

**New York State Coalition on Elder Abuse
News & Information
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RESOURCES

I.

Available for Presentations & Trainings:

Lifespan's Elder Abuse Prevention Program (EAPP) is engaged in a **statewide outreach effort** to help increase elder abuse awareness and education. EAPP's director and other staff are available for presentations, trainings, and assistance forming local, multidisciplinary elder abuse coalitions throughout New York State, particularly in communities where programs have not been available in the past. **There is no charge for this service**; however, travel reimbursement is appreciated, if possible. For more information, please contact Denise Shukoff, (585) 244-8400, ext. 186, dshukoff@lifespan-roch.org.

II.

New Elder Abuse Reference Book:

Elder Abuse and Mistreatment: Policy, Practice, and Research

Edited by:

M. Joanna Mellor, DSW, Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University, New York
Patricia Brownell, PhD, Graduate School of Social Service, Fordham University, New York

The book addresses all forms of abuse and neglect, providing a comprehensive overview of current policy issues, new practice models, and up-to-date research on elder abuse and neglect.

Please note: The editors participated in the 2004 NYS Elder Abuse Summit and have been involved with the Coalition from the beginning. Pat Brownell serves on the Coalition Advisory Board and was a member of the Summit Planning Committee.

For a more complete description of the book or to order a copy, contact The Haworth Press, Inc. at 1-800-429-6784, www.haworthpress.com, or <http://www.haworthpress.com/store/product.asp?sid=3RRT0L8RLFAV8PA2NSASASCAHEUL1QQ9&sku=5710&AuthType=4> (this link should take you directly to information on the book)

III.

Computer Based Training:

Facing the Challenges of Dementia – Tools to support and protect persons with dementia

Developed by: The Center for Excellence in Aging Services, School of Social Welfare, University at Albany under contract and in collaboration with The Bureau of Protective Services for Adults and The Bureau of Training of the New York State Office for Children and Family Services

Key Faculty: Philip McCallion, Ph.D., Debra Lacey, Ph.D., Mary McCarron, Ph.D.

Location:

The link below will take you to the training program and other useful information on the Protective Services for Adults web site.

<http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/psa/cbt/dementia/>

IV.

Web Site:

Coalition information is available on Lifespan's web site, www.lifespan-roch.org. The **link to the Coalition page** is under *Lifespan Highlights*, "Learn more about the New York State Elder Abuse Coalition." The page is updated periodically. Previous *News Bulletins* and the 2004 New York State Elder Abuse Summit Report, **Target: Elder Abuse, New York Takes Action Against Elder Abuse and Neglect**, are available on this page.

TRAINING & CONFERENCES

I.

Date: Tuesday, **December 5, 2006** 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Event: Elder Abuse Conference

Theme: *Protecting Our Elders: Effective Healthcare & Community Response to Elder Abuse*

Presented by: Syracuse Area Domestic & Sexual Violence Coalition, Elder Abuse & Health Issues Committees

Location: Holiday Inn, 441 Electronics Parkway, Liverpool, NY

Information:

Keynote Speaker: **Dr. Patricia Bomba**, Vice President & Medical Director, Geriatrics, MedAmerica Insurance Company of New York, an Excellus Company

Workshop Options:

- Recognizing & Screening for Elder Abuse (**Dr. Patricia Bomba**)
- Guardianship & HIPAA Concerns (**Morgan Thurston, Esq. & Zachary Karmen, Esq.**)
- Accessing Community Services (**Cynthia Stevenson**)
- Collaboration Between Health Services & Community Agencies (**Amy Honig, Mary Anne Corasaniti & Mary Studdiford**)

\$10 Registration fee by **December 1** (late registrations accepted, however, early registrations appreciated for planning purposes; registration form available at the Vera House link below. For more information about this conference, please call (315) 425-0818, ext. 214.

<http://www.verahouse.org/coalition/coalitioncalendarofevents.htm>

II.

Date: Friday, **December 8, 2006** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Event: Mental Health Conference

Theme: *Meeting the Needs of Older Adults with Mental Health Problems Through Community Integration*

Presented by: Brookdale Center on Aging of Hunter College; The Consortium of New York Geriatric Education Centers; Geriatric Mental Health Alliance of New York

Location: Hunter College School of Social Work, 129 East 79th Street, New York City (corner of Lexington)

Information:

Welcoming Remarks: **Lloyd Sederer, MD**, Executive Deputy Commissioner for Mental Hygiene Services, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Keynote Speaker: **Edwin Mendéz-Santiago, MSW**, Commissioner, New York City Department for the Aging

Breakout Workgroups:

- Behavioral Management (**Tobi Abramson, PhD**)
- Evidence Based Treatments in Geriatric Mental Health (**Jo Anne Sirey, PhD**)
- Family Supports (**Wendy Panken, LCSW** or **Mary Mittelman, Dr.P.H.** & **Cynthia Epstein, ACSW**)
- Meeting the Health Needs of People with Serious and Persistent Mental Illness Who are Aging (**Jorge Petit, MD**)

Final Comments: **Neal Cohen, MD**

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This News Bulletin is sent to interested parties throughout the state. Please feel free to share it with others or contact us if you know of someone who would like to be added to the list. If you have questions or comments about the NYS Coalition on Elder Abuse or the News & Information Bulletin, or have topic suggestions for future publications, please contact:

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