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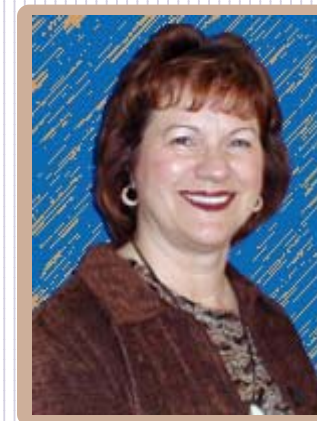
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"Services Rendered On A Non-Discriminatory Basis"

DIRECTOR'S REPORT



All of us are affected in one way or another by the economic crisis happening in America and across the globe. We can't turn on the television or open a newspaper without learning more about the difficult time communities are enduring. And it isn't just changing by the day – it appears to be changing by the hour.

In homes across our AAA7 district, there are personal issues that are affecting us, our staff, our neighbors, and families, too. At times, I know you and I start feeling overwhelmed.

Let's take a moment and think about our mission of serving older adults and the lessons older adults teach us.

Many of our consumers lived through the Great Depression and made large and small sacrifices in their lives when times were bad. Through hard work, faith, and values of helping their families and neighbors, they never lost what is important.

The Economic Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus Plan) was finally passed last week by Congress. As President Obama's administration team works with states to help stimulate the economy, create and save jobs, and provide health care and safety nets for America, we watch and monitor what impact this will have on Ohio and its citizens.

With the help of the federal Stimulus Plan legislation, I remain optimistic that as we begin Aging advocacy and debate of the Ohio biennium budget – our state will not lose focus of the core values of our service to older adults. But, we must all be prepared to sacrifice if necessary. As always, our rural, Appalachian spirit will serve us well!

Let's make a commitment to work together – as ONE aging network – which will make us strong.

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**AAA7 AND GALLIA COUNTY RESOURCE CENTER TEAM UP TO OFFER
“A MATTER OF BALANCE: MANAGING CONCERNS ABOUT FALLS”**

Gallia County Resource Center staff members, Judy Rejonis and Marcella Taylor, along with community member, Mary Withe, recently participated in training offered by the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc become Certified Coaches to teach “A Matter of Balance” program classes.



L to R: Judy Rejonis and Marcella Taylor, Gallia County Resource Center Staff Members; Vicki Woyan, Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. Staff; Shirley Doss, Executive Director of the Gallia County Resource Center

“Great ideas can only happen through the collaboration of partners such as Shirley Doss, Director of the Gallia County Resource Center”, states Vicky Abdella, AAA7 Director of Community Services. “We are fortunate that Shirley is willing to devote staff to facilitate the training. Her spirit of cooperation will provide a critical piece to make this educational program a reality for Gallia County citizens.”

A *Matter of Balance* program is designed to reduce the fear of falling and increase activity levels among older adults. Participants in the class learn to set realistic goals to increase activity, change their

environment to reduce fall risk factors, and learn simple exercises to increase strength and balance.

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you become a little afraid of a favorite activity because you might fall? If so, “*A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falls,*” is a program for you. Participation in the *A Matter of Balance* classes can help you improve your quality of life and remain independent. There is **no cost** to participate.

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. and Gallia County Resource Center want to offer classes in Gallia County for any community member age 60 or older who feels they may benefit from this class.

If you are interested, call today! Or if any organization, apartment complex, club, fitness group, support group, or facility serving older adults would like to host a class for the community or your organization, contact Vicky Abdella, R.N. or Vicki Woyan at 800-582-7277 to schedule.

AAA7 RECEIVES HOPWA GRANT

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. received \$40,500 through the Ohio Department of Development to help provide housing support to individuals suffering from AIDS. This grant is awarded through the FY08 Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS Program (HOPWA).

Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc., located in Gallia County received the grant to assist persons living with HIV/AIDS in Fayette, Gallia, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, and Scioto Counties. Funds will enable the award recipient to provide rental, mortgage, utility, and supportive housing services to eligible individuals. The goal of the HOPWA program is to assist low-income persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families obtain and maintain affordable housing to prevent homelessness.

