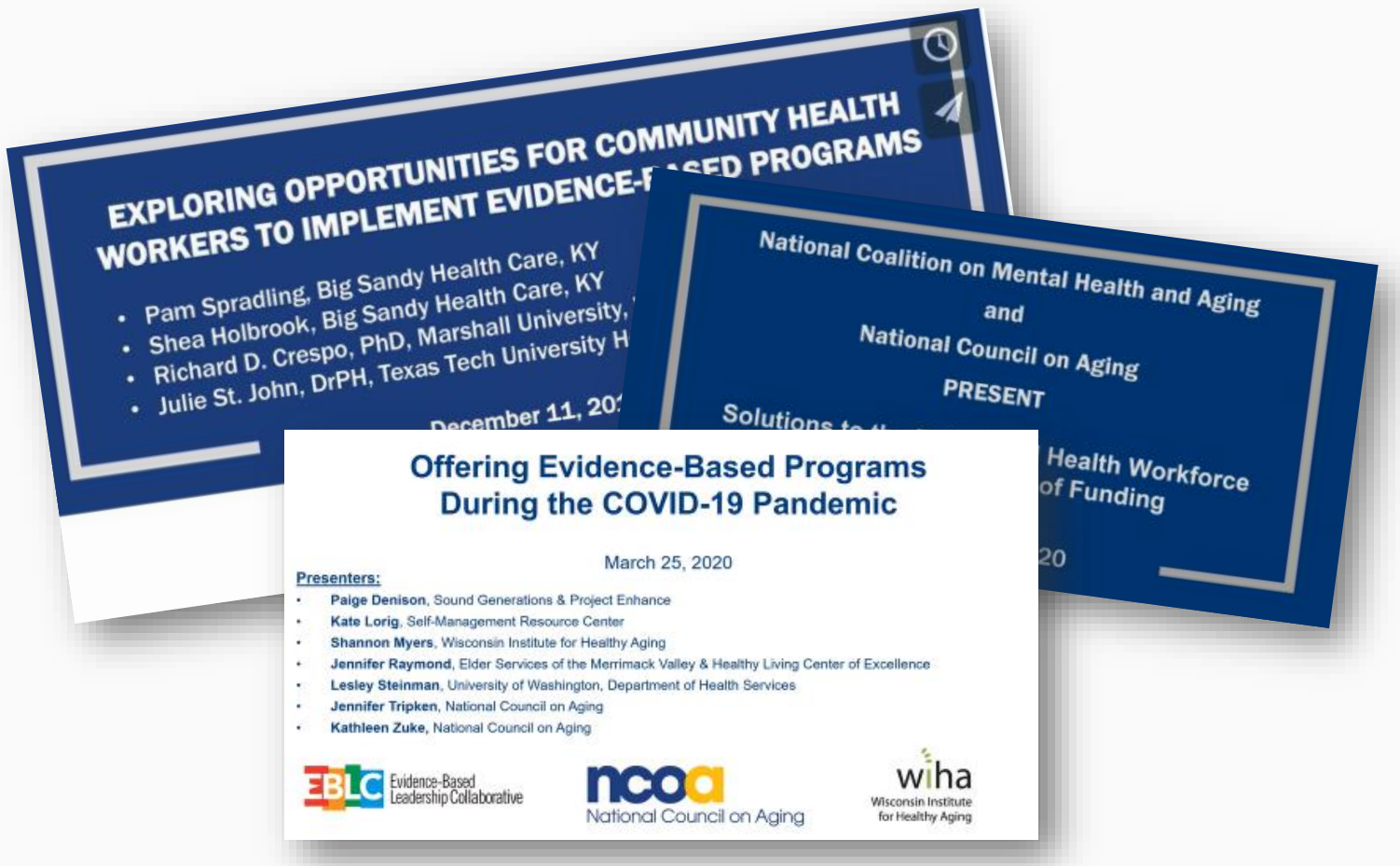
Individual & Group Support

- **Monthly or bi-monthly technical assistance calls**
  - Grantee, NCOA Technical Assistance Lead
  - ACL Project Officer joins following each submission of the semi-annual report
  - Discuss ongoing workplan progress, target participation goals, sustainability activities, questions, technical assistance needs
  - Binod Suwal will schedule

