



**NYC ELDER ABUSE**  
**14TH ANNUAL**  
**Making a Measurable Difference**  
**CONFERENCE**

**Wednesday, June 5, 2019**  
**9:00am – 5:00pm**

The New School  
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# PROGRAM

9:00am – 10:00am

REGISTRATION & COFFEE

10:00am – 10:30am

GREETINGS & RECOGNITION

**Martha H. Pollack, LCSW**

Chair, Conference Planning Committee;  
Senior Director, Elder Abuse Services, JASA

10:30am – 11:30am

KEYNOTE ADDRESS **CEU**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: David Burnes, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto, Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, Affiliate Scientist at Baycrest Health Sciences Rotman Research Institute

Elder abuse is a pervasive public health and societal problem with serious consequences. Our understanding of effective response interventions to address elder abuse in the community remains a significant knowledge gap. Elder abuse intervention is challenging, in part, due to the complexity of cases and difficulty defining what constitutes intervention “success.”

Drawing on research with elder abuse victims and response programs from New York State and the State of Maine, this talk will identify challenges in defining outcomes of intervention success and describe how victims perceive success. It will also present a client-centered treatment planning and measurement procedure for use in community-based elder abuse response interventions, called goal attainment scaling, which accommodates different definitions of intervention success across cases.

11:30am – 11:45am

BREAK

11:45am – 1:15pm

MORNING WORKSHOPS

## 1. Family, Friends, and Neighbors in the Lives of Elder Abuse Victims: A Population of Concern and Promise **CEU**

This workshop discusses research which led to creating the New York City Elder Abuse Center’s (NYCEAC) Elder Abuse Helpline for Concerned Persons, a non-emergency phone and email service. Insights from the pilot year will facilitate a conversation about what more can be done for concerned persons.

**PRESENTERS: Risa Breckman, LCSW**, Director, Weill Cornell Medicine (WCM)/NYCEAC

**David Burnes, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor at the University of Toronto

**Leslie Mantrone, LMSW**, Helpline Service Specialist, WCM/NYCEAC

## 2. Working with Clients When Capacity is an Issue **CLE**

This workshop will focus on legal options and alternatives available in elder abuse and real property cases when a person’s capacity becomes an issue including the use of Guardians Ad Litem, Limited Guardianship, and Supported Decision Making.

**MODERATOR: Ann L. Goldweber, Esq.**, Professor and Director of Clinical Education, St. John’s University School of Law

**PRESENTERS: Rebekah Diller, Esq.**, Clinical Associate Professor of Law, Co-Director, Cardozo Bet Tzedek Legal Services, Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law

**Donna Dougherty, Esq.**, Attorney-in-Charge, Legal Services for the Elderly in Queens, JASA

## 3. Innovative Approaches to Combating Elder Abuse and Financial Exploitation **CEU CLE**

This workshop discusses how two projects are being used to identify survivors and uncover their legal and non-legal needs. The Risk Detector is a web-based screening tool that assesses a client’s risk of legal issues and links to services. The Elder Advocacy Program acts as a one-stop referral source for survivors, linking them to appropriate legal and non-legal services while aiming to address systemic barriers and improve court outcomes in rural communities.

**PRESENTERS: Tim Baran, BS**, LawHelpNY Program Manager, Pro Bono Net

**Kayleah M. Feser, MSW**, Social Worker, Center for Elder Law & Justice

**Nicole K. Parshall, Esq.**, Staff Attorney and Project Director, Center for Elder Law & Justice

**Molly White, Esq.**, Staff Attorney, Center for Elder Law & Justice

#### 4. Advocating for Elder Clients in the Criminal Justice System **CEU**

Safe Horizon's client-centered work in partnership with prosecutors and law enforcement helps elder victims of crime develop a safety plan tailored to their needs. Focusing on lessons learned, this workshop will discuss barriers and bridges to using a client-centered approach in multidisciplinary partnerships aimed at supporting elders' decisions.

