

21ST Annual Elder Abuse Conference

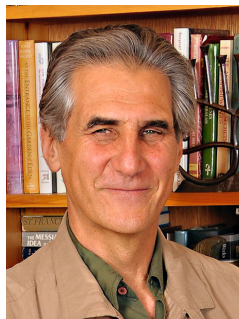
SEE SOMETHING. SAY SOMETHING: INTERVENING IN CASES OF ELDER ABUSE

presented by: The Syracuse Area Domestic & Sexual Violence Coalition's Elder Justice Committee

Thurs., June 14, 2018
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

DoubleTree Hotel
6301 State Route 298
E. Syracuse, NY 13057

▼ KEYNOTE SPEAKER ▼



ALAN DAVID BERKOWITZ

See Something. Say Something: How Bystanders Can Intervene To Prevent Elder Abuse

Independent consultant and national expert in the field of violence prevention.

Alan will provide an overview of innovative elder abuse prevention strategies focusing on the role of bystanders in identifying high-risk situations and guidelines for effective intervention.

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▼ AGENDA ▼

- **8:00 am - 9:00 am**
Registration, Resource Tables, Networking & Continental Breakfast
- **9:00 am - 10:00 am**
Opening Session & Keynote Address
- **10:00 am - 4:00 pm**
Workshop Sessions, Lunch & Resource Tables

▼ CEU CREDITS ▼



CE hours for keynote and workshop sessions will be provided by Syracuse University School of Social Work, an approved NYSED CE provider (total possible hours = 5) for an additional fee of \$50.

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◀ WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS LISTED ON REVERSE ▶

▼ Session 1 ▼

A	Best Practices in Elder Abuse Prevention
J	The Intersection of Substance Misuse, Mental Illness and Alzheimer's & Dementia
N	Screening for and Understanding Impacts of Long-Term Trauma and Toxic Stress

▼ Session 2 ▼

B	Fostering a Collaborative Approach Between Partners in Elder Abuse Prevention
F	Housing for Older Adults - Barriers and Options
J	The Intersection of Substance Misuse, Mental Illness and Alzheimer's & Dementia
L	The Impact of Social Isolation on the Elderly

▼ Session 3 ▼

C	Trauma Informed Care
D	Restorative Justice in Elder Abuse Cases: Opportunities and Challenges for Accountability
H	Power of Attorney: Uses and Abuses
M	Elder Abuse 101: A Social Justice Issue

▼ Session 4 ▼

E	Cultural Barriers to Reporting
G	Financial Exploitation: Finding Solutions
I	Community Resources
K	Family Relationships: Caregiving & the Potential for Increased Elder Abuse Risk

▼ REGISTRATION ▼

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Attendee Name (please print clearly)

Organization/Agency

Address

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SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

I require the following special accommodations to participate:

WORKSHOP SELECTIONS (Circle 1ST CHOICE for each session)

Session 1	10:15 am - 11:15 am	A	J	N	-
Session 2	11:30 am - 12:30 pm	B	F	J	L
Session 3	1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	C	D	H	M
Session 4	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	E	G	I	K

REGISTRATION FEE(S)

Total

Conference Fee (includes breakfast, lunch & snack)	\$60	
SOCIAL WORK CE HOURS	\$50	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED		

▼ Workshop A ▼

Best Practices in Elder Abuse Prevention

Presenter: Alan Berkowitz

An overview of best prevention practices drawn from the sexual assault prevention literature, with an emphasis on the social norms approach (fostering of healthy underestimated norms) and bystander intervention, with a review of relevant theory, research and case studies.

▼ Workshop B ▼

Fostering a Collaborative Approach Between Partners in Elder Abuse Prevention and Response

Presenter: Alan Berkowitz

An overview of critical issues in the field of Elder Abuse and strategies for different partners and agencies to work together to ensure a comprehensive approach to prevention and response.

▼ Workshop C ▼

Trauma Informed Care

Presenters: Lori DiCaprio-Lee and Tyler Sliker, LMFT, Vera House

The workshop will look at Trauma Informed Care based on the Community Resiliency Model from the Trauma Resource Institute, as well as SAMSHA recommendations for trauma informed care. It will include the definition of Trauma Informed Care along with the characteristics and impact of trauma in the aging population. Concepts and skills will be introduced to help stabilize and reduce symptoms of traumatic stress with older adults.

