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## From NASUAD

### Share Your Information with the Aging and Disability Network

Friday Update and the NASUAD website share resources, jobs, calendar events and grants from throughout the Aging and Disability Network. We welcome submission from other organizations to help build our newsletter and website.

NASUAD.org has an active and updated [calendar](#), [grant](#) and [job](#) section which also shares the information on this newsletter. The site allows visitors to [submit items](#), as well. For more information, [click here](#).

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30th Annual National HCBS  
Conference  
September 15-18, 2014

# Aging Network Volunteer Collaborative

## Use Volunteer Recruitment Tools for Older Americans Month

The "Got an Hour? Give it Back" Campaign offers materials that agencies can use to advertise the campaign. Among these materials include a series of customizable postcards, which agencies can use to fill in their programs and include their organization's logo. These are available to [download](#) or order hard copies for free.

The website has been experiencing technical difficulties processing orders. The Got an Hour? Campaign apologizes to anyone that has attempted to order postcards this week. There is currently a temporary [order form](#) on the site while the technical difficulties are being address. Please use this new [form](#) to order your free postcards.

The Got an Hour? Campaign has recently added a radio PSA that can be [downloaded](#) and shared with networks, local radio stations, or included on local organization's websites. The radio ad hopes to bring new prospective volunteers to the [giveitbacktoseniors.org](http://giveitbacktoseniors.org) website to search for volunteer opportunities.

There site also offers a sample press release and letter to an elected official that agencies can use to get the word out about the campaign and to drive new volunteers for Older Americans Month.

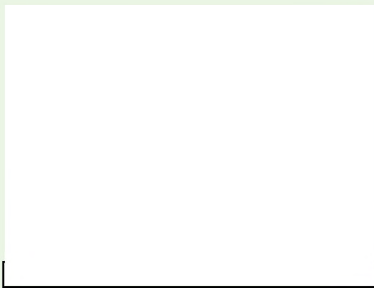
## National Information and Referral Support Center

### Webinar: Introduction to LGBT Aging

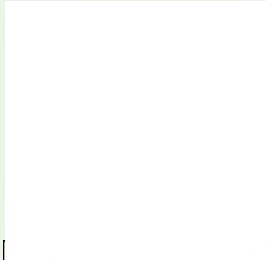
Please join the National I&R Support Center for an interactive webinar on Thursday, **May 15, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET.**, addressing the culture and needs of LGBT older adults. Presenter Tim R. Johnston, PhD, Manager of Education and Training for the National Resource Center on LGBT Aging, will review LGBT history, the unique vulnerabilities and needs of LGBT older adults, and best practices for making aging network services providers welcoming to LGBT older adults.

The National Resource Center on LGBT Aging is the country's first and only technical assistance resource center aimed at improving the quality of services and supports offered to lesbian, gay, bisexual and/or transgender older adults. Established in 2010 through a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the National Resource Center on LGBT Aging provides training, technical assistance and educational resources to aging providers, LGBT organizations and LGBT

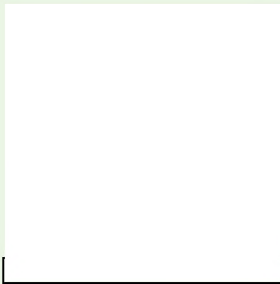




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older adults.

[Click here](#) to join the visual component of the webinar.

To join the audio component of the webinar, call 888-346-3659, passcode: 382574

## From the Administration

### Administration for Community Living

#### Webinar: Elder Abuse and Neglect of Persons with Dementia- What We Know and Where We Are Going

The Administration for Community Living (ACL) is holding a webinar on **May 8, 2014, 3:00 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. ET**. This webinar will focus on elder abuse and neglect as it relates to people with dementia. Participants will learn about:

- The incidence and prevalence of elder abuse, especially abuse of those with dementia
- Tips for screening and assessing for elder abuse in the population of people with dementia
- Programs that are addressing elder abuse among the population of people with dementia

This webinar is the next session of the ACL Alzheimer's Disease Supportive Services Program Technical Assistance Webinar Series that provides helpful, current, and applicable information for professionals who work with people with dementia and/or their caregivers. Registration is required. After registering, participants will receive a confirmation email that includes the link they will need to enter the webinar on **May 8**.

