Update from the National Alliance for Caregiving

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2014 Highlights: Technology

- Palo Alto Roundtable
- *Catalyzing Technology to Support Family Caregiving* White Paper
- White House Data Jam
- Senate Special Committee on Aging Telehealth Hearing
Highlights: Advocacy

• State C.A.R.E. Act
  • Passed in OK, NJ, VA, but not HI
• New State Task Forces on Caregiving
  • New Mexico, Mississippi
• Likely reauthorization of the Older Americans Act
Renewed Congressional Interest

- In HOME Care Act (Sen. Booker)
- Caregiver Corps Act (Sen. Casey)
- National Care Corps Act (Rep. Grisham)
- Social Security Caregiver Act (Rep. Lowey)
- Healthy Families Act (sick leave, including caregiving) (Rep. DeLauro, Sen. Harkin)
- Assisting Caregivers Today (“ACT”) Caucus
2015: The Year Ahead

- New Research
  - Caregiving in the U.S.
  - Caregivers of Persons with Mental Illness
- White House Conference on Aging
  - Family Caregiving Tele-Town Hall
  - Letter to Executive Director Nora Super
- International Work in Caregiving
- IOM Caregiving Report
Key Coalition Work

• From Plan to Practice: Implementing the National Alzheimer’s Plan in Your State
• Second Coalition Guidebook, Growing Your Coalition: What to Do After You’ve Planted the Seed
• Social Media Chats: #CultureOfCare, #CoPayCards, #CareAdvocate
• Webinars & Conference Calls
Caregiving Champions!

- Initial 10 Champions Named
- Mini-grants in 8 states and Toolkits
- Nomination Form is live – go to www.caregiving.org/nominate
- Share the Caregiving Champions Videos – go to www.youtube.com/user/NA4Caregiving
- Identify Champions for all 50 states by the end of 2015
RESEARCH

Family caregivers provide important societal and financial contributions for their loved ones. Through national surveys, our research identifies important new trends and sheds light on the varying needs of this huge and diverse group.

CAREGIVING CHAMPIONS

The Caregiving Champions program recognizes policymakers and persons of influence who have raised awareness of the issues facing family caregivers in our society.

Find Your Champion

INTERNATIONAL CARING

Caregiving is truly an international phenomenon. No nation is without family caregivers, and the ways in which nations support the needs of caregivers are many. The Alliance is proud to serve as Secretariat for the International Alliance of Carer Organizations, a global coalition dedicated to recognizing the issues.