Ongoing work group calls

- By program (A Matter of Balance, SAIL, Otago, Tai Chi, Better Choices, Better Health online, etc.)
- Organizations serving American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities

Webinars



Regular webinars on topics related to evidence-based program implementation, expansion, and sustainability

Learning Collaboratives

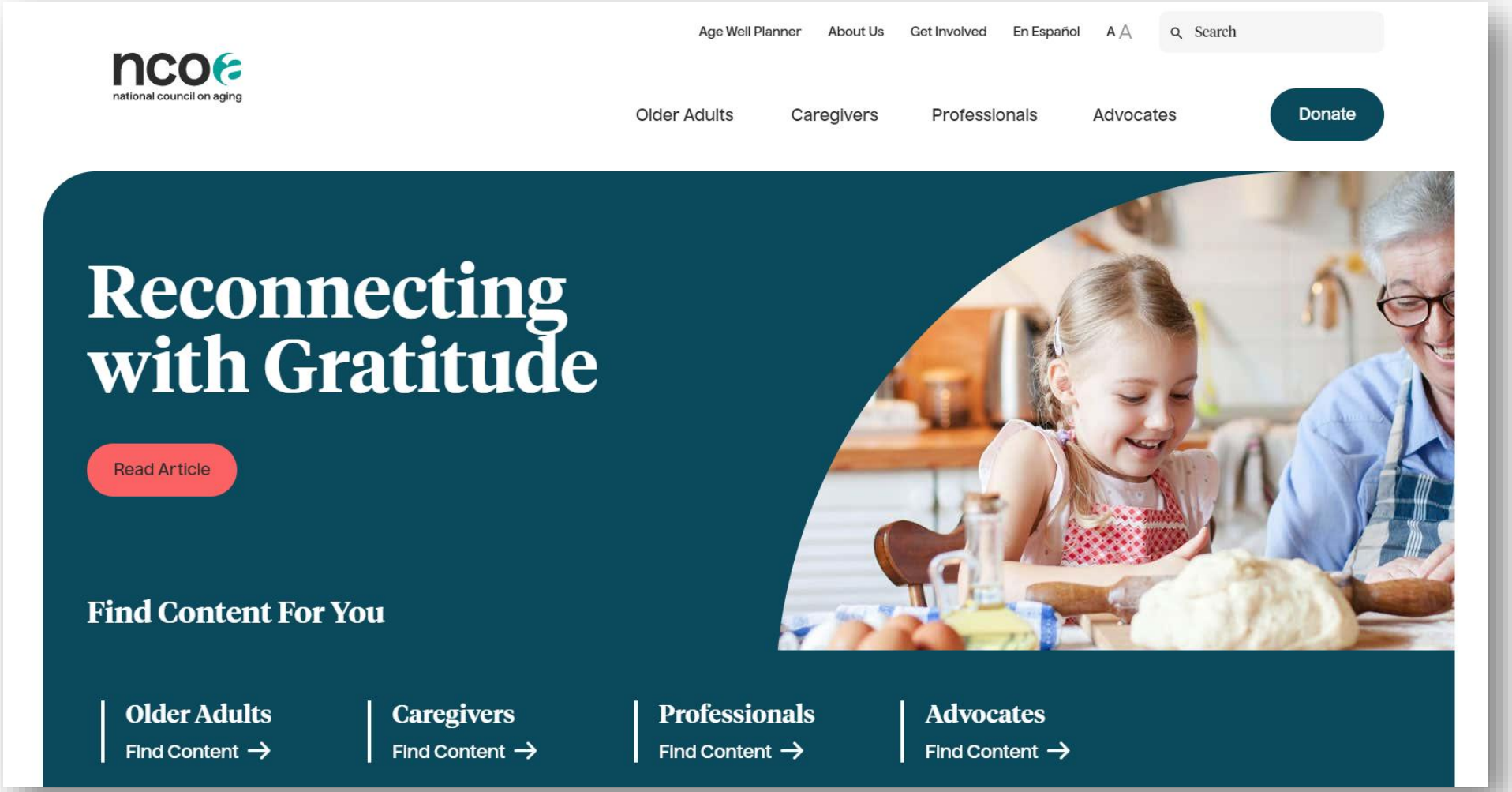
Focused on developing advanced, complex strategies to implement, scale, and sustain home and community-based services.

