

## Alameda County Care Alliance Advanced Illness Care Program™

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## Alameda County Care Alliance



A faith-based community advanced illness care navigation program that helps persons needing advanced illness care and their caregivers







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### ACCA Hub and Expansion Churches





Alameda County and Contra Costa County

- Allen Temple Baptist Church
- Glad Tidings Church of God in Christ
- Family Bible Fellowship
- Center of Hope
- Greater St. John MBC
- Parchester First
- Church by the Side of the Road
- Bethlehem Baptist
- Word Assembly
- Covenant Center
- Miracles of Faith
- ACTS Full Gospel

### **ACCA Advanced Illness Care Program™**



Addresses needs, provides trusted resources, and empowers participants in 5 big cornerstones



#### **Spiritual Needs**

Prayer, support group, and church ministry recommendations



#### **Health and Physical Needs**

Empowerment, medication lists, provider communication, referrals



#### **Planning for Advance Care**

Understanding preferences for advanced illness care management



#### **Social Needs**

Transportation, meals, housing, socialization



#### **Caregiving Needs**

Respite care, support groups

### **Care Navigators**





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- Active faith community members
- Lay workers trained in community outreach and advanced illness care
- Build trusting relationships
- Recruit and enroll PNCs and Caregivers
- Determine participant needs
- Empower, encourage, advocate
- Recommend trusted resources
- Document program activities



# **Care Navigator Training**



- Curriculum Modules: Building Trusting Relationships, HIPAA Privacy and Confidentiality, Advanced Illnesses, End of Life Care, Palliative and Hospice Care, Advance Care Planning, Advance Directives, Caregiver Support, ACCA Program Roles and Responsibilities, Elder Abuse, Spiritual Journey, Conflict Resolution, Active Listening, Motivational Interviewing Techniques, Emotional Support, Self-Care, and Community Participatory Training.
- Tours and discussions with local health systems, palliative care programs, care transition programs, hospices, community organizations
- Presentations from local community organizations

## **Key Findings**



#### **Enrollment:**

- 540 PNC/Caregivers; 45% not hub church members (Year 1)
- Over 700 more participants, expansion to 7 new churches (Year 2)

#### Resources (year 1):

- Care navigators recommended over 1,000 resources to meet participant needs
- Over 80% have been received

#### **Top referrals/resources provided (year 1):**

- prayer (73%)
- food/groceries (48%)
- Introduction to advance care planning (47%)
  - 26%: discussed wishes with agent
  - 30%: ADs complete/in progress
  - **18%**: POLST complete/in progress





https://ww2.kqed.org/stateofhealth/ 2016/09/06/alameda-county-churcheshelp-patients-navigate-social-health-