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1st Annual Convening to develop a national vision to address sexual abuses against persons with disabilities

NAPSA Pre-Conference August 19, 2019 - Denver, Colorado 8:00 am – 11:30 am Cost: \$75

The Convening is a pre-conference discussion with self-advocates and stakeholders, to develop a national vision and plan to address sexual abuses against persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Be a part of this premier opportunity for stakeholders from various disciplines including disability services, advocacy groups, social services, adult protective services, law enforcement, health care providers as well as state and federal agencies to take part in a national conversation to:

- Address the complexities of sexual abuse against persons with disabilities
- Discuss strategies to prevent, identify and support sexual assault victims with disabilities
- Learn about trauma-informed care and innovative Peer Support practices
- Generate ideas how to move trauma-informed care forward
- Hear about promising practices

The Convening is provided through a partnership between National Peer Support Leaders, Building Partnerships for the Protection of Persons with Disabilities Initiative (BPI), MA Disabled Persons Protection Commission (DPPC), California Board Resource Center (BRC) and the National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA).

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE

Monday August 19, 2019	
8:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Convene
12:30 PM -1:30 PM	Welcome and Opening Remarks
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	Workshop Sessions 1
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Workshop Sessions 2
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	Welcome Reception
Tuesday August 20, 2019	
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Workshop Sessions 3
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM	General Session 1
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	Awards Luncheon (Lunch Provided)
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	Workshop Sessions 4
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM	Workshop Sessions 5
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM	Post-conference Session
Wednesday August 21, 2019	
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Workshop Sessions 6
10:30 AM - 12:00 PM	General Session 2
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Workshop Sessions 7
3:15 PM - 4:45 PM	Workshop Sessions 8
5:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Closing Remarks
Thursday August 22, 2019	
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM	10th Annual Summit on Elder Financial Exploitation (Additional Charge)

REGISTRATION FEES

NAPSA Member (*Early Discount*)* \$450 Non-Member (*Early Discount*)* \$525

NAPSA Member \$525

Non-Member \$575

Elder Financial Exploitation Summit \$175

*Early price is available until Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 12:00 AM ET



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NAPSA welcomes all current and former Adult Protective Service (APS) agencies, institutions, workers, and all supporters—any person or agency with an interest in APS and/or elders and adults with disabilities who are victims of abuse, exploitation and/or neglect. For membership questions or concerns, please contact us at <u>www.napsa-</u><u>now.org/contact</u>.

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Keynote Speakers

Monday, August 19, 2019



Deputy Assistant Secretary for Aging, **Edwin Walker** will provide updates on the exciting ways the Administration for Community Living supports Adult Protective Services. Get the latest updates on the National Adult Maltreatment Reporting System, progress towards the newly revised voluntary consensus driven APS Guidelines, APS Enhancement Grants, Older Americans Act Reauthorization and much more!

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

Andy Mao, the Coordinator of the Department of Justice's Elder Justice Initiative, will provide an overview of the Department's efforts and explore areas for greater collaboration and coordination of elder justice efforts.



Wednesday, August 21, 2019



Forging Strategic Alliances with Disability Advocates This panel presentation will highlight how Adult Protective Services and other government agencies can effectively partner with disability advocates and organizations. Discussion will focus on strategies for achieving shared legislative and public policy goals.





Panelists:

Carol Stamatakis (Executive Director Senior Solution) **Kathy Bates** (Owner, Wings and Wheels Consulting Services) **Patty Quatieri** (Peer Support Leader) **Nancy Alterio** (Executive Director Commonwealth of Massachusetts Disabled Persons Protection Commis-sion)



WORKSHOP SESSIONS 1 MONDAY 8/19/2019 | 1:45 PM - 3:15 PM

101 - A Case for Differential Response in Adult Protective Services Christen Mason, Arapahoe County Human Services Lori Metz, Larimer County Human Services

This workshop proposes the need for a pilot of differential response "Aging in America" reports the number of Americans ages 65 and APS Outcomes, and Trauma-Informed Care over is projected to more than double from 46 million today to over Pi-Ju (Marian) Liu, Purdue University 98 million in 2060. Given this information it will be important that Bonnie J. Olsen, University of Southern California the Adult Protection Agencies are able to provide customized re- Lisa Gibbs, University of California, Irvine sponses to adults and families experiencing elder abuse. Differential Response (DR) for the pilot includes two tracks, Alternative Assess- ACL's Elder Justice Innovation Grants support the development and adult and family/community networks, their strengths and services of the Interview for Decisional Abilities (IDA), a semi-structured interworks in certain cases.

Recognize, Report and Respond to Abuse

Jennifer Edwards-Hawkins, Disabled Persons Protection Commission Anne Monti, Disabled Persons Protection Commission Susan Moriarty, Massachusetts Advocates Standing Strong Pauline Bosma, Massachusetts Advo cates Standing Strong

This workshop introduces and demonstrates the Awareness and Action (A&A) Trainer Guide and Curriculum developed for and by per- Over the past two years the City & County of San Francisco, Departsons with intellectual and developmental disabilities and others on ment of Aging and Adult Services has implemented a mobile workrecognizing, reporting and responding to abuse. The A&A curricu- force for its Adult Protective Services staff. San Francisco is a large lum, taught by a team of 3-5 people with and without disabilities, urban environment where office costs and staff commute time, and involves participants in the most active learning process possible. It costs are high. In order to reduce costs and time for both the Deincludes many types of instructional aides geared to reach persons partment and employees a mobile work option has been created for with a variety of learning styles and abilities so information is accessi- staff. This workshop will highlight the stages of the project impleble to and understood by all participants. Teaching people about mentation and highlight the benefits and hurdles. Findings from calrecognizing, reporting and responding to abuse will empower and endar review, space changes and staff surveys will highlight why a help keep them safer in their daily lives. The workshop includes vari- mobile environment is beneficial for Adult Protective Services Staff. A ous interactive activities led by an A&A training coordinator and self- component of a mobile environment is setting performance and advocate trainer. Participants will review the A&A Trainer Guide quality standards for staff. We will review these standards and dewhich provides all A&A trainers with the necessary skills, attitudes termine how they have been maintained throughout the project imand knowledge to teach the challenging topic of abuse to a very di- plementation. verse group of people. The guide contains training tips, preparation guidelines, information on facilitation, but most importantly an un- 105 - Improving Your Investigative Skills: Interviewing Alleged Perderstanding that this topic can be emotional and affects both train- petrators/Suspects

ers and participants. An A&A Participant Workbook and training video which reinforce learning post training will be available for review. Through examination and discussion of all training materials, participants will acquire the necessary understanding to replicate this training in their state. Careful and sensitive training, provided by individuals with and without disabilities, is the first step in breaking down barriers to reporting abuse and thereby enabling people with disabilities to live meaningful lives within their communities.

in adult protective services. The Population Reference Bureau's 103 - Evidence-Based Advances: Interview for Decisional Abilities,

ment Response (AAR), in which abuse findings are not made for alle- advancement of emerging APS practices. California received three of gations of low or moderate abuse, and Investigative Response (IR), these grants in 2017. The principle investigators will present their where abuse findings are made for high risk allegations. Mirroring DR project, and form a panel to discuss and compare these innovations. in Child Protection, AAR in APS would focus on partnership with the The University of Southern California trains APS workers on the use needed to support safety, versus the single incident focus of IR. Both view tool that guides workers to make judgments about clients' deci-AAR and IR would use a balanced and rigorous assessment of safety, sion making ability and leads to improved case management. Findrisk and protective factors as well as ascertainment of facts to deter- ings from a randomized control trial evaluating the reliability and mine the strengths and needs of the adult at risk of maltreatment. validity of the tool and associated training strategy will be presented Strategies proposed for the AAR track include: the alleged victim not along with implications for APS practice. Purdue University pilots the required to be interviewed outside of the presence of the perpetra- Identification, Services, and Outcomes (ISO) Matrix in San Francisco tor, the victim/perpetrator may be contacted to schedule an ap- and Napa, a tool that defines indicators of abuse and interventions in pointment for the home visit, and there is no required determination order to increase consistency of APS practice. Findings suggested regarding the abuse. Objectives of this approach include better as- that referrals and services reduce risk of some types of abuse, and sessments resulting from improved engagement of at risk adults and factors impacting services effectiveness will be discussed. The Unitheir families and reduction of harm caused to familial support net- versity of California, Irvine developed a curriculum and training for APS and community agencies on how to integrate elements of trauma-informed care (TIC) into their practice to reduce the harm caused 102 - Awareness & Action: Educating Persons with Disabilities to by elder abuse. UCI also tests integration of a case-management component into their Elder Abuse Forensic Center and evaluated the legal services available to elder abuse survivors in Orange County.