Past topics:

- Medicare Reimbursement: Achieve or make significant progress toward achieving Medicare reimbursement through Part B benefits for CDSME programs and accreditation for diabetes self-management education and support services. (2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19)
- Network Development: Advance the development of community integrated networks (network hubs) t effectively partner and contract with health care systems. (2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20)
- Medicare Advantage: Evaluate contracting opportunities and requirements with Medicare Advantage plans and develop a tailored value proposition for a specified service package. (2019, 2020)

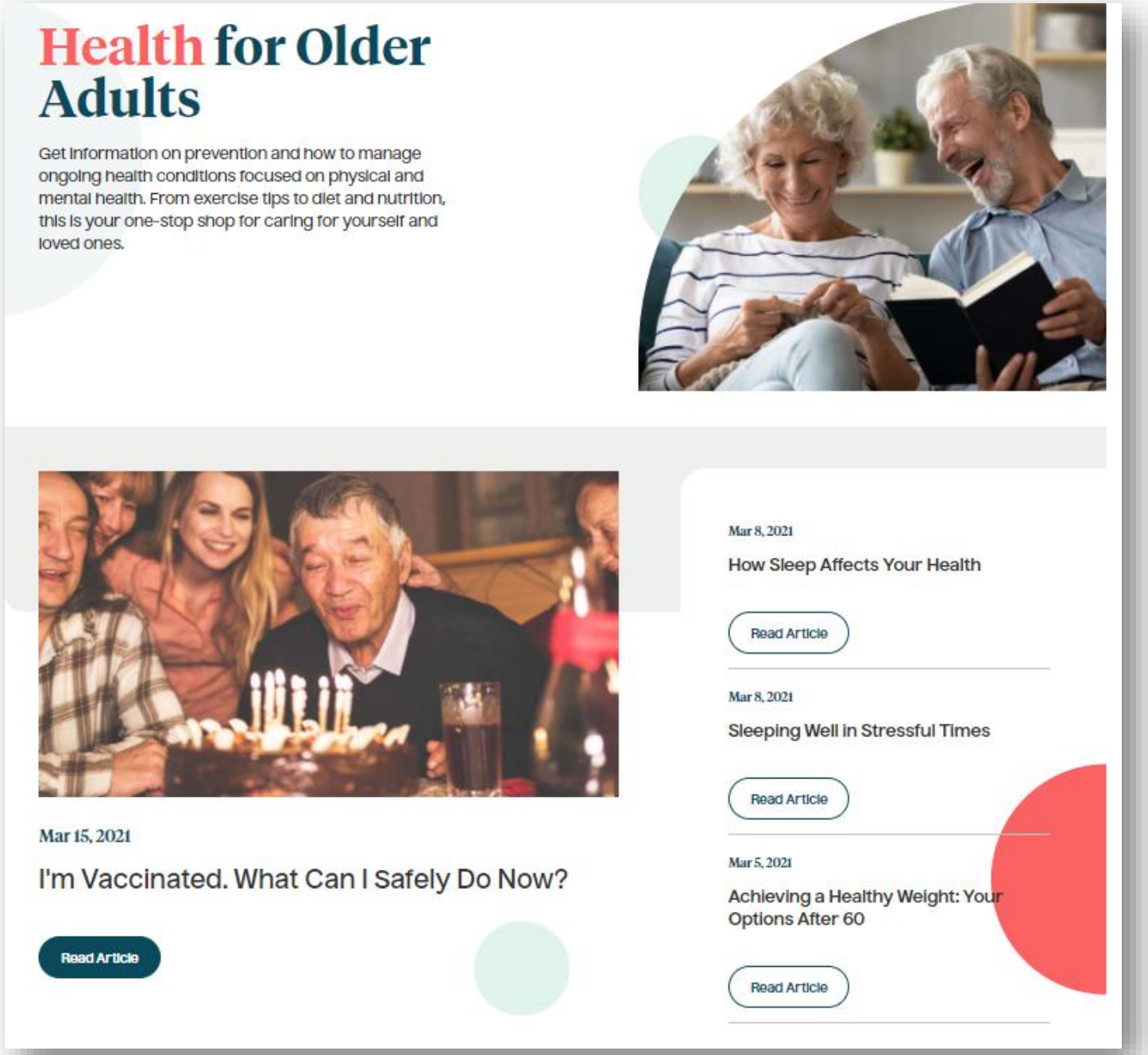
NCOA Website

View Video Tutorial: https://vimeo.com/520127084

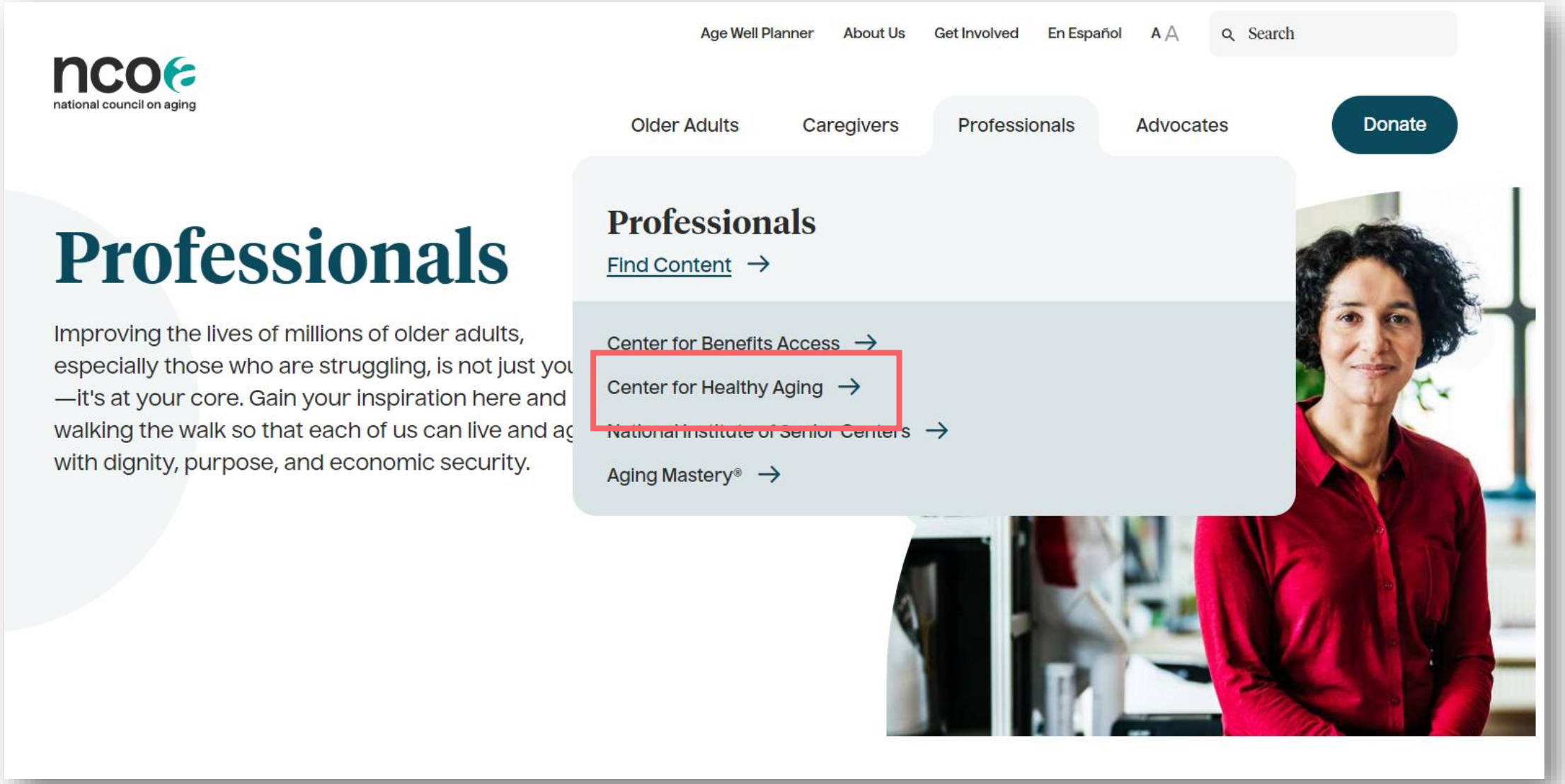


Information By Audience

- Content specifically for older adults and caregivers
- Focus on health, money, senior centers, benefits, and public policy
- Interactive tools and resources

