



CO-SPONSORED WEB EVENT

SOCIAL ISOLATION & LONELINESS

AMONG OLDER AMERICANS
DURING COVID-19

EVIDENCE, POLICY, AND ADVOCACY

MAY 20, 2020 - 12:00 TO 1:30 PM EDT



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The stress and isolation from living in a pandemic

are taking their toll on everyone.

It's a concern voiced by leading experts, and no one will be hit harder than older Americans. While we all are required to be physically distant in order to avoid the spread of the disease, a reduction in social contact will negatively impact those most vulnerable to social isolation and loneliness - exacerbating depression, anxiety, and myriad physical health outcomes.

As part of Older Americans Month, our coalitions are hosting a web event covering:

- The magnitude and prevalence of social isolation and loneliness among older Americans, and its impact on mental, cognitive, and physical health

Invited Speaker from Duke University

- Biological impacts of social isolation and loneliness

Invited Speaker from University of Utah

Interventions and promising practices to address social isolation and loneliness

Invited Speakers from CareMore Health, Lyft, and PAPA

- Policy considerations and current legislative and regulatory action to address social isolation and loneliness

Invited speaker from Gerontological Society of America

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