

NASHP Aging Policy Academy Informational Webinar

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Introductions



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About NASHP

The National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP) is a nonpartisan organization committed to developing and advancing state health policy innovations and solutions.

NASHP provides a unique forum for the productive exchange of strategies across state government, including the executive and legislative branches.



Importance of Aging Policy in States

- Rapidly aging population
- Most want to age in home and community settings
- High cost of care
- Workforce shortages, especially direct care workers
- COVID-19 pandemic exacerbated already existing workforce, nursing home, and family caregiving issues

AGING POLICY ACADEMY: Objectives

- Assist states in accelerating measurable progress on policies that will address the needs of older adults, while optimizing state spending and capacity
- Elevate aging as a priority in states

AGING POLICY ACADEMY: Overview

- Each state can choose one or more of the three policy priority track(s):
 - Home and community-based services
 - Nursing home system reform
 - Direct care workforce

AGING POLICY ACADEMY: Benefits of State Participation

- Over the course of the academy, states will be supported in the following ways:
 - Expert consultants to provide customized, individual technical assistance for the state's identified policy priority areas
 - In-person site visit for each state conducted by NASHP staff and expert consultants
 - Monthly virtual meetings with each state team
 - Quarterly virtual meetings with the entire Academy to exchange insights and promising practices, troubleshoot any barriers, and engage federal leaders
 - Potential meeting with federal officials

AGING POLICY ACADEMY: Application Guidelines

- State teams of up to 5 members:
 - A senior state employee with policy decision-making authority as **team lead**
 - **State officials or administrators** who can implement the state's specific goals and project activities
 - Other team members could include Medicaid directors, aging directors, health and human services commissioners, governor's health policy advisors, state legislators, university researchers, local government entities, community-based organizations, and other relevant team members
- Applications will include specific and measurable policy goals and activities; demonstration of capacity to address goals; and what expertise, technical assistance, and resource are needed to achieve the goals

AGING POLICY ACADEMY: Application Timeline

- **January 10, 2023:** Application Opens
- **January 26, 2023:** Informational Webinar
- **February 21, 2023:** Applications Due at 5 p.m. ET
- **February 28, 2023:** Selected States Notified
- **March 14, 2023:** Policy Academy Kick-Off

Questions?



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