104 - Implementation of a Mobile Work Environment for Adult Protective Services Staff

Thomas McGeorge, LCSW, PMP, City & County of San Francisco, Department of Aging and Adult Services

Candace Heisler, JD, Heisler and Associates

tocols are considered. This workshop will balance discussions high- decade. These diverse shelter models provide emergency and tempolighting differences and potential conflicts with exploring defenses rary housing in the following settings: skilled nursing, assisted living, and justifications, addressing barriers to disclosure, defusing volatili- independent living, and foster homes. The shelter movement is a importance and key components of documenting the interview.

and Less Restrictive Alternatives

Erica Costello, JD, Indiana Supreme Court Melissa Keyes, JD, Indiana Disability Rights

care of individuals whom the court has determined are not capable ter options as well as share lessons learned to assist new and emergof taking care of themselves. It is legal substituted decision-making ing shelter communities. and affects the lives of many vulnerable adults. This presentation will provide information to adult protective services staff, and other pro- 109 - Taking Action: Assisting Older Victims of Financial Fraud fessionals working with vulnerable adults, on the concepts of legal Laura Cook, National Center for Victims of Crime guardianship, including: 1) what is guardianship; 2) how guardian- Keeley Frank, National Center for Victims of Crime ships are obtained; and 3) how guardianships affect vulnerable Christine Kieffer, FINRA Investor Education Foundation adults. This presentation will also provide information on existing alternatives to guardianship, including supported decision-making, Millions of Americans become victims of financial crimes every year. which enables adults to choose other persons they trust to help them This training will walk you through the accessible, victim-centered make important life decisions. In supported decision-making, the approaches for assisting victims of financial fraud. Learn step-by-step adult retains the legal right to make decisions and have those deci- strategies for addressing four major types of financial crime: identity sions recognized. Supported decision-making concepts can also be theft, investment fraud, mortgage and lending fraud, and mass marused in existing guardianships as a way to practice decision-making keting scams. We will also discuss financial exploitation, and focus on skills that may lead to the restoration of rights. Finally, attendees will common schemes that target older adults. We will discuss specific be provided with information on Indiana's Working Interdisciplinary and concrete action steps that can be taken to address these crimes, Networks of Guardianship Stakeholders (WINGS) judicial reform grant along with a multitude of resources available to victims. project. The goal of the project is to reduce the need for guardianships through the use of supported decision-making, and other less restrictive alternatives. This project began on June 1, 2017, and is currently being implemented in the Wayne Superior Court, Wayne County, Indiana. At the end of the grant project, there will be a working model for supported decision-making that could be implemented in other communities.

107 - Personal Safety on the Job Part 1 Dan Elliot, Dan Elliot LLC

This interactive presentation addresses the personal safety risks and challenges associated with adult protective services. It will provide strategies for workers to reduce risk when they encounter challeng- Research shows one in ten older adults (called at-risk adults in Coloing or potentially threatening situations that involve upset, emotion- rado) are victims of abuse, neglect, and/or financially exploitation ally charged, or angry clients or others they may have contact with. every year. Abuse cuts across all demographic groups, and causes Some of the topics covered are The Four "A"s of Safety, reading cli- untold suffering. Many of these victims live their last years impoverents' behavior and how they read ours, de-escalation of emotional ished, injured, neglected, and in fear. In many cases there is little efstates, and environmental safety awareness. The workshop offers fective protection, attention, or help from any system. A staggering 1 tools for assessment of risk and best practices of violence prevention in 24 cases of abuse of older victims are not reported or known to and intervention in one's professional and personal life.

tions for Abused and Neglected Older Adults

Tovah Kasdin, J.D., ElderSAFE Center Joy Solomon, Esq., The Weinberg Center for Elder Justice Chrissy Swanson, NHA, SavaSeniorCare Tracy Munson, MSW, El Paso County DHS

While both APS and law enforcement interview alleged perpetrators/ This workshop will highlight the coalition of shelters for abused and suspects, there are differences in their goals, focus, and approach. neglected older adults across the United States-the SPRiNG Alli-These differences can create conflicts when joint interviews and pro- ance—and how this movement has greatly expanded over the last ty, and overcoming resistance. Finally, the session will discuss the central component of a coordinated community response, working closely with multidisciplinary partners such as: Adult Protective Services, specialized police and prosecutor units, first responders, social 106 - Knowing Your Options: Understanding Legal Guardianship service agencies, anti-violence programs, hospitals, and faith leaders to assist the various and complex needs of these vulnerable adults. In this workshop, the SPRING Alliance coalition partners from three different programs and in three different stages of development (less than five years, five years, and over ten years) will share their guid-Guardianship involves a legal proceeding to appoint a person to take ance for creating strong multidisciplinary partnerships to create shel-

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 2 MONDAY 8/19/2019 | 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

201 - Breaking Down the Silos, A Collaborative Response to Mistreatment of At-Risk Adults

Charles Szatkowski, Colorado Springs Police Department Tracy Munson, Supervisor Adult Protective Services Scott Bartlett, Ombudsman Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments Shana Leeper, The Resource Exchange

any service network. Many of the reported situations are complex, involving co-occurring abuse types requiring responses from multiple 108 - SPRING Alliance Shelter Movement: Expanding Shelter Op- systems. Those responding to elder abuse often operate in silos, unaware of parallel investigations and unable to access the knowledge and resources needed to respond effectively. Professionals working in isolation are often hampered by the limits of their own expertise and authority. Thus, gaps in care or service duplication often occur. In contrast, Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDT) are a powerful personconsider each older victim's situation and individual strengths, needs work and preferences when creating a response. In Colorado Springs, a Sylvia Pla-Raith, Ohio Attorney General mid-sized metropolitan area of approximately 600,000 residents, the proving this community's response to abuse of at-risk adults. We will helps frame approaches to addressing family violence in later life. address the use of memorandums of understanding, as a means of protecting confidentiality while openly sharing information. We will 205 - Partnerships that Work in APS Research: Measuring the Imshow how we conduct collaborative investigations including the in- pact of Innovation terviewing of witnesses, victims, and suspects as a team, and, how Patti Tosti, MBA, PMP, TN DHS, Adult Protective Services we created a civilian criminal investigator's position within the police Holly Ramsey-Klawsnik, PhD, NAPSA department, which is funded, 50/50 by the police department and Pamela Teaster, PhD, Virginia Tech department of human services. The position is currently staffed by a David Burnes, PhD, University of Toronto retired homicide detective who has attended the social worker acad- Erin Salvo, Maine Adult Protective Services emy and who staffs cases daily with APS. This presentation will shed Jennifer Cotter, National Council on Crime and Delinquency light on the importance of a collaborative, interagency model devel- Kama Chase, Arizona Adult Protective Services oped to enhance detection, investigation, and prevention of elder abuse and mistreatment.

Matter

Maria Greene, WRMA

istration for Community Living

During this session participates will be a part of an engaging discus- sues will also be addressed. sion on this topic including information on the Administration for Community Living (ACL) programs and Working Interdisciplinary Net- 206 - Protection and Advocacy Systems 101 works of Guardianship Stakeholders (WINGS). We will dig deep into a Mary Anne Harvey, Disability Law Colorado couple of case scenarios involving the work of APS, community based Ophelia M. McLain, DHA, Administration on Intellectual and Developorganizations, and client decisional capacity.

203 - How the Department of Justice is Helping APS Clients

Shelly L. Jackson, Elder Justice Initiative Matthew Colon, US Department of Justice

Prevention and Prosecution Act was enacted. The Elder Justice Initi- Native American consortium. In this session, ACL staff and a P&A diative within the Department of Justice has been engaged in imple- rector will provide an overview of the Protection and Advocacy sysmenting the contours of this law, including training for newly ap- tems designed to advocate for persons with disabilities and how they pointed Elder Justice Coordinators (EJCs). One of the mandates in interact with APS programs. Audience members will be invited to EAPPA is the appointment of an EJC in each US Attorney's Office to share their experiences and recommendations for working with facilitate the prosecution of crimes against older adults. During the these programs, comment on findings from the literature review, and past decade, the Department's victim compensation program has discuss the challenges posed by investigations of abuse, neglect, and returned more than \$4 billion in forfeited assets to victims, through exploitation involving persons with disabilities. the granting of petitions for remission, or by transferring forfeited funds to courts for payment of restitution through restoration. Learn 207 - Personal Safety on the Job Part 2 how these entities within the Department of Justice are working to Dan Elliot, Dan Elliot LLC improve the lives of APS clients by more vigorously holding offenders accountable while to the extent possible restoring assets to victims. This interactive presentation addresses the personal safety risks and Time will be allotted for audience questions.

centered, highly coordinated intervention. MDT members carefully 204 - Interfacing Caregiver Stress, Elder Abuse & the Service Net-

following agencies have been working together since 2005 to en- This is an interactive workshop that is designed to help victim service hance the provision of services and the investigation of the abuse of professionals, health care providers and adult protective services at-risk adults; Colorado Springs Police Department, El Paso County workers to recognize common justifications that may be used by (Colorado) Adult Protective Services (APS), The Resource Exchange family caregivers to excuse the abuse, neglect and exploitation of (TRE, our community centered board that coordinates services for older adults. This workshop will identify the different types tactics people with intellectual and developmental disabilities), and the and behaviors that the perpetrator uses to force abuse in an ongoing Pikes Peak Area Agency on Aging Ombudsman. The presentation will relationship where trust. The participant will learn to recognize that use case studies to show the efficacy of collaboration towards im- power and control dynamics exist in some elder abuse situations

