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Technology's Role in Long-Term Care, Maintaining Independence for Older Adults

Third in a Series of Free Professional Seminars to be Held on August 4, 2010

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Galloway Township, NJ- The third in an ongoing series of Continuing Professional Education Seminars presented by the Stockton Center on Successful Aging (SCOSA) and School of Graduate and Continuing Studies at the Health Center at Galloway (66 West Jimmie Leeds Road, Galloway, NJ 08205) is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 4, 2010** from **7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.** Entitled "Technology's Role in Long-Term Care and Maintaining Independence for Older Adults," the seminar will be presented by Dr. David Burdick, SCOSA Director and Professor of Psychology.

Burdick notes that "the looming long-term care crisis brought on by the baby boomers moving into their later years and a shortage of trained workers calls for innovative solutions." The session will discuss the wide and growing variety of innovative technologies that can play a role in improving the quality of life of older Americans, help them to maintain their independence longer, and if necessary assist in the provision of long-term care services in community and institutional settings. "But, the only way to make this happen is for us to be careful in the design and utilization of such innovations, and to inform the public and providers about what works," Burdick continued.

Burdick is Co-Convener of the Formal Interest Group on Technology and Aging of the Gerontological Society of America and has lectured and written extensively on the topic. His book *Gerotechnology: Research and Practice in Technology and Aging* (Springer, 2004), co-edited with Sunkyo Kwon, has been used in a number of courses on the topic in the U.S. and abroad.

The seminars, designed for professionals, para-professionals, and other caregivers who work with older adults are free of charge and include a full breakfast. Upon completion, participants will receive 1 CE for Social Workers, Marriage and Family Therapists, and Licensed Professional Counselors. Online advanced registration is required by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 2. To register go to: www.stockton.edu/scosa. For more information contact: Sherri Ridgway at 609.748.9100 or SCOSA at 609.652.4311.

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