

LAAC's Section for Senior Legal Services Providers presents: Fall 2009 "Armchair" Trainings: Issues Affecting Senior Citizens

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

Trainings for Senior Legal Services Providers, Ombudsmen, & 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 is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider. Participants receive 1 hour of general MCLE credit.

Thursday, September 24, Noon to 1PM

How Did Healthcare for Low-Income Consumers Fare in the 2009-2010 State Budget Deal?

Elizabeth Landsberg, Western Center on Law & Poverty

In California's 2009-2010 budget, healthcare programs for low-income Californians suffered big cuts. This session will examine cuts and policy changes in the Medi-Cal and Healthy Families programs and the impact of these cuts.

Thursday, October 15, Noon to 1PM

Introduction to Veterans Benefits

Nicole Perez, Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles

It is estimated that one-third of Americans are eligible for some kind of veterans benefit! In one short hour, we will develop a basic understanding of the veterans benefits system, focusing on the two major income-based benefit programs for disabled veterans and their families. We will also briefly review the Department of Veterans Affairs adjudication process and discuss practical tools for effective advocacy on behalf of VA claimants.

Thursday, October 29, Noon to 1PM

Is the Social Services Sky Falling?

Michael Herald, Western Center on Law & Poverty

Learn about the major changes to social service programs enacted in the state budget and what is being done to minimize the impact on clients.

Thursday, November 5, Noon to 1PM

Medicare Part D: Preparing for the 2009 Annual Enrollment Period

Kevin Prindiville, National Senior Citizens Law Center

This Armchair Training will help advocates prepare for Medicare Part D's 2009 Annual Enrollment Period by covering some of the basics of Part D enrollment while providing the latest information on plan and subsidy changes.

Thursday, November 12, Noon to 1PM

Keeping Elders Safe: A Practical Guide to Elder Abuse Protective Orders

Kirsten Voyles, Legal Assistance for Seniors

This webinar will provide you with the basics on Elder Abuse Restraining Orders. The pros and cons of this type of protective order will be discussed. Practical tips on how to effectively file for protection for your clients will be provided.

Thursday, December 3, Noon to 1PM

Special Needs Trusts for People With Disabilities

*Elizabeth Zirker, Disability Rights California
Matt Oleson, Senior Medi-Benefits*

Presentation on options for preserving income for low income SSI and Medi-Cal beneficiaries, including through a Special or Supplemental Needs Trust (SNT) established on behalf of a beneficiary, or a pooled trust, established and administered by an organization to manage many individuals' assets, and which can be set up by an individual to preserve their own assets.

Thursday, December 10, Noon to 1PM

Conservatorships

Tony Chicotel, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform

The two greatest themes in an elder law practice are protecting elders against abuse and neglect and guarding their independence. These two themes are often in tension, perhaps never more so than in conservatorship cases. This training will explore California conservatorships, stressing the differences between LPS and probate conservatorships, and what they mean for our clients. We will first investigate the process by which conservatorships are obtained and then review the powers that different conservators may exercise.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE 2009 FALL ARMCHAIR ONLINE TRAININGS

To register: Please click on the below links to directly register.

NOTE: DO NOT EMAIL OR FAX THIS SHEET.

- **September 24: How Did Healthcare for Low-Income Consumers Fare in the 2009-2010 State Budget Deal?**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/162134264>
- **October 15: Introduction to Veterans Benefits**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/147430521>
- **October 29: Is the Social Services Sky Falling?**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/732036497>
- **November 5: Medicare Part D: Preparing for the 2009 Annual Enrollment Period**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/343677905>
- **November 12: Keeping Elders Safe: A Practical Guide to Elder Abuse Protective Orders**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/782028488>
- **December 3: Special Needs Trusts for People with Disabilities**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/692609104>
- **December 10: Conservatorships**
To register please click here: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/282315857>



The 2009 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.



What Happens Once You Register?

- Once you register at GoToWebinar.com using the link(s) above, you will receive a confirmation email from GoToWebinar.com with a link for logging in on the day of the training as well as conference call information. You will also be sent a reminder email one day before the training.
- We will also email you the presentation materials before the presentation.
- 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.
- We will be recording all trainings this season. The recordings will be available online approximately one day after each training.
- **Questions?** Contact Vivian Chen, LAAC Training Associate, at vchen@pic.org or (415) 834-0100 x312