With the increased interest in data, quality metrics, and evidencebased practice on the part of state legislatures, the federal govern-202 - Balancing Autonomy and Protection: Your Clients' Decisions ment, and private funders, APS programs need to understand the benefits in partnering with researchers to measure their impact, provide guidance for improvement, and to support their commitment to Hilary Dalin, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Admin- program innovation. This workshop will highlight existing successful partnerships from around the country. You will learn the different Lori Stiegel, American Bar Association, Commission on Law and Aging stages of collaboration, and the benefits and challenges of working with researchers. Practical questions about how to find a researcher, There are multiple ways to support your clients' decision making. protecting workers' time, safeguarding client privacy, and other is-

mental Disabilities

An often-overlooked aspect of APS investigations is the need to provide protection to persons with disabilities. The Administration on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Administration on Disabilities, Administration for Community Living (ACL) funds Protection In October, 2017, President Trump signed into law the Elder Abuse and Advocacy (P&) Systems in every state and territory as well as a

challenges associated with adult protective services. It will provide strategies for workers to reduce risk when they encounter challenging or potentially threatening situations that involve upset, emotion- innovative Sexual Assault Response Unit designed specifically to help ally charged, or angry clients or others they may have contact with. adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) cope Some of the topics covered are The Four "A"s of Safety, reading cli- with the aftermath of sexual abuse. Utilizing the Principles of Trauma ents' behavior and how they read ours, de-escalation of emotional Informed Care, the Sexual Assault Response Unit has four primary states, and environmental safety awareness. The workshop offers components: Peer Support Services that provide support to survivors tools for assessment of risk and best practices of violence prevention from someone in their own community and outreach to systems and intervention in one's professional and personal life.

tecting All from Abuse and Neglect

mental Disabilities

Hilary Dalin, Administration for Community Living

individuals live free from abuse and neglect and have access to re- shop by explaining how she experienced and healed from the trauma sources in situations where they need protection. This session will of sexual assault. She will challenge us to view survivors with disabiliprovide an overview of ACL's aging and disability programs with par- ties through a trauma-informed lens instead of solely a disability ticular emphasis on programs that work in a variety of ways to pro- lens. The team will describe the role of the SARU at DPPC and the tect older adults and people with intellectual and developmental success that the unit has achieved in increasing meaningful access to disabilities. Participants will receive updates from Administration on trauma services after abuse. Both numerical and experiential data Aging, Office of Elder Justice and Adult Protective Services staff relat- will be discussed. Leigh-Ann Barry will share her own story, current ed to APS. They will also learn about programs funded by the Admin- work as a Peer Support Leader and Self-Care practices. istration on Disabilities, including University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities, Protection and Advocacy Systems, State 302 - APS Guardianship: A client centered commitment to enhanc-Councils on Developmental Disabilities, and Centers for Independent ing quality of life Living. Participants will also learn about joint efforts in ACL to pro- Bettina Morrow, Jeffeson County Human Services APS mote supported decision making and best practices in guardianship. Jamie Domagata, Jefferson County Human Services APS

dence: Summary by Center for Victim Research

Storm Ervin, Urban Institute Erica Henderson, Urban Institute

consequences is an ongoing challenge in the field of elder abuse and decision to create a better approach to how they were serving this has left practitioners with limited evidence on effective services and group. The initiative was taken to change the way that APS interacts, interventions for addressing elder abuse. To better gauge what we case manages and serves their guardianship clients in order to enknow, the Center for Victim Research (CVR) conducted a systematic hance their quality of life. Every guardianship client will now have: review of elder abuse research, interventions, and policies to synthe- Dedicated case managers whose sole role is to oversee guardianship size findings from the field. CVR is a one-stop, national resource cen- clients and to maintain a client center approach on their work. This ter for service providers and researchers to connect and access victim allows the APS caseworker to remain focused on the client's specific services research and tools for the field. This workshop will present needs while other APS caseworkers focus on investigations. Anticipatfindings from CVR's Elder Abuse Synthesis to identify where the field ed increase in the time spent with clients at a rate of somewhere needs to grow in our nation's response to elder abuse. Participants between 200% to 250%. Completion of life story books with each will engage in discussions about effective practices and the current individual client utilizing active listening. Personalizing the service state of elder abuse research and learn how CVR can assist service client's receive with additional care such as hand massages, storytellproviders.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 3 TUESDAY 8/20/2019 | 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

301 - Addressing Access for Sexual Assault Survivors: The Sexual **Assault Response Unit in APS**

Jaime Suvak, LMHC, Disabled Persons Protection Commission Bonnie Sullivan, DPPC Patty Quatieri, DPPC Leigh-Ann Barry, DPPC

within their community, Navigation services that provide psychoeducation, personal advocacy and systems advocacy, a clinical matching 208 - The Administration for Community Living Programs: Pro- service that builds clinical treatments options and matches survivors for therapy with clinicians who have expertise in trauma and disabili-Ophelia M. McLain, DHA, Administration on Intellectual and Develop- ties and an Advisory Council comprised of key stakeholders and leaders to advance SARU's state-wide efforts. With Survivor-centered care at the forefront of the work, the voices of Patty Quatieri and Leigh-Ann Barry anchor this innovative new program in Massachu-The Administration for Community Living is invested in ensuring all setts. Informing APS providers, Patty Quatieri will open this work-

209 - What We Know from Elder Abuse Research & Practice Evi- This workshop has been designed to share the revolutionary approach that Jefferson County's APS has developed to deliver improved client centered service with a creative approach to individualizing each guardianship client's care plan. Due to the ongoing belief that guardianship clients were not getting the attention they de-Determining accurate prevalence estimates, risk factors, harms, and served based on the varied workload, Jefferson County APS made the ing, reminiscent therapy, and arts and crafts. Music therapy specifically tailored to the client's individual liking as well as exploring the option of pet therapy. All clients will receive birthday cards, holiday cards and any acknowledgement of specific religious days where appropriate. When and where appropriate, birthday parties will also be arranged for clients. Through a community partnership, it is hoped that clients will be provided with a birthday present, Christmas/ holiday gifts and be able to be taken out to lunch on occasion.

> 303 - Building Rapport with Older Victims of Crime Keeley Frank, National Center for Victims of Crime Laura Cook, National Center for Victims of Crime

In 2017, the Disabled Persons Protection Commission launched an Presenters will discuss possible reasons why older crime victims may

be hesitant to not only report elder abuse, but to then participate in the criminal justice system as witnesses for prosecution. The present- 306 - Examining Federal Elder Justice Efforts ers will use research and case studies to discuss with attendees the Gretta L Goodwin, PhD, U.S. Government Accountability Office dynamics of elder abuse and the demographics of the current older nect Resource Center.

Practice

Pamela Teaster, Center for Gerontology, Virginia Tech Candace Heisler

competing choices to make and challenges to address regarding cli- States. ents whom programs serve. These challenges may arise in the context of the provision of social services, dispensing justice, and ad- 307 - Understanding the Three C's - Competency, Capacity and Condressing legal issues. The purpose of this workshop is discuss timely, sent - in the Criminal Justice System dynamic, thought-provoking, and useful examples of ethical dilem- Elizabeth Dunphy Farris, Legal Counsel, Hampden District Attorney mas that employ a principled approach to ethics and that address current issues affecting how APS responds to the abuse of vulnerable Understanding The Three C's - Competency, Capacity and Consent older adults. The presenters will elucidate predominant current and in the Criminal Justice System, introduces participants to the comfuture conundrums facing APS and a vulnerable older adult popula- plex legal issues involved with the prosecution of crimes committed tion as well as provide frameworks for resolution. We draw upon a against persons with disabilities so that key decisions can be made transdisciplinary approach to explore ethical issues affecting the regarding victim interview(s) and evidence preservation and collecunique and special population of older adults who are vulnerable. tion at the critical stages in the aftermath of a crime. By understand-Specifically, we explore vulnerabilities older adults experience due to ing the legal standards involved for a prosecutor pursing a case in the compromised health (e.g., cognitive impairment, mental illness, and criminal justice system, you can identify and employ successful stratphysical disability); effective status (e.g., gender, ethnicity, sexual egies to meet the legal burdens of proof and pave the way for a prosorientation, religion, and immigrants); and abuse, neglect, and ex- ecutor to proceed with your case. When working together, abuse ploitation.

