A New Multidisciplinary Coalition to Combat Older Adult Malnutrition

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ACTIONS taken by the DMT coalition The DMT coalition looks forward:

May 2016:

National webinar with

over 300 participants

January 2016:

Senate Finance Committee

(first legislative comment

November 2015:

(first comment submission)

government-sponsored diverse group of

organizations committed to promoting

and implementing Healthy People 2020

across the nation. Each day, consortium

members work to achieve the Healthy

People 2020 goals and objectives. (See

HealthyPeople2020.gov to learn more.)

The Healthy People Consortium is a

Healthy People 2020

senate.gov)

Chronic Care Working Group

submission). (See www.finance.

September 2016: Malnutrition Advocacy Day briefing and Hill visits with over 60 participants

Launch of the Malnutrition Quality Collaborative

Launch of the Malnutrition Quality Improvement Initiative

April 2016:

FY 2017 Appropriations bills released (first funding comments submission)

December 2015:

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) propose revised discharge planning requirements (first regulatory submission). (See CMS.gov to learn more.)

October 2015:

DefeatMalnutrition.Today coalition founded

FUTURE ACTIONS

- Create Malnutrition Quality Collaborative blueprint
- Continue to advocate for state resolutions and legislation
- Submit comments for Healthy People 2030
- Include malnutrition in new Older Americans Act regulations

AARP Foundation

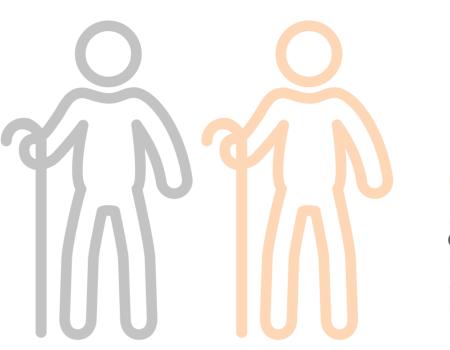
Abbott Nutrition

AgeWell Senior Services

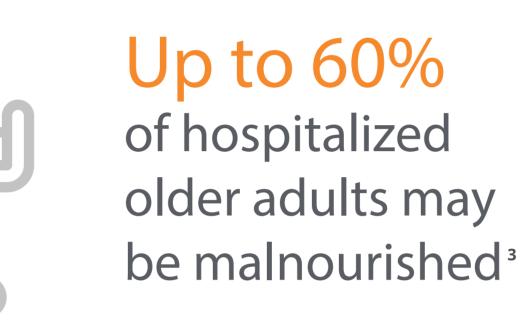
Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

- Raise public awareness of older adult malnutrition
- Adopt quality measures by CMS

WHY MALNUTRITION?



2 older adults are at risk for malnutrition 1,2





How long malnutrition increases length of hospital stays²

Malnutrition leads to more complications, falls, and readmissions ⁴

\$51.3 Billion (US)

Estimated annual cost of disease-associated malnutrition in older adults in the US⁵

DMT coalition MEMBERS

47 current members

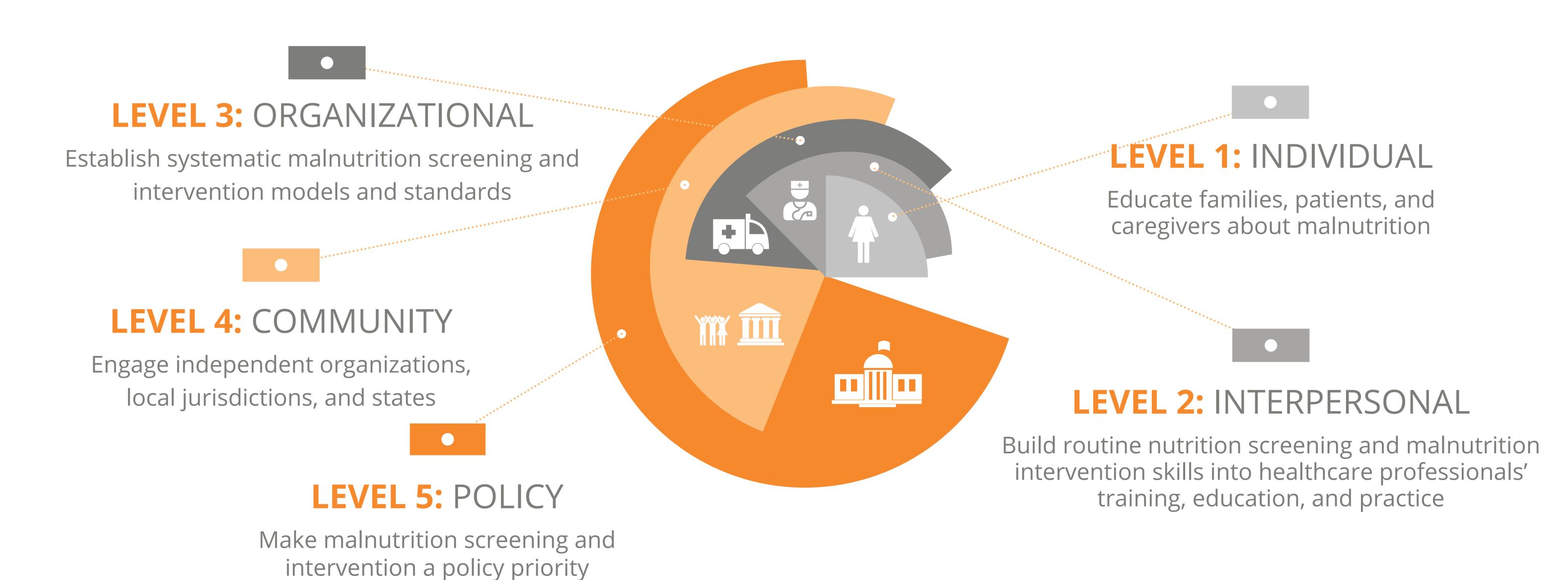
International

National

State

 Alliance for Aging Research Altarum Institute Center for Elder Care and Advanced Illness Alzheimer's Foundation of America American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition (A.S.P.E.N.) American Society on Aging AOTA Area Agency on Aging 3 (Lima, OH) Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Berks Encore Chautauqua County Office for the Aging Community ServingsElder Justice Coalition Feeding America Generations United The Gerontological Society of America God's Love We Deliver Helping Hands of Las Vegas Valley International Council on Active Aging Latino Integrative Nutrition Initiative (LINI) Maryland Department of Aging Meals on Wheels America Meals on Wheels Association of Pennsylvania Meals on Wheels Fairfield County Meals on Wheels of Lehigh County NACOG AAA National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs (NANASP) National Black Nurses Association National Council on Aging National Hispanic Council on Aging National Hispanic Medical Association National Indian Council on Aging National Medical Association National Recreation and Park Association National Silver Haired Congress

The challenge of malnutrition in older adults: APPROACHING THE PROBLEM WITH A SOCIAL-ECOLOGICAL MODEL®



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Society for Nutrition Education and Behavior

State of NC's OAA Nutrition Services

Textured Food Innovations

VNA Meals on Wheels

NETWORK

RetireSafe

SeniorServ

Salvation Army