AAA7 “GREAT LEAPIN’ GREEN!” CAMPAIGN

We’re rolling-up our sleeves and digging in to join America’s initiative to save the environment. Not a particularly new idea – but one that will jump-start our AAA7 “**Great Leapin’ Green!**” Campaign.

With the next edition, our agency newsletter will be distributed in electronic format. So you don’t miss an issue, you will find an enclosed form to submit your email address. Please follow the instructions on the form.

To make this an even more cost-saving and environmentally-friendly move, please include all email addresses within your organization/agency of staff who rely on AAA7 news. You will not have to print copies!

Grrrrrrr....Green – Help Us Leap to It!

Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc.

27th Annual Senior Citizens Exhibit
Art Show
Poetry
Essay
Photographs

Sally J. Roberts, Artist from Gallia County



2008 “Victor Potts Award” Winner

May 18 - 29- 2009
10 am - 2 pm, Monday - Friday
Greer Museum
University of Rio Grande
Rio Grande, Ohio

For more information call 1-800-582-7277.

REGARDING THE 2009 SENIOR EXPO

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. has made a difficult decision regarding the 2009 Senior EXPO event. As a member of our AAA7 EXPO family, we wanted you to know first.

We have heard from several of our sponsors and exhibitors asking about the 2009 Senior EXPO event. There are many struggling with the current economic crisis and have even been in a position to lay-off workers. This message is not lost on us. AAA7 is also considering ways to cut-costs and become more efficient yet maintain quality of our core services to older adults.

In light of the expenses and staff time that must be devoted to the event – by AAA7 and by your organization/ agency – we have made the decision to not hold Senior EXPO in 2009.

We value this event and are saddened by this decision.

2009 OLDER AMERICANS PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

The Older Americans Photography Contest offers local amateur photographers of any age, the opportunity to enhance the image of older persons to all generations through photographs. Intergenerational photos are allowed and encouraged, but at least one person in the submitted photo must be a verifiable age of 65 years or older at the time of the photo.

Photo entries will be displayed with award ribbons at the AAA7 Annual Art Show scheduled for May 18 through May 29, 2009 at the Esther Allen Greer Museum and Gallery on the campus of the University of Rio Grande in Rio Grande, Ohio. Contestants will not be notified of award placement prior to the Art Show. Display of any photo is solely at the discretion of the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc.

Included as an insert in this newsletter is a 2009 Older Americans Photography Contest form with rules, photographer's entry information, and model release. This form may also be copied from the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. website at www.aaa7.org--click on Special Events--Photo Contest.

Photos and completed entry forms should be submitted to the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc., 160 Dorsey Drive, P.O. Box 500, URG, Rio Grande, Ohio 45674, no later than April 30, 2009.

If we only had a crystal ball and could foresee if the federal and state budgets and the economy would rebound by fall, this decision may not have been necessary. But since an event of this magnitude takes months in advance to prepare, we believe it would be irresponsible to begin planning Senior EXPO in 2009.

Please understand that it is our intention to resume Senior EXPO in the future. And what a celebration that would be!

You are a major part of this event and hope you understand how much we appreciate your years of participation and support. We will keep you posted in advance of a decision for 2010.

Your loyalty to Senior EXPO, in the past and in the future, is not taken for granted.

Thank you for your consideration.

27TH ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS EXHIBIT: ART SHOW, ESSAY, POETRY AND PHOTOS

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. will host its 27th Annual Senior Citizens Exhibit: Art Show, Essay, Poetry and Photo, on May 18th through May 29th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. each day in the Esther Allen Greer Museum and Gallery on the campus of the University of Rio Grande, Rio Grande, Ohio.

Anyone who is 55 years of age or older may participate. The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. requests no more than three entries in the Art Show per participant, and one entry per category (essay and poetry) in the Essay/Poetry Contest per participant. In addition, all Art Show entries must be suitable to be displayed on the walls. Those who wish to indicate their work is for sale may do so. Essays, Poetry and Artwork will be accepted at the AAA7 office in Rio Grande, Ohio, until April 30, 2009.