305 - Evolution of Nevada's EPS Quality Assurance Program

Services Division

Tammy Sever, LSW, State of Nevada, Aging and Disability Services Christopher Dubble, Temple University Harrisburg Division

In this workshop, Nevada will discuss the evolution of their Quality basics of interviewing. It is then not long until we walk into an indi-Assurance (QA) program, development steps, the process and the vidual's home who only gives us short generic answers that do little lessons learned. The EPS and QA teams chose to adopt many of the to help our investigation. We are left frustrated and doubting our Administration for Community Living Voluntary Consensus Guidelines own abilities. While basic interviewing techniques are important, for State Adult Protective Services Systems. These guidelines provide they are often not enough to get the level of evidence from an interfor a core set of principles and common expectations to assist with view that we need. Enhanced Cognitive Interviewing (ECI) is an interconsistency in policy and practice for adult protective service pro- viewing method that has been shown to gather 40% more inforgrams nationwide. The EPS and QA teams elected to use two key mation out of an interview than other methods. ECI also allows inelements addressed within the voluntary guidelines: Case Review- vestigators to better assess the validity of the information being pro-Supervisory Process and Case Worker Initial and Ongoing Training. vided. This workshop takes participants through the principles and used as a tool for the Quality Assurance Team to address areas in account for the diversity of individuals interviewed by APS, time conneed of improvement, as well as to ensure quality services are pro- straints on investigators and our need for trauma informed practices. vided across the state. The Case File Review Form is a tool for supervisors to train new and ongoing staff in areas of proficiency and deficiency. The form is also used to identify areas where policy and procedure may need to be updated or changed within the program. Recommendations will be provided.

adult population in the United States and how these two factors can The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) conducted a relead to a "perfect storm" resulting in an older adult victim that is re- view of federal elder justice efforts, as required by the Elder Abuse luctant to participate. The presenters will provide tips based on years Prevention and Prosecution Act (EAPPA). EAPPA created several new of experience as direct service workers and victim advocates with requirements for elder justice at the federal level and required GAO older victims of crime to assist attendees when they have elder abuse to examine, generally, elder abuse in the federal criminal justice syscases in the future. Additionally, presenters will provide national el- tem and, specifically, the federal government's response to elder der abuse resources available to attendees including the VictimCon- abuse by international criminal enterprises. We will present a general overview of GAO's past work on elder justice issues, with particular focus on our most recent work looking at Department of Justice 304 - Ethics and Vulnerable Elders: Implications for Research and efforts to prevent and deter crime against older adults. In recent years, the federal government has developed several new elder justice initiatives. In particular, the workshop will explore the efforts undertaken by the Department of Justice, including grants and other resources available to state and local partners, as well as, its enforce-Adult Protective Services (APS) is often confronted with multiple and ment efforts to address crime against older adults in the United

committed against persons with disabilities can be successfully recognized, reported, investigated and prosecuted.

Robin Tejada, M.S. Ed, LSW, State of Nevada, Aging and Disability 308 - You Don't Know What You Are Missing: Getting More out of Interviews with ECI

Early in our education in Adult Protective Services we are taught the These guidelines were used to create a Case File Review Form to be techniques of ECI. The method is discussed in practical terms that



401 - Allies in the Good Fight- Law Enforcement and APS Unite

Timothy F.X. Grant, Massachusetts State Police

been investigated in Massachusetts, how law enforcement, APS, and shop will also discuss the Stark County Probate Court's Eldercaring Human Services Agencies can work together in a comprehensive and Coordination Program and the program's success at ensuring the complimentary manner to investigate allegations of crimes against Elder's safety while maintaining the Elder's independence and avoidpersons with disabilities. In the course of presenting the case scenari- ing guardianship. os, the participants will learn what to do and what not to do when an allegation of abuse confronts them. The participants will also learn 405 - Prioritizing Peer Support in Trauma-Informed Responses to how Massachusetts has broken through the barriers, through educat- Sexual Abuse of Persons with a Disability ing both Human Services Agencies, and Law Enforcement, that to be Kecia Weller, Board Resource Center, Inc. successful in fighting crimes against persons with disabilities, they Patricia Quatieri, Disabled Persons Protection Commission must be allies and work together. This presentation has been given at ences.

402 - Safety by Design: Are Your Investigators Safe?

Kevin Levine, AZ DES APS Jennifer Kirchen, AZ APS

project to develop a comprehensive safety curriculum for personnel. Assault Survivor from Massachusetts, are two emerging Peer Support The training spans six online modules and one classroom workshop leaders who advocate for APS tackling this crisis in a traumajointly covering all steps in the investigative process from a safety informed way. In 2017, Ms. Weller helped The National Arc and the perspective. This includes discussion of "Planning Precautions," the Board Resource Center launch an innovative Public Health Campaign types of safety precautions investigators engage prior to field entry, "Let's Talk about Sexual Violence" -- to encourage primary care pro-"Arrival Safety," the steps APS professionals take to ensure their wel- viders to talk about sexual violence with their patients with I/DD. fare when making their initial contact with clients and alleged perpe- Kecia Weller was a driving force behind this project designed to entrators, and "Reporting," the best practices investigators follow for courage discussions on this topic. Ms. Quatieri has worked with the documenting incidents in the field, as well as several modules on the Disabled Persons Protection Commission in Massachusetts since variety of environmental, interpersonal, and clinical risks APS person- 2017 to launch an innovative Sexual Assault Response Unit (SARU) nel might encounter. The presentation will introduce the curriculum designed specifically to help adults with I/DD cope with the afterto NAPSA membership as a potential model for a national Adult Pro- math of sexual abuse. A key component of the SARU is Peer Support tective Safety course and to engender discussion regarding safety in Services. Patty is helping lead the creation of Peer-to-Peer Support APS more generally.

403 - Elder Financial Crimes: It's Just Not a Civil Matter

Sylvia Pla-Raith, Ohio Attorney General

This workshop will address the complexities of elder financial crimes, exploitation and scams. The need for effective civil and criminal legal 406 - Self Neglect - Don't Neglect Yourself (developing best practicadvocacy for victims of elder financial crimes far exceeds current es in service provision) resources. We will examine the case characteristics of civil versus Mary McGavin, Guardian Angel Community Services criminal case elements and the concepts of informed consent, capacity, deception, undue influences that impact on case investigations. Self neglect has arrived as a service provision area for APS providers. tactics to best protect victims.

Program & Eldercaring Coordination

Dixie Park, Stark County Probate Court Douglas Godshall, Stark County Probate Court Caitlin Patrick, Stark County Probate Court

This workshop will provide the Court's perspective on guardianship Candace Heisler, Heisler & Associates oversight and introduce the Stark County Probate Court's Volunteer

Court Angel Program. The Court Angel Program utilizes volunteers to enhance court oversight of the 1800+ persons under guardianship in Stark County. The workshop will highlight program effectiveness at This presentation will demonstrate, through case scenarios that have uncovering and deterring abuse, neglect and exploitation. This work-

past N.A.P.S.A Conferences, and received excellent feedback on the The widespread sexual abuse of persons with intellectual and develevaluations in regards to the relevance of the presentation, and was opmental disabilities (I/DD) is widely recognized as a national health suggested that the presentation be brought back for future confer- crisis and represents a profound challenge for APS leaders. This workshop will focus on the critical role of Peer Support in developing a trauma-informed approach to combat this public health crisis. The workshop will make the argument that Peer Support by survivors of sexual assault with I/DD should be an essential component of any APS response to the epidemic. Kecia Weller, an experienced Disability Rights Leader and Sexual Assault Survivor from California, and Arizona Adult Protective Services recently completed a long-term Patricia Quatieri an experienced Disability Rights Leader and Sexual Services for adults with I/DD who have experienced sexual abuse of any kind. This workshop will introduce the power and importance of Peer Support in all APS efforts to address the epidemic of sexual abuse against persons with I/DD from a trauma-informed perspective.

This workshop promotes a multi-agency approach to the problem of Agencies are wrestling with how to meet the needs of these clients elder financial crimes. Participants will have an increased awareness as an integral part of their programs. This workshop will provide parof the various types of elder crimes and how to implements legal ticipants with actionable information to accomplish this goal. The unique qualities of self neglect will be the focus of this workshop. Program managers and direct service providers will come away from 404 - Guardianship Oversight: Stark County Probate Court Angel this workshop with useful tools to address this challenging area of service provision.

407 - Undue Influence: A Framework for Recognizing, Investigating, & Responding

Mary Joy Quinn

This session will focus on undue influence from legal and psychologi- team members to do their jobs, sharing knowledge gained at team cal perspectives particularly as it affects Adult Protective Services meetings with colleagues, providing training to and getting training professionals. The 2014 addition of a modernized legal definition of from other disciplines, and changing laws, policies, practices, or proundue influence in California civil law prompted the development of grams to strengthen services for victims. a screening tool for undue influence to better identify situations in which undue influence is occurring, has occurred or might occur. 502 - Developing and Testing a Self-Neglect Prevention Program for This workshop will define undue influence, describe its relationship Older and Disabled Adults to capacity and competency, discuss case building and investigative Farida Kassim Ejaz, Ph.D., LISW, FGSA, Benjamin Rose Institute on techniques, and introduce the screening tool which incorporates Aging current case law and statues and may be helpful in civil and criminal Miriam Rose, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging cases. The plain language screening tool was developed in concert Raymond Kirsch, Texas Adult Protective Services with California APS staff and is evidence-based. Suggestions for the Deborah Billa, WellMed Charitable Foundation practical application of the information and the tool for various disciplines will be discussed.

