



# Opioids and Older Adults: Understanding the Risks & Developing Effective Responses

## Wednesday, May 9

*Summit of Uptown - 10 N. Summit Avenue, Park Ridge, IL 60068*  
**4:30–5 p.m. Registration | 5–6 p.m. Presentation**

Please join us for an enlightening presentation by Kate Mahoney, LCSW, and Executive Director for the Naomi Ruth Cohen Institute for Mental Health Education at the Chicago School of Professional Psychology, as she shares her insights about the opioid crisis as it relates to older adults.

The opioid crisis is real. According to the CDC, each day more than 1,000 people are treated in emergency departments related to problematic use of prescription opioids. When correctly prescribed, opioids can be an effective tool. Yet opioids also pose significant risks: breathing complications, fall risk, confusion, sedation and drug interaction. This workshop will review the risks of older adult opioid use and how to effectively prevent and address opioid use disorders in older adults.

1.0 CEU will be awarded to nurses, professional counselors, social workers and nursing home administrators. A \$5.00 fee payable to Elderwerks Educational Services, a 501C3 not-for-profit corporation, PO Box 92, Cary, IL 60013, is requested from all attendees prior to the event. An invoice will be emailed after registration to those paying by credit card.

*Appetizers and refreshments will be served.*



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