



## State Plan Recommendations for Public Awareness and Public Safety Workgroup

Workgroup	Subject area	State Recommendation	States plans including recommendation
<b>Public Awareness and Public Safety</b>	<b>Public Awareness</b>	1. Hold an annual conference for issues related to aging or specifically to Alzheimer's disease and dementia.	MI, MS
		2. Design a broad-based dementia and brain health public information campaign and a grass roots information dissemination campaign.	KY, MI, MS, VT
		3. Be active in community events that target older adults and caregivers.	
		4. Promote educational resources for better understanding of long term care financing.	
	5. Identify and develop key points to be made in advocacy for people with dementia as they pertain to the various long-term care workgroups and initiatives.	MI	
	6. Create culturally competent public service announcements to raise the level of public education about brain health and the warning signs of Alzheimer's and dementia, some of which should specifically target populations with disproportionately higher rates of these diseases.	OK, MS, SC	
	7. Raise public awareness of the importance of understanding normal memory loss versus dementia related memory problems.		
	<b>Public Safety/Law Enforcement</b>	1. Implement a coordinated protocol for swift and appropriate action by law enforcement, the news media and other entities upon report of a missing endangered individual with Alzheimer's disease or related-dementia who needs assistance in returning to his or her residence.	IL, KY, OK, SC
		2. Encourage use of locator devices (GPS or radio technology) or other monitoring systems to help locate and retrieve vulnerable persons with dementia through tax incentives or other funding.	IL, KY, OK
		3. Develop driving guidelines, such as require all three driving tests for older adults (the written exam, the driven exam and the vision screening) be required for individuals with a diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease or other dementias.	IL, TN
<b>Prevention</b>	1. To reduce the risk for developing Alzheimer's disease or related disorders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Provide physical and mental activity programs using evidence-based programs designed for older adults such as Enhance Fitness, Eat Better &amp; Move More, and Healthy Aging.</li> <li>○ Provide chronic disease self management programs using evidence-based health promotion programs such as Stanford Chronic Disease Self Management.</li> <li>○ Promote dietary quality for older lowans through provision of nutrition education programs such as Eat Better &amp; Move More.</li> <li>○ Provide nutrition counseling by registered dietitians to older adults determined to be at high nutrition risk.</li> <li>○ Provide brain health education programs to help lowans reduce their risk of Alzheimer's disease or related disorders.</li> </ul>	IA	