

Transforming Lives

MAC and TSOA Supporting Unpaid Family Caregivers

Unpaid Caregivers Shoulder the Burden



There are over 860,000 unpaid caregivers in Washington State.



The work of these unpaid caregivers is valued at \$10.6 billion per year.

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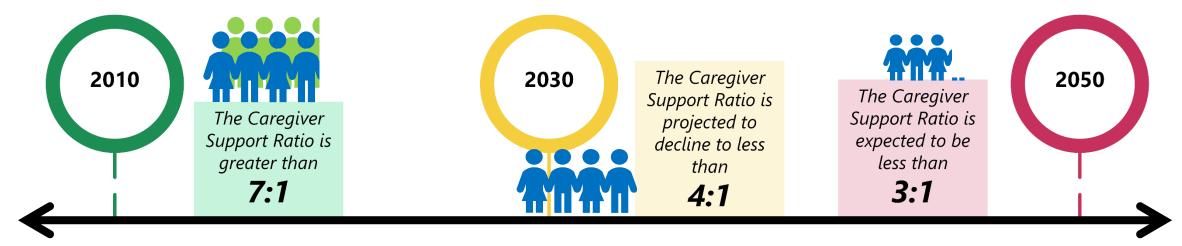


If 1/5 stopped providing care, LTSS costs would double.

Rector/Engels

Demographic Shifts in Caregiver Ratios

Sharp declines in support for everyone during high-risk years of ages 80+



CRISIS: Rising demand and shrinking families to provide LTSS

POLICY ACTION: Call for new solutions to the financing and delivery of LTSS and family support

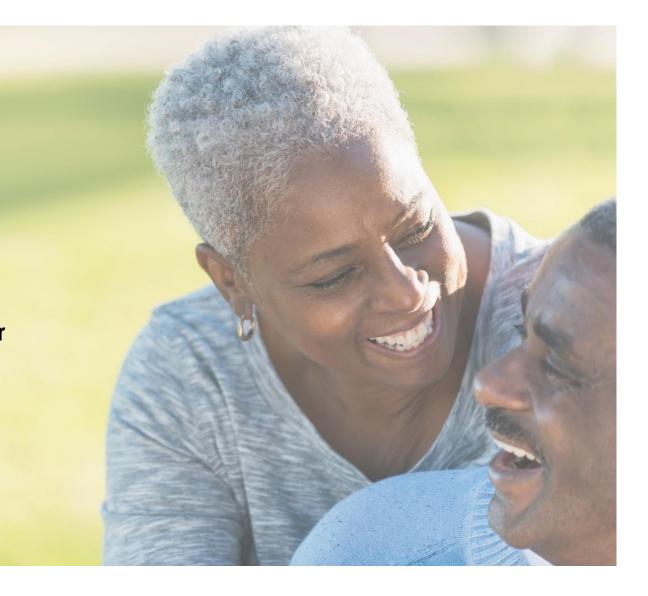
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"There are four kinds of people in the world:

Those who have been caregivers;
Those who currently are caregivers;

Those who will be caregivers; and
Those who will need caregivers."
—Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter

~16% of Americans are family caregivers to an older adult



FCSP Improves Outcomes for Family Caregivers

Majority of caregivers (84%) show

Significant

improvements on key outcomes



Over 6-month period, caregivers who receive ongoing support show statistically significant improvements in:

- Generalized Stress from caregiving
- Relationship stresses
- Stress related to other roles of caregiver
- Depression
- Comfort with caregiving role

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Medicaid Alternative Care (MAC)

