

2007 Gaps Analysis County Profile: Lake County

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

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

Caregiver/Family Support and Training
Consumer Training and Education
Home Delivered Meals
Insurance Counseling/Forms Assistance
Non-County Information/Referral and Assistance
Respite Care, In Home

Services where Lake County has *decreased or eliminated* the service

Adult Day Care/ Adult Day Care Bath
Guardianship/Conservatorship

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

Services that are *not available*

Adult Day Care/Adult Day Care Bath
Companion Service
Guardianship/Conservatorship
TBI Structured Day Program
Training and Support Services

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

Behavioral Programming (Under age 21)
Caregiver/Family Support and Training (Age 65 and older)
Chore Service (All Populations)
Consumer Training and Education (All Populations)
Crisis Respite Bed Services from Public/Private Vendor (All Populations)
Day Training and Habilitation/Prevocational Services (All Populations)
Fiscal Support Entities (CDCS) (All Populations)
Homemaker Service (All Populations)
Modifications and Adaptations (All Populations)
Non-County Case Management (Age 65 and older, Under age 65)
Respite Care, In Home (All Populations)
Supportive Employment (Under age 65)
Transportation (All Populations)

Services that *exceed demand*

None

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

We are reliant on St. Louis County providers for some crisis services and housing services. There is a lack of transportation during the evenings and weekends and limited volunteer transportation for rides to

medical appointments in Duluth. Lack of grocery shopping options and chore service options for homebound people.

Highest Priority for HCBS Development:

Maintain and expand caregiver support services. (Need to explore all options for billing for caregiver support services with insurance companies to help sustain current nonprofit program.) There is a need for better coordination among all community based providers, including improved communication patterns and referral protocols. Two Harbors area needs a better system to help homebound people with grocery shopping. Improved transportation options for people of all ages across the county during evening and weekend hours. Providers and community members are currently assessing the need for assisted living housing development in Silver Bay.

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: 1

of New Units: 6

Resources for Accessible Housing

Resources for Accessible Housing that are *not available*

Available resources (i.e., Housing Link) used to track available, accessible and affordable units

Resources for Accessible Housing that are *limited*

Local builders/contractors with accessibility remodeling/new construction expertise¹

Local builders/contractors willing to take on accessibility modifications

Adequate reimbursement under the waiver plans for needed modifications

Subsidies for low-income persons who need home modifications

Landlords willing to allow accessibility modifications on their property

Resources for Accessible Housing that *exceed demand*

None

Housing Options

Housing Options that are *not available*

Market rate rental apartments with support services only

Housing Options that are *limited*

Subsidized rental apartments with support services only

Subsidized rental apartments with supervision/health care services

Market Rate rental apartments with supervision/health care services

Subsidized adult family foster care

Market rate adult family foster care

Corporate adult foster care

Market rate corporate adult foster care

¹ Such as ramps, elevators, enlarged doorways and hallways, technology for temperature control, lighting, security, etc...)

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 Lake County?

There are not any providers of housing with supportive services or housing with supervision/healthcare services in the Silver Bay area. ub/dhs_id_026119.hcsp

Highest Priority for Housing Development

Development of more housing options in the Silver Bay Area.

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

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

Heavy care, complex medical management

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

Dementia care

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

The main issue is that the reimbursement rates do not adequately cover the cost of care. Related to the reimbursement issue is finding the appropriate balance of beds for our community so that there are quality beds for those who need them. Lakeview Nursing Home closed 20beds in 2007.

Top two barriers in Lake County to relocating persons from nursing homes into the community

Availability of adult foster care beds (waiting lists). Lack of appropriate local housing for those under that age of 65.