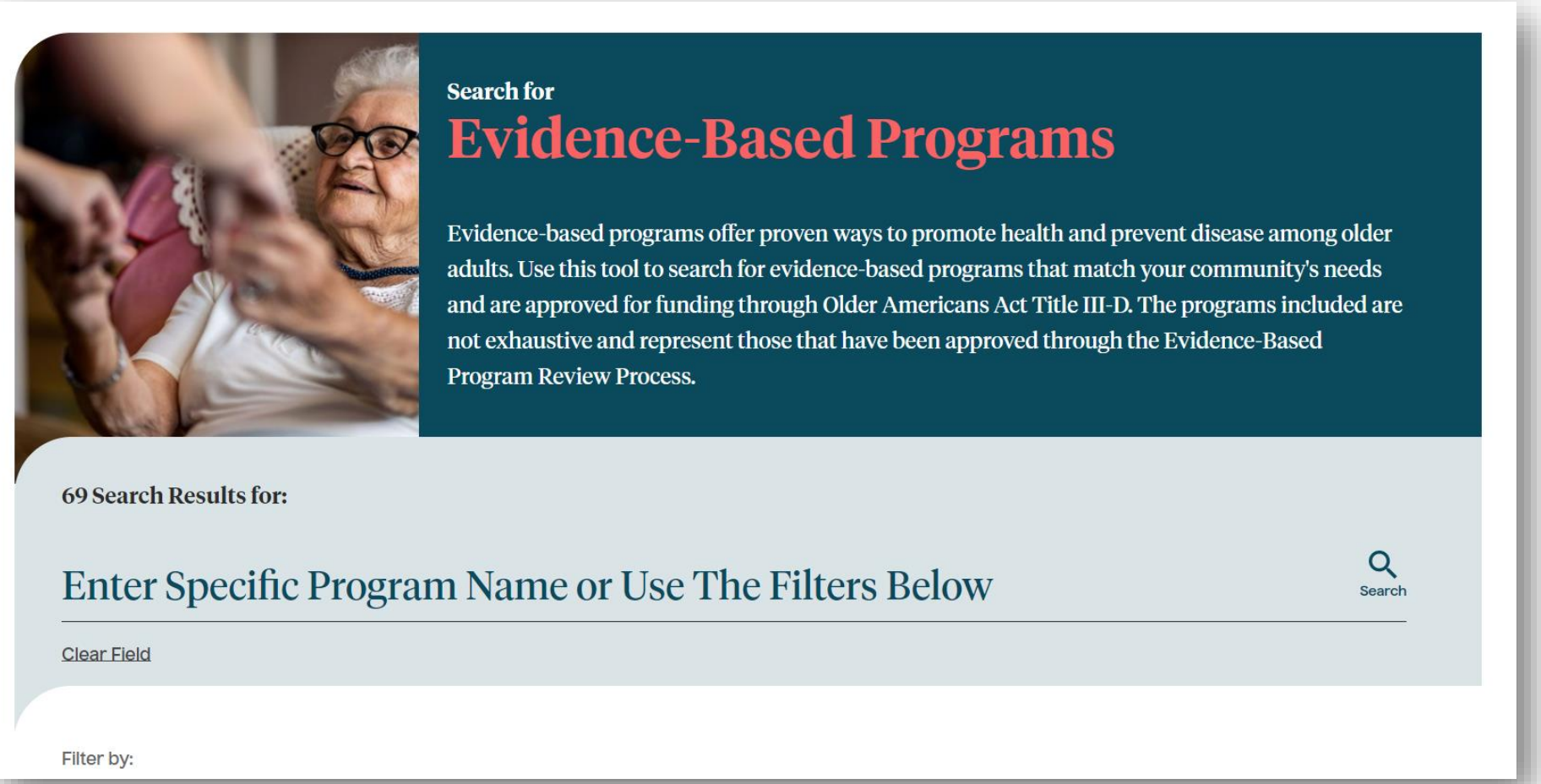


Information by Audience- Professionals



New Search Tool for Evidence-Based Programs

Find programs that are a good fit for your community and eligible for Older Americans Act Title III-D Funding. See video tutorial: https://vimeo.com/520118201



https://www.ncoa.org/evidence-based-programs

Getting Started

Grantee Information for Falls Prevention

Falls Prevention Grantee profiles - 2021 profiles coming soon!

Link

ACL grant reporting requirements and templates

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FAQs for Falls Prevention Grantees

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Contact Fellow CDSME & Falls Prevention Grantees

Link

Key components of offering EBPs

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Best Practices Clearinghouse

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Community-Integrated Health Care

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View past webinars

Link

Key Resources For Remote Programming

Evidence-Based Programs for Professionals

Link

Tracking Health Promotion Program Guidance During COVID-19

Link

"Grand Rounds" Webinars: Health Promotion Programs and COVID-19

Link

Frequently Asked Questions: COVID-19 and Technology Resources

Link

Resource Guide: Remote Delivery of Evidence-based Programs

Link

Resource Guide: Terminology for Virtual Programming

Link

Guidance from ACL: COVID-19 & Prevention and Public Health Fund Grants

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Frequently Asked Questions: COVID-19 and Health Promotion Programs

