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To: National Institute on the Prosecution of Elder Abuse
Participants
From: Ann Laatsch, J.D., NCALL Justice Systems Coordinator
Re: National Institute for the Prosecution of Elder Abuse (NIPEA)
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This memo contains information to assist you in your preparations for the upcoming **National Institute for the Prosecution of Elder Abuse (NIPEA)**. This event is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL), and AEQUITAS – The Prosecutors' Resource on Violence Against Women. The NIPEA event will be held at the AC Hotel New Orleans French Quarter, 221 Carondelet Street, New Orleans, LA 70130. The institute will take place September 19-21 (Tuesday-Thursday), 2023.

Flight Logistics

Please plan to fly into New Orleans on Monday, September 18. The Institute will take place **from 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19 through 4:15 p.m. on Thursday, September 21**. Please plan to depart on the night of Thursday, September 21 after the training, or on Friday, September 22. **PLEASE NOTE: Participants are required to attend NIPEA in its entirety.** We cannot certify completion if you do not attend all sessions, arrive late, leave in the middle, or depart early (even for a short time or to catch a plane home). Please make your travel arrangements accordingly.

Accommodations

A block of rooms is being held until **Monday, August 28, 2023** for the event. The room rate is U.S. Government rate of \$129/night plus tax. Reservations may be made online by using the following link: [Hotel Reservation Link](#)

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Please book your room no later than **August 28, 2023**. A credit card will be required when you check in to the hotel to cover your room charges and any incidental expenses.

Ground Travel Logistics

The AC Hotel New Orleans French Quarter is approximately 15 miles from the Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport (MSY). The ground transportation information below is furnished by the hotel:

- **Taxi/Uber:** Transportation by taxi or Uber between the hotel and airport takes about 25-30 minutes. Taxi/Uber service is available 24 hours a day and costs range from \$33-\$40 one-way.

CLE Credits

Attendance at this event may qualify participants for approximately nineteen (19) continuing legal education (CLE) credit hours including at least one (1) hour of ethics credit, pending state approval. Participants will be issued a Certificate of Attendance upon completion of this training. Participants are responsible for reporting their CLE credits consistent with their state requirements. Please check with your state bar association in reference to application requirements and related fees.

Scholarships

A limited number of scholarships related to travel and accommodations may be available for non-OVW Abuse in Later Life grantees upon request. OVW Abuse in Later Life grantees are not eligible for scholarships for this training because costs for attending this event are included in the award. The maximum scholarship award per person is \$500.00. Scholarship funds will be awarded in the form of a reimbursement check for allowable costs and will be dispersed upon completion of this training. Scholarship funds will not be disbursed to participants who do not attend the full training. Participants who are awarded a scholarship will be notified no later than June 15, 2023. If you are unsure whether you indicated your desire to be considered for a scholarship when you registered for NIPEA, please email Ann Laatsch at alaatsch@ncall.us.

State Statutes

Over the course of the three-day Institute, we will be asking participants to make reference to their own state statutes on a number of topics relevant to the charging and prosecution of crimes against older adults. To that

end, please bring copies (either paper or electronic) of your own state's criminal code sections on the following topics:

1. Your state's criminal elder financial exploitation statute and definitions, if applicable. (If your state does not have such a statute, bring your criminal theft statutes and definitions)
2. Criminal adult neglect statute and definitions
3. Manslaughter statute and definitions
4. Any enhancements or aggravators your state may have pertaining to victims who are older or vulnerable adults.

NOTE: Please bring copies of the above resources and laws in paper form, or downloaded on to a laptop or tablet. Internet access MAY NOT be available in the meeting room.

Required Pre-Institute Webinar

Prior to attending the Institute, all attendees will be **required** to attend one 90-minute webinar that will provide foundational content on abuse in later life, as well as information you will need to prepare for NIPEA. The webinar will be offered twice and will be recorded so all attendees will have access to it. Information about this webinar will be sent out about eight weeks prior to the in-person event.

Additional Event Information

- **Materials:** Participant manuals will be provided for each attendee.
- **Dress Code:** Participants may wear business casual clothing.
- **Food and Beverages:** No meals, snacks, or afternoon refreshments will be provided as part of the Institute. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be on your own. Please plan accordingly. The hotel offers an onsite restaurant and lounge. There are also a number of restaurants within walking distance of the hotel.

COVID-19

Please do not attend the event if you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19. Masks, hand sanitizer and limited rapid COVID tests will be available on site. Masking is welcome and optional.

I look forward to seeing you and to working with you in New Orleans. If you have any questions about the Institute or logistics, please feel free to contact me.

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