14th Annual Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly



"Shaping the Future" August 14-16, 2013 Host/Vendor check-in Tuesday, August 13, 2013 MSU Riley Center Meridian, MS Register online at http://regonline.com/msalzconference2013

The emotional, physical and financial toll can be difficult for the estimated 53,000 Mississippians diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. In an effort to address the needs of people suffering from or caring for someone with Alzheimer's disease, the Mississippi Department of Mental Health's (DMH) Division of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia is presenting the 14th Annual Conference on Alzheimer's Disease and Psychiatric Disorders in the Elderly. "Shaping the Future" will be held **August 14 – 16, 2013** at the MSU Riley Center in Meridian, Mississippi.

Our conference is designed to meet the educational needs of a variety of professionals - physicians, nurse practitioners, nurses, social workers, long-term care professionals, activity professionals, direct care workers, in-home caregivers, etc. We also offer a several different types of Continuing Education Credits to meet this goal, often inviting professionals on the cutting edge of research and direct practice from across the country. A Legislative Forum featuring top Legislators from across the State continues to be a highlight of our conference. The conference will conclude with an Awards Brunch.

General Sessions include, "The Alzheimer's Effect: From Different Perspectives" featuring John Funderburk, Sara Murphy, Stan McCarver, and Bob Koonce; "Between Yesterday and Tomorrow" featuring Sarah Rowan; "Older Adults and Addiction Treatment", presented by Sally Moody, LCSW and "Enhancing Well-Being in People Living with Dementia", presented by Allen Power, MD and author of Dementia Beyond Drugs: Changing the Culture of Care. A variety of breakout sessions will be held during the Conference.

We have a fantastic opportunity to bring **"Rock –N-Roll AD"**, a musical comedy about the challenges of Alzheimer's disease to Mississippi. The play was written by Mr. Avrum Krause and is presented by *Time of Your Life Players* from Chicago, IL. Members of the troupe range in age from 54 years old to 72 years old! This event is scheduled for **Thursday**, **August 15**, **2013 at 7:00pm**. The play is designed to serve as a **unique Alzheimer's Awareness activity** evoking dialogue with the cast and crew immediately following the production. We would like to make this open to both Conference Attendees and the public free of charge. Donations for the play will be accepted at the door.

Overall Conference Registration rates are available for professionals with discounted rates for caregivers, seniors and students. Single day rates are available as well. We hope to see you in Meridian! For more information, click here.