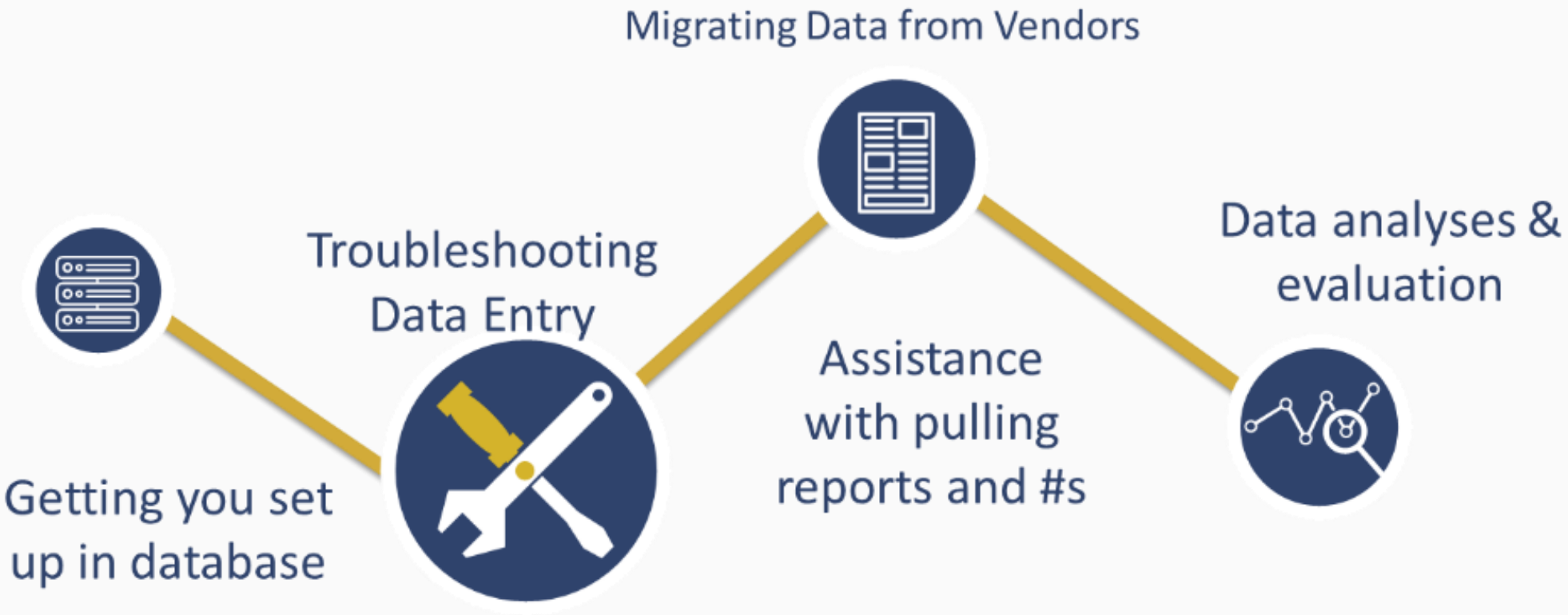
Link

Quick Links- Center for Healthy Aging

Main Sections	Scroll to the bottom of the page for more!	Description
Evidence-Based Programs		Find best practices for implementing evidence-based programs including information to join monthly "Grand Rounds" webinars and Tracking Health Promotion Program Guidance During COVID-19.
	Key Components	Information for those new to implementing programs as well as tip sheets on a variety of topics.
	Evidence-Based Program Review	Instructions for submitting a program for the evidence-based program review process.
	Best Practices Clearinghouse	Tips, templates, and examples of how community-based organizations have successfully implemented programs in 6 key categories.
National Falls Prevention Resource Center	Grantee Information for Falls Prevention	Find information about and for ACL Prevention and Public Health Fund grantees, including reporting schedules, orientation webinars, and contact information.
	National Falls Prevention Database	All of the resources you need to use the database and manage your data.
	Falls Free Initiative	Visit for information about state falls prevention coalitions and more.
	Falls Prevention Awareness Week	Tips and materials for celebrating Falls Prevention Awareness Week each year.
National CDSME Resource Center	Grantee Information for CDSME	Find information about and for ACL Prevention and Public Health Fund grantees, including reporting schedules, orientation webinars, and contact information.
	National CDSME Database	All of the resources you need to use the database and manage your data.
Community-Integrated Health Care		Find resources for sustaining programming long-term by creating stronger linkages with health care entities, creating networks for efficient deliver, and pursuing various forms of reimbursement.

