# California Department of Aging Aging and Disability Resource Connection Program

## **Program Code:**

The Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) program code is 3900100.

#### **Description:**

Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) is a collaboration between local Area Agency on Aging (AAA) offices and Independent Living Centers (ILC) working together with a community network of public, private, and non-profit agencies to form NoWrong Door (NWD) Systems that assist individuals in navigating the complex system of long-term services and supports (LTSS). These NWD Systems assist individuals of any age, ability, and income level in navigating and accessing the full range of available LTSS options and provide objective and unbiased information, advice, counseling, and assistance.

In 2019, <u>California Senate Bill 80</u> (SB 80) established the ADRC Infrastructure Grants Program which enabled the California Department of Aging (CDA) to award grants to interested and qualified AAAs and ILCs for 1) completing the planning and application process (as an Emerging ADRC) for designation and approval to operate as an ADRC program and 2) aiding Designated ADRC programs in expanding or strengthening services for the purpose of implementing a NWD System.

## **Benefits:**

The State of California has an abundance of high-quality LTSS options, but there are silos between the many programs and service delivery systems. As a result of these silos, the burden has been placed on Californians to navigate the "maze" of systems to access choices of care. ADRCs help bridge those silos. Today, California's network of 15 established ADRCs and nine developing ADRCs covers 30 counties and approximately 51 percent of California's total population (or 20,382,064 Californians) which includes older adults, people with disabilities, and caregivers. These

ADRCs are coordinated networks of partners forming multiple entryways ("No Wrong Door") for Californians to learn about and access available options for their LTSS needs. ADRCs are committed to person-centered practices and empowering individuals to make informed decisions and exercise control over their long-term care needs. ADRCs provide the following minimum service functions: Enhanced Information& Referral, Options Counseling, Short-Term Service Coordination, and Facility-to-HomeTransition Services.

## **Eligibility:**

Eligibility Factor	Description
Age	All ages
Income	All incomes
Other	Not applicable

## Access:

Information on the ADRC Program is available through local ADRC partners, the <u>Administration for Community Living (ACL)</u> and the <u>California</u> Department of Aging website (http://www.aging.ca.gov).

## **Current State Fiscal Year Funding Information:**

This information is for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

Funding	Description
Source	ADRC CARES Act and COVID Vaccine Access
	federal funds via Administration for Community
	Living
	State General Fund (GF)
	Local funds
	<ul> <li>In-kind contributions</li> </ul>
Allocation Formula	ADRC CARES Act:
	<ul> <li>\$85,000 base funding for Designated ADRC and Emerging ADRCs</li> </ul>

Funding	Description
	<ul> <li>Remaining funding is allocated based on the following weighted factors:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Population (all ages) with a weight of 1.0</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Square Miles with a weight of 2.0</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Geographic Isolation (rural – all ages) with a weight of 3.5</li> </ul>
	ADRC COVID Vaccine Access:
	<ul> <li>\$35,000 each for the 10 ADRCs that opted-in for this funding opportunity</li> </ul>
	State General Fund:
	<ul> <li>\$180,000 base funding for Designated ADRCs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>\$90,000 base funding for Emerging</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Remaining funding is allocated based on the following weighted factors:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Population (all ages) with a weight of 1.0</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Square Miles with a weight of 2.0</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>County Geographic Isolation (rural – all ages) with a weight of 3.5</li> </ul>
Match Requirements	None
Other Information	Not applicable
Cycle	July 1 - June 30