

Disaster Preparedness Planning for Family Caregivers

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DATE: Wednesday, April 16, 2014

TIME: 11:00-12:30 PST

OBJECTIVE:

This webinar will provide information to assist family caregivers in planning for emergencies and disasters.

Family caregivers have a responsibility of caring for loved ones with health or functional needs, making it important for them to develop a personal preparedness plan as well as a plan for individuals they support. Examples include family caregivers who are responsible for the care of children with Developmental Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorders, Older Americans who are medically fragile, and persons who have dementia or Alzheimer's disease. Information provided in this webinar will highlight the unique needs of disaster preparedness planning for these particularly vulnerable populations and considerations for developing and maintaining an emergency plan for both the caregiver and their loved one.

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PRESENTATIONS:

A brief **Introduction to Preparedness Planning for Family Caregivers** will be provided by Dr. Cheryl Levine, At-Risk Team Lead, Division for At-Risk Individuals, Behavioral Health, and Community Resilience (ABC), ASPR and Greg Link, Aging Services Program Specialist/Team-Lead, Office of Supportive and Caregiver Services, ACL.

Lessons Learned from Hurricane Sandy: Challenges of Sheltering in Place for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities or Special Health Care Needs including Autism
Peg Kinsell, Director of Public Policy, Statewide Parent Advocacy Network, New Jersey

Supporting Older Americans who are Medically Fragile, Della Sanchez, LGSW, AL Cares Coordinator, Support for Caregivers, SARPC/Area Agency on Aging, Mobile, Alabama

Lessons Learned from 9/11, Katrina, and Sandy for Persons with Dementia and Alzheimer's Disease, Jed Levine, Executive Vice President, Director of Programs and Services, Alzheimer's Association, New York City Chapter

Facilitated discussion with the panelists will be led by Iris Terashima, developer and trainer for the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center: Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers of Senior Citizens.