

Agenda and Speaker Information

7:15 am Registration and Breakfast

8:15 am Welcome and Intro

8:30 am **Global Innovation: Thriving with Dementia**

Benjamin Surmi ... is the Director of People and Culture at Koelsch Communities. Empowering people to thrive – no matter what disability or cognitive disorder they may live with – is the focus of Benjamin's work as a social gerontologist. Caregiver, activity director, lifelong learning center director, and home repair coordinator were each roles that shaped his understanding of the unique needs of seniors. He guides the person-centered training for over 2,400 employees in 8 states and is currently implementing an evidence-based approach to care from France called Humanitude. He coaches 70+ wellness directors who support over 1,500 seniors.

10:00 am Morning Break

10:15 am **Managing Client Fears about Aging: A Legal Point of View**

Marilyn Rowley is an Illinois licensed attorney specializing in estate law, elder law, business planning, asset protection, wealth preservation, trusts and wills. She is the founder and managing director of Rowley Law, LLC. Rowley Law serves clients in the Chicago area and surrounding suburban communities. Ms. Rowley's finance degree (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign), law degree (DePaul College of Law) and experience is a knowledge base that is unique among her attorney peers and lends itself to a legal practice focused on estate law, elder law, business planning, asset protection planning, wealth preservation, trusts and wills

11:45am Lunch, Resource Booths & Door Prizes

12:45 pm **Managing Client Fears about Aging: A Therapeutic Point of View**

Patricia Stern, MSW, LCSW, MBA, PMP, CSM, is a clinician with a broad background in healthcare venues, wellness, benefits, behavioral health and healthcare delivery systems. Ms. Stern has extensive social work experience as a Consultant to nursing homes and medical home care agencies, Private Practitioner in psychotherapy practice and in creating the first Department of Social Services in Telehealthcare Disease Management. Her professional titles include Marketing Manager of Home Services at Condell Medical Center; Director of Advocacy Services at Health Contact Partners/Trustmark; Program Director of Illinois Compassionate Care Hospice; and Clinical Program Manager at BlueCross BlueShield of Illinois.

2:15 pm Dessert Break

2:30 pm **Elderwerks Dementia Plus**

Christine Petrick, RNBS, Training Specialist at Elderwerks is CPI Certified and is a dementia trainer with CPI as a Dementia Care Specialist and a certified trainer with Positive Approach to Care (PAC). Chris has been training people on dementia, CPR and other senior topics for over 20 years. She joined Elderwerks to help train professionals on dementia topics and support seniors with dementia. Her passion is education and furthering her own knowledge base to help others.

4:00 pm Conference Wrap-Up, Evaluations

Sixth Annual McHenry Dementia Conference

D'Andrea Banquets & Conference Center
4419 Northwest Hwy. Crystal Lake
Wednesday, October 16, 2019

Registration Deadline: Friday, October 11, 2019

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Title: _____

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McHenry Dementia Conference

This educational conference is designed to provide knowledge and insight to professionals working in the healthcare field regarding dementia topics such as how to use therapeutic services with patients and clients, understanding their legal needs, managing client fears about dementia and information about the new Dementia Plus program.

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