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IOWA DEPARTMENT ON AGING BRINGS YOU... 2012 ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS WEBINAR SERIES

☐ **KICK OFF JUNE 15 WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY!!!**

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Tools for Reducing The Financial Victimization of Older Iowans – Tom Alger, Communications Director, Iowa Insurance Division. Older Iowans are vulnerable to predatory practices by hucksters and scam artists. No one knows that better than the perpetrators of unethical and illegal financial frauds. This webinar addresses ways to reduce those vulnerabilities and to empower older Iowans so that they can make prudent decisions in the handling of money and investments.

☐ **August 9, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Sexual Abuse in Later Life – Angie Schreck, Rural SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) Coordinator and Suzanne Young, RN, Medical Advocacy Coordinator, Iowa Coalition Against Sexual Assault (ICASA).** Participants will increase their understanding of the prevalence of sexual abuse in later life: both perpetration of sexual abuse on elders and previous sexual abuse perpetration in an elder's life that may be impacting the individual's current feelings of security and well-being. Issues to be discussed include the legal and social definitions of sexual abuse; the dynamics of power and control; and the effects/impact of sexual abuse on elders, as well their families, friends, and caregivers. Available resources for elder sexual abuse victims, including medical and forensic options, victim advocacy programs, and ongoing sources of support will also be addressed.

☐ **October 2, 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. – Iowa Combating Medicaid Fraud and Abuse within Health Facilities – Josh Happe, JD, Director, Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU), Dept. of Inspections and Appeals and Jamie Murphy, JD, Administrator, Abuse Coordinating Unit, Health Facilities Division, Dept. of Inspections and Appeals.** This presentation will discuss the role of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) and the Abuse Coordinating Unit in the Department of Inspections and Appeals and will address the types of complaints received. A description of each Unit's purpose, how they function and contact information for reporting suspicions of fraud, abuse, and exploitation will be explained. The presenters will help participants navigate the system of jurisdictions and help provide clarity on the distinct functions of other state departments.

Who Should Participate?

- General Public
- Social Workers
- County Attorneys
- Law Enforcement
- Aging Network Staff
- Medical Professionals

Certificates of Participation Will Be Given For Continuing Educational Purposes

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