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FAIR HOUSING SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, July 28, 2011

Fair Housing in Senior Retirement Communities
Addressing Legal Concerns:



PRESENTED BY:

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The Law Offices of Williams & Edelstein, PC

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607 Peachtree St. NE; Atlanta, GA 30308

**5 CEU
Hours**



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The Law Firm of Williams & Edelstein, P.C. is recognized as being one of the country's top fair housing and civil rights defense firms.

Located in suburban Atlanta, Georgia, their firm is dedicated to providing experienced, cost-effective advice and legal representation before federal, state and administrative bodies across the country.

Today's housing industries face a wide array of civil rights responsibilities. Owners, managers, agents and brokers all face difficult decisions involving the day-to-day application of complex civil rights laws such as the Fair Housing Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and myriad other federal, state and local civil rights laws.



Who Should Attend?

This symposium is ideal for staff representing the full Continuum of Housing to include Senior Housing, Affordable Housing, Active Adult Retirement Communities, Assisted Living Communities, CCRCs and Nursing Homes. Staff to include Administrators/Executive Directors, Service Coordinators/Social Workers, Marketing & Admissions Professionals, Operations and Front-line Staff.

Why You Should Attend this Important Symposium

Understanding the application of fair housing issues to all types of senior housing is critical to effective operations and to prevent potentially devastating law suits. Recent litigation against CCRC's, HUD communities, nursing homes, senior living communities, and assisted living facilities serve to alert us that fair housing issues are relevant to all of us, not just our HUD housing members. In this session, a nationally known fair housing expert will describe the basic concepts of fair housing and accessibility including protected categories and prohibited activities.

The program will also explain how to protect yourselves and your senior communities from regulatory violations, describe transfer rights of residents with declining health, disability rights of residents and your legal obligations, including the conflicts that arise from medical assessments and the inconsistencies between state licensing requirements and fair housing laws.

A 7 part case study will be the subject of a discussion of the fair housing issues of an applicant with severe dementia and the concerns of whether she should become a resident, including the staff interactions with and the daughter who has POA over her mother.

Agenda

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Registration at 9:00 am

A. Basic Principals Of Fair Housing As Applied to Senior Housing

1. Types of Housing Covered
2. Protected Categories
3. HUD's New Policy on Sexual Orientation
4. Discriminatory Activities

B. Disability Rights

1. Who is Disabled, and who is not?
2. What Are the Obligations of Senior Housing Providers to Persons With Disabilities

C. Marketing Issues

1. Where to Advertise
2. Prohibition on Expressing Preferences
3. Use of Resident Pictures

D. Special Issues of Housing Seniors

1. Admission
2. Wheelchair Rules
3. Transportation
4. Service Coordination Issues
5. Legal Concerns with Encouraging Transfers to Places with Assisted Living Services or a higher level of care

E. Case Study

Small Group Presentations

Adjourn at 3:30 pm

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Please Register the Following People for the Fair Housing Symposium

(1) Name: _____

(2) Name: _____

(3) Name: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____ eMail _____

____ Number of Vegetarian Lunches

General Registration	Aging Services of GA Members
\$195	\$95 (\$75 each additional from same organization)

To Register: FAX this form to 404-872-1737 or MAIL this form to GIA; 607 Peachtree St., NE, Atlanta, GA 30308

This event is approved for up to 5 CEU hours . The hours shown on the Certificates of Attendance will be adjusted for those who arrive more than 15 minutes late or leave early.

Since moderate room temperatures are difficult to regulate to everyone’s satisfaction, layered clothing is suggested.

If you are a provider of business products and/or services (Associate Business firm), please contact Jacque Thornton at jthornton@agingservicesga.org for registration or sponsorship opportunities.

directions to the symposium

From the South Exit I-75/I-85 in-town connector at the Pine Street exit (Exit #249B) – come up the hill to Peachtree Street and turn left onto Peachtree. Get in the right lane and turn right off Peachtree onto North Avenue (you will be going around the church to the back side). Come one block and turn right onto Courtland Ave. and take a right into the church parking lot.

From the North Exit I-75/I-85 in-town connector at North Avenue (GA Tech exit) and turn left proceeding on North Avenue. Pass the Varsity and North Avenue MARTA station on your left. You will pass the Bank of America building on your right. Get into the right lane and cross over Peachtree Street (you will see the front of the church on the right corner of Peachtree and North Avenue). Turn right at the next intersection onto Courtland Avenue. Take an immediate left into the parking lot just after crossing Linden St.

The Aging Services of Georgia office is located in the Ministry Center at North Avenue Presbyterian Church, 607 Peachtree Street (the corner of Peachtree Street and North Avenue). The office is located in the back lower level of the building (on the Courtland Avenue side).



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