



NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR CAREGIVING CAREGIVING CHAMPIONS PROGRAM

The Caregiving Champions program seeks to recognize leaders who have raised awareness of the issues facing family caregivers in our society. In general, Champions have incorporated family caregivers into their work on healthcare, healthcare reform, disability, aging, and long-term care issues.

For policymakers, this may include introducing or supporting legislation that would: support long-term services and supports for family caregivers; include caregivers in medical records (including electronic records); or protect appropriations for caregiver support programs. Champions may also give public testimony or speeches on family caregivers. Administrative and executive branch policymakers may provide support through state or federal programs on caregiving (such as a regulation to include caregivers in the new models of care delivery).

For other leaders, Champions are people who have influence in their state and community that are willing to develop relationships with policymakers to advance issues related to family caregiving.

Help Us Grow This Network by Nominating a Champion

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Find Your Champion

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Senator Baldwin was born in Madison, Wisconsin and raised by her grandparents in the Badger State. She graduated from Madison West High School and went on to double-major in political science and mathematics at Smith College. In 1989, she received her law degree from UW-Madison.

With a deep commitment to public service, she served on the Madison City Council, the Dane County Board of Supervisors and in the Wisconsin State Assembly. In 1996, Wisconsin's 2nd Congressional District elected Baldwin as the state's first female member of Congress. In 2012, she was elected to the U.S. Senate as Wisconsin's first woman to serve in the Senate and the first openly gay member elected to the Senate.

Senator Baldwin has long been a supporter of older adults and is committed to strengthening their retirement security. While serving in the U.S. House of Representatives, she introduced the Family Fares Act to expand the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) to cover all part-time workers that were caring for a loved one. In addition, Senator Baldwin co-signed legislation to support the Elder Justice Act and is a strong advocate for the reauthorization of the Older Americans Act.

Senator Baldwin serves on the U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP), the Senate Budget Committee, the U.S. Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, the U.S. Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, and the U.S. Senate Special Committee on Aging.

"The Older Americans Act has been a nearly 50-year-old promise—enacted in the same year as the creation of Medicare—that seniors in our country may live in dignity, with independence, and in the comfort of their own homes," said Senator Baldwin.

"Though Older Americans Act programs often serve as a lifeline to seniors, their importance is too often forgotten by lawmakers."

The National Alliance of Caregiving is proud to recognize Senator Baldwin for her consistent support for our aging population and their families.

ADVOCACY RESOURCES

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[Caregiver Coalition Advocacy Guide](#)