

## **News Release**

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## Charleston County Councilwoman Anna Johnson's August 23 Round Table Meeting: Elder Abuse Training/Treatment Programs

<u>Charleston County Councilwoman Anna B. Johnson</u> of <u>District 8</u> will hold her round table discussion on **Wednesday, August 23**. The meetings normally are held at 12:30 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday quarterly at the <u>John's Island Regional Library</u>, located at 3531 Maybank Highway on Johns Island.

This month our topic is the Elder Abuse Training and Treatment Programs project which encompass three elements: training of health care providers to recognize and intervene in elder abuse; counseling for victims of elder abuse; referral to additional resources available in our community when needed. Funding to support these three elements is through the South Carolina Department of Public Safety, Victims of Crime Act grant under the direction of Dr. Hernandez-Tejada. Their program is based in the College of Nursing at MUSC. Other members of their team are Mara Steedley, training coordinator, and Jordan Hardy, therapist.

"My purpose for holding these quarterly meetings is to share information about County-related issues and to listen to citizens' concerns," Johnson said. "Each quarter, different speakers are invited to address topics of interest as expressed by the public."

Citizens do not need to register in advance for the round table meetings. For more information or to provide ideas for upcoming topics, contact Charleston County Councilmember Anna B. Johnson:

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