



Virginia Triad Speaker's Bureau

The following list of speakers can provide free presentations to Triad groups or seniors groups in Virginia. Geographic limitations have been noted. If you would like to be added to our Bureau please email Virginia Triad at seniors@oag.state.va.us.

Topic: "Abuse & Neglect" For home health care/Medicaid funded facilities only

Presenter: Lauri Lester, MFCU -OAG llester@oag.state.va.us 804.692.0486

Topic: "Adult Protective Services & Mandated Reporting"

Presenter: Robin E. Zimmerman, Bedford Department of Social Services (Western Virginia) robin.zimmerman@dss.virginia.gov
540-586-7750 x2287

Topic: "Alcohol, Aging & Medication"

Presenter: Allen Slagle (Southwest/Western Virginia)
slagleprevention@bvunet.net

Topic: "An Introduction to Gangs in Virginia"

1hour presentation

Presenter: April Rogers-Crawford, OAG (Statewide) arogers-crawford@oag.state.va.us 804.692.0483

Topic: "Avoiding Frauds/Scams Targeting Seniors"

Presenters: Jennifer Aulgur (statewide) jaulgur@oag.state.va.us
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Ben Garrett, Virginia Dept. for the Aging (Statewide)
ben.garrett@vda.virginia.gov 804.662.7650

Topic: "Caregivers"

Presenter: Ellen Nau, Virginia Dept. for the Aging (Statewide)
ellen.nau@vda.virginia.gov 804.662.9340

Topic: "Consumer Rights and Responsibilities"

A review of the Virginia Consumer Protection Act and the protections available to assist consumers in making informed buying decisions.

Presenter: Vee Johnson, Consumer Affairs Branch of the Fairfax County
Department of Cable Communications and Consumer Protection (Northern
Virginia - possibly statewide) vjohn1@fairfaxcounty.gov 703-324-5959

Topic: "COPEs-Coalition Of Preventing Elder Suicide"

Presenter: Jennifer Pishioneri, MSW (Tidewater) 757.437.3537
jre810@dss.state.va.us

Topic: "Disaster Preparedness -- Family and Pets"

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Topic: "Elder Abuse and Liabilities for Caregivers"

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Topic: "Elder Abuse Prevention"

Presenter: Bill Lightfoot (Statewide) lightfootwh@comcast.net
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Topic: "Falls Safety In-Service Presentation"

Presenter: Melissa Johnston, Mountain States Health Alliance (Southwest Virginia-From Bristol-Wytheville) johnstonmf@msha.com 1.888.205.1369

Topic: "Fairfax Consumer Affairs Overview"

A review of the services and programs offered by the Fairfax County Consumer Affairs Branch with a discussion about the types of complaints filed and the mediation process.

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Topic: "FEAT (Financial Exploitation Action Team)" To train seniors, banks and other financial institutions on recognizing and reporting possible exploitation to their local department of social services, adult protective services

Presenter: Roze Worrell (Tidewater/possibly Northern Virginia & Richmond)
757.855.3773

Topic: "Forensic Case Studies in Elder Abuse"

Presenter: Bill Lightfoot (Statewide) lightfootwh@comcast.net
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Topic: "Foreclosure Information for Homeowners"

Strategies to prevent foreclosure along with options available to homeowners when mortgage payments are no longer affordable.

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Topic: "Foreclosure Information for Renters"

Information for tenants in rental properties facing foreclosure, and what happens to the lease agreement when a foreclosure is final.

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Topic: "Foreclosure Rescue Scams"

Information to alert homeowners facing foreclosure about scams that harm instead of rescue, with tips on how to recognize and report fraud.

