Welcome to the Aging Advisory Council!



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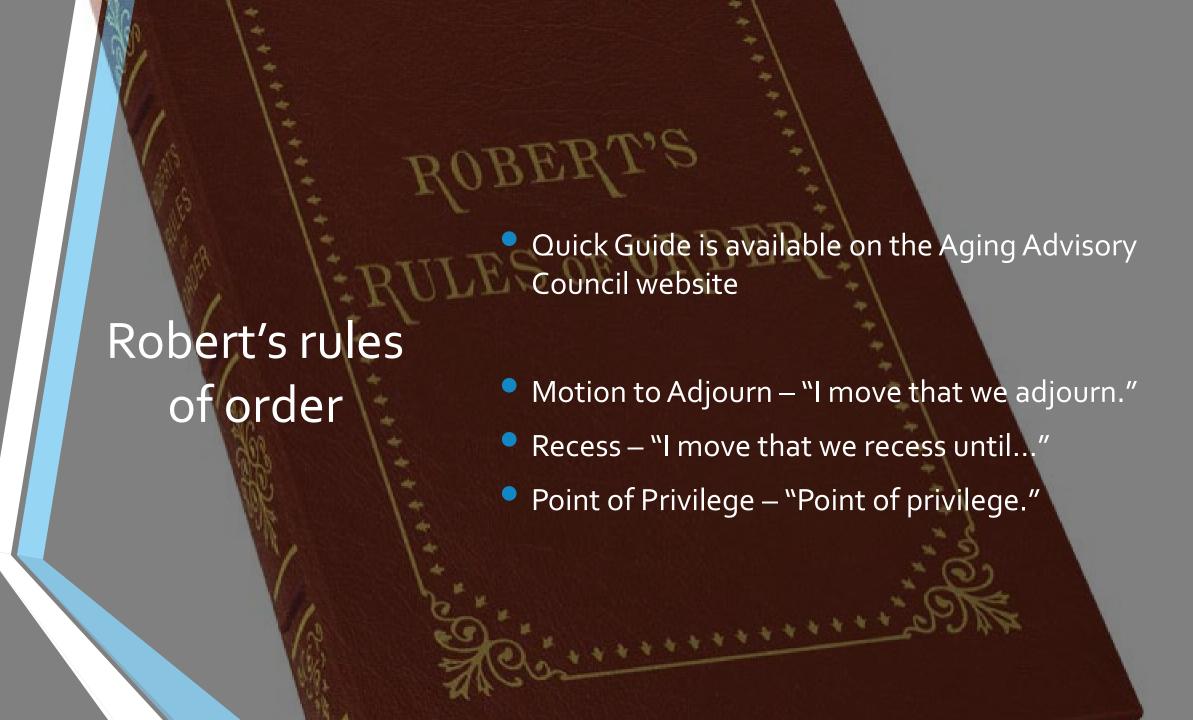
Cell phone etiquette

Please either turn off your cell phone or put it on vibrate.

• If you need assistance, please ask us! We are here to help.

We understand that you may be expecting an important phone call during these meetings.

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YOUR FIRST **FIVE** ACRONYMS!

- Aging Advisory Council = AAC
- 2. Boulder County Area Agency on Aging = BCAAA
- 3. Technical Review Committee = TRC
- 4. Older Americans Act = OAA
- 5. Administration for Community Living = ACL

Christine Vogel BCAAA Manager



Older Americans Act (OAA)

- Enacted by Congress in 1965
 - Title I Declaration of Objectives
- Title II established the U.S. Administration on Aging (AoA) and state agencies on aging to address the social services needs of older adults
 - AoA is now under the Administration of Community Living (ACL)
- Mission is to help older adults maintain maximum independence
- Also covers caregiver support, emergency planning, and evidence-based programming

Older Coloradans Act

- Also known as "Volume 10"
- State legislation that authorizes and guides use of OAA

OAA and Volume
10 fund critical
services that keep
older adults
healthy and
independent



Older Coloradans Act & AAC

- Code of Colorado Regulations
 - 10.215 "Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council"
 - Each AAA shall establish and support an Advisory Council.
 - In selecting the membership of the Advisory Council, the AAA shall ensure potential conflicts of interest are identified and corrected.
 - The AAA shall make efforts that underserved consumers have representation on the Advisory Council.

