

**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER
OF DENTON COUNTY
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Partnership Agreement:

The North Central Texas Aging and Disability Resource Center (NCT-ADRC) in Denton County is an interagency initiative, funded by the Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS) and supported by the United Way of Denton County, DADS Regional Local Services, the North Central Texas Council of Governments' Area Agency on Aging, Denton County MHMR, and REACH Resource Centers on Independent Living. Its purpose is to provide greater access to public and private benefits for persons of all ages who have disabilities, assist persons with disabilities, and/or want to plan for long-term supports and services in advance of need. It does not create new services, but strives to better coordinate existing services.

The NCT-ADRC in Denton County intends to better coordinate existing services by designating agency liaisons, providing training for professionals, consumers and advocates; providing navigation services to consumers with multiple, complex needs; continuously expanding a data base of resource information and offering professionals technologies to more easily identify services that can benefit consumers.

The NCT-ADRC of Denton County welcomes agencies—both not-for-profit and for-profit—to become partners. Partner agencies can choose terms of partnership and redefine these terms at any time by giving written notice to the NCT-ADRC staff liaison (Doni Van Ryswyk, at: dvanrywyk@nctcog.org) or Local Project Coordinator (Brooke Moore, at: brooke@unitedwaydenton.org). However, all partner agencies are asked to designate at least one liaison, who agrees to provide information to professionals and consumers about agency programs and eligibility criteria, as questions arise.

_____ (partner agency) hereby agrees to serve as a partner in the NCT-ADRC of Denton County and, as such, makes the following commitments:

Commitments (please initial all that apply):

1. ___ Promote ADRC training events to Agency staff and partner agencies, as appropriate
2. ___ Promote ADRC training events to Agency consumers, as appropriate
3. ___ Share information about new services—either within or beyond the Agency—with 2-1-1 (LaShandra Denson, E-Mail: ldenson@ccgd.org)
4. ___ Share information about Agency training events that are open to the public with the ADRC Local Project Coordinator (Brooke Moore, E-Mail: brooke@unitedwaydenton.org)

5. ___ Help conduct training on Agency services with partners and/or public, as requested
6. ___ Provide recommendations to ADRC Regional Project Coordinator and/or Local Project Coordinator on processes for streamlining consumers' and professionals' access to long-term supports and services
7. ___ Take advantage of ADRC technologies, such as GatherPath professional networking software
8. ___ Refer consumers with multiple, complex needs to the ADRC
9. ___ Provide input regarding development of ADRC marketing plan
10. ___ Other (please specify) _____

Name of Partner Agency: _____

Authorized Representative: _____

Title of Representative: _____

Name of Partner Agency Liaison: _____

Partner Agency Liaison Address:

Partner Agency Liaison Phone: _____

Partner Agency Liaison Fax: _____

Partner Agency Liaison E-Mail: _____

Signed forms (Pages 1 and 2) can be sent to:

**North Central Texas Aging & Disability Resource Center of Denton County
NCTADRCDC - Local Project Coordinator - Brooke Moore**

Brooke Moore at brooke@unitedwaydenton.org or FAX to 940-898-8976.

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**North Central Texas Aging & Disability Resource Center
Collin - Denton - Hood and Somervell Counties, Texas
NCT-ADRC - Staff Liaison - Doni Van Ryswyk**

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GatherPath

GatherPath is a password-protected web-based network that combines the power of live interaction with archival information.

For your free access code to this online community network, sponsored by the North Central Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC), please sign the two page memorandum of understanding, acknowledging your desire to take advantage of ADRC technologies (by initialing "Commitments" #7) and become a community partner.

If you want to learn more about GatherPath contact Doni Van Ryswyk, Aging Program Manager, North Central Texas Area Agency on Aging, at metro (817) 695-9193, or E-Mail her at: dvanryswyk@nctcog.org.

**Additional information about GatherPath can be found on the GatherPath website:
<http://www.gatherpath.com/about.html>.**