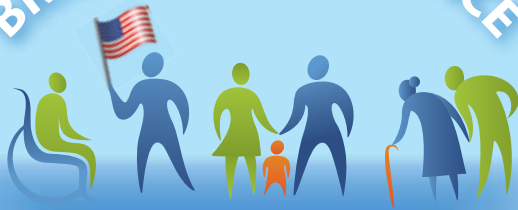


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PROGRAM

Thursday, May 18, 2017

- 8:00 am **Registration**
- 9:00 am **Welcome**
Mayor Sylvester Turner (Tentative)
- 9:25 am **What is a Livable Community, Where Are we and How Do We Get There?**
Tina Tran, Manager of Outreach and Advocacy, AARP Texas State Office-Houston
- 9:55 am **Livable Community facilitated panel discussion**
Facilitator Tina Tran and a panel of experts will discuss and identify activities that address Houston's progress in creating a livable community for all, including the dissemination of resources, services and community information on the following topics:
- Communication and Information
 - Health
 - Housing
 - Public Safety
 - Transportation
 - Volunteering and Social Inclusion
- 10:50 am **Livable Community group discussion and activity**
- 11:50 am **Lunch, Exhibit Hall & Performance**
- 1:15–2:25 pm **Breakout Session I** (see descriptions on back)
- 2:25 pm **Break & Exhibit Hall**
- 3:00–4:15 pm **Breakout Session II** (see descriptions on back)

Friday, May 19, 2017

- 8:00 am **Registration**
- 9:00 am **Welcome**
Deborah A. Moore
- 9:15 am **HHSC Transformation**
Gary Jessee, (Tentative) Deputy Executive Commissioner, Texas Health and Human Services Commission
- 10:00 am **Break, Door Prizes & Exhibit Hall**
- 10:40 am **Politics and Healthcare: Past, Present, Future**
Leonard Kirschner, M.D., M.P.H.
Healthcare systems and delivery are evolving and changes can impact funding allocation, service delivery and policy. Dr. Kirschner will discuss Medicare, Medicaid, and the Affordable Care Act within the context of the new political landscape. The discussion will be geared towards enlightening audience members about possible national healthcare trends and the impact on programs and funding for older adults and people with disabilities.
- 11:25 am **Present Aging and Disability Champion**
- Noon **Motivational Speaker (TBD)**

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Participants can choose to attend one of the following topics during each breakout session (please note that some presentations are multi-part topics in both sessions).

Session I

TRELISHA BROWN *Managing Attorney-Health Law Program, Texas Legal Services Center*

Topic (Part A): Participants will learn about trends to help navigate long-term care services that support older adults, people with disabilities and veterans.

DR. MARK KUNIK *Director, VA South Central Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Professor, Menninger Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Baylor College of Medicine* **Topic:** Discussion on what's new regarding Veteran Health Administration (VHA) comprehensive healthcare, innovative programs and how veterans can manage and overcome complex medical/mental health challenges.

DR. MARIA QUINTERO *Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Authority Services Psychologist, Tri-County Services* **Topic:** Co-occurring diagnoses (coexistence of both a mental health and a substance abuse disorder).

CRISTEN REAT *Manager, Bridging Apps* **Topic:** Discussion will cover navigating online technology, Apps for older adults, people with disabilities and veterans

SHERI TALBOT *Director of Authority Services, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services Division, Texana Center* **Topic:** Navigating resources across organizations and services to assist clients.

Part A: The following organizations will be represented and discussed.

- Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)
- Other Agencies
- Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)
- Local Intellectual & Developmental Authority (LIDDA)
- Area Agency on Aging (AAA)
- Veterans Administration (VA)

Session II

TRELISHA BROWN *Managing Attorney-Health Law Program, Texas Legal Services Center*

Topic (Part B): Participants will learn about trends to help navigate long-term care services that support older adults, people with disabilities and veterans.

DR. RENEE FLORES *Associate Program Director of the Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program, Assistant Professor-Geriatric and Palliative Medicine, UT Health* **Topic:** The issues and challenges of maintaining sexuality and intimacy as people age and/or manage disabilities.

KAREN HOLT *Housing Navigator, East Texas Aging Disability and Resource Center* **Topic:** Information about housing resources and services, including assistance professionals can provide to consumers and details about navigating through 811, the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program and local housing authorities policies.

TRINA K. ITA, MA *Deputy Associate Commissioner for Mental Health Coordination and*

ANTHONY JALOMO *Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) Program Director, Human Services Commission and Intellectual and Developmental Disability* **Topic:** Accessing intellectual/developmental disability services, STAR + PLUS and behavioral health services.

ROGER LEVY *Director, Texas Technology Access Program* **Topic:** Discussion will include access to assistive technology for people with disabilities and older adults to improve quality of life and increase independence.

SHERI TALBOT *Director of Authority Services, Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Services Division, Texana Center* **Topic:** Navigating resources across organizations and services to assist clients.

- Part B:** (facilitated group discussion) Overcoming barriers and creating solutions to access resources
- Discuss challenging situations and overcoming them through partnership with multiple organizations
 - Networking