



## Older Americans Month: Age Out Loud



Getting older doesn't mean what it used to. For many aging Americans, it is a phase of life where interests, goals, and dreams can get a new or second start. Today, aging is about eliminating outdated perceptions and living the way that suits you best.

Since 1963, Older Americans Month (OAM) has been a time to celebrate older Americans, their stories, and their contributions. This annual observance offers a special opportunity to learn about, support, and recognize our nation's older citizens. This year's theme, "**Age Out Loud**," emphasizes the ways older adults are living their lives with boldness, confidence, and passion while serving as an inspiration to people of all ages.

LeadingAge New Jersey will use OAM 2017 to focus on how older adults in our community are redefining aging--through work or family interests, by taking charge of their health and staying independent for as long as possible, and through their community and advocacy efforts. We can also use this opportunity to learn how we can best support and learn from our community's older members.

Join us as we speak up for #OAM17 and #AgeOutLoud this May!

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## Annual Meeting Scholarship Opportunity

LeadingAge New Jersey is extremely excited to announce our inaugural **Annual**

**Meeting Scholarships!** Available to first time attendees and staff of independently owned and operated ("stand alone") provider members, this scholarship covers Registration plus one night hotel at Harrah's. Click for more information: [Scholarship Criteria & Application](#).

If you are interested in Sponsoring a scholarship, contact Michele J. Mount at [mmount@leadingagenj.org](mailto:mmount@leadingagenj.org). [Scholarship Sponsorship information](#).

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## News From Trenton

### **MAAC Quarterly Assistance Advisory Committee (MAAC)**

The MAAC held its quarterly meeting on April 13, 2017. An update of the MLTSS program noted the continuing growth of the program with enrollment totaling 49,995 as of March 2017. Private Duty Nursing continues to top the list of service utilization followed by nursing facility and home based services.

According to the Office of Legislative Services (OLS), the MLTSS program is expected to continue its growth, adding over 4,000 new enrollees in FY 2018 raising total enrollment above 53,000. The number of nursing home residents is expected to remain just above 28,000 with recommended appropriations increasing slightly to \$1.78 billion.

Enrollment in MLTSS has been rapidly increasing since the program began in FY 2015, in part to the NJH FamilyCare managed care plans identifying non-MLTSS clients who may be eligible for the program and encouraging enrollment.

### **FY2018 Budget Hearings**

Medical coverage for nursing home residents that includes capitation payments to managed care organizations on behalf of nursing facility residents enrolled in MLTSS, suggests that actual spending is expected to increase from approximately \$1.76 billion in FY 2017 to \$1.79 billion in FY 2018. Costs for nursing homes services are expected to decrease slightly. This suggests that the difference in spending may be attributable to increases in other care received by these individuals.

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## Long Term Care Requirements of Participation: Webinar Series

LeadingAge New Jersey is offering a 13-part webinar series on the provisions that require compliance under Phase I and II of the finalized updated requirements of participation.

Each session will offered twice, with the exception of the introductory session. Sessions will be recorded and available for registered participants only.

Registration will open soon.

### **Dates**

June 5, 12, 19, 26

July 10, 17, 24

August 7, 14, 21, 28

September 11, 18

**Fee: \$295 per LeadingAge New Jersey facility**

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## Upcoming Events

### ***Infection Control Assessment & Response (ICAR) - Webinar***

**May 21, 2017**

**12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

*Join N.J. Department of Health for a free webinar focused on Proper Glucometer Use.*

**Fee: Free**

**More Information:** [ICAR Flyer](#)

**Registration:** [Registration Webpage](#)

### ***LTC Requirements of Participation - Provisions for Phase II - Webinar***

**June 1, 2017**

**2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

*This webinar will focus on the provisions that require compliance by Nov. 28, 2017, which is known as Phase II. Subsequent programs and resources will be developed to address Phases II (Nov. 28, 2017) and III (Nov. 28, 2019). Key action steps required will be discussed.*

*NOTE: This is a one-time webinar that is separate and different from the in-depth Webinar series referenced above that begins on June 5 and runs through September 19.*

**Fee: \$49/Member Facility; \$59/Non-Member Facility**

**Registration link:** [Registration brochure](#)

### ***LeadingAge New Jersey Annual Meeting & Expo***

**June 14-16, 2017**

*Harrah's Waterfront Hotel & Conference Center*

*Atlantic City, N.J.*

*This year's Annual Meeting offers something for everyone working in senior care and aging services: Pre-conference workshop, Roundtable Discussions, Expo, networking receptions, CEs in various disciplines, educational sessions, and more. This year's featured speaker is 2016 Olympic Gold Medalist Laurie Hernandez. This is an event that you do not want to miss. Register today!*

**Registration link:** [Registration brochure](#)

**SAVE the DATES**

**Master's Certificate in Senior Care Management**

**October 5 - December 14**  
**5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

*Designed for professionals involved or interested in senior care, and particularly for those seeking to move to an executive level position in this industry, the 10-module program will cover topics most relevant for successfully adapting to the ever-changing environment with which senior care executives much cope.*

*The program begins on Thursday, October 5 and runs through Thursday, December 14. Class meets weekly on Thursday evenings at 5 p.m. at the Rutgers Piscataway campus.*

**Fee: \$2995/Member; \$3495/Non-Member**

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