408 - What Have We Learned: Emerging Findings from the NAPSA Self-Neglect Project

Dr. Holly Ramsey-Klawsnik, NAPSA Aiesha Gurley-Parry, ACL Dr. Jason Burnett, UTHealth Medical School

Justice & Adult Protective Services Elder Justice Innovation project, "Self-Neglect Knowledge, Policy, Practice & Research: Realities & receives an in-home assessment that includes the Elder/Adult Self-Needs" has explored the state of scientific knowledge and practice Neglect Assessment conducted by a social worker. An individualized approaches regarding self-neglect. Mixed methods have been em- care plan is developed, referrals are made to home- and communityployed including a 20-year nationwide systematic literature review, based services (HCBS), and follow-ups occur over four months. The nationwide APS program survey research, and selected APS program control group received usual care. To date, 224 intervention and 130 site visits. We have gathered and analyzed available information con- control group (total of 354) baseline research interviews have been cerning the existing and limited body of research, etiological and con- completed. The fact that only 9 patients have been reported to APS tributing factors, frequent outcomes, and approaches used through- so far suggests that a prevention model is working with more paout the nation by APS to respond to vulnerable adults who danger- tients being referred to HCBS. Researchers will describe the extent to ously neglect their own health, safety, homes, finances, and/or well- which HCBS helped improve outcomes (e.g., prevent self-neglect, being. We will discuss selected findings and implications for APS prac- reduce depression), for the intervention versus control groups. APS tice, policy, and research, including: 1) the APS prevalence of self- staff will discuss case studies of patients who were reported to APS. neglect cases reported, screened in, and substantiated during fy '16, They will explain how cross-system collaboration between APS and 2) statistical associations between APS program budgets, staffing and the healthcare system has promoted better communication, expedittraining, and program investigation practices, and 3) case/client ed records requests, and facilitated resource sharing, resulting in screening tools used by APS programs in working with adults report- improved patient safety and outcomes. ed for self-neglect. These findings will be presented and discussed in relation to current APS practices and needs and future ways to better 503 - Elder Abuse Victims in Diverse Communities: Developing Culapproach the public health problem of self-neglect.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 5 TUESDAY 8/20/2019 | 3:45 PM - 5:15 PM

501 - "But We Don't Help Dead People": How Fatality Review Team **Outcomes Benefit APS & Victim Services**

Lori Stiegel, JD, American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging

Elder/adult abuse fatality review teams (EAFRTs) examine deaths related to abuse, neglect, or exploitation to identify system gaps and improve the responses of APS, health care, law enforcement, prosecutors, victim assistance, and other professionals to living victims. Results of a 2017 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime will be discussed by the project director, who wrote Elder Abuse Fatality Review Teams: A Replication Manual (2005), and the project's research assistant. Short-, intermediate-, and long-term outcomes identified by 20+ EAFRTs include enhancing the ability of

This proposal describes an innovative project funded by the Administration for Community Living to develop and test a self-neglect prevention program for older and disabled healthcare patients. Partnerships were developed among Texas Adult Protective Services (APS), a healthcare system, and researchers. The collaborators built on an earlier multi-year partnership during which 529 patients (90% with allegations of self-neglect) were reported to APS. Previous limitations were addressed by using a randomized clinical trial approach to as-Now in its third year and drawing to a close, the NAPSA ACL Elder sign patients with risk factors for self-neglect (e.g., depression, dementia) to intervention and control groups. The intervention group

turally & Linguistically Relevant Services

Sydney Palinkas, LGSW, Charles E. Smith Life Communities KerryAnn Aleibar, LCSW-C, Charles E. Smith Life Communities Tovah Kasdin, J.D, Charles E. Smith Life Communities

This workshop will discuss the importance of cultural competency, sensitivity, and responsiveness in the field of elder abuse. Attendees will learn about the work of ElderSAFE, an elder abuse shelter in Montgomery County, Maryland. ElderSAFE is located in one of the most diverse counties in the United States. The workshop will explore the steps ElderSAFE has taken to effectively serve this diverse community, including translation of materials, a language accessible helpline, and trainings with live interpretation. The workshop will also highlight ElderSAFE's work to meet client's religious and spiritual needs, including the Faith Leaders Education Project. This initiative began in response to seeing how important faith and religion was in the lives of victims. Reaching and successfully meeting the needs of culturally and linguistically marginalized elder abuse victims has many challenges. The workshop will discuss common barriers and ways ElderSAFE overcame some of those challenges in their own

sponsiveness to best meet the needs of diverse clients.

through National Data and Evaluation

Karl Urban, WRMA Maria Greene, WRMA man Services, Administration for Community Living

The Adult Protective Services Technical Assistance Resource Cen- 507 - Is It Simply a Numbers Game? ter (APS TARC), funded by the Administration for Community Jennifer Kirchen, AZ DES APS Living (ACL), is creating new knowledge about APS programs Kathryn Sapp, MO APS through two projects: 1) The National Adult Maltreatment Refor ongoing and future technical assistance efforts. This work- a lively discussion about rates in your state. shop will provide an overview of both projects, will present seof the projects.

Indian Country

Margaret Carson, M.A., L.M.H.C., Muckleshoot Adult Protective Ken Gerow, Ph.D., Department of Statistics, University of Wyoming Services

Country.

bled Massachusetts to bridge gaps in APS

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The two APS agencies in Massachusetts have utilized ACL Grant Developmental Disabilities Projects to increase NAMRS participation, as well as to develop Nora J. Baladerian, Disability and Abuse Project Assistive Technology, Decisional Ability Training, and Investiga-

community. The workshop will include an ElderSAFE case exam- investigator training to promote consistency and bring practices in line ple highlighting the importance of cultural competency and re- with ACL's National Voluntary Consensus Guidelines, 2016. EOEA also used its ACL funds to collaborate with Weill Cornell Medical College to develop a training around the Interview for Decisional Ability (IDA) capaci-504 - Increasing Knowledge about Adult Protective Services ty assessment tool. The Disabled Persons Protection Commission ("DPPC"), which has jurisdiction over adults with disabilities between the ages of 18-59, has begun to rebuild its database from scratch to increase NAMRS participation as well as operational efficiencies. DPPC is also using Stephanie Whittier Eliason, U.S. Department of Health and Hu- ACL grant funds to develop assistive technology to help persons with disabilities recognize, report, and respond to abuse.

porting System (NAMRS) and 2) the national APS evaluation. As we fine tune our policies and procedures, strengthen our standard NAMRS collects state APS data to provide consistent, accurate work and training and collaborate more with our partners and the comnational data on the maltreatment of older adults and adults munities, what do we hope to accomplish? We are all in this to protect with disabilities and has been in place for three years now. As vulnerable adults, but what does that look like? Does it mean we subpart of NAMRS, data is also being gathered on state policy and stantiate more reports? If so, how do we do that? What are your standpractice. Using NAMRS data and data from other sources, the ards: reason to believe/probable cause, preponderance of the evidence, national evaluation is an examination of APS policy, practice, and etc.? Do you include self-neglect in your rates? Are you seeing trends in program effectiveness at the state level. In addition to the new your substantiation process? Have you used forms/tools to improve outunderstanding of APS, the evaluation will provide the foundation comes? Join members of the Regional Representative Advisory Board in

lect findings and data from them, and will focus on future work 508 - The Abuse of Vulnerable Older Adults by Surrogate Decision Maker Perpetrators

Pamela B. Teaster, Ph.D., Center for Gerontology, Virginia Tech 505 - Innovative Approaches to Adult Protective Services in Cory Bolkan, Ph.D., Department of Human Development, Washington State University, Vancouver

Holly Ramsey-Klawsnik, Ph.D., NAPSA

Margaret will discuss principles of working in Indian Country and The maltreatment of vulnerable older adults by surrogate perpetrators, how this differs in approach from ways of working in the outside whose job it is to manage and advocate for a protected person's health community. The importance of family meetings and differences and well-being, is a serious and growing problem identified by APS prorelating to Elders will be discussed. Margaret has established an grams and documented by reports, studies, government testimony, and Elder Abuse Hotline for after-hours APS. Margaret will speak the press. With the numbers of surrogate decision makers increasing, it is about the new program and some special concerns in Indian urgent to develop informed strategies for preventing and ending abuse of vulnerable adults by those holding a fiduciary duty to protect them. With funding support from The Retirement Research Foundation, a team from 506 - Interagency Technology & Training: How ACL funds ena- Virginia Tech, NAPSA, Washington State University, and the University of Wyoming are working with six APS programs (CA, FL, NV, NH, NC, and TX) Mariah C. Freark, Massachusetts Disabled Persons Protection to systematically study this form of victimization. The purpose of the study is to learn the nature, extent, and impact of ANE by perpetrators Bree Cunningham, Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Af- designated as surrogate decision makers compared to abuse perpetrated by others. We will describe the study and address the implications of an-Julia Hickey-Kapp, Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Af- ticipated findings on APS, law enforcement, prosecution, probate courts, and multi-disciplinary practice designed to protect vulnerable adults Jennefer Raymond, Massachusetts Disabled Persons Protection whose lives and property are controlled by surrogate decision-makers.

