

## Adopt A Grandparent Program

### Long Term Care Facility Procedure Information

1. Develop specific criteria for planning and carrying out the Adopt A Grandparent Program.
  - a. Identify the group (day cares, Scout groups, church groups, 4-H groups, local school, etc.) and age group of students your facility would like to target for the Adopt A Grandparent program.
  - b. Introduce the program to all group leaders in the identified group. Identify one person to be the main point of contact between the group and long term care facility.
  - c. Gather student numbers from participating group. Group students 2-3 per resident. Identify number of facility residents needed to participate in the program.
  - d. Set up time frames for visits with group leaders: specific days, time, and length of visits.
  - e. Provide training to groups prior to first meeting. Training might include information about resident rights, infection control, communication techniques, hearing/visual issues and center policies (example: HIPAA)
2. Identify residents through a process who would benefit from participating in the program. Approach each resident for consent; include information in care plan meetings, if appropriate. Ask residents to sign a participation and photo/video consent form.
  - a. Advise residents that activities will be held in a central location. Ask residents not to give students anything.
  - b. Remind residents that snacks will be provided by the facility for residents and students.
3. Evaluate each visit for needed changes, additional training and resident participation involvement.
4. Communicate any necessary changes or information to specific individuals participating in the program. (example: resident hospital admittance, discharges and deaths)
5. Document student and resident participation.