The rules for Framed Art and for the Essay/Poetry Contest are included on the Artwork entry form insert in this newsletter. This form may also be copied from the AAA7 website at www.aaa7.org--click on Special Events--Art Show and Essay/Poetry Contest.

A reception will be held Friday, May 29, 2009, from 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Esther Allen Greer Museum and Gallery for the participants, their guests, and Museum and Gallery visitors.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT FALLS AND WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP AAA7 ANNOUNCES NEW COMMUNITY PROGRAM COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS AND PARTNERING AGENCIES WANTED



Christy Beeghly, MPH, Injury Prevention Program Administrator at Ohio Department of Health; Patti League, R.N., Wellness Specialist, MaineHealth Partners for Healthy Aging; Vicky Abdella, R.N., Director of Community Services, Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7); Vicki Woyan, Community Services Specialist, AAA7; and Angela Townsend, R.N., Cuyahoga County Board of Health.

Chances are you know someone who has fallen or who is afraid of falling. Each year up to 30% of community dwelling adults fall and about half of these falls occur around the home. Falls are not usually caused by just one issue, but rather a combination of things and a large portion of falls are preventable.

Many older adults acknowledge having a fear of falling which actually leads to becoming a risk factor for falling. The fear of falling can lead to a decreased satisfaction with life, increased frailty, depression, decreased mobility, and decreased social activity.

Through a partnership with the Ohio Department of Health, the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. is now able to extend a community education program called, "A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falling." This educational program is conducted in eight two hour sessions and uses group discussion,

problem-solving strategies, videos and gentle exercise to help older adults learn positive coping methods to reduce fear of falling and remain active and independent.

At this time the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. is looking for community volunteer coaches and partner organizations to extend the program into Jackson County. Becoming a community volunteer will only require your time to be trained as a coach and teach at least two classes per year. As a partner organization you would be offering "A Matter of Balance" classes at least two times per year in your organization for the community or residents in your facility.

Upon becoming a community volunteer coach or partnering organization, you will be providing a proven evidence-based, award winning national falls prevention program for your community. You will be assisting members of your community to live healthier, more productive lives and will be participating in national data collection regarding falls prevention.

"A Matter of Balance" coaches need good communication and interpersonal skills, enthusiasm, dependability and a willingness to lead small groups of older adults. Coaches also need to be able to lead low to moderate level exercise.

This program offers a wonderful opportunity to give back to your community and is designed to be offered in virtually any setting including rehabilitation facilities, community rooms, apartment complexes, assisted living facilities, nursing facilities, and wellness centers.

If you are a community member interested in volunteering or an organization who feels this program will benefit their mission, please contact, Vicky Abdella, R.N., Director of Community Services at AAA7 at (800) 582-7277, ext. 254, for more information.

AAA7 MISSION STATEMENT

To provide assistance and resources to communities, organizations, families and individuals to promote opportunities and meet the challenges of moving through the life span.

**INTRODUCING KATHLEEN FINNEGAN,
AAA7 BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



Kathleen M. Finnegan, Senior Staff Psychologist at Psychological Transitions and consultant with the Adams County School System serves on the AAA7 Board of Trustees-a 15-member governing body for the agency serving Adams, Brown, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto and Vinton Counties.

Ms. Finnegan holds a Ph.D. in Psychology and is active in community service with mentoring, grant writing and program development, and group facilitation community action (community supported agriculture). She belongs to the American Psychological Association and the Adams County Democratic Party. Her hobbies and interests include organic gardening, neuro-psychology, singing and music.

DONATION TO NEW YEAR'S BABY



Ivory Brown is a PASSPORT Consumer with the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. One of her favorite hobbies is to crochet and recently she put her talent to good use. Ms. Brown crocheted baby blankets and hats for the first baby born in 2009, in Scioto County, at the Scioto Memorial Hospital.