509 - Trauma Treatment for Abuse Survivors with Intellectual /

tion Training. These projects have enabled the two agencies to This workshop will detail trauma treatment for individuals with I/DD, usbridge gaps identified gaps in the statewide APS system and col- ing didactic methods as well as several case vignettes, to illustrate aplaborate more effectively to protect vulnerable adults. The Ex- proaches to therapy with members of this population. Most of the cases ecutive Office of Elder Affairs ("EOEA"), which has jurisdiction involve sexual assault, including perpetrator threats and the demonstraover adults age 60 and over in the community, has developed tion of Accommodation Syndrome in the population, a factor that complicates investigation but operates as a protection for the victim. Trauma treatment demands flexibility of the psychologist/treatment provider, in a variety of contexts including therapist safety, patient safety (physical and psychological). Utilization of Victims of Crime funding will be described, as many who require therapy are unaware of this funding source. Creativity in delivering effective trauma therapy is required as with members of any population.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 6 WEDNESDAY 8/21/2019 | 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

601 - Collaborative Approach to Identifying, Addressing and Preventing Financial Elder Abuse

Shannon Morgan, San Mateo County Aging and Adult Services Nicole Fernandez, San Mateo County Aging and Adult Services Tara Heumann, San Mateo County Counsel's Office

The Elder and Dependent Adult Protection Team (EDAPT) is San Mateo County's focused initiative on the prevention, investigation, and prosecution of older and dependent adult financial abuse. San Mateo County's senior population is expected to grow by over 70% by 2030 and reports of elder financial abuse in our community are increasing as San Mateo is an affluent county, where the median home value is approaching \$1.5 million. The type of abuse most frequently reported to San Mateo County's Adult Protective Services is financial. According to the AARP BankSafe Project, the average victim of elder financial exploitation loses \$120,000. The workshop will provide an overview of the EDAPT program and highlight how a specialized financial abuse unit has led to an increase in criminal prosecution, victim restitution through the District Attorney's Office, and an increased awareness by County residents of the signs and symptoms of financial abuse.

602 - Cultural Competency Starts with You!

Tara Fairfield, Ed.D., DSHS Adult Protective Services Jill McCarl, Ph.D., DSHS Adult Protective Services

The Aging and Long Term Support Administration, Adult Protective Services in Washington State has established a statewide Communities of Practice model and developed an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) workspace to allow for discussion and sharing of information with staff at all levels of the organization. There are specific expectations for results and integration of EDI into everyday business with tangible and intentional outcomes. An overview of this model will be shared, along with tools that can be utilized directly with staff. An awareness of our own biases is an important first step in achieving a workplace that fosters honesty and integrity, open communication, diversity and inclusion. This workshop will facilitate understanding of how to put Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) concepts into practice and translate from the classroom to the actual work in the field. In order to be successful, leaders must be willing to examine themselves and be open to diverse perspectives.

603 - Fashion Police - The hats supervisors should be wearing

Richard Albrecht, MS, Institute on Protective Services at Temple University Harrisburg

A supervisor needs to wear many hats to be an effective and efficient leader. This training will discuss the "10 hats" supervisors should be concentrating on to be an effective leader. Whether you supervise 2

or 200, this training will benefit individuals that carry a role of supervision within their organization. This training will incorporate the psychology of supervision along with lessons learned from supervising 2 staff, 14 staff and 200 inmates.

604 - Goal Attainment Scaling: A Tool for Intervention Planning and Measuring Case Resolution in APS

David Burnes, PhD, University of Toronto

Elder abuse response programs, such as adult protective services (APS), work within a client-centered practice paradigm that respects the self-determination of older adults. The overall objective of elder abuse response programs is to reduce the risk of re-victimization and improve the older adult's safety and quality of life in accordance with their preferred resolution outcomes. Practitioners are tasked with understanding the unique circumstances of a case and coconstructing a tailored intervention plan with the client. The varying goals and expectations across clients present a challenge in measuring the key outcome of case resolution, because it is defined differently across cases. Goal attainment scaling (GAS) is a client-centered goal-setting strategy that can be used to help generate an intervention plan and measure case progress toward a client's preferred resolution outcome. Based on a collaborative dialogue between a practitioner and client, client-specific goals are established that work toward a client-centered definition of case resolution. Each goal is measured on a five-point GAS scale reflecting different levels of goal achievement. The scale provides a mechanism to measure progress on each goal over time. GAS is framework to measure overall case resolution that accommodates varying needs and interventions across cases. Based on research conducted with the state of Maine APS, this workshop will describe the development and implementation of GAS in the APS context, present results on GAS feasibility in APS, and will provide a demonstration of the web-based application (app) used to facilitate GAS. Participants will engage in a hands-on exercise to apply GAS with a case example from their work. GAS represents a feasible goal-setting strategy that compliments existing APS practice. Treatment planning and goal discussion are common components of existing everyday APS practice; GAS provides a framework to formally organize and measure progress on this work.

605 - Playing Nice in a Giant Sandbox: A Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) model

Rita De Luca, AZ/DES Adult Protective Services

Playing nice in a giant sandbox can be intimidating and scary. Let us show you how easy it can be. Join us to learn about how Southern Arizona has created a successful Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) with local, State and Federal partners, utilizing the Arizona APS model to increase collaborations between agencies to include joint investigation with local law enforcement, State Attorney General's offices, The US Attorney's office and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. We will also show you how to structure your MDT's to attract the right partners and get the most value from your time.

606 - ANTICIPATE: Identifying Victim Strengths and Planning for Safety Concerns

Paul Needham, NAPSA Education Committee

This training module was created by the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL), a project of the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence (WCADV). The purpose of the training is to enhance the safety planning skills of professionals who work with with the idea that Supervisors/Directors once trained, can conduct older victims and/or people with disabilities. The target audience is the training for new volunteers and new staff. Training materials professionals from domestic violence, sexual assault, the disability include PowerPoint presentations, the Recognizing Abuse Tool to and aging network, and elder abuse/adult protective services. The gather information on clients suspected of experiencing ANE, and a training was created to facilitate dialogue across disciplines and pro- flowchart that explains when and where to report ANE. Each of the vide participants the opportunity to share expertise and knowledge trainings include an evaluation component that is comprised of a pre from their field. Therefore, the training experience will be richer if a - and post-training survey. The evaluation examines whether variety of disciplines are present. 1. Participants will enhance the knowledge of ANE changed as a result of the training, whether it was skills needed to create a safety plan with older victims and people useful, feasible (length of time, in-person), and whether it can be with disabilities. 2. Participants will learn about other resources avail- sustained as a train-the trainer model. Data collection will conclude able from a variety of systems in their community. Likewise, partici- in May and the final report will be completed by June, 2019. This pants will begin to identify service gaps. 3. Participants will have the workshop will present the results included in the final report. The opportunity to build or enhance working relationships with profes- majority of content in the training has been kept generic except in sionals from other disciplines in their community. After a brief guid- the section/module on reporting ANE which is state specific. We beed discussion/lecture and short exercises about the >Dynamics of lieve that the trainings can be used in other states and only the sec-Abuse >Barriers to living Free from Abuse >What is Safety Planning tion related to reporting will need adaptation. Providing up-to-date >What is Not Safety Planning. The participants will go through an trainings on these issues for people who serve vulnerable populaexercise designed to help professionals enhance their ability to think tions is imperative for increasing reporting of ANE and protecting of a variety of ideas to discuss with older victims and people with seniors. disabilities in. It will also provide an opportunity to practice working in a multidisciplinary team setting.

607 - Supporting Elder Justice: Developing and Implementing a Kristin Lees Haggerty, Education Development Center **Training for the Senior Companion Program** Jessica Bibbo, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging

Farida Ejaz, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Courtney Reynolds, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging Sarah Nicolay, Benjamin Rose Institute on Aging

plementation of a training on Abuse, Neglect (including self-neglect), expertise, and lack of validated tools have prevented widespread and Exploitation (ANE) for the Senior Companion Program in Ohio. adoption of best practices in the ED that would improve rates of The project is being funded by the Corporation for National and screening, intervention, and appropriate follow up for older adults Community Service through the State of Ohio's Senior Companion who experience or at risk for elder mistreatment. To address these Program. The need for developing this training was considered nec- gaps, the National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment, a essary because approx. 10% of older adults experience ANE; yet, it is group of national experts in elder mistreatment has designed and vastly underreported. Rates for ANE are much higher in adults with tested the Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Care Model disabilities and those with dementia. Thus, training Senior Compan- with significant input from clinical sites and APS partners with the ion volunteers was considered central to supporting elder justice goal that the model can be implemented in hospital settings with because they visit older adults regularly in their home or in a commu- little or no access to expertise in elder mistreatment. In this worknity setting, placing them in a unique position to recognize ANE shop, members of the National Collaboratory, including the APS Diamong older adults and adults with disabilities. The trainings build rector in Massachusetts, will present an overview of the Elder Mison an earlier, online training program developed in 2013-2014 for treatment Emergency Department Care Model with a focus on how it care managers participating in a demonstration to improve care co- emphasizes and promotes the connection between hospitals and ordination for the dually eligible Medicare and Medicaid population community resources. Presenters will share lessons learned from the in Ohio (Ejaz, Rose, & Anetzberger, 2017). Our team adapted and beginning stages of implementing the model in seven clinical sites updated the previous training to include up-to-date empirical evi- across the US, and workshop participants will be encouraged to dence, data, and changes in state laws on ANE. Two separate types share strategies for building collaborative relationships and clear of training were developed: 1) A simpler and shorter training of ap- feedback loops between Adult Protective Services and hospital emerproximately two hours for the volunteer Senior Companions that gency departments. covers background on ANE, screening and reporting; and 2) a three module training of approximately one to one and a half hours each for Directors and Supervisors. The latter training goes into more depth and provides Directors and Supervisors with resources to support the volunteers. The first module in the Directors and Supervisors training provides a background on ANE, the second is focused on screening tools for ANE, the third covers reporting protocols for cases of ANE. These trainings were pilot tested in Cleveland with volunteers and Supervisors/Directors. The refined trainings will be offered in-person across seven locations in Ohio beginning in March and concluding in May of 2019. They will use a train-the-trainer approach

