

Alzheimer’s Disease Community Assistance Program

We are a statewide program providing a comprehensive array of community-based services for individuals with Alzheimer’s disease and other dementias (AD/D) and their caregivers. The Alzheimer’s Association, New York State Coalition is a not-for-profit organization that coordinates the Alzheimer’s Disease Community Assistance Program (AlzCAP) in every region of New York State.

We provide critical services such as:

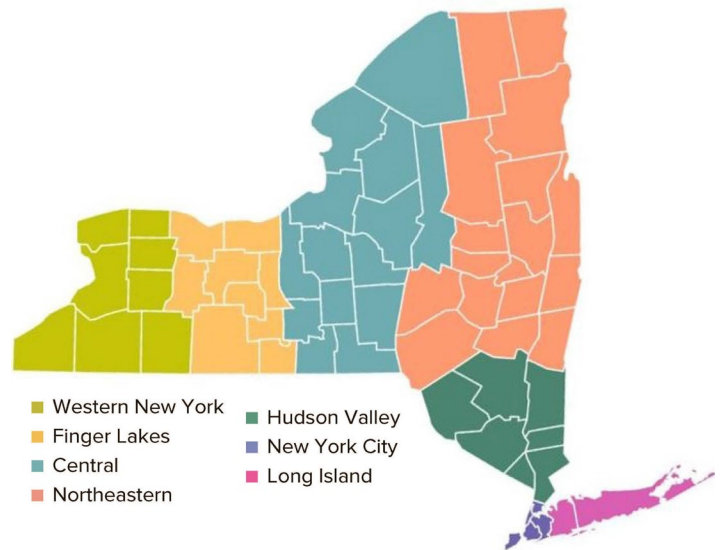
- Professional care consultations conducted in-person, by phone or virtually depending on the person’s needs
- Training and education for both caregivers and individuals with AD/D
- In-person and virtual support groups for caregivers and individuals with AD/D
- A 24-hour Helpline available in more than 200 languages
- Community education, awareness and outreach
- Training for professional caregivers, faith leaders and gatekeepers to create dementia-friendly and well-informed communities

We strive to provide services that are designed to postpone or prevent nursing home placements on a statewide basis. Services are offered to individuals with AD/D, caregivers and professionals.

“I was afraid to call but I am glad I did. Now I know what to do and there is hope.”

“We have picked up and learned new ways to cope with situations and have learned that we are not alone in this.”

AlzCAP Caregivers, New York State



Alzheimer’s Disease Community Assistance Program Alzheimer’s Association, New York State Coalition Subcontractors

- Alzheimer’s Association, Western NY Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, Rochester and Finger Lakes Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, Central NY Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, Hudson Valley Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, Northeastern NY Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, New York City Chapter
- Alzheimer’s Association, Long Island Chapter

The Impact of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementias

New York State by the Numbers

"Alzheimer's disease and other dementias are a public health crisis nationwide and here in New York State... We are committed to implementing this initiative in the most impactful way to benefit people in every corner of our state."

Dr. Howard Zucker
New York State Health Commissioner

The impact of AD/D in New York State:

- 410,000 New Yorkers are 65+ and living with Alzheimer's disease (AD)
- By 2025, NYS is projected to experience a 12.2% increase in people age 65 and older living with AD, meaning a projected 460,000 New Yorkers will need care for AD.
- Medicaid costs are projected to increase 16% to \$6.3 billion by 2025 for individuals living with AD/D in New York.

Source: 2021 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures (Alzheimer's Association)

The Impact of AD/D in the United States:

- One in 3 seniors die of Alzheimer's or another dementia, making AD the sixth leading cause of death in the United States.
- By 2050, the number of Americans age 65 and older living with AD is projected to total 12.7 million, doubling from a number of 6.2 million in 2021.
- In 2021, the cost for health care, long term care and hospice care for people with AD/D in the US is estimated to reach \$355 billion, and increase to \$1.1 trillion by 2050.
- Sixty percent of caregivers of people living with AD/D are employed, with more than half reporting an impact of caregiving responsibilities on work schedules.
- Fifty percent of primary care providers believe that the medical profession is not ready for the growing number of people with AD/D.

New York State Department of Health Alzheimer's Disease Program

The Alzheimer's Disease Caregiver Support Initiative serves all 62 counties of New York State.

From 2016 - 2019, it provided New Yorker's with:

- 130,563 consultation services
- 15,567 support group sessions
- 9,439 education opportunities
- 489,687 hours of respite care
- 38,101 AD/D diagnostic assessments
- 110,894 referrals to community physicians
- Trained 76,733 physicians, healthcare providers and students on the detection, diagnosis, treatment, and care management of individuals living with AD/D