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Securing Tomorrow: Navigating Social Security Retirement & Survivor Benefits

ABOUT THIS WEBINAR

Social Security retirement benefits provide financial support to individuals who have worked and contributed to the Social Security system. The amount of the retirement benefit is based on factors such as the individual's earnings history and the age at which they choose to claim benefits. Survivor's benefits are designed to provide financial assistance to the surviving family members of a deceased individual who was eligible for Social Security benefits. The amount of survivor's benefits is influenced by factors such as the deceased individual's earnings history and the age at which the survivor chooses to claim the benefits. In both cases, understanding the eligibility criteria, claiming strategies, and potential impacts on overall financial planning is crucial for individuals and families seeking to optimize their Social Security benefits. This webinar will provide a comprehensive look at retirement and survivor benefits from the Social Security Administration and provide the knowledge and resources for providers to make informed decisions, ensuring a secure and prosperous future for the families they serve.

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- **Social Work, LPC, LMFT:** Programming approval for 1.0 CE credit will be obtained for Social Work, Licensed Professional Counselors, and Licensed Marriage & Family Therapists from the University of Texas at Austin, Steve Hicks School of Social Work.
- **Case Manager:** This program has been submitted to the Commission for Case Manager Certification for approval to provide board certified case managers with 1.0 clock hour.
- **Board Certified Patient Advocates (BCPA):** This program has been pre-approved by the Patient Advocate Certification Board for a total of 1.0 CE contact hour, of which 0.0 are in the area of Ethics for BCPA.
- **Certified in Family & ConsumerSciences (CFCS):** This program is currently seeking approval of 1.0 CE credit from the American Association for Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) for CFCS.
- **Certified Family Life Educators (CFLE):** This program has been submitted for 1.0 contact hour for CFLEs by the National Council on Family Relations (NCFR).
- **Certified Personal and Family Finance Educator (CPFFE):** This program has been submitted for 1.0 CE credits from the American Association for Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) for CPFFE.
- **Accredited Financial Counselors (AFC):** This webinar is awaiting approval for 1.0 CE credits.
- **Certified Personal Financial Counselors (CPFC):** This webinar is awaiting approved for 1.0 CE credits.
- **Certificates of Attendance** are available for providers interested in documenting their training activities.

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