MISSION STATEMENT:
To improve self-care and independence among our tribal elders, who deserve optimal health and wellness, through coordination of elder services.
RESPITE

Respite care is care provided to grandparents so they may have a break. Respite care can be provided in the home or outside the home.

The program provides a voucher to be used over a three-month period. Funds may also be used for other activities to give the grandparent a break.

WHO’S WHO?

• Caregiver - the grandparent providing for the child/children
• Care recipient - child/children up to age 18
• Respite care provider - the person chosen by you to provide care and who is paid by a voucher through the caregiver

ELIGIBILITY

• Caregiver and/or child must have a CDIB
• Parent of the child cannot live in the home
• Caregiver must be related to the child by blood, marriage, foster parent or adoption and live with the child
• Child must not be over the age of 18
• Respite provider may be family, a friend, or anyone else who does not live in the home
• Live within the boundaries of the Choctaw Nation

RESPITE APPLICATION

Email name of caregiver, care recipient, phone number and address to healthyaging@cnhsa.com. This will begin the respite application process. There is additional paperwork that will be mailed and will need to be filled out and sent back.

Note: This does not guarantee qualification for the program. All caregivers need to speak with a representative to ensure they qualify.

COORDINATION OF SERVICES

The program will enable grandparents the opportunity to increase their awareness and to gain access to the services which can improve their quality of life. Therefore, the program will coordinate activities with Tribal, local and community agencies.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT SERVICES

Healthy Aging Grandparent Raising Grandchildren can assist with obtaining access to (but not limited):

• Transportation needs
• School supplies
• Cultural activities
• Beading supplies
• Gardening supplies
• Clothing
• Day trips to museums or camps
• School events
• Fishing supplies
• Legal services
• Daycare