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News & Events of Interest to Caregivers



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Medical Conditions Commonly Faced by Seniors

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- Arthritis, Osteoporosis & Rheumatic Conditions
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Parkinson's Unity Walk in New York City – April 28

The National Parkinson Foundation (NPF) announced that the 18th annual Parkinson's Unity Walk will be held in Central Park in New York City on April 28th, 2012. This is the largest annual "grassroots" fundraising event to benefit Parkinson's Disease . . . → Read More: Parkinson's Unity Walk in New York City – April 28



Eye Health Month Focuses on Eye Health & Safety

April has been declared "Women's Eye Health and Safety Month" by Prevent Blindness America (PBA), a non-profit organization. April has also been declared "Sports Eye Safety Awareness Month" by the American Academy of Ophthalmology. Both of these campaigns have . . . \rightarrow Read More: Eye Health Month Focuses on Eye Health & Safety



National Public Health Week Being Observed April 2-8, 2012

April 2-8, 2012 has been declared National Public Health Week, an annual campaign sponsored for the past 16 years by the National Public Health Association, "aimed at educating the public, policy-makers and the public health community about critical public . . . — Read More: National Public

Health Week Being Observed April 2-8, 2012

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Practical Tips, Skills & Tools for Caregivers



New High Value Care Guides for Patients Are Jointly Announced by American College of Physicians & Consumer Reports

The American College of Physicians (ACP) and Consumer Reports jointly announced yesterday that they will work together to produce a new series

of "High Value Care" guides to help patients understand what are appropriate treatments for common health problems. . . . → Read More: New High Value Care Guides for Patients Are Jointly Announced by American College of Physicians & Consumer Reports

Wellness: Diet, Exercise, Hygiene & Healthy Living



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Heart Disease Reversal

The Rave Diet claims to reverse heart disease, as well as wide range of other diseases, by changing to a plant-based diet. It has been endorsed by doctors from The Cleveland Clinic Foundation, who are interviewed—one of whom reversed . . . → Read More: Heart Disease Reversal



Physical Activity of All Kinds Lowers Risk of Alzheimer's, Study Finds

A new study published in the journal Neurology, has found that physical activity, including both exercise and activity from daily chores or activities of daily living, may significantly reduce a person's risk of developing Alzheimer's disease, even if you . . . — Read More: Physical Activity of All

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- Helpful Medical Equipment
- <u>Comfortable & Adaptive Senior</u> Clothing

OurTimeForCare™

- <u>Caregiver Self-Care, Stress</u>
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- Inspiration & Humor

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Healthy Aging/ Stories of Inspiring Seniors



World Health Day April 7 Focuses on Healthy Aging

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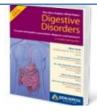
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New Digestive Disorders White Paper Issued by Johns Hopkins

Johns Hopkins Medicine has issued a new research White Paper, The 2012 Johns Hopkins Digestive Disorders White Paper, written by H. Franklin Herlong, M.D., Associate Professor of Medicine and Director, Clinical Hepatology at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. . . . — Read More: New Digestive Disorders White Paper Issued by Johns

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Free Fall Prevention Evaluation for Older Adults Offered by Nova Southeastern University

Nova Southeastern University in Davie, Florida offers a free interdisciplinary Fall Prevention Evaluation for older adults who are at risk due to balance problems. "This service provides a one-time, comprehensive, multiple discipline evaluation for balance and fall risk

factors. . . . \rightarrow Read More: <u>Free Fall Prevention Evaluation for Older Adults Offered by Nova Southeastern University</u>



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As part of Diabetes Alert Day, March 27, 2012, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) posted updated information on Diabetes' diagnosis and prevention on its website. This includes a Quiz (below), which the CDC invites you . . . — Read More: Are You At Risk for

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Based on our substantive and in-depth coverage of new and significant scientific studies of interest to seniors and caregivers, *HelpingYouCare™* has been approved and granted full advance press access to all content, for purposes of our reporting, by medical journals including *The New England Journal of Medicine*, *JAMA* and the several *Archives* journals of the American Medical Association, *The Lancet*, *Neurology* of the American Association of Neurology, the *Annals of Internal Medicine* of the American College of Physicians, and others.

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Preventing and Managing Coronary Artery Disease

Watch Michael S. Lauer, M.D. Director, Division of Cardiovascular Sciences, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute »

Other Medical News & Resources



Cleveland Clinic Florida Holds Health Talk on Fibroids

The Cleveland Clinic Florida invites the public to attend a Health Talk on Fibroids, to be given by Viviane Connor, MD – Gynecologist, tonight, Monday, April 16, 2012, from 6 p.m. – 7 p.m., at 525 Okeechobee Blvd. (CityPlace . . . → Read More: Cleveland Clinic Florida Holds Health Talk

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Wellness Expo - April 28

Home Health Care, Technology & Aging in Place



Medicare Announces Inclusion of Patient Survey Data in Home Health Compare Tool

The U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced on April 19 that the results of its ongoing survey of patients regarding their experiences with and ratings of Medicare-certified home health agencies, will now be available to consumers . . . — Read More: Medicare

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reporting on many other topics of interest to seniors and family caregivers, including legal, legislative, and financial matters, which are covered by *HelpingYouCare™*'s Managing Member, who is an attorney with more than 30 years of legal practice experience, including many years as a partner at large law firms.

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Legal & Financial Issues for Seniors & Caregivers



Money Smart Week April 21-28 – Classes & Events to be Held in 30 States

Money Smart Week® classes and events for consumers in 30 different States — those indicated in green on the map at left. To find classes and other events (primarily in libraries) in your area, click HERE or click on → Read More: Money Smart Week April 21-28 − Classes & Events to be

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You Can Negotiate Lower Prices for Health Care, New Reports Suggest

Several new reports have indicated that, facing rising healthcare costs and high-deductible health insurance or no insurance, patients and consumers are increasingly negotiating lower medical bills directly with their doctors, hospitals, and other health care providers. And, new resources

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News on Health Care Reform



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