

What caregivers are saying about The Caregivers Support & Connections Program

"The program gave me peace of mind".

"Appreciated resources as they made me more aware and knowledgeable on how to care for Dad".

"Noticed a positive difference in my loved one's well-being".

"Appreciated the linkage to telehealth, individual therapy, and group therapy".

Need more information on The Caregiver Support & Connections Program?
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A partnership between Erie County Medical Center and Erie County Department for the Aging



While family caregiving can be a genuinely rewarding experience, family caregivers often face challenges that leave them overwhelmed. Some of these challenges include:

Balancing other responsibilities such as work and other family needs along with caregiving

No longer doing activities they enjoy

No time for self care

Financial strain

Depression & Isolation

How The Caregiver Supports and Connections Program Works

- An Archangels caregiver assessment is completed to better understand your caregiving situations, your wants and your needs.
- An individualized care plan is created. The care plan will include the goals you wish to achieve for you and/or your loved one.
- You will be linked with a caregiver specialist to review available services and supports so you can make an informed decision. These supports include how to get help in caring for your loved one so you can get a well needed break.
- Your caregiver specialist will check in with you quarterly, or more if needed, to provide support and update you on any additional community supports available.

Eligibility

- You are the primary caregiver and age 18+
- The person you care for is age 60+ or, if under 60, has a memory impairment
- The person you care for is hospitalized at Erie County Medical Center and has been screened by the Palliative Care Program or Geriatrics Program.
- The person you care for resides in Erie County, New York.

