

# LAAC's Section for Senior Legal Services Providers presents: The Late Spring/Early Summer 2008 "Armchair" Training Series

All trainings are from noon to 1:00 pm, unless otherwise noted

Trainings for Senior Legal Services Providers & Pro Bono Attorneys

## How Does It Work?

- The Armchair Trainings are FREE, short, live, interactive programs that you listen to over your phone and view on your computer screen.
- There is a Q&A period over the phone during the last 10 minutes of each program.
- Registrants receive emails before the training with the link to the materials, the conference call number and simple, easy-to-follow instructions on how to join the online meeting.
- LAAC staff will assist with logging into the online meeting as needed.
- **SPACE IS LIMITED** registration by fax or email is required (see reverse).
- LAAC is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider. Participants receive 1 hour of general MCLE credit.

**Thursday, April 10, 2008**

### **Defending Evictions from Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities, and Other Residential Facilities**

*Eric Carlson, National Senior Citizens Law Center*

A primer on evictions from long-term care facilities, including advocacy tips from an expert who has successfully defended numerous nursing home and assisted living residents in preventing eviction.

**Thursday, April 24, 2008**

### **Elder Law 101**

*David Mandel, Senior Legal Hotline*

An overview of legal issues confronted by low-income senior clients. This introductory session is intended for attorneys and advocates who are new to elder law.

**Thursday, May 15, 2008**

### **Seniors and Debt Collection**

*Scott Maurer, Katharine & George Alexander  
Community Law Center*

This training will focus on strategies to assist seniors who are facing debt collection issues, including potential defenses and affirmative claims which might be made against the collectors.



**Thursday, May 22, 2008**

### **Medi-Cal and Estate Recovery/Third Party Liability**

*Pat McGinnis, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform*

A basic overview of Medi-Cal issues, including the treatment of the home, spousal impoverishment rules, Medi-Cal recovery and third party liability. The training will also include a brief discussion of *what* the proposed new California DRA implementation laws will include.

**Thursday, May 29, 2008**

### **Part D Basics for Low Income Advocates**

*Kevin Prindiville, National Senior Citizens Law Center*

Learn the basics of Medicare Part D, the Medicare prescription drug benefit that is so vital to (and confusing for) low income seniors in California.

**Thursday, June 12, 2008**

### **Promises and Pitfalls of Loan Modification**

*Tara Twomey, National Consumer Law Center*

This session will consider loss mitigation options available to homeowners facing foreclosure. We will briefly cover the political and market pressures driving recent loss mitigation efforts and focus on how to achieve the best results for your clients and some traps for the unwary.

**Thursday, June 19, 2008**

### **Helping Clients Deal with Medical Debt**

*Jen Flory, Western Center on Law and Poverty*

This training will address medical debt issues across multiple health coverage programs from the perspective of a medical bill. Medical debt issues covered in this program will address recent changes in the law. Please note that this training will not focus exclusively on seniors.

# REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 2008 SPRING/SUMMER ARMCHAIR TRAININGS

**To register:** Send this form via email to [vchen@pic.org](mailto:vchen@pic.org) or fax to 415-834-0202

**Name:**

**Organization/Firm:**

**City:**

**Email Address:**

**State Bar Number:**

**For which “armchair” trainings are you registering?**

Please check below:

- April 10: Defending Evictions from Nursing Homes, Assisted Living Facilities, and Other Residential Facilities
- April 24: Elder Law 101
- May 15: Seniors and Debt Collection
- May 22: Medi-Cal and Estate Recovery/Third Party Liability
- May 29: Part D Basics for Low Income Advocates
- June 12: Promises and Pitfalls of Loan Modification
- June 19: Helping Clients with Medical Debt
  
- Check here if you are a pro bono attorney
- Check here if you are an ombudsperson

The 2008 Armchair Trainings are brought to you by the **Senior Legal Services Providers (SLSP) Section of LAAC—the Legal Aid Association of California**. For information about the SLSP Section, visit [www.CALegalAdvocates.org/ABOUT.cfm](http://www.CALegalAdvocates.org/ABOUT.cfm).

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## What Happens Once You Register?

- After submitting this registration form, you will receive a confirmation email with additional information, including whether space is still available in the training.
- Five days before the training, you will receive a reminder email with the conference call number, instructions for the online meeting, and a link to the program materials.
- Supplemental training materials will be available for download from [CALegalAdvocates.org](http://CALegalAdvocates.org).
- You must prepare your computer to access the online meeting in advance of the training.
- Please sign into the online meeting 15 minutes before the training starts to ensure your connection and call into the conference call 5 minutes before the training.
- You will receive the MCLE Certificate of Attendance and Evaluation via email after the training.
- **Questions?** Contact Vivian Chen at [vchen@pic.org](mailto:vchen@pic.org).