

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 Legal Capacity Issues with Older Adults



June 15th, 2010
Kansas City, KS
9:00AM-12:00PM

Great Wolf Lodge
10401 Cabela Drive



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:

Honorable Constance Alvey

Judge Alvey is currently a judge in Wyandotte County District Court, Division 16 District Court. She has previous legal experience as Deputy District Attorney, Assistant District Attorney in Wyandotte County, and Circuit Court of Jackson County, Missouri.

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Event Overview

Participants will learn firsthand:

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. Case examples you have seen where this has played out in court
5. Do we wait for a crisis before we intervene
6. Is this process a responsibility of the family/ adult children?
7. Models of intervention or legal processes.



Sign-up Form

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