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Just getting some very rough numbers from quick data extractions. There may be a variable missing which throws these data into ruins, but as a first blush, here they are.

III E clients who received respite services in FY14 – **1,181** at \$767,642
AAR clients who received respite services in FY14 – **1,079** at \$493,806
RNR clients who received respite services in FY14 – **686** at \$539,582

A total of 2350 unique, unduplicated clients received respite in FY14.

Were a client to receive full time respite at \$15.84 per hour (Newberry) for 8 hours a day over the 250 days of the year (365 – 104 weekend days – 11 holidays) = \$31,680.

The high water mark for a Newberry client was 1140 hours at \$18,069 for the year.

If every respite client were to take full advantage of 8 hour a day “respite” for the full year, it would be \$74,448,000 (\$31,680 * 2350 clients).

This does not include the daily transportation costs, which would easily add \$10 a day to the cost, equating to \$5,875,000 in additional expenditures.

Many assumptions abound.

8 hours a day presumes transportation provided by a third party. If the caregiver provides transportation on the way to work, does 8 hours of work, and picks their care receiver up on the way home, there will be extra time added to the 8 hours of respite.

Even if one in ten of those currently receiving respite services take full advantage of the program, it would be \$8 million on top of the cost of the other nine of ten.

It is unclear how many people who are not currently in the program would join the program in order to have their loved one in full time day care while they are at work.

FYI,
-Kevin