[Click here](#) to register for the webinar.

### Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

#### Long-Term Care Services Report

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released a report entitled "*Long-Term Care Services in the United States: 2013 Overview*" which presents the initial results of the National Study of Long-Term Care Providers (NSLTCP). The data comes from surveys of adult day care providers, long term residential care providers, and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) records on nursing homes, home health agencies, and

hospice providers. The study found that approximately eight million Americans received care services from about 58,000 paid providers in 2012, and the report breaks down the numbers of consumers utilizing various types of care providers. The report also includes information about size, ownership and staffing by region and type of care provider. In addition, it summarizes the demographics of those who use different types of care services.

[Click here](#) to read the report.

## Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

### Home and Community-Based Settings Transition Toolkit

On **March 20, 2014**, CMS shared a toolkit to assist states in complying with new requirements in the recently published home and community-based services regulations. The final Home and Community-Based Services regulations set forth new requirements for several Medicaid authorities under which states may provide home and community-based long-term services and supports

The documents in the toolkit have been updated recently. [Click here](#) to access the current version of the toolkit. This is meant to replace any prior version of the toolkit.

### Demonstration Grants for Testing Experience and Functional Assessment Tools (TEFT)

CMS recently awarded planning grants to nine qualified states to test quality measurement tools and demonstrate e-health in Medicaid community-based long term services and supports (LTSS). With the total grant program nearing \$42 million, this is the first time CMS is promoting the use of health information technology in the community-based LTSS system.

[Click here](#) to for more information about this program, including information about states receiving the planning grants.

### Money Follows the Person: Tribal Initiative

CMS recently awarded funding to five Money Follows the Person (MFP) grantees - Minnesota, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Washington and Wisconsin - for the MFP Rebalancing Grant Demonstration Tribal Initiative. This initiative offers existing MFP state grantees and tribal partners the resources necessary to build a sustainable community-based long term services and supports system specifically for Indian country as an alternative to providing these services and supports in an institution.

[Click here](#) to for more information about this initiative, including

state point of contacts.

## Department of Justice

### Dispose of Prescription Medication on April 26

**April 26, 2014** is [National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day](#).

Between **10 a.m. and 2 p.m.**, individuals can bring their unwanted prescription medication to a collection site near their location. Properly disposing of medicines is important to human health and the environment. If individuals dispose of drugs on their own, they can view helpful tips from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

[Click here](#) to search for a collection site.

[Click here](#) to view tips from the EPA on disposing medication.

## Social Security Administration

### Debt Referral Process

Carolyn W. Colvin, Acting Commissioner of Social Security, has halted further referrals of debts that are 10 years old and older to the Treasury Offset Program. The Treasury Offset Program is a centralized offset program, administered by the Bureau of the Fiscal Service's Debt Management Services (DMS), to collect delinquent debts owed to federal agencies and states (including past-due child support). If any Social Security or Supplemental Security Income beneficiary believes his or her tax refund has been withheld incorrectly to recover an over-payment under this program, SSA encourages the individual to request an explanation or seek options to resolve the over-payment.

Inquiries may be directed to SSA's toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, Monday through Friday between 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. People who are deaf or hard of hearing may call SSA's toll-free TTY number, 1-800-325-0778.

[Click here](#) to view Acting Commissioner Colvin's statement concerning this issue.

## From Other Organizations

### American Association on Health and Disability



## New Fact Sheet for the National Disability Navigator Resource Collaborative

The American Association on Health and Disability (AAHD) has announced the publication of a new fact sheet for the National Disability Navigator Resource Collaborative (NDNRC).

*Information for People on Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services Waiver Waiting Lists* is intended to provide Navigators with information about people with disabilities who are on the Medicaid Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waiver waiting list.

