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DEMENTIA RESPITE INNOVATION

Key Takeaways from "Sustaining Respite Innovations in HCBS Lessons" 2024-25 Keys to Sustainability Webinar # 4

Community Based Home Health (CBHH) Model

- Unique program aspects
 - Interdisciplinary, person-centered care
 - Biosocial assessments completed by RN-Ns
 - Active across multiple settings home, hospital, primary care
 - Provide early intervention, caregiver support & chronic disease management

Challenges in Cost and Scalability

- RN Navigators often unreimbursable
- Staffing issues turnover and shortages
- Data collection time consuming, staff burden
- Scaling cost-prohibitive

o CareMobi (app) as a Solution

- Data entry is completed by caregivers
- Data is shared immediately and automatically with family and care team
- Reduces manual tasks by care team reducing staff burden and cost
- Increases team/family communication increasing trust, continuity and transparency
- Lightweight tech adoption low barrier to entry for all parties

Results & Outcomes

- High caregiver satisfaction & engagement
- Increased retention at adult day service centers
- Decreased severe depression & loneliness
- Improved quality of life, nutrition, & pain management

Sustainability Efforts

- Pursuing paid subscription model for larger organizations
- Pursuing SBIR/STTR funding for commercialization
- Advocating policy adoption for tech-enabled respite
- Integrating into Medicaid waivers

Action Steps for Grantees

- Choose tools that reduce burden
- Design affordable and adaptable solutions
- Engage researchers as partners
- Collaborate early and often with all members of the community