**PRESENTERS:** **Maureen Curtis, LMSW, MPH**, Vice President of Criminal Justice Programs, Safe Horizon

**Tina Logan, LMSW**, Manager, Crime Victim Assistance Program, Safe Horizon

#### 5. Walking the Talk of Trauma Informed Practice **CEU**

Trauma informed practice diminishes the risk of replicating the very stressors that brought elder abuse clients to seek help in the first place. This workshop will explore a framework for preventing re-traumatization and promoting staff and organizational resiliency.

**PRESENTER:** **Sarah Yanosy, LCSW**, Clinical Social Worker and Co-Creator of the Sanctuary Institute

#### 6. Mental Health Intervention for Elderly Abuse Victims **CEU**

Many victims suffer from concurrent mental health problems that preclude them from taking the necessary steps to protect themselves. This workshop will look at a promising treatment model as well as other geriatric mental health services now available in every borough of NYC.

**MODERATOR:** **Aurora Salamone, MPS**, Director of Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center, New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA)

**PRESENTERS:** **Jacquelin Berman, Ph.D.**, Deputy Assistant Commissioner, Research, DFTA

**Jo Anne Sirey, Ph.D.**, Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry, Weill Cornell Institute of Geriatric Psychiatry

#### 7. Are We Really Making a Difference with Our Interventions? **CEU**

This workshop will introduce the Elder Abuse Risk Assessment and Evaluation (EARAE) scale, developed by Lifespan of Greater Rochester, and review how it can be used by professionals who work with elder abuse victims.

**MODERATOR:** **Paul L. Caccamise, LMSW, ACSW**, Vice President for Program, Lifespan of Greater Rochester

**PRESENTERS:** **Jody Carey, LMSW**, Social Worker, Upstate Elder Abuse Center, Lifespan of Greater Rochester

**Tracey Siebert-Konopko, LMSW**, Social Worker, Upstate Elder Abuse Center, Lifespan of Greater Rochester

**1:15pm – 3:00pm**

**LUNCH & HEALTH PROMOTION ACTIVITIES**  
By CUNY School of Public Health

**3:00pm – 4:30pm**

**AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS**

#### 8. Immigration Issues in Elder Abuse Cases **CEU**

Learn more about the impact of culture in detecting and addressing elder abuse. This workshop offers tools for assessing elder abuse and models for successful interventions, respecting cultural differences that are used in the Neighborhood SHOPP VIP Elder Abuse & Crime Victims Program.

**PRESENTERS:** **Katherine Martinez, LMSW**, President/CEO, Neighborhood SHOPP

**Tynisha Rodriguez, LMSW**, Deputy Director, Neighborhood SHOPP

**Shakiem Rodgers, MSW**, Social Worker, Neighborhood SHOPP

#### 9. Fighting Elder Abuse with Automation: #DisruptEA **CEU**

Learn how New York City's Adult Protective Services (APS) utilizes a combination of manual and automated systems to detect and fight elder abuse. This workshop will introduce a variety of reporting methods used to identify, disrupt, and help professionals address elder abuse.

**MODERATOR:** **Gili (Galit) Hershkovich-Kim, LCSW**, Regional Director, NYC APS

**PRESENTERS:** **Sandra Brown, BS**, Social Work Supervision and Training Certification, Regional Director of Operations, NYC APS

**Rima Rivera, LMSW**, Regional Director, NYC APS

**Mark Yoshiyama, MPA**, Executive Director, Support Services Division, NYC APS

## 10. Partnering Effectively to Alleviate Social Isolation Among Older Adults **CEU**

Social workers engage a network of professionals to serve a growing number of older adults at risk for social isolation and neglect. This workshop will provide strategies to strengthen these alliances through effective measurement.

**PRESENTERS:** **Anna Becker, LMSW**, Manager, Door to Door Program, DOROT

**Deborah Parkinson, MA**, Director, Program Impact and Evaluation, DOROT

## 11. Enhanced Courtroom Technology Benefiting Older Adults **CLE**

This workshop will address how courts, through technology and other means, are working to ensure full access and participation by older adults who are in court as a litigant, a witness, or an alleged incapacitated person.