This fact sheet also provides additional assistance for those assisting consumers with disabilities as it adds to a series of fact sheets which have addressed issues such as a health plans' summary of benefits and coverage, rehabilitation and habilitation therapies and devices, and prescription medication benefits.

The NDNRC is an initiative aimed at providing cross-disability information and support to Navigators and other enrollment specialists. The website recently published the [Guide to Disability for Healthcare Insurance Marketplace Navigators](#) which provides information on special considerations people with disabilities face as they shop for healthcare coverage.

[Click here](#) to view the fact sheet.

[Click here](#) to view the entire list of upcoming fact sheets.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the NDNRC.

## American Society on Aging

### ASA Offers Webinar on Intergenerational Programs

The American Society on Aging (ASA) is offering a webinar on **May 1, from 1:00-2:00pm ET** to examine some of the societal and demographic changes that have created the need for intergenerational programs. The webinar will discuss key components of successful intergenerational programs and ways to initiate or grow a program in your own community.

Participants in this web seminar will be able to:

- Identify some of the societal and demographic changes that have created the need for intergenerational programs.
- Understand three human development theories that are critical to successful intergenerational programming.
- Recognize some of the best practices of volunteer management and classroom management as related to intergenerational programming.
- Strategize on how to initiate or grow a program in your own community.

Register for the event for \$99, or join ASA and participate for free.

## BrightFocus Foundation

### **\$5.2 Million in Alzheimer's Disease Research Grants**

The BrightFocus Foundation recently awarded \$5.2 million in new Alzheimer's disease research grants, funding cutting-edge science on the role of inflammation, diabetes, and newly discovered genes on Alzheimer's Disease. BrightFocus President and CEO Stacy Pagos Haller noted that, at a time of continued strain on federal research funding, the search for a cure must involve the combined efforts of the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. The names and projects of this year's individual grant recipients will be announced at a later date, pending completion of final agreements with researchers and supporting institutions.

[Click here](#) for more information about BrightFocus Foundation grants.

## Consumers Union

### **Consumers Needed for Anti-Scam Videos**

In **May 2014**, Consumers Union, the parent company of Consumer Reports, will be filming a series of anti-scam videos. Consumers Union is seeking consumers who are willing to speak on camera about their experiences. The experiences can be about any type of problem - scams (email, mail, door-to-door, false advertising); investments; reverse mortgages; and much more.

Consumers Union is seeing individuals, preferably seniors, who have been victims and are willing to speak on camera about their experience.

[Click here](#) to contact Consumers Union staff attorney Christina Tetreault or call 415-431-6747 x138.

## Health Affairs

### **The Long Reach of Alzheimer's Disease**

Health Affairs recently released their April 2014 issue entitled "*The Long Reach Of Alzheimer's Disease*". This issue examines a wide range of Alzheimer's issues including research challenges, caregiver and patient support models, workforce, elder abuse, care settings, end-of-life care, and public policy approaches. On **April 9, 2014**, Health Affairs held a special briefing in Washington, DC with panelists who authored articles



in the April issue.

[Click here](#) to view the briefing video, agenda, speaker biographies and presentation slides.

## National Center on Elder Abuse

### World Elder Abuse Awareness Day Toolkit

**June 15, 2014** is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD). WEAAD was launched on **June 15, 2006** by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations. The purpose of WEAAD is to provide an opportunity for communities around the world to promote a better understanding of abuse and neglect of older persons by raising awareness of the cultural, social, economic and demographic processes affecting elder abuse and neglect.

The Administration for Community Living (ACL) has released a WEAAD Tool Kit for resources to help individuals engage their communities, educate others, raise awareness, and empower people to action to end elder abuse.

[Click here](#) to view the toolkit.

## National Center for Mobility Management

### Webinar: Mobility Management and Meeting Dialysis Transportation Needs

The National Center for Mobility Management is holding a webinar about mobility management and access to healthcare on **May 1, 2014, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET**. The webinar will address the challenges and opportunities to providing necessary service to dialysis customers, forming partnerships between transportation and healthcare providers, and meeting the growing demand for service.

