

Preventing Elder Financial Fraud and Scams: It Takes a Village (PA Dept. of Banking and Securities)

Elder Financial Abuse has skyrocketed to be the number 1 issue reported and verified to Adult Protective Services staff – and that’s only the tip of the iceberg, since so much abuse goes unreported. As professionals working directly with older adults, you are in unique positions to protect them from con artists looking to steal their life savings. This session will outline red flags of elder financial abuse and the latest scams facing you and the older adults you serve.

Speakers: Christina Kotsalos, Director, Investor Education and Consumer Outreach and Katrina Boyer, Investor Education Coordinator (PA Department of Banking and Securities)

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The Hidden Costs of Gambling In Affordable Housing

"The Hidden Costs of Gambling in Affordable Housing," aims to bring attention to the often-overlooked negative impacts of gambling on vulnerable populations. It will explore the dynamics of affordable housing communities, analyze the psychological allure of gambling, and delve into the economic strain and social implications it imposes. The presentation will also highlight intervention and support strategies, concluding with a call to action for advocacy and policy considerations. The Q&A session will provide an opportunity for engaging discussion, fostering awareness, and inspiring positive change to create safer environments for those affected.

Speaker: Jennifer Lynn Whitley, MA, MPW (Whitley Grayson Consulting)