Aging Advisory Council

- 22 Members Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC)
- Agendas
 - Provider Presentations
 - Training/Education
 - Advocacy Opportunities
 - Subcommittee Work Time

Role of the AAC

Part of the name – advisory council

Serve at the pleasure of the BOCC

Ambassadors in Boulder County

Advocate on matters of public policy

Knowledgeable about aging and available services

Funding recommendations and priority determination (through TRC)



Carlene Okiyama Contract & Compliance Coordinator

Kate LeMere Fiscal & Compliance Specialist

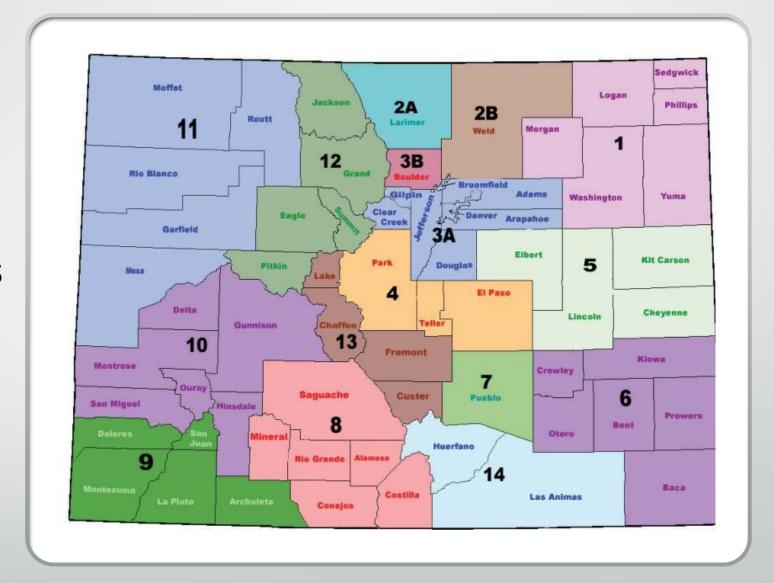


What is an Area Agency on Aging (AAA)?



- AAAs became part of the OAA in 1973
- Respond to the needs of older adults (60+) and their family and informal caregivers in the communities they serve through advocacy, funding, direct service, planning, and education

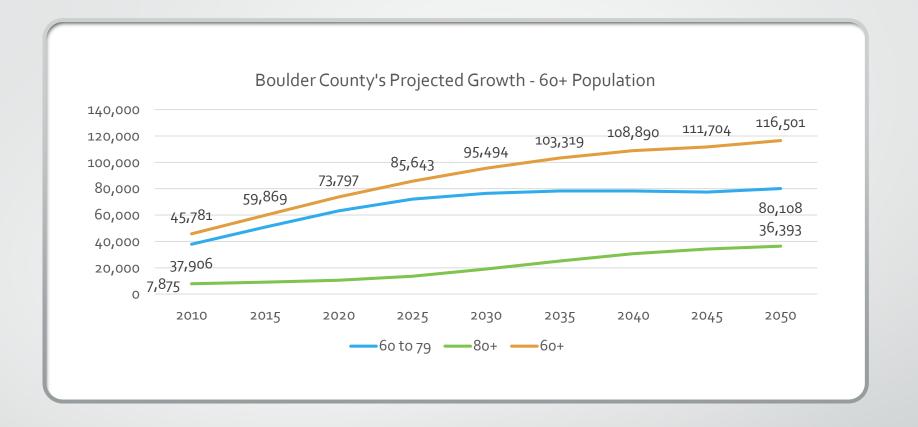
Colorado - 16 AAAs U.S. ~ 622 AAAs



What does BCAAA do?

- Planning and coordination
- Direct services
- Ensures services are provided
- Determine priorities and distribute state and federal funds





Have you heard the news?

Ageism exists in our community.

