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Your input is critical: Age & Dementia Friendly Forums in Cape Ann Communities

SeniorCare Inc. will host four Community Forums throughout Cape Ann to begin a discussion of how Cape Ann can become more Age and Dementia Friendly. The four Forums will be led by Dr. Caitlin Coyle from UMass Boston, and will be held at:

- **Rockport** Community House, Tuesday, November 7, 2017, 10:30am-12:00pm
- **Gloucester's** Rose Baker Senior Center, Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 6:00-7:30pm
- **Essex** Town Hall, Thursday, November 16, 2017, 2:00-3:30pm
- **Manchester** Community Center, Thursday, November 16, 2017, 5:00-6:30pm

Members from all aspects of the community are encouraged to attend, including government, human service agencies, health and beauty, finance and banking, media and information services, private business, and—possibly the most important group—caregivers and persons directly impacted by aging and dementia. Interested individuals are welcome to attend one or all of the Forums. Your input is critical.

What makes a community Age and Dementia Friendly? Are the sidewalks conducive to wheel chairs and strollers? Does transportation for seniors who no longer drive meet the need? Does our community make a person with dementia or other challenges feel welcome?

These are just a few of the questions the Age and Dementia Friendly initiative will aim to answer.

These Forums are made possible through a grant from the North Shore Community Health Network.

To learn more about SeniorCare's mission to serve elders and adults with disabilities on the North Shore, please visit our website www.seniorcareinc.org. As the discussion on Age & Dementia Friendly Cape Ann progresses and Action Teams are formed, the website will include a section about this initiative.

About SeniorCare

SeniorCare Inc. serves an area that represents more than 27,000 residents aged 60 and over. We provide services to adults with disabilities and elders in nine communities—Beverly, Essex, Gloucester, Hamilton, Ipswich, Manchester by the Sea, Rockport, Topsfield and Wenham. Established in 1972, SeniorCare has approximately 100 employees and nearly 400 volunteers. The volunteers and staff work to fulfill its mission as a consumer-centered organization which provides and coordinates services to elders and others. This allows them to live independently at home or in a setting of their choice, while remaining part of their community.