



**GROWING OLD IN UNCERTAIN TIMES:
AGING SERVICES PROTECTION INITIATIVE
2013-14 BUDGET PRIORITIES**

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Older adults are the fastest growing segment of NY State's population. Aging is an uncertain process. Growing old in these uncertain times is even more anxiety provoking and complex.

A continuum of community-based services to serve vulnerable elders is key. To that end, we've chosen to prioritize these and have enclosed policy statements and recommendations:

- **Case management – Fund at \$5 million**
- **Elder abuse services –**
 - **Fund at \$5 million** (includes full restoration \$450,000 for Lifespan and then disseminate rest statewide. NYC gets about 40% of funds usually based on population size)
 - **Legislative changes to address financial elder abuse**
- **Adult Day Services – Fund at \$1.5 million**
- **Transportation – Fund at \$2 million**
- **Census correction – Restore funding for Census Adjustment for Expanded In Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) - \$809,500 and Community Services for the Elderly (CSE) - \$325,150**
- **Emergency preparedness- Recommendations to include the aging services network in emergency preparedness planning and allocate necessary funds**

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