- One in four (26%) older adults in our community report being treated unfairly or discriminated against because of their age.
- Ageism sustains inequality between age groups, and has been shown to cause cardiovascular stress, lowered level of self-efficacy and decreased productivity.
- Ageism ingrained in our society can become self-fulfilling by promoting stereotypes of decline, social isolation, lack of physical activity, and economic burden.

Subpopulation: LGBTQ+ Older Adults

- Older LGBTQ+ adults experience challenges accessing inclusive, gender-affirming health care and social care.
- LGBTQ+ folks are, on average, poorer and have fewer financial resources than their heterosexual counterparts.
- LGBTQ+ caregivers may face limits in their ability to provide care over the longterm, especially if decision-making is required for the care recipient.
- Social isolation is more prevalent for LGBTQ+ older adults than for the general older adult population.

Boomers

- First Boomers turned 65 in 2011
- First Boomers will turn 85 in 2031

- Last Boomers will turn 65 in 2029
- Last Boomers will turn 85 in 2049





Boulder County AAA Area Plan

- Due every four years to the CO Dept. of Human Services (CDHS)/State Unit on Aging (SUA)
- Outlines the AAA's plan for funding regional services under OAA/State Fund for Senior Services (SFSS) monies
- SUA review and approves the Area Plan
- SUA drafts and submits a State Area Plan which is submitted to ACL



BCAAA Resource Line 303-441-1617



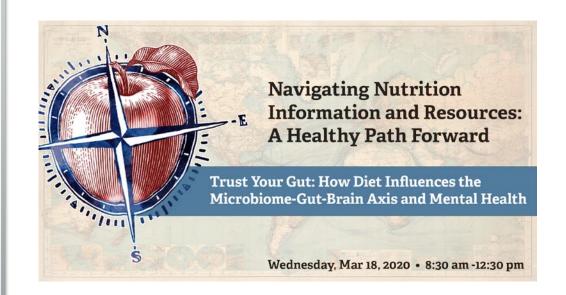


Elder Rights Team

- Long-Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO)
- Respite and Companion Volunteer Program (RCVP)
- LGBTQ+ Outreach
- Project Visibility

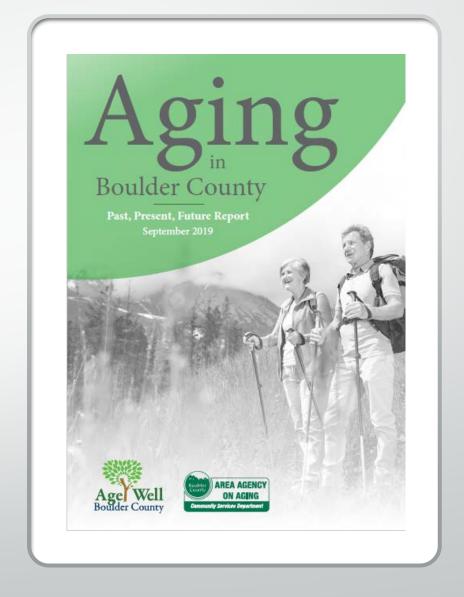
Healthy Aging Team

- Medicare Counseling
- Wellness
- Nutrition



Business Results Team

- Strategic Planning
 - Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults (CASOA)
 - Community Conversations
 - Key Informant Survey
- Advocacy
- Financial Assistance Programs
- Fiscal & Programmatic Compliance and Reporting



Current AAC Subcommittees Aging in Community

Health

Support for Caregivers

Communication

Technical Review Committee (TRC)

2020 Projects

Age Well Strategic Plan

Reaching and creating goals set by subcommittees through Feb. 2021

Ramping up advocacy and outreach in the community

Responding to the needs of the community

Your total number of acronyms are now at 13!

- Colorado Department of Human Services = CDHS
- State Unit on Aging = SUA
- State Funds for Senior Services = SFSS
- Aging and Disability Resources for Colorado = ADRC
- Long-Term Care Ombudsman = LTCO
- Respite and Companion Volunteer Program = RCVP
- Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults = CASOA
- Board of County Commissioners = BOCC