AAA7 RECEIVES VOCA GRANT

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) recently received a Victims of Crime Assistance (VOCA) grant from the Ohio Attorney General's Office. VOCA funds will allow the agency to provide services to victims of crime that will aid them in how to report a crime and to navigate the legal system.

The AAA7 Regional Ombudsman Program serves residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities who are victims of crime. Ombudsmen provide advocacy and direct assistance to residents and act on their behalf to reduce the traumatic effect of victimization. These activities ensure the victim's ability to access, and participate in, the criminal justice system. This often includes assisting residents with notification of law enforcement, attending court appearances, protecting the resident from further

abuse, and obtaining financial compensation for the victim, if eligible.

The Regional Ombudsman Director, Kaye Mason-Inoshita, R.N. stated, "This is the third year the Ombudsman Program has received this grant to assist victims of crime living in our area's long term care facilities. Historically, the Ombudsman's primary role was to investigate and resolve complaints concerning long term care facilities in an effort to improve the residents' quality of life."

Mason-Inoshita continued, "This grant enables the Ombudsman Program to expand our services to assist residents who are victims of crime and often are unaware of or intimidated by the criminal justice system."

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**DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS FOR THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ADVISORY
COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2009**

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

February 18, 12:30 pm, OSU Endeavor Center
April 15, 12:30 pm, OSU Endeavor Center
(will be changed to an all day event to include board training)
June 17, 12:30 pm, OSU Endeavor Center
August 19, 12:30 pm, OSU Endeavor Center
October 21, 10:00 am, OSU Endeavor Center
(Joint Meeting with the Advisory Council)
December 16, 12:00 pm, Location to be announced (probably at the Emmitt House Restaurant)

ADVISORY COUNCIL

April 15, 10:00 am, OSU Endeavor Center
July 15, 10:00 am, OSU Endeavor Center
October 21, 10:00 am, OSU Endeavor Center
(Joint meeting with the Board of Trustees)

**MASON-INOSHITA SPEAKS AT NATIONAL
CONSUMER VOICE CONFERENCE**

Kaye Mason-Inoshita, R.N., Regional Ombudsman Program Director for the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) presented at a national conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mason-Inoshita spoke to advocates from across the country at *The National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care's 33rd Annual Meeting and Conference* held October 15-17.

In a panel format, Ohio Ombudsmen discussed the recruitment and utilization of university student interns. Mason-Inoshita highlighted the Ombudsman Program's experience mentoring Nursing Home Administration students. They currently attend Shawnee State University in Professor Jerry McCoy's Health Care Management Program.

The panel shared their proven techniques for partnering with local colleges/universities to meet the need for committed volunteers. Panelists also provided attendees with practical hands-on approaches of how to capture the energy and enthusiasm of students to improve the services of the Ombudsman Volunteer Program which focuses on identifying elder abuse.

"We have found the internship program a valuable asset to our services, noted Mason-Inoshita. "And nursing home residents enjoy the visits and attention of the students. As students learn, it's a win-win for everyone."

**SENIOR MEDICARE
PATROL PROJECT**

The Senior Medicare Patrol Integration Project educates Medicare recipients on how to identify and address healthcare fraud, error and abuse. The federal grant is administered through the Administration on Aging.

Regional Long-term Care Ombudsmen of the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) will expand Ohio's existing Senior Medicare Patrol Project to previously underserved areas of the state. The district includes Adams, Brown, Gallia, Highland, Jackson, Lawrence, Pike, Ross, Scioto, and Vinton counties.

Senior Medicare Patrols train individuals in local communities to recognize potential Medicare fraud and report it appropriately. More than \$50 million in savings to Medicare, Medicaid, and other entities have been related to the efforts of similar projects across the country.

