Putting The Pieces Together
Respite for the Lifespan

South Carolina
Lifespan
Respite

November 3, 2011
PARTNERS are the key

Coordinated Lifespan Respite

SC Respite Coalition

Office on Aging SC Access AAAs/ADRCs FCSPs

State Advisory Committee

Providers/Faith Communities

Family Caregivers

Family Connection F2FHIC

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SC’s ADRC/LGOA, Respite Coalition & F2FHIC Collaboration: A work in progress

• **Historical**
  – Family Connection - Respite Coalition co-founder
  – Office on Aging – Respite Coalition Advisory Board
  – First ADRC had Family Partner co-located

• **Current**
  – Driven by funding through the AoA funded Lifespan Respite Grant
  – Cross-training – Conference support
  – Referrals to each other
  – Documentation of referrals
  – Local “Meet and Greets”
Coordinate Information, Referral and Assistance

Provide outreach, information & screening for respite services

Family to Family Health Care Information and Education Center

Aging & Disability Resource Centers

Connect families to respite early in the process
SC’s Coordinated Lifespan Respite System:
A work in progress

| SC Respite Coalition | • Statewide
|                       | • Focus on **Lifespan** respite
| ADRC/SC Access       | • 10 regional ADRC’s located AAAs
|                       | • Focus on **older adults and adults with disabilities**
|                       | • Families with children (e.g., GRG)
| F2F HIC              | • Central 800# at Family Connection
|                       | • Trained Family Partners statewide
|                       | • Focus – families with **children** age 0-21 with special health care needs
Making Respite Work in the Faith Community
SC Respite Coalition
Building Respite in the Faith Community

• Laying the Foundation
• Respite Solutions Conference
  – 4th annual conference – February 16, 2012
  – Focused on Gatekeepers/Ministry Leaders
  – Teaching Caregivers early in the process
  – Materials – Tools
• Education/Technical Assistance
Building Respite in Faith Communities

- Faith-based Respite Models
  - Family Cooperatives
  - Caregiver’s morning out
  - Inclusive programs (e.g., VBS, youth groups)
  - Care teams/trained respite providers
  - Support groups/bible study (with respite)
  - Respite Site (e.g., ARCC, Brookdale Found. grants)
  - Collaborative respite, faith & community programs
  - Respite Benevolence Program - Voucher
Respite Benevolence Policy

- Respite Voucher Program
  - congregation provides no direct services
  - helps pay for the hiring of a provider that the family chooses
  - payment does not need to be counted as income in their taxes
  - contributors to the fund receive a tax deduction
Next Steps – Expansion Grant

• Building local partnerships for respite – ADHS – local faith groups
• SC Autism Society - SCDDSN - ADHS - local faith groups
• Mini Grants to Faith Groups
Partner Websites

- http://www.screspitecoalition.org
- http://scaccess.agis.com/
- http://www.familyconnections.org/