

Congregate Housing Services Program

Description:

The Congregate Housing Services Program (CHSP) is designed to provide meals and services to frail elderly individuals and to persons with disabilities. The purpose of the program is to prevent unnecessary institutionalization; improve management's capacity to assess service needs of its residents; coordinate the provision of supportive services to meet the needs of eligible residents and to ensure long-term provision of such services. The CHSP operates in certain housing communities, usually located in rural areas and part of the U.S. Rural Housing Services' housing portfolio. The Aging Services Division of the Department of Social Services receives funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide CHSP services. CHSP services are available in selected housing communities in Eastern and Western Connecticut. Senior Resources and the Western Connecticut Area Agency on Aging operate the CHSP in their respective regions. There is also a CHSP grantee in Mansfield, Connecticut.

A Resident Services Coordinator (RSC) provides site-to-site monitoring of the CHSP program and ensures that appropriate service plans are developed and implemented for eligible residents.

Eligibility Requirements, Service Areas and Program Year:

Eligibility Requirements:

Individuals

- Must be 62 years of age or older.
- Must meet the established criteria of the local selection committee, including but not limited to:
 - physical and functional assessment of frailty, which is difficulty with at least three activities of daily living;
 - housing conditions and living arrangements
 - daily living needs.
- Participants must pay 10 percent of the cost of support services.

Service Areas:

Danielson
Mansfield
Moosup
Naugatuck

Newtown
Plainfield
Putnam

Southbury
Willimantic
Woodbury

Program Year:
Varies by region.

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Related Information:

[Assisted Living Demonstration Project, refer to page XII – 1.](#)
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