The Regional Long Term Care Ombudsman program can handle your concerns about areas such as elder abuse, client care, consumer rights, etc. For more information, call 1-800-582-7277

STAFF AT AREA AGENCY ON AGING PLAY SANTA CLAUS



L to R: Merritt Sessor, Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) Community Service Coordinator; Donna Hurt, AAA7 Community Service Manager; Shannan Orender, AAA7 Case Manager for Ryan White Program; and Barbara Fisher, AAA7 Case Aide for the Ryan White Program.

New winter coats are zipped and buttoned and toys are wrapped in anticipation of making children laugh with joy this holiday season! Who is behind Jolly Ol' St. Nick?

Holding a silent auction at the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. annual conference, AAA7 staff generously raised over \$2600 for the children of their *Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Caregiver Support* and *Ryan White CARE* programs. Shopping carts overflowed as staff selected just the right sizes and the dreamed-of toys at the Wal-Mart store in New Boston.

"I don't know who is more excited – the children or our staff!" quips Vicky Abdella, RN, Director of Community Services and supervisor of the two AAA7 programs. "The best part is the grandparents and parents picking-up the gifts and signing their own names on the gift tags."

There are over 3000 grandparents raising grandchildren throughout the AAA7's ten-county district per the 2005-2007 American Community Survey conducted by the US Census Bureau. The parents participating in the Ryan White program also have the same economic issues of housing, medical issues and access to care.

The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. serves as the front door for resources and programs for long-term care options for older adults and other high-risk individuals. The staff are proud that along the way – the agency makes children smile, too.

AAA7 SPEARHEADS SHIP



SHIP, or the Senior Home Inspection Program, is an innovative, first of its kind, free home inspection program set in Appalachia, serving hard to reach elders living in rural Ross county. SHIP is a voluntary service that provides a free home security assessment, fire safety inspection, fall assessment and a long term care consultation. The idea for the program was generated by Lieutenant Dale Gillette of the Ross County Sheriff's Office and was spearheaded by the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. The partnership includes:

- Ross County Sheriff's Department
- Chillicothe Police Department
- Ross County Fire Association
- Ross County Department of Job and Family Services
- Shawnee State University's Master of Occupational Therapy Program
- Southern Care
- Ross County Senior Center

Together law enforcement officers, firemen, occupational therapy students, and aging professionals provide free home inspections two days a month in four hour time blocks. In addition to the assessments, seniors receive free home safety equipment including: smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, fire extinguishers, emergency beacon lights, nightlights, bath mats, power strips, flashlights, non-slip rug tape and/or mats, and aging services education. This team effort has led to significant improvement in the quality of life for older adults in Ross county. Seniors enjoy the visits with law enforcement and fire professionals in uniform, with young, energetic students, and with aging professionals providing them with a wealth of information about home and community resources and services. These visits help seniors to safely age in place in their homes.

From October '07 until September '08, 47 home evaluations were completed by the SHIP team, averaging four visits per month. Over 30 seniors requesting SHIP home evaluations are on a waiting list.

For information about Ohio Medicaid programs or to report suspected Medicaid fraud, you may call the Ohio Medicaid Fraud Hotline at 1-800-324-8680.

AAA7 CONSUMER'S SMILE SAYS IT ALL



Virginia Conley's daughter lives an hour's drive away. Widowed, 87 years old, and living alone, Virginia has also been living with diabetes for 20 years. Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in the U.S. But, Virginia doesn't worry since she has assistance from her care manager, Joy Polley, RN, and services through the AAA7 PASSPORT program.

In recent years, she developed renal failure and now requires dialysis three times a week. To accommodate her needs, she receives personal care assistance every morning and evening. When there was no home health care agency available to staff this schedule, Virginia's care manager was able to coordinate the services through a combination of two different agencies. She also requires transportation to and from dialysis as well as to other medical appointments. Her PASSPORT care manager works with the dialysis center's social worker to ensure that Virginia has a ride to all appointments.

Virginia needs assistance to manage her many medications. Her daughter visits on her day off and sets-up Virginia's medications in pill dispensers and calls Virginia daily to remind her to take her medications. Through the efforts of Virginia's PASSPORT care manager and the support from her daughter, she is able to remain in her own home where she continues to do the things she likes to do--grow flowers on her front porch, go out to eat with her daughter when she visits, and attend her own church.

