

Self-Neglect vs. Self-Determination

Frequently, well meaning and beneficent care professionals, friends and families intercede with opinion, decisions, or actions presumed to be in the recipient's best interest even though the person in question may have other wishes. Ethicists have written extensively about the tension between autonomy and paternalism.

Some insist that autonomy or individual liberty must be respected in all instances except when a particular action would cause real harm to others.

Perhaps the most difficult and frequent ethical dilemma for professionals working with self neglect cases, is the effort to respect the expressed wishes of individual while society's role is to protect the individual from harm.



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Presents:

Self-Neglect vs. Self-Determination: Addressing Abuse/Neglect Issues with Older Adults



September 27th, 2010

Topeka, KS

8:30AM-11:30AM

Capital Plaza Hotel

Pioneer Room

Maner Conference Center



Who Should Attend

Professionals and students in the areas of community-based services, Nurses, Home Health Workers, Social Workers, Case Managers, Community Leaders, caregivers and others interested in developing a knowledge regarding self-determination of an older adult and how to address legal capacity issues with older adults.

The training will be conducted by:

Bessie Walker

Bessie Walker is the Adult Protective Services Program Manager for the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services. Her duties include oversight of the Adult Protective Services program, as well as providing recommendations regarding proposed changes to the program through policy or legislation.

Ms. Walker is a member of the National Adult Protective Services Association, the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the Elder Justice Coalition. She also serves as faculty for Prosecuting Elder Abuse Cases, a training that is administered by the National District Attorneys Association through a grant from the Office on Violence Against Women.

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Event Overview

Objectives:

1. Older adult self-determination when considering self care
2. Competent adults have the right to make bad decisions
3. At what point does the court system decide to take away those rights?
4. Responsibility of the family/ adult children?
5. Models of intervention or legal processes.

***** Participants will be provided with a certificate of attendance for 3 hours training.**

Agenda

**8:00am - Registration-Continental Breakfast
8:30am - Elder Abuse and Self Determination
11:30PM Adjourn**



Sign-up Form

Sign up for: Price
**September 27th - Capital Plaza
Hotel, Pioneer Room-Maner
Conference Center, 1717 SW
Topeka Boulevard, Topeka, KS** **\$15.00**

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