

- Have an elderly or disabled loved one, friend or neighbor about whom you are concerned?
- Noticing that the person isn't as independent as they once were and seems to be "slipping"?
- Concerned that he or she may need additional services in order to remain in the community?
- Lost in the sea of resources offered throughout Frederick County, wondering where to turn?

The AERS Program might be able to help!

A nurse or social worker can provide a **FREE** community-based medical and psycho-social evaluation, and make recommendations and referrals to enhance the quality of life and well-being of your loved one.



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Frederick County AERS Program

Contact Us

To schedule an in-home evaluation, contact **MAP at 301-600-1234** or the AERS Office Services Clerk

Monday - Friday

8:00am - 4:30pm

Phone AERS: (301) 600-1736

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Frederick County Assessments, Evaluation and Review Services (AERS)

WHAT IS AERS?

Assessments, Evaluation and Review Services (AERS) is a Maryland Medicaid Program. It provides comprehensive evaluations for aged and functionally disabled individuals who need long term care and are at risk of institutionalization. AERS staff is made up of nurses and social workers.

HOW DOES AERS HELP?

- » AERS staff is located in the Frederick County Health Department.
- » The team of nurses and social workers provides a comprehensive medical/nursing, environmental and psychosocial assessment.
- » The evaluation is conducted in the individual's home or current residence.
- » Upon completion of the evaluation, the team develops a plan of care recommending services that may enable the individual to remain at home or in the least restrictive environment.

Every effort is made to obtain the appropriate services to meet each individual's needs.

OTHER AERS SERVICES

Preadmission Screening and Resident Review Services (PASRR)

AERS staff evaluates individuals seeking placement in a nursing facility who have, or are suspected of having, a diagnosed mental illness, a developmental disability, or both.

Statewide Evaluation and Planning Services

AERS staff conducts a comprehensive preadmission evaluation on anyone at risk of facility placement, as mandated by Maryland law. The individual must be at risk for placement and be a Medicaid recipient, or be eligible for Medicaid within six (6) months of entering the facility.

Other Adults with Functional Disabilities

AERS evaluates anyone who does not have Medicaid, but may be at risk of institutionalization and requests an evaluation to help identify home and community based services that will help maintain the individual in the least restrictive environment.

Geriatric Evaluation Services (GES)

AERS staff performs the role of GES as required by State law. Anyone ages 65 years and older referred for admission to a State psychiatric facility is evaluated. Staff recommends the least restrictive environment. The individual must be at risk for placement and be a Medicaid recipient, or be eligible for Medicaid within six (6) months of entering the facility.

Additional Services

AERS also completes assessments for home-based services for adults and children with active community Medicaid/Medical Assistance (MA) benefits. Community Options programs for Medicaid recipients include the Community Options Waiver (COW), the Community First Choice (CFC) program, and the Community Personal Assistance Program (CPAS).