With a smile, Virginia remarks, "PASSPORT has really helped me stay in my home. I couldn't make it without my wonderful aides. I would recommend the PASSPORT program to anyone who needs this kind of help in their home." The smile says it all.

Virginia receives the help she needs to safely stay in her own home at a cost of \$21,100 yearly. This is a savings of \$38,223 in Medicaid costs when compared to the cost of nursing facility placement at \$59,323.

AAA7 SELECTED AS NURSING HOME DIVERSION DEMONSTRATION SITE

The Ohio Department of Aging announced that Ohio has been awarded the Nursing Home Diversion Modernization Project Grant. The Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc. (AAA7) will be the only site in the state to demonstrate the activities.

"We are extremely pleased that our agency has been selected to model this project which will guide development of similar programs throughout the state," notes Pamela K. Matura, AAA7's Executive Director.

Ohio's grant was awarded at over \$800,000 by the Administration on Aging at the federal level. The project will develop new models of care for non-Medicaid eligible individuals who are at imminent risk of nursing home admission and at-risk of Medicaid spend down. Matura remarks, "The Nursing Home Diversion Project will serve older adults who often fall through the systems due to income and asset ineligibility for other services."

Vicky Abdella, Director of Community Services and Project Leader of the Initiative, understands the magnitude of weight placed upon AAA7 to demonstrate a non-Medicaid, consumer-directed care program, allowing individuals the most flexibility in choosing the support services they receive. "This project will develop the appropriate protocols to be able to demonstrate success in diverting eligible individuals from nursing home placement while designing a "front door" resource center to long-term care options."

AAA7 has a strong history of providing home and community-based services. The agency plans to build upon that experience.

"It is important to design a program that can be replicated so it will touch more older adults in the future. During the pilot, 50 older adults will be served. But, we are committed to ensuring the Nursing Home Diversion Project's outcomes will lead the way," states Abdella.

For more information about all services and programs offered by the Area Agency on Aging District 7, Inc., call 800-582-7277 or visit the website at www.aaa7.org.

2009 TRAINING CALENDAR
AREA AGENCY ON AGING DISTRICT 7, INC.
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Training Coordinator: Debbie Crawford, PHR E-mail: dcrawford@aaa7.org

February

4 OSHIIP
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-3:00

11 OSHIIP
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-3:00

18 OSHIIP
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-3:00

25 OSHIIP
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-3:00
Registration for OSHIIP classes is made directly through OSHIIP 614-728-1041

March

24 OSHIIP
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 10:00-12:00
Registration for OSHIIP classes is made directly through OSHIIP 614-728-1041

April

2 & 3 “DRIVE Train the Trainer”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662
 Thursday and Friday 8:30-5:00
 Call Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for additional information
 Mail Registration to: Central Ohio AAA Training
 Registration, 174 E. Long St., Columbus, OH 43215
 Phone (614) 645-7250 or 1-800-589-7277
 Ohio Dept. of Aging and Ohio Dept. of Transportation
 Cost: \$150 for the two days (16 hours)
 This 16 hour training is only open to providers holding contracts with an Area Agency on Aging, transit systems and specialized transportation (5310) recipients.
 Attendance is restricted to one trainer per agency, except AAA staff and coordination projects. Trainers must participate in the full 16 hours. Trainers are then certified to train drivers using this DRIVE curriculum. They are not certified to train other trainers.

