



Stockton Center on Successful Aging Announces First Wednesday Professional Lecture for April 4, 2012 at Stockton

***Genesis HealthCare and Stockton Center on Successful Aging present:
Connecting Hospital and Community: The Importance of Effective Discharge
Planning***

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Stockton Center on Successful Aging announces the next professional workshop in the First Wednesday series designed to help professionals working with older adults, scheduled for Wednesday, April 4, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. in the Campus Center Trustee Room (CC-BOT) on the Stockton Campus at 101 Vera King Farris Drive, Galloway.

The workshop is titled ***Connecting Hospital and Community: The Importance of Effective Discharge Planning*** and presented by Michelle Walmsley, MSW, LSW. Michelle is an Adjunct Instructor of Gerontology at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey and teaches "Introduction to Gerontology" and "Aging & Health" in the undergraduate Gerontology Minor. She is an alumna of Monmouth and Virginia Commonwealth universities. Michelle has been a medical social worker in hospital and community settings, director of social services in long-term care, and Supervisor of the Atlantic County Adult Protective Services Unit.

The presentation will address the importance of integration of community service coordination and discharge planning as our older population grows and as elders live longer and depend on a growing array of changing community resources to successfully age in place. This session will explore new and innovative ways to connect clients with community resources and services while addressing the challenges and reasonable expectations and goals of discharge planning, while encouraging positive organizational and/or departmental changes to develop a plan for your aging clientele to age successfully.

The seminars, designed for professionals, para-professionals, and other caregivers who work with older adults are free of charge and include a full breakfast. Upon completion, participants

will receive 1 CE for Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Professional Counselors. Online advanced registration is required by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 27, 2012 and can be accessed via the SCOSA website at www.stockton.edu/scosa. For more information contact: Denise Raymond, Denise.Raymond@GenesisHCC.com.

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