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Stockton Center on Successful Aging Announces “First Wednesday” Series Professional Lecture on March 7

Broken Trust: Responding to Financial Elder Abuse and Exploitation at The Health Center at Galloway is free and offers Continuing Education Units, including RN and LPN

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Galloway Township, NJ- The Stockton Center on Successful Aging (SCOSA) announces the next professional workshop in the First Wednesday series designed to help professionals working with older adults, scheduled for Wednesday, March 7, 2012 from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. at the Health Center at Galloway, located at 66 West Jimmie Leeds Road, Galloway, NJ 08205.

The workshop is titled ***Broken Trust: Responding to Financial Elder Abuse and Exploitation*** and presented by Greg Banks. Greg Banks was born and raised in New Jersey and attended Rutgers University. He has a varied professional background in the marketing, sales and financial industries and was the founder of Financial Dynamics Inc.

Banks is a much sought-after seminar speaker and recognized expert in the subject of elder abuse. He is the author of the forthcoming book “The Silent Shame of Elder Abuse”. Banks is the Director at Angel Alliance Caregivers, a non-medical Home Health Care Agency in Egg Harbor Township.

Currently the number one crime perpetrated against people 65 years of age and older in the United States and representing over \$2.6 billion in loss to elders, elder financial abuse is an area where nurses and social workers need to become more aware and where they clearly are on the “front lines” for detecting and reporting cases of abuse.

Elder financial abuse often accompanies other forms of abuse, most notably physical abuse and neglect. This program provides information on the scope of the problem, describes common forms of financial abuse and perpetrators, provides insight on detecting financial abuse, provides prevention tips for nurses and family members and steps on when and how to report suspected cases of abuse.

Two brief case studies are included in the presentation that illustrate some of the common attributes of financial abuse cases and how they were successfully recognized and reported through nursing intervention.

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, Licensed Professional Counselors, RNs and LPNs. Online advanced registration is required by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 27, 2012 and can be accessed via the SCOSA website at www.stockton.edu/scosa. For more information contact: Jackie 609-748-9100 ext.189 or jbozarth@seniorsnorth.com.

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