

# Substance Use in an Aging Population

**Thursday, June 15, 2023, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. EST**

The Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership (CT BHP) in conjunction with the Connecticut Hospital Association is proud to sponsor a virtual, professional forum focusing on the prevention and treatment of substance use in an aging population. It is available at no cost to you and offers the following credits: National Association for Social Workers (NASW) continuing education credits (CECs) and continuing medical education credits (CMEs) for physicians and nurses. This educational forum has been approved by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) for psychologist CECs. Carelon Behavioral Health is an approved trainer for the Connecticut Certification Board (CCB).

Join leading experts to:

- Delineate three different presentations in older adults that complicate the diagnosis of substance use disorders.
- Describe current epidemiologic trends in problematic substance use involving alcohol, cannabis, and medication misuse by aging adults.
- Outline the approach to benzodiazepine deprescribing.
- Discuss effective treatment options for the older adult with opioid use disorder.

## Presenters:



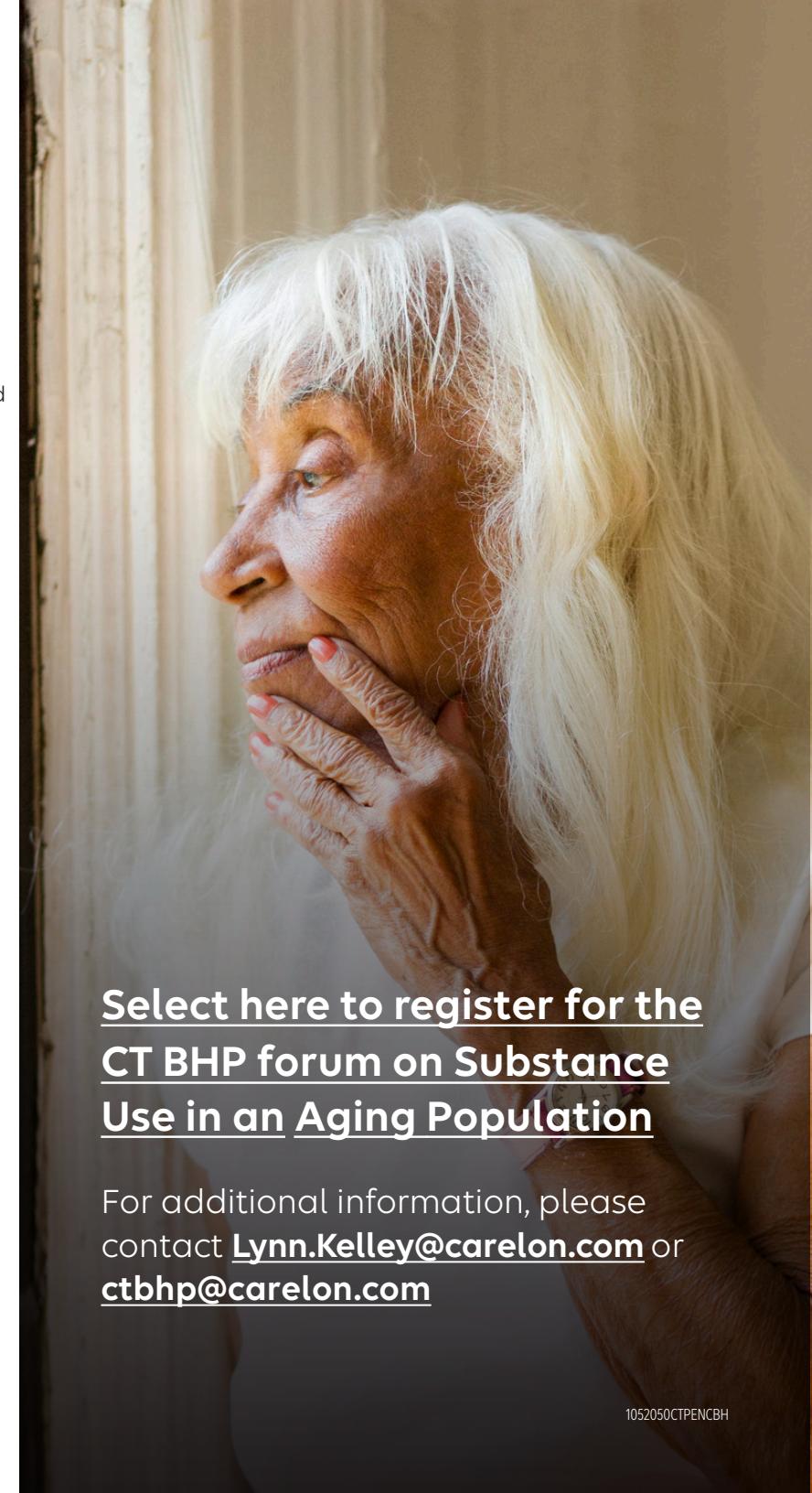
**Michael Fingerhood, MD, FACP, DFASAM** is a Professor of Medicine and Public Health at Johns Hopkins University, and Chief of the Division of Addiction Medicine at Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center. He created the Comprehensive Care Practice in 1994, dedicated to improving care for individuals with SUD. He received the Health Equity Leadership award from the Baltimore City Health Department and is coauthor of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Handbook of Addiction Medicine.



**Susan Lehmann, MD** is the inaugural Patricia B. and William T. Bright Professor of Mental Wellness and the Clinical Director of Geriatric Psychiatry and Neuropsychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She is a recipient of a number of national awards including the American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry Educator of the Year. She is coeditor of the recently published book, *Bipolar Disorder in Older Age Patients*.

## Additional panelists:

- Lori Kibbe, Clinical Liaison, Elara Caring
- Glenn Ryan, CAC, Director of Special Services, McCall Behavioral Health Network
- Bruce Young, Person with Lived Experience



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