



Dear Aging Services of Georgia Member:

The Georgia Institute on Aging Professional Development and Education Committee would like to extend this invitation to participate in the Certified Aging Services Professional (CASP) Fall Institute training to be held in midtown Atlanta, September 21-25, 2009. This is the former Retirement Housing Professional (RHP) program. It is a collaborative between AAHSA and the University of North Texas. We have been trying to host the CASP Institute in Georgia for several years and now, it is here!

The CASP program is a 45 hour comprehensive overview of the administration of retirement housing and supportive services that provide the core knowledge and holistic perspective required to deliver housing, supportive and community services responsive to the needs of older people. CASP is recognized nationally as the standard for promoting professional excellence in aging services, management and administration. See www.unt.edu/aging/clas for more information.

We understand the value of this certification and are committed to providing an opportunity for 2-4 members to attend this invaluable training. Attached is an application for these scholarships. AgingServicesNEXT and gahsaNEXT (our annual leadership program) participants will have the opportunity to receive the first 2 scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each toward the full registration rate of \$1,395. In addition, the Professional Development and Education Committee has determined that preference for awarding these scholarships will be given to staff from organizations that have not participated in the CASP program before and to staff working for facilities in which there is a financial need. The number and amount of the scholarships awarded will be dependent upon the number of qualified applicants we can help within our resources.

The application must be completed and received by Aging Services of Georgia/Georgia Institute on Aging offices no later than July 31, 2009. They may be e-mailed, faxed, or mailed. Scholarships will be awarded no later than August 14th.

Please call us at the Aging Services of Georgia office if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

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