New York State Information Gathering to Inform the White House Conference on Aging

Western New York Location —

WHO: New York State Office for the Aging, the Association on Aging in NY, AARP New York

WHAT: A New York Statewide effort to inform the White House Conference on Aging

WHERE: Cheektowaga Senior Center, 3349 Broadway, Cheektowaga, 14227

WHEN: Thursday, March 26th, 2015 2pm—4pm

The New York State Office for Aging, in collaboration with AARP New York, and the Association on Aging in New York (Aging NY) is seeking your participation in a statewide effort to solicit input to inform the 2015 White House Conference on Aging. **RSVP to** <u>Sharon.Foley@aging.ny.gov</u>

The listening sessions are designed to collect specific recommendations from stakeholders, which will be summarized and conveyed at the White House Conference on Aging.

The White House Conference on Aging will focus on the following themes:

- Retirement security: Financial security in retirement provides essential peace of mind for older Americans, but it requires attention during our working lives to ensure that we are well prepared for retirement.
- Healthy aging: As medical advances progress, the opportunities for older Americans to maintain their health and vitality should progress. Community supports, including housing, are important tools to promote this vitality.
- Long-term services and supports: Older Americans overwhelmingly prefer to remain independent in the community as they age. To accomplish this, they need supports, including a caregiving network and well supported workforce.
- Elder justice: Seniors, particularly the oldest older Americans, can be vulnerable to financial exploitation, abuse, and neglect. The Elder Justice Act was enacted as a part of the Affordable Care Act and we need to realize its vision of protecting seniors from scam artists and others seeking to take advantage of them.

If you are unable to attend the listening session, please provide your recommendations online: <u>http://www.agingny.org/WhiteHouseConferenceonAging.aspx</u>

Please pass this flyer on to your advisory groups, coalition partners and any other interested parties! If you require reasonable accommodations, please inform Sharon.Foley@aging.ny.gov by March 13





