

For more information about our Citizens' Advisory Council, contact Sarah Aasheim, Director of Community Programs at 413.538.9020 x536 saasheim@accesscarepartners.org www.accesscarepartners.org

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At Access Care Partners, our mission is to preserve the dignity, independence, and quality of life of older adults and persons with disabilities and chronic conditions *OF ALL AGES*.

What Is The Citizens' Advisory Council?

It's a group of active members of our local communities who advise Access Care Partners on planning and implementing services for older adults and caregivers in our area. With input from the Advisory Council regarding the needs in their communities, Access Care Partners provides vital resources and services for older adults, especially experiencing financial hardships and/or social isolation.

Who Can Be On TheCitizens' Advisory Council?

Anyone who lives and/or works in Holyoke, Chicopee, Granby, South Hadley, Ludlow, Belchertown or Ware! We're always ready to welcome new members who are passionate about supporting older adults in our region. While no special qualifications are needed, we do appreciate previous experience working with older adults as well as people from diverse backgrounds.

What Are A Council Member's Responsibilities?

We want to hear from you! The best way to contribute as an Advisory Council Member is to speak with the members of your community and let us know the problems and challenges you see affecting older adults in your town or city. If there is an opportunity to support caregivers or provide a service that helps older adults to live more independently in your communities—we want to know that!

How Often Does The Council Meet?

The Advisory Council meets once per month for about 1 hour, rotating locations in our service communities (usually at local senior centers). There are no meetings held in the months of July and August. For less than two hours every month, you can make a major impact in the lives of people in your own community!