



Senior Access Points (SAP) Ambassador

Senior Access Points is a Larimer County coalition that delivers education and awareness about aging-related resources and supports available to older adults and caregivers. Older adults and caregivers often don't know where to look for aging-related resources and they may not begin their search until a crisis hits. SAP Ambassadors help to reach community residents with basic information such as the Senior Access Points website (LarimerSeniors.org) and the Office on Aging's Options Counseling phone number (970-498-7740) so that residents know where to begin a search.

Key Responsibilities:

- Visit community hubs such as senior centers, libraries, and doctors' offices, helping to educate "front line" staff about resources so that they are equipped to help residents navigate aging-related challenges.
- Share information within neighborhoods, communities and local groups. Ambassadors do not deliver one-on-one counseling to help individuals solve problems but rather explain how to find and navigate local resources.
- Conduct targeted outreach in rural areas of Larimer County.
- Attend community events, staff booths, and conduct presentations with the SAP team.
- Complete documentation on outreach efforts and provide ongoing feedback to the SAP team about outreach experiences and questions/issues that come up in the field.

Qualifications:

- SAP Ambassadors must have a desire to help individuals in our community navigate the complex tasks of caring for aging loved ones, have a professional and courteous demeanor, have a desire to learn and keep current about existing aging-related resources in our community, have experience and comfort with technology, including website navigation and using e-mail regularly, and have a willingness to take part in and help to shape a new program, including having a flexible attitude and tolerating some ambiguity at times.
- Volunteers need reliable transportation and car insurance. The position does not include transporting other persons, but may include driving to different community sites and delivering materials (such as brochures and fliers) to selected locations. Mileage will be reimbursed by Larimer County Extension which is the administrative organization for the Senior Access Points project.
- Volunteers must be proficient in spoken and written English in order to provide education about aging-related resources and to complete required reporting documentation.

Training and Support:

- SAP Volunteers will receive a 3-hour training on aging-related tools and resources.
- The SAP team will organize quarterly volunteer meetings and be available for ongoing consultation and support.
- SAP volunteers will be asked to commit to the program for at least six months with an estimated 4-8 hour time commitment each month. Volunteers will create their own schedules.

Upcoming training: September 17, 1:30 – 4:30 pm, Fort Collins Senior Center

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