



**Proudly Presents** 

# 11th Annual Elder Abuse Conference:

Friday, September 16, 2016 1614 S. Kanawha St Beckley, WV 25801

#### **Randy Housh**

Randy Housh currently serves as Chief Operating Officer for Hospice of Southern WV. Prior to coming to HSWV Randy served as Assistant Chief Executive Officer at William R. Sharpe Jr. Hospital in Weston, WV. Randy has worked extensively in the field of social services and behavioral health serving for two years as a board member of the National Association of Addiction Professionals and for eleven years as a member of the West Virginia Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors board of directors, serving as President and Public Policy Chair.

In January of 2011, West Virginia Governor Earl Ray Tomblin appointed Randy to serve on the Governor's Advisory Council on Substance Abuse which advises the Governor on matters related to addressing issues related to substance abuse and various abuse disorders.

Randy is also co-owner/operator of Skills for Success (Strategic Management Consulting and Training Services). Over the past 15 years he has conducted over 2000 workshops, seminars and key notes, training professional and paraprofessional staff on subjects pertaining to nonprofit management and behavioral health.

## Cathy McConnell, Esq.

Cat McConnell is Executive Director of West Virginia Senior Legal Aid, a free civil legal services provider for West Virginians age 60 and over. She began her elderlaw career at WVSLA as Staff Attorney in 1996. She earned both her Bachelors degree and J.D. degree from West Virginia University. She is a member of the West Virginia State Bar and lives in Preston County. She has presented elderlaw workshops at local, state, and national conferences. She has a passion for debunking elderlaw myths and empowering older people to preserve their personal autonomy. She publishes the Aging and Law in West Virginia blawg and Legal Questions Frequently Asked by WV Seniors. She is also a musician, home canner, and grandmother.

## Terri Tilley, RN

Terri Tilley grew up in Wyoming County in West Virginia. She is married to her high school sweetheart, Ray. They have two children. Matthew is a structural engineer in Newport News, Virginia, and Leila is a pharmacy student, at the University of Charleston in Charleston, West Virginia. Ray and Terri also have three grandsons Caleb, Eli, and David.

Terri is a registered nurse with a degree from Bluefield State College. Prior to working for Raleigh County Commission on Aging, she worked 5 years for Princeton Community Hospital as a staff nurse and charge nurse.

She has worked for Raleigh County Commission on Aging since 2001. She has worked with every in-home program offered by Raleigh County Commission on Aging. Currently, she is Director of Social Services, which includes supervision of the Adult Daycare Center.

At one time, Terri had the responsibility of teaching paid caregivers for Raleigh County Commission on Aging about Alzheimer's disease. As she taught the paid caregivers, Terri remembered her husband's family, caring for her father-in-law, who had dementia. She realized that family caregivers would benefit from the information that she was teaching paid caregivers. From that thought was born the Alzheimer's Family Support Group that she facilitates at Raleigh County Commission on Aging, and later the Alzheimer's Caregiver Class, which was created in coordination with the Alzheimer's Association, West Virginia Chapter. The Alzheimer's Caregiver Class is a six hour course, covering seven different topics, including Basics of Alzheimer's Disease, Communication, Behaviors, Safety, Activities, Legal and Financial Issues, and Caregiver Stress. Over 200 people from Raleigh and surrounding counties have attended the biannual class since its inception in 2008.

On May 20, 2011, Terri received the Rockefeller Award from the Alzheimer's Association, West Virginia Chapter, for her work in Alzheimer's services.

#### C. Mark Wilson

Mr. Wilson was born and raised in Wyoming Co. He graduated at Mullens High School in 1983 and attended the University of West Virginia where he later joined the United States Air Force. Mr. Wilson is accredited with over 10 years of Military Service, and was awarded many decorations including a Presidential Citation, Presidential Recognition, and the Airman's Medal. He served actively in Desert Shield/Storm/Calm in 1990-1992 and separated from the Air Force in 1993.

Mr. Wilson started his career in Emergency Management as an Emergency Management Planner at Raleigh County Emergency Services Authority (RCESA) in August, 2004 on a three year grant position. During this time he focused on public education projects in Raleigh County, grant writing, writing emergency plans for local agencies to meet state and federal guidelines, and acted as a liaison between responders and emergency affiliated agencies.

In 2007 the RCESA created a permanent position and through continued education and training, Mr. Wilson continued his duties as the Emergency Planner and began additional tasks in Emergency Management. In 2009 Mr. Wilson, received his PFEM Certifications from The Emergency Management Institute, Baltimore, MD., and assumed all Emergency Manager responsibilities for Raleigh County. In 2013, as a result of Mr. Wilson's persistence and dedication to disaster preparedness, the Raleigh County Emergency Services Authority was able to acquire five buildings and over 32 acres from the federal government to form the Southern West Virginia Regional Deployment Center. This operation enables disaster supplies and equipment to be kept on-hand in the local area and can be used to respond to disasters in Southern West Virginia and even as a deployment center into neighboring states if necessary. It is the largest endeavor of its kind in the United States.

Mr. Wilson was hired as Deputy Director of the Raleigh County Emergency Services Authority in 2014. He assists in the day to day operations of the Raleigh County 911 Center, continues his duties as Emergency Manager for Raleigh County, oversees the development and expansion of the Southern West Virginia Regional Deployment Center, and continues to work as a liaison between local, state and federal officials. He assists in community projects and grant writing, but is eager to hand it over to his more aggressive and accomplishing Emergency Planner.

## Agenda

Registration 7:30 AM

Welcome & Opening 8:00 AM

Remarks

Jack Tanner; Executive Director RCCOA

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Morning Session: Randy 8:10 AM Housh "Elder Abuse: Pre-

Break 9:40 AM

Morning Session: Mark Wil- 9:50 AM son "Reducing Stress in Natural Disasters by being Prepared"

Break 10:50 AM

Morning Session: Cathy 11:00 AM
McConnell "Financial Exploitation and the WV Law"

Lunch 12:00 PM

Afternoon Session: Terri Til- 12:30 PM ley, RN "Unconditional Love, the Secret to Dementia Care"

Break 2:00 PM

Afternoon Session: Randy 2:20 PM Housh "Superior Communi-

cation"

Closing Remarks 3:50pm-4:00pm

## **LEANING OBJECTIVES**

A sheet of learning objectives are located inside this packet for each individual session. Please look over these when filling out your evaluation for each session.

Please make sure to fill out your evaluations before you leave. We do look at these so that we can improve the conference for next year.

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<u>Nursing CEUs</u> are provided through Hospice of Southern WV, which is an approved provider of continuing education by the WV Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses. The maximum credit hours for this event is **8 Credit Hours**.

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