

## **The Kiosk for Living Well Receives Prestigious Aging Innovations Award from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a)**

Greater Lynn Senior Services (GLSS) announces that The Kiosk for Living Well has received recognition from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) with an *Aging Innovations Award*, the highest honor presented by n4a to member agencies. The awards program is supported by WellCare. The Kiosk for Living Well was among the top 16 of 52 local aging programs to receive honors, which will be presented at the n4a Annual Conference & Tradeshow, July 29–August 2, in Savannah, GA. In addition to receiving the award, GLSS' program will be featured in Booth #415 during the convention's tradeshow at the Savannah International Trade and Convention Center.

The 2017 n4a *Aging Innovations and Achievement Awards* recognizes Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and Title VI Native American aging programs that develop and implement cutting-edge approaches to support older adults, people with disabilities, and their family caregivers. A part of the criteria for the selection of the honorees was the ease with which other agencies could replicate the program in their communities.

“With the health care landscape continuing to change rapidly, our members are discovering new ways to position themselves in the long-term and health care marketplaces, as well as to strengthen long-standing services, to meet the needs of America’s rapidly growing older adult population,” said n4a’s Chief Executive Officer Sandy Markwood. “Our members work tirelessly, and with little fanfare in their communities, and this program enables us to shine a well-deserved spotlight on their critical work to support older adults’ health, safety, independence and dignity,” Ms. Markwood added.

The Kiosk for Living Well was developed by GLSS and is offered throughout the North Shore in partnership with Greater North Shore Link and several of its member agencies: GLSS, North Shore Elder Services, and SeniorCare, Inc. Located at community “pulse-points” such as senior/community centers and housing sites, the program offers a unique approach to better health and well-being. “People can use its touch-screen technology to play brain games, exercise, or research a health condition; monitor blood pressure with Healthy Hearts Nurses; improve balance, strength, and mobility with the MoveSafe Counselor, and much, much more,” said Paul T. Crowley, GLSS’ Chief Executive Officer. “We are helping to achieve better health outcomes for some of the most vulnerable in our communities and, in the process, lowering the overall cost of health care.” The program was instrumental in the successful implementation of the City of Lynn’s Prevention and Wellness Trust Fund grant, specifically in the areas of falls prevention and controlling heart disease. A new site is scheduled to open at the Lynn Community Health Center in the coming weeks.

Greater Lynn Senior Services is the nonprofit Aging Services Access Point and Area Agency on Aging serving people age 60 and older and adults living with disabilities in Lynn, Lynnfield, Nahant, Saugus, and Swampscott, MA. Through its leadership role in Greater North Shore Link (formerly, the Aging and Disability Resource Consortium of the Greater North Shore), as well as

its unique position as one of the largest transportation/paratransit providers in the region, the Agency's reach and impact extends well beyond its five-community service area with a focus on creating more livable communities for all. To learn more, visit: [www.thekioskforlivingwell.org](http://www.thekioskforlivingwell.org) or [www.glss.net](http://www.glss.net).

The National Association of Area Agencies on Aging (n4a) is the leading voice on aging issues for the 622 Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) across the country and a champion in our nation's capital for the 256 Title VI Native American aging programs. n4a's primary mission is to build the capacity of our members so they can help older adults and people with disabilities live with dignity and choices in their homes and communities for as long as possible. ([www.n4a.org](http://www.n4a.org) / [www.facebook.com/n4aACTION](https://www.facebook.com/n4aACTION))

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