608 - The National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment: **Connecting Adult Protection and Hospitals**

Bree Cunningham, MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs Debi Lang, UMass Medical School

Emergency departments (EDs) care for a large number of older persons with known risk factors for elder mistreatment and so are wellpositioned to identify and address elder mistreatment. However, This workshop will present information on the development and im- systems gaps such as staff overload, absence of elder mistreatment

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 7 WEDNESDAY 8/21/2019 | 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

701 - APS Survivor: Who Is Your Alliance With Kama Chase, AZ APS

Cynthia Saverino, AZ DES/ Division of Aging and Adult Services

Have you ever felt like you were stranded on an island with no food, clothing, water...or even worse no professional connections? The gaging multidisciplinary collaborations with the use of a very difficult tools and examples of how to convey understanding of teams and case study. During this workshop, the steps (both positive and nega- their impacts. tive) will be discussed in an effort to show how all agencies involved with this extremely complicated situation came to the best solution, 705 - Multigenerational Supervision: A Bridge Worth Building! and what best practices were sought and implemented for future Stephanie Mitchum, Texas Department on Family & Protective Sercases.

702 - A Rolling MDT-Working Collaboratively with Law Enforcement Adult Protective Services Andrea Higgens, San Mateo County District Attorney's Office

The San Mateo County Elder and Dependent Adult Protection Team down by age looks something like this: The Silent Generation born (EDAPT) in Northern California is a program in which APS social work- between 1925 & 1945; Baby boomers born between 1944 & 1964; ers, public guardians, prosecutors, and other major stakeholders Gen X born between 1965 & 1979; Gen Y or Millennials born bework directly and collaboratively with law enforcement to protect tween 1980 & 1994 and Gen Z born between 1995 & 2015. Are there vulnerable adults, investigate allegations of abuse, and successfully differences in the learning curve, experiences and technological unprosecute abusers. It is essentially an ad hoc and constantly evolving derstanding between generations? You Bet'cha! Are there different multi-disciplinary team where we triage and work cases in real time skill levels each group brings to the table? Affirmative! This session rather than waiting until our quarterly meetings. This process has be will focus on the importance of bringing generational understanding tremendously successful in protecting vulnerable adults, bringing to all who serve on your team. It will be inclusive of interactive exerformerly disparate disciplines together, and holding abusers account- cises aimed at increasing understanding of age groups outside of able to the fullest extent possible.

703 - Preparing for Retirement as Part of the Sandwich Generation

Lara Hinz, Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement (WISER) Linda Stone, The Society of Actuaries and WISER Senior Fellow

they take care of children and/or parents or other relatives. You are The LINK Between Animal Abuse and Human Violence busy with your career, trying to manage household expenses and saving for college and other financial priorities. Then, you realize that The age-old concept that cruelty to animals often serves as an indicayou are falling behind in planning for your future. This session will tor and predictor of interpersonal, family, and community violence cover the unique challenges that women face and what you can be has particular relevance for adult protective services, eldercare and doing right now to achieve a more secure retirement.

704 - Establishing and Evaluating Elder Abuse MDTs: Tips for Com- connects animal abuse as a marker for elder/disabled abuse, domesmunicating Team Function and Effectiveness

Zach Gassoumis, PhD, University of Southern California Leslie Hasche, PhD, MSW, University of Denver Anne DePrince, PhD, University of Denver

Multidisciplinary teams (MDTs) that address elder abuse are increas- rative services that protect all victims of family violence. ingly common, with various types and features developing over time. Showing how each MDT operates and the impact that it has are cru- 707 - Understanding Developmental Disabilities, Consent, Capacity cial to informing practitioners, policymakers, and funders about a and Competency Part 1 team and the effect it has on its community. This workshop will begin Darla Stuart, The ARC of Aurora with an overview of the range of elder abuse MDTs across the U.S. Nancy Bowden, The Arc of Aurora/Disability Justice Program and some key features that vary between them. These features will be used to understand some of the core components of evaluation THINK+change, a program of The Arc of Aurora, proposes to provide tion about cases; access to professionals to review legal and medical and tools. documentation; and practitioners to conduct medical and neuropsychological home visits. Its model has been evaluated for its structure, 708 - APS and Legal Assistance Relationships - How Legal Aid Advoprocess, outcomes, and cost effectiveness. The Denver Forensic Col- cacy Helps Victims Heal from Abuse laborative for At-Risk Adults is an action-oriented team that provides Andrew Capehart, WRMA to make decisions and take immediate action to better protect the istration for Community Living victims and contain the offenders. This model has been evaluated

purpose of this workshop is to outline the lessons learned from en- national prominence of elder abuse MDTs, this workshop gives some

vices/Adult Protective Services

Tom Kimbark, Texas Department of Family & Protective Services/

Today's workforce includes a variety of ages. As of 2018, the breakyour own and ultimately how we as managers can build a team where both the old and young are validated within the confines of your mission! All are welcome!

706 - Animal Abuse, Animal Hoarding and Elder Abuse: Challenges and Strategies for APS

Many workers, and especially women find themselves stretched as Phil Arkow, National LINK Coalition: The National Resource Center on

social services agencies confronting elder/disabled abuse and animal hoarding situations. This presentation will describe The LINK that tic violence and child maltreatment, with a particular focus on eldercare and animal hoarding issues. It will describe innovations in academic research, public policy and organizational programming in these areas, with emphasis on specific strategies, animal-assisted interventions and best practices for providing more effective collabo-

research, and how it can be applied to elder abuse MDTs. Two elder a specialized, basic-level training on capacity, competency and conabuse MDTs will be presented as examples. The Los Angeles County sent as it relates to supporting adults with intellectual and develop-Elder Abuse Forensic Center provides: weekly review and consulta- mental disabilities (IDD). The training will include lecture, interactive

a forum for monthly staffing and care coordination of high-risk cases, Hilary Dalin, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Admin-

using a randomized control trial approach. In the face of increased This workshop introduces APS workers to legal aid. We'll talk about

remedies to empower older Americans who have experienced abuse, policy & practice can best assist in the remedy rural area problems. neglect and/or financial exploitation to recover what they've lost, from income and savings, access to their own homes, and to the 802 - Bringing Clarity to APS: Revolutionizing Arizona's investigahealth care they need, through restoration of their own agency to tions make their own decisions and live as they choose, free from the Rita De Luca, AZ/DES Adult Protective Services threat of further abuse. After a brief introduction to legal aid for Kama Chase, AZ/DES Adult Protective Services older Americans, the session will be interactive, with case studies that will introduce APS and legal aid to each other, and illustrate the Do you want to align with National Best Practice? Are you looking ways in which legal aid can support APS clients. Join a lively discus- for tools you can use to make your job easier and more efficient? sion about issues APS and legal aid may face in growing relationships, Are you tired of the waste? Join us to learn about the investigative including why and how to reach out, the meaning of consent, and tools that were created in Arizona APS to standardize investigations much more.

Personality Changes

Debbie Reinberg, NGA ELDEResources, LLC Kelli Squire, CCM, NCG, ELDEResources, LLC

Dementia is a symptom; there are over 100 "causes" of dementia. Homelessness in Monterey County Some dementias can be reversible. Often, the progression is a gradu- Travis Beye, MSW, Monterey County APS al decline though some dementias have a different course altogeth- Fawn Mackey, Monterey County APS er. We will share symptoms that distinguish different diagnoses, such Sqt. Jake Pinkas, Monterey Police Department as behavioral, language and movement changes. Some dementias Allison Yant, MSW, Monterey County DSS/Aging and Adult Services strike people at a young age; these individuals have unique concerns (diagnostic, financial, life stage). Some physicians are more adept at This workshop will highlight the development and evolution of Monearly diagnosis, though differential diagnosis often requires a neurologist or neuropsychologist. The ability to discern potential dementias, especially those types other than Alzheimer's could be helpful for APS workers to better gauge neglect, self-neglect and/or likelihood of incapacity.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS 8 WEDNESDAY 8/21/2019 | 3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

801 - Rural Practice & Policy Issues: A down-home approach to aging in the heartland!