National Falls Prevention Database

Getting Started in the Falls Prevention Database

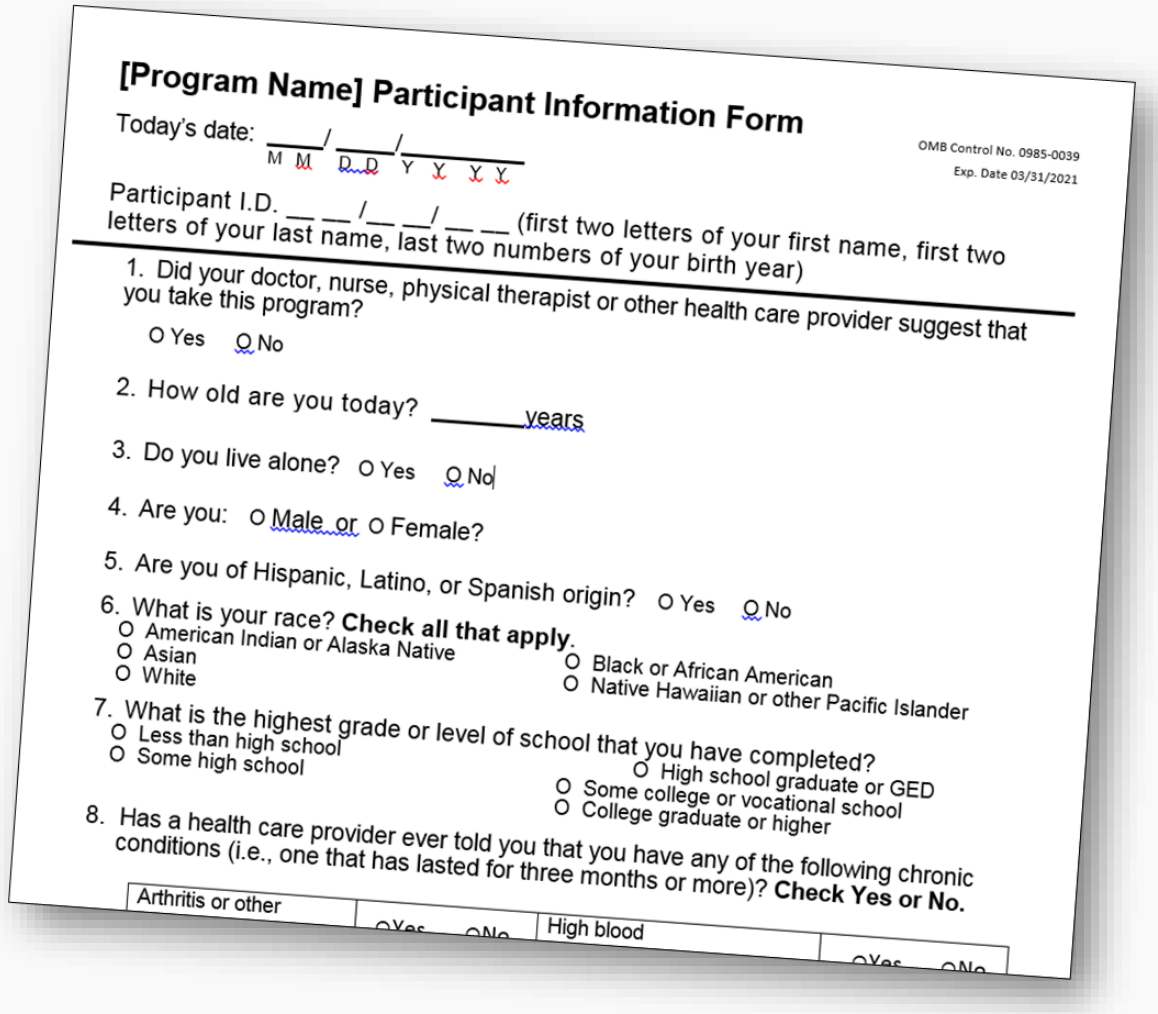


Data Collection Tools

Download Data Collection Tools for Falls Prevention Programs

- Host Organization Information Form
- Program Information Cover Sheet
- Attendance Log
- Participant Information Form (Pre-Survey)
- Post-Session Survey

Join us for the National Falls Prevention Database Webinar on **June 17 @1-2 p.m. ET** for a thorough review of the Database and data collection forms—registration coming soon!



[Program Name] Participant Information Form

Today's date: ____/____/____
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OMB Control No. 0985-0039
Exp. Date 03/31/2021

Participant I.D. __ __ /__ __/ __ __ (first two letters of your first name, first two letters of your last name, last two numbers of your birth year)

1. Did your doctor, nurse, physical therapist or other health care provider suggest that you take this program?
   O Yes O No
2. How old are you today? _____years
3. Do you live alone? O Yes O No
4. Are you: O Male or O Female?
5. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? O Yes O No
6. What is your race? **Check all that apply.**
   O American Indian or Alaska Native
   O Asian
   O White
   O Black or African American
   O Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
7. What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed?
   O Less than high school
   O Some high school
   O High school graduate or GED
   O Some college or vocational school
   O College graduate or higher
8. Has a health care provider ever told you that you have any of the following chronic conditions (i.e., one that has lasted for three months or more)? **Check Yes or No.**

Arthritis or other	O Yes	O No	High blood	O Yes	O No

Programs Tracked in the Database

- A Matter of Balance
- CAPABLE
- Bingocize
- EnhanceFitness
- FallScape
- Falls Talk
- Fit & Strong!
- Healthy Steps in Motion
- Otago Exercise Program
- Pisando Fuerte
- Stay Active and Independent for Life
- Stay Safe, Stay Active
- Stepping On
- Tai Chi for Arthritis
- Tai Chi Moving for Better Balance (YMCA)
- Tai Chi Prime
- Tai Ji Quan: Moving for Better Balance

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2021 Virtual Conference

June 7—June 10

Questions or Comments?