

## 2007 Gaps Analysis County Profile: Itasca County

### Part 1: Home and Community Based Long Term Care Services: Change in Services

#### Services where Itasca County has *added, expanded or improved the service*

Adult Day Care/ Adult Day Care Bath

Crisis Respite Bed Services from Public/Private Vendors

Other Service: We have added 5 corporate foster care homes for CADI eligible clients with behavior and mental illness issues. One TBI residential home that was using PCA funding model was transitioned to assisted living service.

#### Services where Itasca County has *decreased or eliminated the service*

None. We have added 5 corporate foster care homes for CADI eligible clients with behavior and mental illness issues. One TBI residential home that was using PCA funding model was transitioned to assisted living service.

### Part 2: Home and Community Based Long Term Care Services: Overall Service Capacity

#### Services that are *not available*

None

#### Services that are *limited* (Populations affected are reported in parentheses)

Chore Service (Age 65 and older)

Companion Service (Age 65 and older )

Home Delivered Meals (All Populations)

Homemaker Service (Under age 65 not on a waiver)

Transportation (All Populations)

#### Services that *exceed demand*

None

#### What issues/barriers are currently most critical to overcome in Itasca County to ensure that persons of all ages and disabilities have home and community-based support options?

Adequate reimbursement for services providers Adequate number of case managers with a reasonable caseload size as the requirements for documentation have increased with recent quality assurance requirements and managed care involvement. Willingness and expertise of providers to serve those clients with challenging issues.

#### Highest Priority for HCBS Development:

To maintain our service provider network with adequate reimbursement

### Part 3: Housing Options

#### Has there been any new development of Housing and/or Housing/Service Arrangements for persons of all ages and disabilities in the past two years?

Yes

# of New Buildings: 7  
# of New Units: 99

## Resources for Accessible Housing

### **Resources for Accessible Housing that are *not available***

None

### **Resources for Accessible Housing that are *limited***

Adequate reimbursement under the waiver plans for needed modifications  
Subsidies for low-income persons who need home modifications

### **Resources for Accessible Housing that *exceed demand***

None

## Housing Options

### **Housing Options that are *not available***

None

### **Housing Options that are *limited***

Subsidized rental apartments with no services  
Market rate rental apartments with no services  
Subsidized rental apartments with support services only  
Market rate rental apartments with support services only  
Subsidized rental apartments with supervision/health care services  
Market Rate rental apartments with supervision/health care services  
Market rate adult family foster care  
Market rate corporate adult foster care  
Other market rate housing options (e.g. Board & Lodging, Board & Care, Residential Care)

### **Housing Options that *exceed demand***

None

### **What issues/barriers are currently most critical to overcome in order to ensure an appropriate supply of housing options for older persons and persons with disabilities in Itasca County?**

Imbalance of household income with the cost of housing. Accessing capital needed to develop additional units at cost that allows them to be affordable to low to moderate income households. Scarce funding sources, along with the complexity of necessity to access multiple funding sources for one housing project.

### **Highest Priority for Housing Development**

Addition of shelter facility for homeless persons and families. Addition of rental units affordable to low to moderate income households. Rehabilitation of existing rental units. Rehabilitation of manufactured home parks and units. Rehabilitation of existing ownership units. Addition of ownership units affordable to low to moderate income households

#### **Part 4: Long-Term Care Specialty Beds/services- Nursing Homes**

##### **Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that are *not available***

None

##### **Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that are *limited***

None

##### **Long Term Care Specialty Beds/Services that *exceed demand***

None

##### **Issues/barriers most critical to overcome in order to ensure an appropriate supply of Nursing Home Specialty Beds/Services**

Reimbursement inadequate For bariatric residents, level of care required does not match reimbursement therefore making it difficult to find placement.

##### **Top two barriers in Itasca County to relocating persons from nursing homes into the community**

Caregiver issues and person choosing to remain there as described in previous question.