Tom Kimbark, Texas Department of Family & Protective Services

I once heard a conference presenter in an adjacent city comment that rural APS was a thing of the past. And this was one day after I had visited a client by airboat. Really! I thought, rural practice needs equal airtime! Not all rural areas are the same. Each present their own unique challenges. The area I call home has been subject to storms & flooding. We are reliant of local, state and federal government agencies not only in times of crisis but for the routine such as aging in place, lack of services and for group homes open by city slickers taking advantage of country hospitality and lack of regulation. Sometimes there are differences within an assigned coverage area. There may be a section nearer to an urban or suburban area while other areas are far more isolated. There might be sections of wooded forest and rustic towns. The secret of success may be in your ability to balance services throughout your region or the tailoring solutions to each specific situation. No one wants to see a vulnerable adult going without basic needs; being mistreated or repeatedly abused no matter where they live. An APS worker is charged with recognizing, evaluating & alleviating situations that are potentially dangerous no matter where they occur. This session will be inclusive of training that can prepare Adult Protective Service (APS) Specialists

the role of legal assistance programs in applying a toolkit of civil legal on how community partnerships & collaborative efforts as well as

and decrease investigation length. These tools will assist you in aligning with National Best Practice. Come and hear how the Arizo-709 - Understanding Different Dementias: Behaviors, Cognition and na Management System has assisted in closing cases 9 months faster. There will be a hands-on demonstration of the tools that have proved effective for Arizona APS.

803 - Connecting the Dots - Innovative Collaborations to Address

terey County's unique partnership between law enforcement, Adult Protective Services, Behavioral Health, medical services and domestic violence services to address the needs of homeless clients. It will focus on the accomplishments of the Multi-Disciplinary Outreach Team (MDOT), spearheaded by an initial collaboration between the Monterey Police Department and Monterey County APS. In addition, members of MDOT participate in a broader Monterey PD Community Action Team (CAT) that encompasses other agencies providing services to the homeless community. In addition to improving collaborative efforts to serve the homeless population, the MDOT has resulted in increased collaboration and communication between APS and Monterey PD on cases involving housed elders and dependent adults. The workshop will also include information about Navigator University, a series of classes launched as a pilot program in 2018 and expanded into a 16-hour course in 2019. This effort, developed by a collaborative team led by APS, is focused on providing tools and resources to homeless service providers and other professionals as they assist homeless clients navigate from homeless to housed. This workshop will demonstrate the partnership between the Monterey PD sergeant who leads the MDOT, the APS Social Worker with decades of experience serving elders, dependent adults, and the homeless population, and the APS Supervisor and Program Manager who oversaw the project's implementation.

804 - Open Forum: Managing Privacy and Confidentiality

Shelly L. Jackson, Elder Justice Initiative

Hilary Dalin, Office of Elder Justice & Adult Protective Services, US DHHS

Judith Kozlowski, Elder Justice Consultant

APS is being asked to collaborate with a wider array of professionals, either individually with financial institutions or through participation on multidisciplinary teams which may include financial institutions. The boundaries around confidentiality and privacy are clear to some and amorphous to others. In this workshop, presenters will briefly describe what they see as the barriers to sharing information as well as the safeguards and constraints around sharing information, such as the adoption of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among other tools. The remainder of the session is designed to be interactive and elicit from the audience their concerns around privacy and confidentiality, methods by which privacy and confidentiality concerns have been addressed, with an eye towards finding solutions that facilitate comfort with and faith in collaborations.

805 - Risk? What Risk? (A Demonstration of the NAPSA Core Module -"Risk Assessment")

Paul Needham, NAPSA Education Committee

This workshop on risk assessment in APS will be a shortened demonstration version for the "Risk Assessment" module, which is one of the 23 Core Training Modules identified by NAPSA and ACL's (Administration for Community Living) "National Voluntary Consensus Guidelines for State Adult Protective Services Systems". The primary goal of This Workshop is to raise the awareness of the value and availability of all the 23 core Competency training modules to APS staff in all the states, by highlighting purpose and goal of the full 7 hour instructor led module is to Define risk assessment and its function With the 90 minutes provided in this workshop time frame we will explore and discuss from the original 7 hour training module the concepts and process of assessing Risk in the 5 domains and using different scenarios and the 3-S's Model: 1. How Soon, 2. How Sure, 3. How Severe. By the end of the workshop participants will have the experience of utilizing a tool (The 3-S's) that can be used to intentionally think about and assess risk, and utilize that knowledge to development service plans designed to reduce risk, and they will have had the experience of participating in a portion of the already structured full day training they can use to train their new APS staff on risk and learn of the availability and value of the 23 NAPSA Core Training Modules both in E-learning and Instructor led training formats

806 - The EAGLE has Landed- Come Learn about the Elder Abuse Guide for Law Enforcement

Beacon of Light, USC Keck School of Medicine Lauren Rosell, NCEA

This session presented by the National Center on Elder Abuse will showcase available tools to combat elder exploitation, including mobile apps, databases, trainings and guides. The session will also feature an introduction to EAGLE, the Elder Abuse Guide for Law Enforcement. These incentives are funded by the Department of Justice and developed by law enforcement for law enforcement. EAGLE provides guidelines on evidence collection, a state-by state penal code database, older adult resources in your area and law enforcement roll call videos.

807 - Understanding Developmental Disabilities, Consent, Capacity and Competency Part 2

Darla Stuart, The ARC of Aurora Nancy Bowden, The Arc of Aurora/Disability Justice Program

THINK+change, a program of The Arc of Aurora, proposes to provide a specialized, basic-level training on capacity, competency and consent as it relates to supporting adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). The training will include lecture, interactive and tools.

808 - The Practical Application of Ethical Considerations in APS Casework

Alan Lawitz, Esq., Bureau of Adult Services, New York State Office of Children & Family Services

As APS workers, or as attorneys or others working with APS, we learn the principles of APS casework and the ethical and legal standards that apply to APS work. The problem is, things aren't always as clear cut when working real cases. In this workshop, we will explore some of the real life dilemmas that come up frequently in APS cases. We will tease apart the different issues involved in these situations using an ethical framework, and learn to provide a reasoned argument for our case decisions. This will be an interactive discussion, so come ready to dig into some tough issues!

809 - Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program

Shell Kozemko, MSW, Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program of South Carolina

Brenda Stalzer, LMSW, Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program

Learn about one state's innovative program that is the voice for vulnerable adults who are in Adult Protective Services custody. The mission of the South Carolina Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem (VAGAL) program is to advocate for the best interests of abused, neglected, and exploited vulnerable adults in family court by providing adult guardian ad litem (GAL) representation. The program began as a pilot designed through collaboration between a group of stakeholders composed from the academia, legal, and human service communities. Follow the program through its development, implementation, evaluation, and subsequent legislation and funding. Case studies will be presented that highlight the effectiveness of the program and the impact on clients' rights and selfdetermination.

Dining Experience

Enjoy an night out on the town!

Join us for a scenic stagecoach ride, provided by <u>Premier</u> <u>Charters Denver</u>, through a lovely, historic residential



area and through mountains outside of Boulder to the old Gold mining settlement of <u>Goldhill Inn</u>. Enjoy fine dining while listening to the sounds of bluegrass band, <u>WireWood Station</u>.

Experience includes transportation to and from the Omni Interlocken hotel, dinner and entertainment. A cash bar will be available.

Interested? Add this experience on to your conference registration for only \$45 per person.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q: Who should attend the NAPSA Conference or the Elder Financial Exploitation Summit?

A: The conference will benefit anyone who works with adults with disabilities and older adults or who manages a program that comes into contact with these populations. The summit will be of particular interest to those who come into contact with older adult victims of financial exploitation.

Q: How many people attend the conference and summit?

A: Our conference draws approximately 600 attendees each year and the Summit on Elder Financial Exploitation draws approximately 250.

Q: Is there a special NAPSA conference lodging room rate? Why don't I see it anywhere on this brochure?

A: Yes there is! Unfortunately, we are not permitted to advertise this rate, but you can see it when <u>making a</u> <u>reservation</u> for the event.

Q: Can I get the conference lodging rate for the weekend before or after the event?

A: Yes, the hotel will make a block of rooms available for these days on a first come, first come basis. They may fill up fast, so the sooner you make the reservation, the better!

Q: Is the 10th Annual Elder Financial Exploitation Summit included in the conference registration fee?

A: There is a separate fee of \$175 for this event.

Q: Are there sponsorship opportunities?

A: Yes, there are! Please visit <u>www.napsa-now.org/</u> <u>conference</u> to see details about sponsorship.

Q: Will continuing education units be available?

A: Yes! We will be offering continuing education at the cost of \$35.00 per certificate. Please select the option for CEUs during your registration.

Q: I'm not sure if I'm a member or not. How do I find out?

A: Contact us at <u>info@napsa-now.org</u> to inquire about membership status.

Q: When does the price go up for registration?

A: The early registration fee is good through Tuesday, July 31, 2019 at 12:00 AM ET.

Q: Will there be handouts for each workshop?

A: NAPSA has **gone green** and does not print handouts, although some speakers do bring handouts with them. Most conference materials will be posted to a password protected section of the NAPSA website if you wish to print materials.

Q: Can I volunteer at the conference for a discount?

A: All volunteer slots are filled by existing Conference Committee members, who also pay full price. Sorry, we do not have volunteer positions in exchange for reduced registration fees.

Q: Don't I have to sign up for specific workshops at registration and attend those I picked?

A: No. We will make all the information available about the workshops. You may attend any workshop you wish at the conference, but spaces are first come, first served.