

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2017

PANEL DESCRIPTIONS

PANEL 1: EDUCATION

PROVIDE CAREGIVING EDUCATION AND TRAINING BASED ON ACADEMICALLY SOUND PRINCIPLES AND RESEARCH

Education and training opportunities must be available, affordable, and accessible for current and future caregivers. Ongoing educational instruction addresses the need for new student learning, organizational staff turnover, and/or expansion of organizational growth.

SPEAKERS **Leisa Easom, PhD**, *Executive Director*, Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving
Kyungjin Cho, PhD, *Associate Professor*, Department of Cultural Contents, Cyber University of Korea
Christine Jensen, PhD, *Health Services Research*, Riverside Center for Excellence in Aging and Lifelong Health
Sherry Heppner, *Therapeutic Recreation Facilitator*, The Convalescent Home of Winnipeg

PANEL 2: RESEARCH

CONTRIBUTE TO A GROWING BODY OF TRANSLATIONAL RESEARCH TARGETING EVIDENCE-BASED CAREGIVER PROGRAMS

To effectively support caregivers, it is critical to take clinical research off the shelf and translate it into programming that community-based organizations can provide to families. Successful implementation of evidence-based programs ensures that the positive effects of the original clinical trials are maintained.

SPEAKERS **Cindy Holloway, RN**, *Program Manager*, BRI Care Consultation, Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving
Alan Stevens, PhD, *Director*, Program on Aging & Care, Baylor Scott & White
Mary Mittelman, DrPH, *Research Professor*, Department of Psychiatry, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, NYU School of Medicine
Timothy Elliott, PhD, ABPP, *Professor*, Department of Educational Psychology, Texas A&M University

PANEL 3: SERVICE

SUPPORT SERVICES TO CAREGIVERS IN THEIR LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Building relationships and enhancing community engagement at-large is centered in quality service. In addition to national and international offerings, community engagement must take place at the local and state level as well to reach caregivers where they live, work, and provide care.

SPEAKERS **Myrtle Habersham, MS** Habersham Consulting Services LLC
Gayle Alston, MS, *Director*, RCI Training Center for Excellence
Thom Snyder, *Aging Services Coordinator*, Georgia Division of Aging Services
Naomi Latini, MS, *Training and Implementation Specialist*, Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving

PANEL 4: ADVOCACY

ADVOCATE FOR SUPPORT OF CAREGIVER BY ADDRESSING THE STRAIN AND BURDENS ASSOCIATED WITH FAMILY, VOLUNTEER AND PROFESSIONAL CAREGIVING

Caregivers have largely been invisible in our society with silent voices. Research demonstrates that caregiving has rewards, but also comes at a cost to the caregiver who neglects themselves to care for another. The caregiver journey can be isolating and we must speak for those who do not feel they can speak for themselves.

SPEAKERS **Lynn Friss Feinberg, MSW**, *Senior Strategic Policy Advisor*, Public Policy Institute, AARP
Jill Kagan, *Program Director*, ARCH National Respite Network & Resource Center
Abraham Wandersman, PhD, *Professor*, Department of Psychology, University of South Carolina
Meg Kabat, LCSW-C, CCM, *National Director*, Caregiver Support Program, Department of Veterans Affairs

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