▼ Workshop D ▼

Restorative Justice in Elder Abuse Cases: Opportunities and Challenges for Accountability

Presenter: Sarah Reckess, Esq., Center for Court Innovation

An overview of how restorative justice practices, including elder panels, family group conferencing, and peacemaking, could be utilized in elder abuse cases. Attendees will learn best practices that support victims and hold offenders accountable, and how restorative justice strategies might be more responsive to victim needs when they are uninterested in prosecution or evidence does not rise to the level of criminality. A Case example will be used.

▼ Workshop E ▼

Cultural Barriers to Reporting

Presenters: Alejandro Garcia, Syracuse University and Olive Sephuma, Interfaith Works

An exploration of cultural barriers in cases of Elder Abuse, with a specific focus on immigrant and refugee community members and communities of color, including what professionals should know in these cases to better provide service.

▼ Workshop F ▼

Housing for Older Adults – Barriers and Options

Presenters: Marty Hanlon, Christopher Community and David Mariano, Salvation Army

Identify and review the main barriers to accessible, affordable and/or sustainable Housing and the options low-income, elderly and physically disabled individuals have in regards to this issue.

▼ Workshop G ▼

Financial Exploitation: Finding Solutions

Presenters: Elaine Brown, ACMG Federal Credit Union; Betsy Ferner, LMSW, Vera House; Mary Panighetti, Onondaga County Dept. of Adult & Long Term Care Services

This workshop will address various forms of financial exploitation that older adults might face including scams and familial abuse; practical solutions, and the roles that financial institutions and Adult Protective Services can play to assist in cases of elder abuse. The use of an Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team and forensic accounting services will also be highlighted.

▼ Workshop H ▼

Power of Attorney Uses & Abuses

Presenters: Anthony A. Marrone, II Esq., The Marrone Law Firm; Morgan Thurston, Esq., Onondaga County Dept. of Law

This workshop will cover the Power of Attorney (POA) Form including a review of its powers, modifications and witnessing. Proper use of a POA will be shared including documentation requirements, commingling and disclosure. Avenues of action in cases of financial exploitation through use of a POA will be covered including involvement of criminal authorities, civil remedies and partnering with Adult Protective Services.

▼ Workshop I ▼

Community Resources

Presenters: Tom Burgess and JoAnne Spoto Decker, MS, Onondaga County Dept. of Adult & Long Term Care Services; Lori DiCaprio-Lee, Vera House

The workshop will look at the role of County Programs that support older adults, including Office for Aging and Adult Protective Services for Adults (APS). This will include discussion on how a case is reviewed by APS. Elder advocacy services through Vera House will also be covered.

▼ Workshop J ▼

The Intersection of Substance Misuse, Mental Illness and Alzheimer's & Dementia

Presenters: Donna Knapp and Elizabeth Toomey, Prevention Network

The workshop will look at the signs and symptoms of substance misuse or abuse and how this can put an elderly person at risk for potential elder abuse, whether the individual with the substance use disorder is the elder or their caregiver. Additionally, the workshop will explore how substance use/misuse and interventions are complicated in the presence of mental illness, Alzheimer's or dementia.

▼ Workshop K ▼

Family Relationships: Caregiving & the Potential for Increased Elder Abuse Risk

Presenters: Karen Clark, SW, University Geriatricians; Christopher Norman, NP, PACE

The workshop will consider the interactions of family dynamics, caregiver stress, and increasing needs of elderly as factors of potential elder abuse. Discussion of emotional, financial, physical and time pressures as components of caregiver burden will be addressed. Resources to alleviate those tensions will be provided. Self-care as a first line of defense will be emphasized.

▼ Workshop L ▼

The Impact of Social Isolation on the Elderly

Presenter: Mary Anne Corasaniti, MAC Consultants

This workshop will examine the impact that social isolation has on older individuals, both medically and psychologically, and how these impact their vulnerability for abuse. Ways to intervene will be discussed.

▼ Workshop M ▼

Elder Abuse 101: A Social Justice Issue

Presenter: Jenny Ackley, MSW, Vera House

This workshop will examine a variety of topics related to elder abuse, neglect and exploitation including why elder abuse is a social justice issue, types of abuse, indicators, and dynamics. Community resources will be highlighted.

▼ Workshop N ▼

Screening for and Understanding Impacts of Long-Term Trauma and Toxic Stress

Presenter: Misty Boldt, Lifespan

An overview of how a lifespan of abuse and trauma can impact the aging process for older adults. A community model using the ACE screen in conjunction with a screening tool to identify a lifespan of trauma and toxic stress will be reviewed including how results of these tools can help care partners of older adults assist the older adult through necessary systems as they continue to age.

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