This webinar is part of a series that the National Center for Mobility Management is sponsoring related to health care and mobility management. Pre-registration is required.

[Click here](#) to register for the webinar.

[Click here](#) for more information on the webinar.

# National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care

## Elder Justice Initiative Budget Request - Sign the Petition

The President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 budget includes an Elder Justice Initiative of \$25 million. The funding would be used to create an Adult Protective Services (APS) National Data System, develop APS program standards, and support evidence-based research regarding elder abuse.

The Elder Justice Coalition created a [petition](#) on [whitehouse.gov](#) to encourage the Obama Administration to make the Elder Justice Initiative budget request a priority when speaking with Congress. The petition needs 100,000 signatures by May 7, 2014 in order to receive an official response from the President.

The public can express their support of the Elder Justice Initiative and the need to protect victims of elder abuse.

[Click here](#) for more information.

## National SHIP Resource Center

### SHIP Transitions from CMS to the Administration for Community Living

SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program) will transition from the Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to the Administration for Community Living (ACL) on **July 1, 2014**. CMS and ACL will continue to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible. In addition, CMS will continue to play a part in the program by supporting ACL and SHIP, and ensuring that grantees have the technical assistance and support needed to continue to serve beneficiaries effectively.

ACL will hold its national Senior Medical Patrol (SMP) Training Meeting from **August 19-21, 2014** in Washington, D.C., and has extended the invitation to all SHIPs. Topics covered include ACL project grants, management, volunteer management, Medicare updates, Medicare fraud trends, and tactics for targeting hard-to-reach populations. A special meeting of the SHIP Directors will also be held during the conference. This will be a great opportunity for SHIPs to meet ACL staff and leadership in person. More details from ACL will be sent to SHIPs via email as they become available.

## Pew Internet and American Life Project

## Older Adults and Technology Use

The Pew Internet Research Project released a new study on seniors and the internet. The study debunks some of the myths and gives the public a glimpse into how older adults are using technology in their lives. Technology adoption among seniors has been increasing slowly but surely. According to the report, 77% of seniors have a cell phone, 59% use the internet, and almost half have broadband at home. Yet many seniors still remain isolated from digital life. Some highlights of the study include:

- Six in ten seniors now go online, and just under half are broadband adopters
- Older adults face a number of hurdles to adopting new technologies
- Physical challenges to using technology
- Skeptical attitudes about the benefits of technology
- Difficulties learning to use new technologies

[Click here](#) to read the entire study.

## Events

### 2014 American Geriatrics Society Annual Scientific Meeting

The American Geriatrics Society (AGS) will hold its 2014 Annual Scientific Meeting in Orlando, Florida from **May 15-17**. The meeting will include symposia, workshops, and continuing education sessions for geriatrics professionals of all types. Sessions cover a wide range of issues including care delivery, health policy, and current research on aging. Networking opportunities include a poster reception, interest group and section meetings. For those who cannot attend, follow hashtag #AGS14 on Twitter.

[Click here](#) for more information or to register.

### 2014 Princeton Conference on Intellectual Disabilities and Dementia

The National Task Group (NTG) on Intellectual Disabilities and Dementia Practices is holding a national conference as part of the Annual Conference of the American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Dentistry from **June 16-18, 2014** in Princeton, New Jersey. The conference is designed to inform on current practices and set the tone for events and activities to come, related to the aims of the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease and the NTG's Action Plan. The conference will involve key federal and national organization officials in plenary sessions, as well as be composed of individual presentations within several tracks. The conference will also be the site for the launch of the NTG's forthcoming national training and education curriculum on intellectual disabilities and dementia and the launch of CARF's (Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities) new standards for programs serving people with intellectual disabilities and dementia. Several training workshops



will be held on **June 16** relative to these launches.

[Click here](#) for more information, to submit a poster, and to register.

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