

Spring 2018 Regional Caregiver Forum

Description & Learning Objectives



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The Association on Aging in New York encourages staff who oversee and provide Caregiving and/or NY Connects services, as well as those in the KinCare Coalition Network, to attend the Spring 2018 Regional Caregiver Forums, "Caregiving and Respite Across the Lifespan: Linkages and Partnerships". Not only will you learn to strengthen your network of partners, but also will have the opportunity to share issues, needs, and ideas on behalf of caregivers you help serve during afternoon listening sessions.

Learning Objectives

Part I: Caregiving and Respite Services, Supports, and Partnerships

9:30 am - 12:30 pm

The morning segment will offer in-depth review and discussion about resources to support caregiving and respite services needs for the aging network, through NY Connects, and with Kinship Navigator, for caregivers caring for individuals across the age and disability spectrum.

- To understand the New York State Caregiving and Respite Coalition (NYSCRC) mission, and how NYSCRC interconnects with NYSOFA, AAAs, NY Connects, and the NYS KinCare Coalition, to support all people engaged in caregiving.
- To see how NYSCRC is building Respite Capacity and Caregiver Supports across New York State, and how you can get involved in their initiatives.
- To learn about what is available, and how and when to use the new Statewide Caregiving and Respite Virtual Resource Center (VRC) housed at NYSCRC.
- To expand referral sources and engage partners in conversation on caregiver needs and resources across the lifespan.
- To become familiar with Lifespan Respite Sustainability and ways you can become involved.
- To review the NY Connects system and its role of streamlining access to respite and other caregiver supports and services, including the NY Connects Resource Directory.
- To create strategies for developing innovative programs to serve caregivers using person-centered approaches through a variety of supports and services.

Part II: In-Person Listening Session

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm

Join Kelli Owens, Director of Women's Affairs, Office of Governor Cuomo and other representatives for an afternoon in-person "Listening Session" to identify and discuss effective strategies to address caregiver challenges, and determine ways to reduce barriers and address gaps.

Who should attend?

- Area Agency on Aging and subcontractor staff involved in assisting caregivers. AAA services encompass programs aimed at serving caregivers including providing caregivers with information/assistance in accessing long term services and supports and aging related services, counseling, support groups, caregiver training, respite, supplemental services, etc. This includes the following staff:
 - Caregiver Program Coordinators
 - NY Connects Staff
 - AAA Directors/Commissioners
 - Aging Services Specialists
 - Title III E Subcontractors
- NY Connects Staff from ILCs under contract with NYSOFA

- Local Caregiver Coalition Members
- NYS KinCare Coalition members: The New York State KinCare Coalition is a group of kinship service providers, lawyers, state workers, county workers, caregivers and those interested in kinship care issues. The coalition meets quarterly to discuss kinship policy, kinship legislation, and to plan kinship events.
- Caregivers invited to join Part II: Listening Session with Kelli Owens, Director of Women's Affairs, Office of Governor Cuomo

Note: The Part I morning session is not open to the general public. However, the Part II afternoon in-person "Listening Session" is open for Caregivers to attend. Please register today!

Fees:

We do not charge a fee for these educational sessions. However, you must be a staff member from the above list, who oversees or provides Caregiving or NY Connects services, and who is invited by the AAA, NYSOFA staff person, and/or NYS Kinship Navigator. Pre-registration is required as there is limited seating at our venues. Once maximum seating capacity is reached, registration will be closed. Participants have the option of attending any one of the five (5) available forum dates.