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Topic: "Good Nutrition"

Presenter: Elaine Smith, Virginia Dept. for the Aging (Statewide)
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Topic: "Harmony at Home - Getting Organized"

Presenter: Nancy Watson nancyhwatson@mac.com 757.474.0267

Topic: "Health Care Fraud"

Presenter: Gregg Wood, US Attorney's Office Western District of Virginia (Western Virginia) gregory.wood@usdoj.gov 540.857.2932

Topic: "Homeowner and Condominium Association Governance"

General information is provided to homeowner and condominium associations about the authority, administrative structure, and management procedures and practices of residential community associations.

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Topic: "How to Cope with and Recover From ID Theft"

Laws and resources will be reviewed to help you develop a plan of action so you can limit the extent of damage to your financial resources and reputation if identity theft strikes.

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Topic "How to Hire a Home Improvement Contractor"

A review of what you need to know before you hire a contractor and what to do if the contractor you hire does not measure up.

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Topic: "How to Recognize a Scam"

A discussion about how Scam Artist do what they do, how to recognize the signs, and what to do if you are scammed or become a victim of fraud.

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Topic: "Human Rights for the Disabled"

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Topic: "Human Trafficking"

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Topic: "Identity Theft Prevention"

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Topic: "Insurance/Investment Consumer Awareness for Senior Virginians"

Presenter: Juanita Balenger (Northern Virginia) jbenger@oag.state.va.us
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Topic: "Insurance in General"

Presenter: Olivia Claud, Bureau of Insurance (Statewide)
olivia.claud@scc.virginia.gov 804.371.9389

Topic: "Investor Education"

(to include getting started, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, investment fraud)
Presenter: Amanda Blanks, SCC (Statewide) Amanda.blanks@scc.virginia.gov
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Topic: "Long Term Care Insurance"

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Topic: "Medicare Supplemental Insurance"

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Topic: "Mobility Product Fraud - specifically power wheel chair scams "

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Topic: "Neighborhood Watch -- How it works and where to start"

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Topic: "Personal Safety -- Home, Travel, and Shopping"

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Topic: "Prescription Drug Abuse"

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Topic: "Principals of Legislative Advocacy"

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Topic: Public Utility Services

The Utilities Branch provides information about the terms and conditions of public utility services such as electric, natural gas and telephone services.

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Topic: "SeniorNavigator" Virginia's Resource for Health and Aging
Teaching seniors and caregivers how to find health and aging information
Presenter: Bonnie Scimone (Central Virginia/Statewide)
bonnie@seniornavigator.org 804-525-7728

Topic: "Seniors' Health"
Presenter: Dr. Terry Whipple (Statewide) whipple@americanself.com
804.290.0060

Topic: "TAP Program - Technology Assistive Program" A state program
providing amplified phones, and/or doorbell signalers at reduced or no
cost to those who meet Federal Poverty Guidelines.
Presenter: Margaret Bryant, Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services Center
(Western/Central Virginia) margaret@deafhh.org 434.528.4991

Topic: "Terrorist Awareness - Domestic"
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Topic: "The Debt Trap"
A look at payday loans and car title loans with information on how to
break the cycle of debt.
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Topic: "Tools for Life Planning in Virginia"
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Topic: "Triad 101 - Seniors & Law Enforcement Working Together"
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Topic: "VaRelay" Training The relay system facilitates telephonic communication between hearing folks and those who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

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Topic: "Violence Against People with Disabilities"

Presenter: Bill Lightfoot (Statewide) lightfootwh@comcast.net 804-986-4631

Topic: "Virginia GrandDriver Program"

Presenter: Nancy Lo, Virginia Dept. for the Aging (Statewide) nancy.lo@vda.virginia.gov 804.662.7686

Topic: "What's in Your Credit Report?"

A review of the information in credit reports, the steps to take to dispute credit report errors, and how to use this report to defend against identity theft.

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Topic: "What Tenants Need to Know"

A review of tenant rights and responsibilities in rental properties.

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Topic: "When Debt Collectors Call"

A discussion about what a debt collector can and cannot do if you fall behind in repaying creditors, and what to do if you are contacted about money you do not owe.

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