

## **Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Fund 2020 Annual Report**

Section 89-e of the State Finance Law (SFL) established the Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Fund, which is under the joint custody of the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance and the Comptroller of New York State. Section 89-e (2-b) of the SFL requires the Commissioner of Health to annually report to the Legislature, the Comptroller, and the public specified information concerning the utilization of such funds during the preceding calendar year. This report sets forth that information for calendar year 2020.

During calendar year 2020, \$488,756.29 was disbursed from the Alzheimer's Disease Assistance Fund. The funds were disbursed as follows:

### **Recipient: Alzheimer's Disease Community Assistance Program (AlzCAP): \$440,560.04**

New York State funds the Coalition of NYS Alzheimer's Association Chapters, Inc. (Coalition) to implement the Alzheimer's Disease Community Assistance Program (AlzCAP). The goal of AlzCAP is to reduce the enormous toll that Alzheimer's disease and other dementias (AD/D) has on individuals and their families by promoting and providing critical support services and education to individuals living with AD/D, family caregivers, health care personnel, volunteers, community agencies, first responders, and other important constituencies. The Coalition subcontracts with the seven NYS Alzheimer's Association Chapters to provide the following services:

- Care Planning and Consultation
- Caregiver Education and Training
- Support Groups
- 24-hour Helpline
- Community Awareness
- Increased Training for Important Constituencies

*Award Process Used: Competitive solicitation process*

### **Recipient: Support for Two Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) Modules**

Funds are utilized to support questions which are part of the cognitive impairment and caregiver modules in the BRFSS. These questions allow for better data to study the incidence and impact of Alzheimer's disease in NYS as well as the impact of the disease on families and caregivers.

*Award Process Used: Not applicable*

### **Recipient: State University at Albany School of Public Health "Public Health Live" to Produce Two Public Health Live Broadcasts: \$48,196.25**

Two broadcasts were developed and presented, as follows:

*Caregiver and Patient Health in Alzheimer’s Disease Policy and Systems Change* (broadcast February 2020): This webcast profiles the New York State’s Alzheimer’s Disease Caregiver Support Initiative, that includes information on how to access services or refer to service providers in any area of the state. The Alzheimer’s Disease Caregiver Support Initiative takes a two-pronged, systems approach to the investment—both focusing on community support while also equipping the medical system to provide early diagnoses, quality care management, and linkages to community services. The emerging findings from a multi-level evaluation and what they mean for New York State and the future of Alzheimer’s disease programs and policy are discussed.

*Sex, Guns, and Driving: Considerations in Dementia Care* (broadcast October 2019): The onset of Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD) impact cognitive skills including changes in perception, judgement, organization and the ability to recognize cause and effect. This can lead to risky behaviors. The considerations of safety, wellbeing, and respect for individuals with ADRD and their caregivers are at the forefront in dealing with issues around sexuality, driving, and gun safety. Through this webcast, service providers are given information and tools to effectively address them.

Continuing education credits are available, and the broadcasts can be viewed here: <https://www.albany.edu/sph/cphce/phlchron.shtml>.

*Award Process Used: Added to an existing MOU between the University at Albany School of Public Health and NYSDOH*

### Summary Financial Plan for the Alzheimer’s Disease Assistance Fund

	SFY 2017-18	SFY 2018-19	SFY 2019-20	SFY 2020-21	January to March 2021	SFY 2021-22
	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals as of 12/31/20	Estimate	Estimate
<b>Receipts</b>	\$543,051.38	\$530,859.20	\$492,151.63	\$125,001.69	\$414,998.31	\$540,000.00
<b>Disbursements</b>	\$665,990.09	\$584,692.85	\$669,999.99	\$383,896.83	\$286,103.17	\$670,000.00
<b>Balance</b>	\$1,638,271.92	\$1,584,438.27	\$1,406,589.91	\$1,147,694.77	\$1,276,589.91	\$1,146,589.91

*\*Receipts = contributions made by taxpayers on the IT-201, the general fund match (equal to the amount of contributions made during prior CY), and interest earned by the fund.*