

## AGING & DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER EXPANSION IN WASHINGTON STATE

### SUMMARY/ABSTRACT

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services-Aging and Disability Services Administration (DSHS-ADSA), supports this three year Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) expansion project in collaboration with four Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), interested stakeholders, and constituents. The **goal** of the project is to achieve significant progress toward statewide expansion of Washington State's ADRC program. The **approach** is to initiate and evaluate the expansion of ADRCs and demonstrate potential efficiencies and effectiveness ADRCs provide by employing person-centered principles in navigating long-term support options. The **objectives** are to: (1) achieve significant progress in establishing three new ADRC pilot sites; (2) convene a statewide ADRC planning and policy committee; (3) develop a five year operational plan and budget for achieving statewide coverage of fully functional ADRCs; (4) facilitate training and technical assistance for ADRC pilot site staff and partners; (5) enhance interagency relationships and partnerships with disability, long-term support option experts, and advocacy organizations; (6) evaluate the impact of the ADRC program; and (7) disseminate project information. The expected **outcomes** of this ADRC expansion project are: (1) four well functioning ADRC sites in Washington State; (2) an ADSA-approved operational plan and budget for statewide coverage of ADRCs; (3) methodology for determining cost savings related to ADRC catchment areas; (4) project evaluation reflecting project results; and (5) consumers more capable of making decisions about long term support options. The **products** from this project are: a final report, including evaluation results and lessons learned; a five-year operational plan and budget for statewide expansion; ADRC program standards; and established relationships and protocols with disability, long-term support option experts, and advocacy organizations.