The three primary goals for caregivers identified in TCARE are:

(1) Maintain current identity: The goal appropriate for caregivers who experience modest levels of identity discrepancy and stress and are willing and able to continue in their current role. Suggested support services will help caregivers make small adjustments in their personal norms and the manner in which they undertake their caregiving responsibilities.

(2) Embrace caregiver identity: The goal appropriate for caregivers who are likely to benefit from embracing a stronger identity as a caregiver and releasing, to some degree, their commitment to a familial identity. Suggested support services will encourage the caregiver to accept a greater identity with the caregiver role.

(3) Reduce caregiver identity: The goal appropriate for caregivers who are engaged in a level of caregiving that requires emotional or physical resources beyond their capability. Suggested support services will encourage caregivers to explore ways to reduce workload and stress related to their caregiving role.

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