

Overview for Aging & Adult Services

Vision

Arkansas citizens are healthy, safe and enjoy a high quality of life.

Mission

We promote the health, safety, and independence of older Arkansans and adults with physical disabilities.

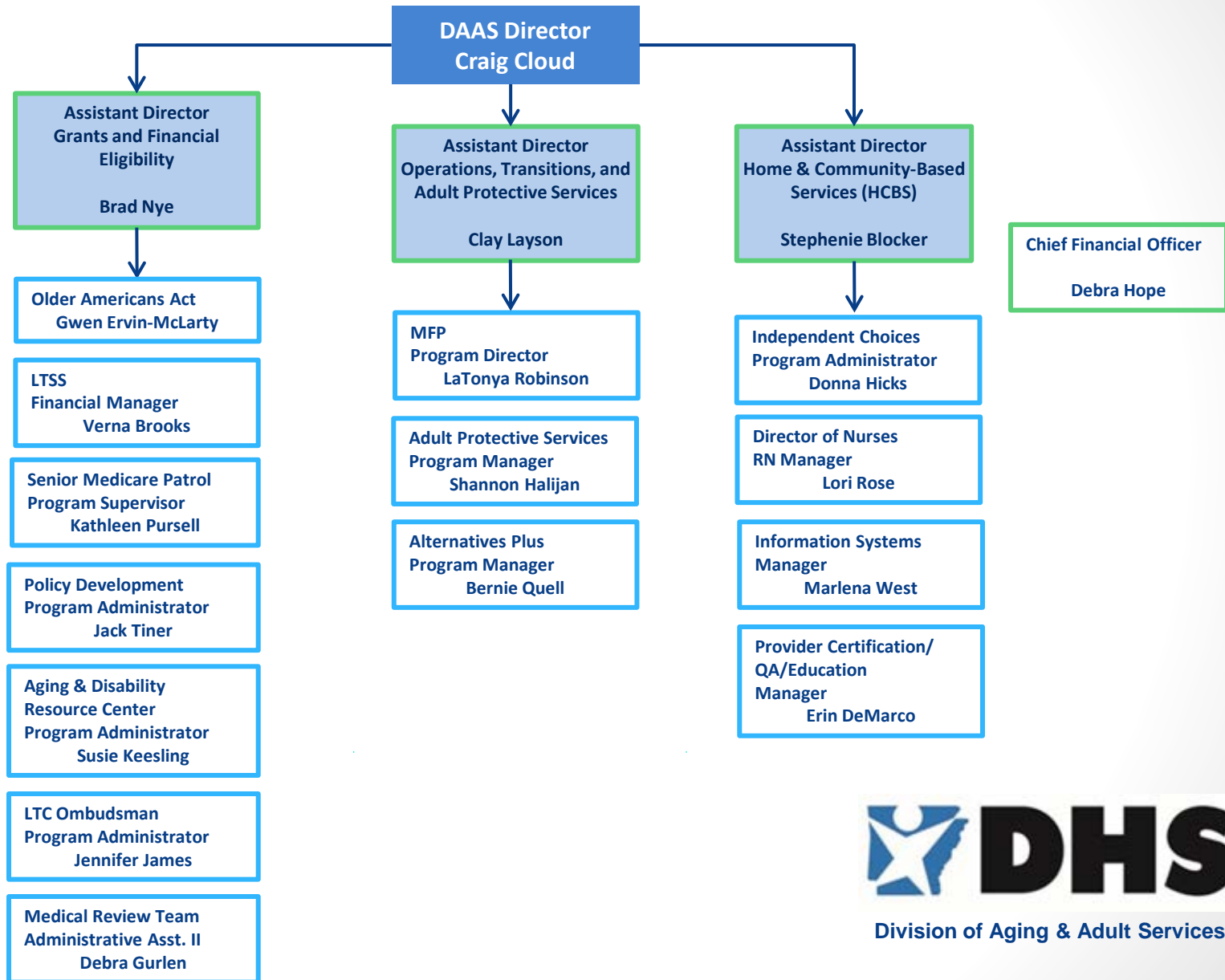
Core Values

Compassion, Courage, Respect, Integrity, Trust, & Accountability



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Organization



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Grants and Financial Eligibility

- The [Older Americans Act \(OAA\)](#) manages a wide-range of services and programs through the eight Area Agencies on Aging to help older Arkansans age 60 and over, regardless of income, remain healthy, independent, and safe. Some services include meals, transportation, nutrition education, disease prevention, legal services, employment, and many others.
- The Choices in Living Resource Center is an [Aging and Disability Resource Center \(ADRC\)](#) that provides information about long-term services and supports in Arkansas. Trained counselors help Arkansans sort through the many options that are available and to assist them in making informed decisions. Anyone may contact the ADRC for assistance — there is never a cost.
- The [Office of the State LTC Ombudsman](#) and its volunteers advocate for residents of nursing homes and residential care facilities by investigating and resolving complaints.



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Home & Community-Based Services

- Four HCBS Medicaid Programs
 - **ARChoices in Homecare Waiver**, which provides a full-range of Medicaid services in the individual's home and community.
 - **Living Choices**, a Level II Assisted living Facility Medicaid Waiver, pays the ALF to provide a full-range of services while clients pay room and board.
 - **Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)** provides and coordinates primary, preventative, acute, and LTSS services for people needing nursing facility care.
 - **Independent Choices** provides Medicaid recipients receiving personal care and/or ARChoices attendant care services the option of self-directing their care in their homes.



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DAAS Funding Sources

DAAS receives funding to support its mission through a variety of sources:

- State General Revenue
- Federal Revenues
 - Medicaid
 - Administration on Community Living
 - Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
 - U.S. Department of Labor
 - U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Special Revenues
 - Cigarette Tax (Meals on Wheels program)
 - In God We Trust License Plates
- Other Revenues
 - Adult Protective Services Central Registry Fees
 - Administration for Children and Families
 - AAA State Income Tax Check-Off
 - Miscellaneous Foundations



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Adult Protective Services

- **Adult Protective Services (APS)** investigates maltreatment, abuse, neglect and exploitation of individuals age 18 and older.
- **APS can** legally act if an adult is:
 - Endangered — In a situation or condition which poses an imminent risk of death or bodily harm.

AND

- Lacks Capacity — Demonstrates a lack of capacity to comprehend the nature and consequences of remaining in that situation.
- **APS cannot** take custody for purposes of seeking:
 - Acute psychiatric treatment or chronic mental health treatment.
 - Alcohol or drug abuse treatment.
 - Protection from domestic abuse if the person is competent.
 - Consent to medical treatment.



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