



**Office for  
the Aging**

## **Professional Development Webinar Series Fall 2015**

**The Association on Aging in New York  
and  
The New York State Office for Aging (NYSOFA)  
are pleased to present a Professional Development Webinar Series.**

**All of the following webinars are **FREE!!****

**\*\*\*Registration is required\*\*\***

### **1. Models for Collaborative Intervention in Complex Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Cases**

**Friday, October 9 / 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

Gain a better understanding of the value of multidisciplinary teams (MDT) as an intervention in complex cases of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Learn about the resources, challenges and the process for establishing local MDTs. Get an overview of MDT models that have been implemented to date in New York City and upstate New York, including the innovative Enhanced Multidisciplinary Teams (E-MDT) that make use of forensic accountants to investigate and analyze cases of financial exploitation of older adults.

**Presenters:**

**Risa Breckman**, LCSW, Director, NYC Elder Abuse Center

**Paul L. Caccamise**, LMSW, ACSW, Vice President for Program, Lifespan

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### **2. Ready, Set, Home**

**Friday, October 16 / 10:30am - 11:30am**

Gain a better understanding of how to work with local hospitals, sub-acute rehabs, and

skilled nursing facilities to help patients and residents return to community living using the resources of NY Connects. Learn about how other states are using their Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRC) to provide options counseling, short term case management, and other services through Medicaid funding.

**Presenters:**

**Karen Adamo**, ADRC Representative, Erie County Department of Senior Services

**Diane Oyler**, Coordinator of Neighborhood Services, Erie County Department of Senior Services

**Daniel Szewc**, Long Term Care Coordinator, Erie County Department of Senior Services

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### 3. Transitioning Back into the Community

**Friday, October 23 / 10:30am - 11:30am**

Learn about the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Transition Center and Peer Outreach & Referral programs project designed to help Medicaid eligible individuals living in nursing homes return to community. This project, funded by the Department of Health as part of the federal MFP demonstration, is designed to help Medicaid eligible individuals living in nursing homes return to the community and assists individuals with developmental disabilities living in large group homes with the transition to smaller community.

**Presenters:**

**Suzanne de Beaumont**, Project Director MFP Transition Center, New York Association on Independent Living

**Zach Garafalo**, Program Director MFP Peer Outreach, New York Association on Independent Living

**Lindsay Miller**, Executive Director, New York Association on Independent Living

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### 4. The Brave New World of Volunteer Leadership

**Monday, October 26 / 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

Over the past four years Aging Network Volunteer Resource Center with the Self-directed Volunteer Network has analyzed research, literature, demonstrations, and emerging practices across the field of older adult volunteering and service in both the public and private sectors. Learn about the research-based volunteer engagement model they developed to aid volunteer recruitment and retention while reducing the need for labor intensive staff management, administration and oversight of volunteers.

**Presenters:**

**Tom Endres**, Director, Aging Network Volunteer Collaborative, National Association of Area Agencies

**Terry Kaelber**, Director, Community Engagement Projects, United Neighborhood Houses of NY

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## 5. Identifying and Preventing Suicide Among Older Adults

Friday, October 30 / 10:30am - 11:30am

*This Webinar is co-sponsored by the Geriatric Mental Health Alliance of New York (GMHA)*

Older adults are among the highest risk groups for suicide, but many providers who work with older adults may not know how to identify suicide risk or know what to do to reduce risk once they know an older adult is considering suicide. This webinar will enable participants to: 1) describe key risk factors for suicide for older adults, including clinically significant depression; 2) identify methods to determine suicidal ideation among older adults and 3) engage older adults in meaningful discussions about depression and/or suicide in order to increase the opportunities for engagement in treatment and/or safety planning for suicide prevention.

### Presenters:

**Dr. Patrick Raue**, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry, Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University

**Amy Stern**, LCSW, Clinical Social Worker / Therapist, Weill Cornell Medical College of Cornell University

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