

# Maine Elder Abuse Summit Agenda

Augusta Civic Center - May 15, 2015

9:00 – 9:30	<b>Registration</b>	
9:30 – 9:45	<b>Welcome</b> Judith Shaw, Esq., Co-Chair of the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention and Securities Administrator at the Office of Securities	
9:45 – 10:00	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Ricker Hamilton, Deputy Commissioner of Programs, Department of Health and Human Services	
10:00 – 11:00	<b>Challenges in Detection of Elder Abuse</b> Dr. Mark J. Yaffe, BSc, MDCM, MCISc, CCFP, FCFP, Professor in the Department of Family Medicine, McGill University and St. Mary's Hospital Center, Montreal, Quebec, Canada	
11:00 – 11:15	<b>Break</b>	
11:15 – 12:45	<b>Breakout Sessions</b>	
	<b>Key Agencies in the Fight Against Elder Abuse - What They Can (and Can't) Do to Help Victims</b> Panel Discussion <b>(Main Room)</b>	<b>Effective Approaches to Working with Victims of Trauma</b> Marty McIntyre, Executive Director of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services <b>(Breakout Room)</b>
		<b>Elder Abuse Screening Tool Working Group</b> Dr. Mark J. Yaffe, BSc, MDCM, MCISc, CCFP, FCFP, Professor in the Department of Family Medicine, McGill University and St. Mary's Hospital Center, Montreal, Quebec, Canada <b>(Breakout Room)</b>
12:45 – 1:45	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:45 – 3:00	<b>Capacity Issues and Elder Abuse—Challenges and Solutions Across Disciplines</b> Panel Discussion	
3:00 – 3:15	<b>Break</b>	
3:15 – 4:30	<b>Making the Case: Criminal and Civil Responses to Financial Exploitation</b> Denis Culley, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Services for the Elderly Leanne Robbin, Assistant Attorney General	
4:30	<b>Closing Remarks</b> Lynne Caswell, Co-Chair of the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention and Legal Services Consultant at the Office of Aging and Disability Services	

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## Session Descriptions

### Challenges in Detection of Elder Abuse

*Dr. Mark J. Yaffe, BSc, MDCM, MCISc, CCFP, FCFP, Professor in the Department of Family Medicine, McGill University and St. Mary's Hospital Center, Montreal, Quebec, Canada*

- Dr. Yaffe will discuss different approaches to elder abuse detection and what obstacles and barriers are encountered when one attempts to identify it. Limitations of existing detection tools will be presented. The Elder Abuse Suspicion Index (EASI), a tool that he helped develop and validate, will be presented as a simple instrument that has been cited in the elder abuse literature as having some potential to help in identifying potential mistreatment victims.

### Breakout Sessions:

#### Key Agencies in the Fight Against Elder Abuse—What They Can (and Can't) Do to Help Victims

*Judith Shaw, Securities Administrator, Office of Securities*

*Doreen McDaniel, Program Manager, Adult Protective Services*

*Brenda Gallant, R.N., Executive Director, State Long-Term Care Ombudsman*

*Sarah Taylor, Assistant Director of Medical Facilities, Division of Licensing and Regulatory Services*

- A panel of agency leaders will use “Stump the Expert” case examples to help participants develop a deeper understanding of available state agency resources including limits on what they can and can't do to help victims of elder abuse.

#### Effective Approaches to Working with Victims of Trauma

*Marty McIntyre, Executive Director of Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services*

- Ms. McIntyre is an expert on working with elder sexual abuse victims. She will explain how elder victims react to trauma, what to expect when working with elder victims of trauma, and best practice approaches to working with this vulnerable population.

#### Elder Abuse Screening Tool Working Group

*Dr. Mark J. Yaffe, BSc, MDCM, MCISc, CCFP, FCFP, Professor in the Department of Family Medicine, McGill University and St. Mary's Hospital Center, Montreal, Quebec, Canada*

- Agencies or organizations that are interested in learning whether the Elder Abuse Suspicion Index (EASI) is appropriate for use in their settings may send up to two representatives to a small working group session with Dr. Yaffe to learn about specifics of applying this tool.

#### Capacity Issues and Elder Abuse—Challenges and Solutions Across Disciplines

*William Kirkpatrick, LICSW, Program Director, Alzheimer's Association*

*Jane Skelton, Esq.*

*Dr. Eileen Fingerman*

- This panel is designed to help participants understand the range and causes of capacity issues and the range of supportive tools and responses that are available in the social services, medical, and legal areas to help seniors with capacity issues maintain their independence, personal and financial safety, and dignity.

#### Making the Case: Criminal and Civil Responses to Financial Exploitation

*Denis Culley, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Services for the Elderly*

*Leanne Robbin, Assistant Attorney General*

- This session will compare and contrast potential civil and criminal responses to exploitation. It will include tips from both the civil and criminal side on how different professionals and disciplines (APS, law enforcement, victim advocates, medical, financial institutions, etc.) can work together to ensure prosecution of these cases and positive outcomes for victims.