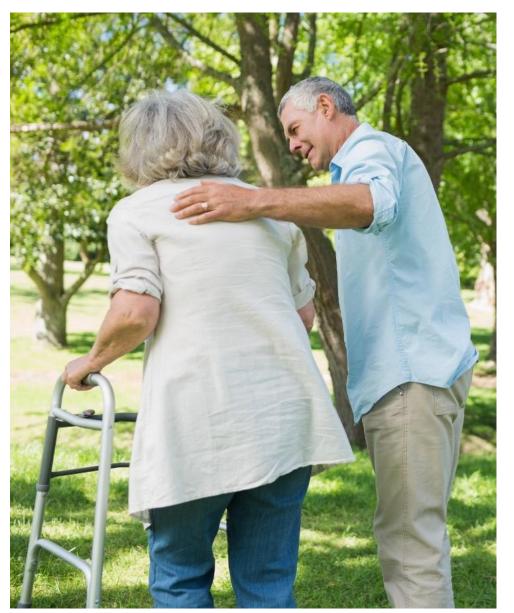
Designed to support unpaid caregivers in continuing to provide quality care.

- Presumptive Eligibility allowed
- Care Receiver 55 years and older
- Caregiver 18 years or older
- Enrolled in Apple Health (Medicaid) CN or ABP coverage group
- No participation or estate recovery

Tailored Supports for Older Adults (TSOA)

Designed to support dyads from spending their savings into Medicaid services.

- Care Receiver 55 years and older
- Caregiver 18 years or older
- Monthly Income less than \$2523
- Resources (single) less than \$53,100
- Resources (married) less than \$112,900
- Must be functionally eligible per NFLOC
- Individuals without an unpaid caregiver also served in TSOA



Benefit Levels by Step Step 1

\$250 once

Step 2

Step 2 | Step 2 requires TCARE screening

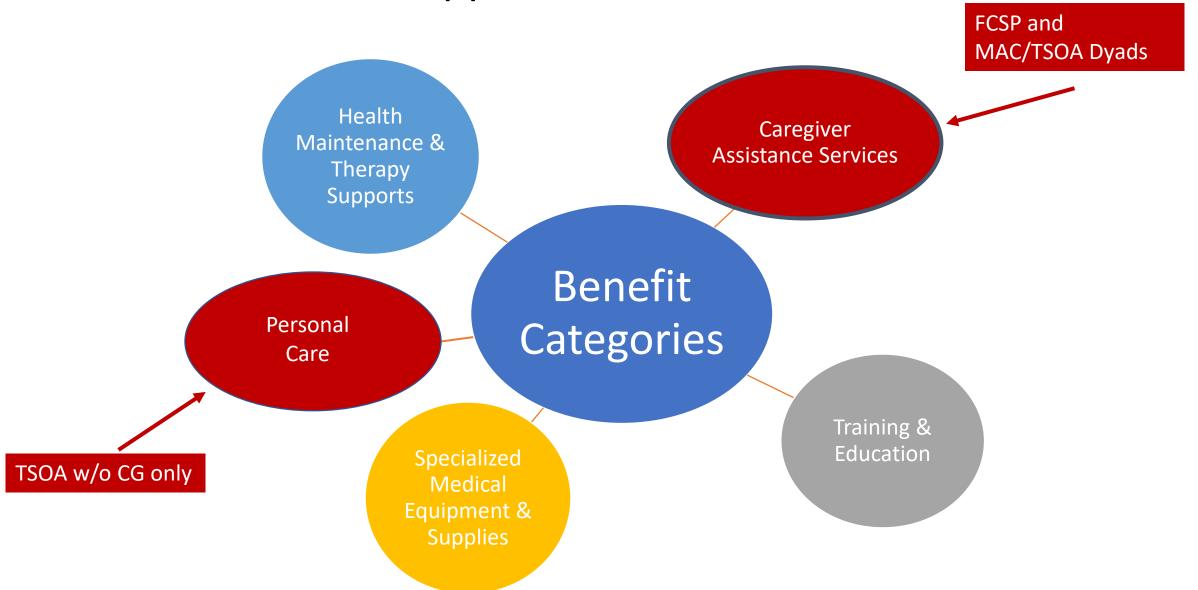
\$500 per year

Step 3 requires TCARE

Step 3 average of \$758 per month

Step 3 requires TCARE screening and assessment

Supports and Services



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