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From NASUAD

2015 HCBS Conference Begins This Monday- Download the App and Register Today!

Join us for the [National Home and Community Based Services \(HCBS\) Conference](#) held in Washington, DC, **August 31-September 3**. The 2015 National HCBS Conference is going to be the largest to date with over 1,200 attendees! Because of this, we will be requiring everyone to wear their name badges at all times. As workshop rooms fill up, staff will be around to help direct you to a less full session. We thank you in advance for helping things run smoothly.

We have a very full and exciting agenda, with a number of compelling plenary sessions, a technology track, a very full exhibit hall, and a dance party with the same band returning from last year's conference!

This year the HCBS Conference is offering a Conference App, sponsored by [FEi Systems](#), which includes a full detailed agenda that you can bookmark, a listing of all attendees you can connect with through the app, and a complete listing of our exhibitors and sponsors! The mobile app for [National HCBS Conference App](#) is **now available**. Your log-in is the email address you used to register, and the password is "hcbs." If you have difficulty logging in to the app, please contact [Rachel Feldman](#).

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

HCBS Clearinghouse E-Clips

This section of Friday Update highlights reports that have been added to the HCBS Clearinghouse within the past week. Visit www.nasuad.org/hcbs for more information.

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50 State Survey of Dementia Training Requirements

Justice in Aging, in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association, released a new survey of dementia training requirements in each state. The number of Alzheimer's and other dementia diagnoses is on the rise, but there is often little to no training for staff and professionals that work with these populations. This survey revealed gaping holes in state law and offers promising practices to inform improvements and changes for the future. The findings from the survey are available in a five-paper series.

[Click here](#) to access the survey and findings.

From the Administration

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

Webinar: Development of HCBS Quality Measures

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), and Mathematica Policy Research are hosting a webinar on their development of quality measures for Medicaid fee-for-service beneficiaries using home and community based services (HCBS). The webinar will include topics about refining the measures definitions to more directly reflect the HCBS care experience, developing risk-adjustment models to produce more equitable state-level or program-level comparison, establishing approaches for addressing small sample sizes, and identifying strategies for benchmarking and displaying results. This webinar is funded through the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Demonstration evaluation. The webinar will take place on **Wednesday, September 9, 2015, from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. ET.**

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

National Institute of Health

Eye Health Resources for Healthy Aging Month

This September is Healthy Aging Month, a celebration of growing older. The National Institute of Health's National Eye Health Education Program offers several resources to inform older adults about how to keep their eyes healthy as they age. The resources include a [See Well for a Lifetime Toolkit](#), drop-in articles, infocards, infographics, and more!

[Click here](#) to view more resources.

From Other Organizations

Health Management Associates

Webinar: Sustainable Evidence-Based Integration

Health Management Associates is sponsoring a webinar on Sustainable Evidence-based Integration: A Step-by-Step Guide to Integrating Behavioral Health into the Primary Care Setting. Recent research studies have found evidence supporting the integration of behavioral health into primary care settings. Presenters Lori Raney, MD, Principal, and Nancy Jaeckels Kamp, Principal, of Health Management Associates will detail the step-by-step guide to behavioral health integration into primary care settings. The webinar will take place on **Tuesday, September 22, 2015, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. ET.**

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

Webinar: 21st Century Long-Term Services and Supports

Health Management Associates is hosting a webinar on 21st Century Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS). The current climate of health care requires that LTSS is integrated into the overall concept of person-centered care for individuals with complex needs. Presenters, Ellen Breslin, MPP, Senior Consultant, Health Management Associates; and Dennis Heaphy, MDiv, MEd, MPH, Policy Expert, Disability Policy Consortium; Chairman, Massachusetts One Care Implementation Council, will highlight how payers and providers can work together to create financial incentives and protocols that drive 21st Century LTSS. The webinar will take place on **Wednesday, September 23, 2015, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m ET.**

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Justice in Aging

Webinar: The California Coordinated Care Initiative

Justice in Aging is hosting a webinar on The California Coordinated Care Initiative: An Update One Year into Implementation. In April of 2014, California began the implementation of the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI), and it is now live in seven California counties. Presenter Amber Cutler from Justice in Aging will speak about current happenings of the initiative and changes that took place. She will specifically focus on the topics of enrollment, implementation challenges and successes thus far, policy changes, and what to expect in the future. The webinar will take place on **Tuesday, September 8, 2015, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. ET.**

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

National Council on Aging

Webinar: Suicide Prevention and Older Adults

The National Council on Aging's Center for Healthy Aging is hosting a webinar on suicide prevention for older adults. September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month, and this webinar is meant to recognize the event and call attention to this major issue. Presenters Kimberly Van Orden, University of Rochester Medical Center; Rosalyn Blogier, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; and Christine Miara, Suicide Prevention Resource Center, will highlight the risk factors for suicide among older adults and promising strategies for the prevention of suicide. The webinar will take place on **Thursday, September 17, 2015, from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. ET.**

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

National Institute of Senior Centers

Webinar: Senior Center Month: Engaging with Boomers

September marks National Senior Center Month. To celebrate the occasion, the National Institute of Senior Centers is hosting a webinar about engaging with Boomers. The webinar will be presented by Maureen O'Leary, Program Manager, National Institute of Senior Centers. During the webinar, viewers will learn strategies for creating and promoting programs and services for Baby Boomers. The webinar will take place on **Thursday, September 10, 2015, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. ET.**

[Click here](#) to view details and register.

Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities

Supported Decision-Making Survey for Consumers

Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities, in collaboration with the Burton Blatt Institute at Syracuse University, have begun collecting data on Support Decision-Making from the consumers who use it. Their goal is to learn more about how people with intellectual and developmental disabilities make decisions and how family, friends, and others help individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities make everyday decisions.

[Click here](#) to take the survey.

Jobs & Internships

SCAN Foundation Seeking Director of Communications

The SCAN Foundation is seeking applications for a Director of Communications in Long Beach, CA. The Director will serve as lead communications strategist and expert for the Foundation and will be responsible for developing, implementing, and evaluating the Foundation's communication efforts in a highly interactive and collaborative team environment. Qualified applicants will have a minimum of Bachelor's degree in communications, journalism, or related field, five years of experience in communication and media campaigns, and writing, editing, and presentation skills. A Master's degree is preferred.

[Click here](#) to view the full posting.

Seeking Deputy Director for United States International Council on Disabilities

The United States International Council on Disabilities (USICD) is seeking applicants for the position of Deputy Director. The Deputy Director will be responsible for providing hands-on administration of USICD initiatives and sponsored programs; fostering organizational growth, including grant/contract development and fundraising; participating actively in implementing policies, plans, and programs; supporting advocacy efforts and engaging stakeholders in sharing USICD's vision; and overseeing staff in project implementation. Qualified applicants will have a minimum of a Bachelor's degree and experience in managing non-profit organizations. Master's degree preferred. The application period will close on **September 1, 2015**.

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