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## Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana Selected to Three National Learning Collaboratives

*Fort Wayne, Ind.* – Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc. (AIHS) has been selected to be part of three national learning collaboratives: chosen by the Administration for Community Living (ACL) to join the Network Expansion Track of the Community Care Hub National Learning Community (NLC); chosen by Scripps Gerontology Center at Miami University to join the National Caregiving Collaborative; and chosen by the Aging & Disability Business Institute to join the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Collaborative. AIHS is the only organization from Indiana to be represented on all three collaboratives.

Each collaborative has its own focus but all three support cooperative workforce across state lines to streamline access and service delivery to all individuals within the aging & disability network:

- **Community Care Hub National Learning Community (NLC)** The main purpose is to address health-related social needs and public health needs through contracts with health care entities.
- National Caregiving Learning Collaborative The main purpose is to better understand the most effective means to promote successful implementation, adoption, and sustainability of organizational practices to benefit caregivers.
- Building Accountability for Health Equity Learning Collaborative The main purpose is to equip Area Agency on Aging leaders with the knowledge and skills necessary to build and sustain accountability mechanisms and institutional capacity essential to implementing, tracking, and reporting on efforts to address health disparities.

"AIHS prides itself in being a national leader in the development and implementation of innovative strategy to reach and serve older adults, people with disabilities and family caregivers," says AIHS President & CEO Connie Benton Wolfe. "We are honored to have been selected to these three collaboratives to not only share our expertise but to also learn and gain valuable resources to continue our top-notch service to the most vulnerable of northeast Indiana Hoosiers."

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**Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc.** (AIHS), a federal and state designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC), is a non-profit community-based organization with a mission to promote dignity, independence, and advocacy for older adults, persons with disabilities and their caregivers. AIHS has gained national recognition as a community leader transforming the traditional social services model into an integrated care model which bridges health care, behavioral health and community services to better serve vulnerable, at-risk populations.