**PRESENTERS:** **Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan**, Administrative Judge, Supreme Court, New York County–Civil Branch

**Joan Levenson, Esq.**, Principal Law Clerk to Hon. Deborah A. Kaplan and Counsel to the New York State Judicial Committee on Elder Justice

**Sheng Guo, MBA**, Chief Technology Officer, Office of Court Administration

## 12. Safeguard: Fighting Financial Exploitation of Older Adults **CEU**

This session offers an update on some of the latest scams and suggestions on how to help your clients avoid financial exploitation and identity theft.

**MODERATOR:** **Cheryl Lee, LMSW**, Elder Abuse Coordinator, Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center, DFTA

**PRESENTER:** **Jenna Gladfelter, MS**, Policy & Outreach Associate, LiveOn NY

## 13. Rapid Fire: Elder Justice Initiatives **CLE**

Experts from multi-disciplinary fields will discuss new laws, initiatives, and resources in the area of elder abuse and exploitation and provide information to professionals on how to access programs and support.

**PRESENTERS:** **Deborah S. Ball, Esq.**, Law Offices of Deborah S. Ball

**Denise Colón-Greenaway, Esq., MSW**, Special Counsel for Court-Based Interdisciplinary Programs in the New York State Office for Justice Initiatives

**Donna Dougherty, Esq.**, Attorney-in-Charge, Legal Services for the Elderly in Queens, JASA

**Deirdre Lok, Esq.**, Assistant Director and General Counsel, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Center for Elder Justice at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale

**Arlene Markarian, Esq.**, Chief of the Elder Abuse Unit, Nassau County District Attorney

**Ira Salzman, Esq.**, Partner, Goldfarb Abrandt Salzman & Kutzin LLP and member of the Executive Committee of the Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association

## 14. Break Open Your Cases with Geriatrics, Geropsych, Forensic Accounting, and Crisis Intervention **CEU**

Have you struggled alone with difficult elder abuse cases? Geriatricians, geropsychiatrists, forensic accountants, and crisis experts are critical for your work. Learn why involving them matters and how they can help you restore victims' dignity, health, and well-being.

**PRESENTERS:** **Peg Horan, LMSW**, Technical Assistance Coordinator, WCM/NYCEAC

**Ayana Mortley, BA**, Workshop Training Coordinator, WCM/NYCEAC

**4:30pm – 5:00pm**

**AWARDING CERTIFICATES/  
SIGN OUT**

Social work (CEU) and legal (CLE) continuing education credits are available to participants.

- Lifespan of Greater Rochester Inc. is recognized by the New York State Education Department's State Board for Social Work as an approved provider of continuing education for licensed social workers - #SW-0089. Attendance of this conference will qualify for 4 CEU credits.
- St. John's Law School has been certified by the New York State Continuing Legal Education Board as an Accredited Provider of Continuing Legal Education in the State of New York. Attendance of this conference will qualify for 3 non-transitional practice CLE credits.

**REGISTRATION FEES**

	In Advance	At the Door
<input type="checkbox"/> Attorneys	\$110	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Workers and Other Professionals	\$100	\$115
<input type="checkbox"/> Students	\$50	\$50



**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS**

**CLE Credit for Attorneys** **FEE INCLUDED**

Up to 3 Continuing Legal Education Credits (CLE) are available  
 Required: Attorneys must attend CLE-qualified workshops to get credit. Each workshop is 1.5 credits.

**CEU Credit for Licensed Social Workers** **\$25**

4 Continuing Education Credits (CEU) are available  
 Required: Social workers must attend the keynote address and two CEU-qualified workshops.  
 No partial credit will be given.

**Social Worker License Number required for**  **CEU** \_\_\_\_\_

**WORKSHOPS**

Please select one morning and one afternoon workshop.

**Morning Workshops\* • 11:45am - 1:15pm**

- #1  #2  #3  #4  #5  #6  #7

**Afternoon Workshops\* • 3:00pm - 4:30pm**

- #8  #9  #10  #11  #12  #13  #14

\*Please see workshop descriptions for continuing education credit information.  
 If you do not want continuing education credits, you may attend any workshop.

**LUNCH**

Kosher lunch will be provided. Check box if you require a vegetarian lunch:

**CONTACT**

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