3 “Ethical Decision Making”
 Video conference 9:00-12:00
 SW Ethics provided by Southern Consortium for Children
 Trainer: Pamela J. Reid, ACSW, LSW
 For additional information and registration, call 740-593-8293

April

14 “Sensitivity to Aging”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-12:00
 Cost: \$35 each
 Trainers: AAA7 staff
 CEUs: Three (3) hours for SW/RN-accepts SW hours, application has been made for BENHA hours
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

15 “Current Trends for Improving the Nursing Home Experience for Residents, Families and Facility Staff”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-3:15
 Trainers: James H. Collins, Ph.D. and AAA7 staff
 Cost: \$15 each
 CEUs: Application has been made for four (4) hours BENHA, application has been made for NCCAP 4.5 hours, approved for SW/RN 4.5 hours
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

20& 21 “DRIVE Train the Trainer”
 174 E. Long St., Columbus, OH 43215
 Cost: \$150 for two day, 16 hour session
 Registration: Central Ohio AAA Training Registration
 174 E. Long St., Columbus, OH 43215
 Phone: 614-645-7250 or 1-800-589-7277

22 “Optional Train the Trainer on Needs of Special Populations” - Transporting Passengers with Mental Illness and Transporting Passengers with Developmental Disabilities
 This training is in Columbus at the Central Ohio AAA, 174 E. Long St., Columbus, OH 43215
 Call them for registration information:
 1-800-589-7277 or 614-645-7250
 Cost: \$20

24 Southern Ohio Legal Services--Mark Cardosi, Managing Attorney, Ohio State Legal Services Association/Southeastern Ohio Legal Services
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-11:00
 Cost: \$30
 CEUs: Application will be made for SW and RN hours
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

April

28 “DRIVE”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 8:30-4:30
 Trainers: AAA7 staff
 Cost: \$40 each
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

June

11 “Alzheimer’s Disease & Related Dementias, Communication Throughout the Disease and the Transition Periods that Impact Stress on the Caregivers”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, Oh 45662 9:00-12:15
 Cost: \$30
 Presenter: Lorie Hogue, RN Program Manager for Alzheimer’s Association of Greater Cincinnati Chapter, Southeastern Ohio Branch
 CEU’s: Three (3) hours for SW and the Ohio Board of Nursing accepts these hours for RN, application being made for three (3) hours for BENHA
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

July

14 “Navigating the Maze of Confidentiality Regulations” and “Participating in Legal Proceedings-Understanding the Legal and Ethical Issues”
 Comfort Inn, 7525 US Rt. 35, Piketon, OH 45661
 Cost: \$50 8:30-4:00
 Trainer: William Rooney, Ph.D., MHA
 CEUs: Application being made for SW, RN, BENHA and Accountants CPE
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

August

25 “What the Heck Happened?’ An Employment Law Update”
 Comfort Inn, 7525 US Rt. 23, Piketon, OH 45661
 Cost: \$ 45 8:30-12:15
 Trainer: Scott Warrick, JD, MLHR, SPHR
 CEU’s: Approved for three (3) hours for SW (SW hours accepted by Ohio Board of Nursing for RN) and application has been made for BENHA-three (3) hours and Accountants CPE
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

September

30 OSHIIP Update Class
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-12:00
 Trainer from OSHIIP
Registration for OSHIIP classes is made directly through OSHIIP 614-728-1041

October

8 Medicare Part D Update & Changes
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 10:00-12:00
 Lynn Heskett, OSHIIP
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

13 “Sensitivity to Aging”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 9:00-12:15
 Cost: \$40
 Trainers: AAA7 Staff
 CEU’s: Approved for three (3) hours continuing professional education for SW, the Ohio Board of Nursing accepts events approved for SW for continuing nurse education, application has been made for approval for three (3) hours for BENHA
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

27 “DRIVE”
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 8:30-4:30
 Cost: \$40
 Trainers: AAA7 Staff
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

November

3 “The Psychosocial Needs of the Medically Complex Patient”
 Comfort Inn, 7525 US Rt. 23, Piketon, OH 45661
 Cost: \$50 9:00-4:00
 Trainer: James H. Collins, Ph.D.
 CEUs: Application will be made for SW/RN and BENHA and Accountants CPE
 Contact Debbie Crawford at AAA7 for registration

December

2 Medicare Check-up for Scioto County
 1644 11th St., Portsmouth, OH 45662 10:00-12:00
 OSHIIP
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