Community and Government Support is Critical for Elderly Chinese

Increased longevity, the one-child policy, and the migration of youth from rural to urban areas are projected to negatively affect the elderly Chinese population, a group that has historically been cared for by children and extended family members. As the children of the one-child policy in China come of age and relocate to urban centers for employment opportunities, parents of these children are often left alone. In some cases, these parents are left permanently alone if a child succumbs to cancer, an accident or other life-ending event. Through these losses, a community of parents, now childless, must come to terms with their grief as well as their lack of family support. Community and government support are critical to older adults in China, as concluded by Rutgers School of Social Work assistant professor Karen Zurlo in her recent research published in the Journal of Sociology and Social Work. Read more.

Designing and Sustaining a Mentor Network
When many people think about finding a mentor, they picture themselves at a networking mixer, searching for the perfect person to further their career, or sending an invitation to connect with someone on LinkedIn. In reality, mixers and LinkedIn alone are a “hit and miss strategy without sustainability,” says Karun K. Singh, PhD, LCSW-R, CSWM, Professor of Teaching, Rutgers University School of Social Work. He taught a professional development workshop on building a lasting mentor network at this year’s Network for Social Work Management Conference’s Emerging Leaders Institute. The workshop was well-received, and he has been invited to train a new cohort of selected national and international participants at next year’s Institute.

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**2015 - 2016 Lunch & Learn Lecture Series**

The Center for Leadership and Management and the Management and Policy Concentration are pleased to present their 2015 - 2016 Lunch & Learn Lecture Series over the fall and spring semesters. The purpose of this series is to provide the MAP students and guests with the opportunity to meet leaders and managers in the public, non-profit, and private sector.

**News from the Office of Continuing Education**
The Office of Continuing Education conducted a conference on Post-Disaster Financial Exploitation on June 8th at the Stockton University Campus Center in Galloway, NJ. The conference focused on ways to prevent, identify, and respond to exploitation of vulnerable adults following disasters.

CISW New Initiative with Refugees/Immigrants

The Center for International Social Work (CISW) and the School of Social Work Office of Field Education have a new initiative to strengthen the link between social work with immigrants and refugees and the field of international social work.

Conference on Philanthropy and Social Development in China

**Date:** November 1-3: Pocantico Center, Tarrytown, New York

**Host Institutions:** School of Social Work, Rutgers University; School of Philanthropy, Sun Yat-sen University; Lilly Family School of Philanthropy, Indiana University

Good News from Faculty and Staff

Representing the School of Social Work, Patricia Findley will hold a co-investigator role on a Health Services Resource Service Administration grant awarded to the School of Dental Medicine.

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