**Family Caregivers Subcommittee Meeting – 10/1/24**

* The group was reminded that all subcommittees have been charged with thinking about data and how to take the recommendations and share progress, hopefully through a dashboard. Missouri is committed to transparency and making sure the MPA is actionable.
* The group reviewed California’s MPA Dashboard as an example of how to visualize data and track progress towards strategic goals
	+ Responses to California's dashboard
		- The group liked how visual it is an easy to manipulate
		- The group liked that the strategy and data are included. Data without the strategy is not helpful for the general public
		- The group liked the simple/overarching categories of the goal
		- The group thought it was helpful to have an overview of the purpose of the MPA specifically related to each subcommittee/silo
* Other suggestions that were discussed when thinking about a dashboard for the Missouri MPA
	+ The group wants to make sure there are summary statements for policy makers
	+ It is important to show financial savings and the return on investment for family caregivers
	+ It would be helpful to show activities that are going towards achieving the initiative
	+ It would be helpful to measure hours caregivers provide, who often work 24 hours/ day. Caregiving also removes some people from the workforce, creating other mental health needs. AARP may have some data quantifying this
	+ It was noted that by supporting those providing kinship care (especially with children not part of child welfare system), there are millions of dollars saved by the state each year by keeping these children out of the child welfare system
	+ It is also important to consider folks who are just over the threshold for being head of household or collecting Medicaid
	+ It was noted that caregivers often need immediate information and resources.
* A subset of subcommittee members will meet to refine the data related to this subcommittee’s recommendations and bring it back to the full group to review at the next meeting