



DOWNSTATE ACF/ASSISTED LIVING MEETING

November 8, 2017

10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

[Wartburg](#)

Conference Center

1 Wartburg Place

Mount Vernon, New York 10552

10:00-11:00

The Assisted Living Landscape: Where We are and Where We are Headed

Reform efforts and budgetary constraints on both the federal and state level are shaping the way senior access care. While there are many unknowns, there is also a lot we do know that can help us to plan strategically to arrange our services in a way that best meets the needs and wants of New York's seniors. During this session, we will examine the current assisted living landscape and consider the trends that will influence adult care facility (ACF) and assisted living care in the years to come.

Presenter: Diane Darbyshire, LCSW, senior policy analyst

ACF/AL and NAB 1 Credit Hour

11:00-12:00

ACF/AL Department of Health Update

A representative from the Department of Health (DOH) regional office will provide the region's ACF and assisted living providers with information on key issues pertinent to that region, as well as priorities from the Albany office. Time will be allowed for a question and answer session.

Presenter: Bobbie Barrington, Program Director, Division of Adult Care Facilities and Assisted Living Surveillance, Metropolitan Area Regional Office, New York State Department of Health

ACF/AL and NAB 1 Credit Hour

12:00-12:30

Networking Lunch

12:30-12:45

Advocacy Priorities

Every fall, LeadingAge New York develops its advocacy priorities for the year ahead. This helps us to ensure that we can proactively advocate for issues in the budget and legislative process, both of which commence in January. During this discussion, we will outline the draft priorities for the ACF and assisted living membership and obtain feedback from participants.

Facilitator: Diane Darbyshire, LCSW, senior policy analyst

No ACF/AL or NAB credit will be earned for this session.

12:45-1:45

Regulatory Update

This session will provide an update on the various initiatives underway, to ensure providers are aware of the most recent developments from DOH and other state agencies. The session will review recent Dear Administrator letters (DALs) and highlight important policy issues that providers must be attending to in all categories of adult care facilities, assisted living programs and assisted living residences.

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1:45-2:00 Break

2:00-3:30

Dementia Care for the Assisted Living Leader

The Alzheimer's Association expert staff will offer an interactive 1.5 hour course on leadership tools for creating a culture of Alzheimer's awareness, understanding and appreciation for New York State's long term care facilities. The lesson will include:

- the role of the team leader
- basics of quality dementia care
- communication techniques
- understanding dementia behavior, including wandering
- improving connections
- reducing falls and improving mealtime

Presenter: Patricia Gaston, LMSW, Director, Professional and Education and Research Research-Related Activities Alzheimer's Association Hudson Valley Chapter

ACF/AL and NAB 1.5 Credit Hour