

2024 OCAPS Conference Schedule at a Glance

OCAPS 39th Annual Conference
Successfully Leveling Up, Planning and Preparing for the Stages of Aging
Friday, April 19, 2024
9:00am – 4:30pm
Location: Nationwide Hotel & Conference Center
100 Green Meadows Dr S
Lewis Center, OH 43035

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5 hours CEU/CLE PENDING APPROVAL

Time	Agenda Item	Agenda Information	Workshop Description
7:45am – 8:45am	Registration & Continental Breakfast	Open networking and visit vendor tables	
8:45am – 9:15am	Welcome & Opening Remarks	Deanna Green Washington County Department of Job and Family Services OCAPS Chairperson	
	The Judge Thomas Swift Collaboration Award APS Worker of the Year	Presented by OCAPS Chairperson & the nominator	
9:15am – 10:30am	Morning Plenary Session: Drawing from the Past to Change the Future	Iris Freeman, MSW	This session is intended to set the tone for the day of conference workshops and motivate participants to engage with vigor. Participants will learn some of the common history between our states in the development and challenges of Adult Protective Services as well as the ways in which we can work together to forge improvements.
10:30am – 10:45am	Morning Break		

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10:45am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Morning Workshops		
	<p>Workshop One: Dementia and Related Disorders Symptoms, Decision-Making and Risk for Elder Abuse and Mistreatment: Case Discussion</p>	<p>Jennifer Drost, DO MPH, Medical Director, Geriatrics Program Director, Geriatric Medicine Fellowship</p>	<p>Learners will review cognitive changes that occur both normally with aging and pathologically with the development of dementia and how these changes increase the risk for elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. Attendants will apply this knowledge to work through a case where an older adult is at risk for elder abuse, neglect and financial exploitation and gain insight into how cognitive impairment and dementia may be identified, basic screening tools, and resources available for additional evaluation and diagnosis.</p>
	<p>Workshop Two: A Team Approach by First Responders to Assisting Vulnerable and At-Risk Adults</p>	<p>Teri Ruslander, Elder Services Coordinator, Grove City Division of Police Greg Tussing, Community Paramedic (Cares program), Jackson Township Fire Department FF/P Joe McCabe, Upper Arlington Community Paramedic (Cares Program) Christine Leyshon, UA Cares Manager/Service Coordinator, Fire Division</p>	<p>The panel workshop will show collaborative work between entities working with at-risk older adults. Each program (Upper Arlington & Grove City/Jackson Twp) would talk about their programs and what they do (Innovative collaborations). They will describe how each professional brings expertise to provide a team approach to assisting vulnerable and at-risk adults.</p>
	<p>Workshop Three: Dementia Types and Signs and Symptoms</p>	<p>Marian K. Schuda, MD Pamela Myers, MAOM, BSN, RN, Senior Director, Programs, Alzheimer's Association Northwest and Central Ohio</p>	<p>Participants will be able to separate normal aging from the signs of dementia. Dementia and related cognitive disorders are a growing concern for many people as they age. Older adults can be at greater risk for abuse, neglect, and exploitation when cognitive decline becomes a factor.</p>
	<p>Workshop Four: Statewide APS Initiatives and You - A Discussion with ODJFS</p>	<p>Kenneth Steinman Ph.D. Tia Goodlet Jessica Brooke Lynch</p>	<p>Over the last several years, and with the recent provision of federal funding, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) has initiated projects that will benefit APS in Ohio on a statewide basis. These initiatives include enhancements to the Ohio Database for Adult Protective Services (ODAPS), the development of a</p>

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			Quality Assurance and Technical Assistance (QA/TA) process, and several others. All attendees will be updated on the new statewide APS initiatives that will affect their day-to-day work. Attendees will also be given an opportunity to discuss these initiatives.
12:00pm – 1:15pm	Lunch & Networking	Lunch/networking and visit vendor tables	
1:15pm –2:30 pm	Concurrent Afternoon Workshops		
	Workshop Five: Dementia and Related Disorders Symptoms, Decision-Making and Risk for Elder Abuse and Mistreatment: Case Discussion	Jennifer Drost, DO MPH , Medical Director, Geriatrics Program Director, Geriatric Medicine Fellowship	Learners will review cognitive changes that occur both normally with aging and pathologically with the development of dementia and how these changes increase the risk for elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. Attendants will apply this knowledge to work through a case where an older adult is at risk for elder abuse, neglect and financial exploitation and gain insight into how cognitive impairment and dementia may be identified, basic screening tools, and resources available for additional evaluation and diagnosis.
	Workshop Six: Coordinating Service Providers for Low-Income Senior Housing	Flite H. Freimann , Director of the Washington County Department of Job and Family Services Meredith Davis, MA, CMC , Senior Director, Center for Holocaust Survivors, Russian Jewish Cultural Center	In this session, the speakers will address how to coordinate and partner to other local agencies and entities to provide as many “touches” as possible to seniors in your community. The goal is to address the social determinates of health without adding any new programs by utilizing existing services.
	Workshop Seven: The Importance of Mental Health First Aid for Older Americans	Janice M. Wright, MA, CCC-SLP	The core skills of Mental Health First Aid — recognizing signs and symptoms of mental health challenges, knowing how to support others, and taking care of our own mental health — are unchanged and are critical to the health of older adults. This workshop will provide the learner with an introduction to the Mental Health First Aid

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			curriculum that can be added to their toolbox when working with older adults.
	Workshop Eight: Dementia Types and Signs and Symptoms	Marian K. Schuda, MD Pamela Myers, MAOM, BSN, RN , Senior Director, Programs, Alzheimer's Association Northwest and Central Ohio	Participants will be able to separate normal aging from the signs of dementia. Dementia is a concern for many people as they age.
2:30 pm – 2:45 pm	Afternoon Break		
2:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Aging Safely: Apply Trauma-Informed Care to Older Adult Services	Katie Kurtz, MSW, LISW-S	Virtually everyone has experienced trauma and toxic stress in their lifetime. It is imperative that organizations who serve older adults are equipped to create a culture of care that includes honoring this reality. Trauma-informed care is a best practice approach that promotes safety for both those who provide and receive the care. This session will introduce an integrative trauma-informed care model which will highlight 5 key tools to begin implementing into leadership and organizational culture.
4:15 – 4:30pm	Closing Remarks	Deanna Green Washington County Department of Job and Family Services OCAPS Chairperson	