



A diverse group of PMINYC members and guests filled the auditorium at the SUNY Global Center on November 7 to hear the latest Career Forum presented by the Career Development Network. Our expert panel discussed how to keep skills relevant at all phases of a career. The panelists were:

- Ashton Applewhite, author/blogger of *This Chair Rocks: A Manifesto Against Ageism*
- Elizabeth (Liz) F. Fideler, EdD, research fellow at the Center on Aging & Work at Boston College (and a former PM)
- Michael Herndon, AARP Vice President, Financial Resilience

The panelists all agreed that ageism is the correct term to describe the barriers faced by project managers looking for entry-level positions or continuing to work after years of experience. They emphasized that age is the characteristic least predictive of job success. Panelists also stressed that **age** diversity is an important but overlooked aspect of overall diversity. They encouraged the audience to pursue passions, update skills training and include those passions and skills in their resumes.

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