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**Free Legal Assistance Offered in Harford County's "Decisions That Determine Your Destiny"**

**BEL AIR, Md.**, (Sept. 15, 2016) - If catastrophic illness or injury struck your family, would you and your loved ones be prepared to carry out each other's wishes? Legal documents such as a financial power of attorney and advance healthcare medical directive can relieve uncertainty and the burden of resolving legal issues at a stressful time. The Harford County Department of Community Services Office on Aging, in partnership with the Harford Bar Foundation, will offer information and assistance drafting these important documents in the fall series of "Decisions That Determine Your Destiny." Launched earlier this year under the administration of County Executive Barry Glassman, this free program for individuals and family members will be available again beginning in October.

Decisions That Determine Your Destiny starts with a presentation to demystify the legal process and identify the necessary information and factors to consider before drafting a financial power of attorney and /or advance medical directive. The Department of Community Services Office on Aging will also provide a handy checklist folder for all participants.

Participants may attend any one of the following presentations.

Tuesday, October 4, 10:30-11:30 a.m., Aberdeen Activity Center, 7 Franklin Street, Aberdeen;

or evening sessions from 7:00-8:00 p.m. offered at these locations:

Wednesday, October 5, McFaul Activity Center, 525 W. MacPhail Road, Bel Air;  
Tuesday, October 11, Fallston Activity Center, 1707 Fallston Road, Fallston;  
Monday, November 14, Havre de Grace Activity Center, 351 Lewis Lane, Havre de Grace.

At the conclusion of each presentation, attendees will have the opportunity to register for a limited number of free mini-sessions. These sessions will be held at a later date for participants to meet privately with an attorney who will draft the legal documents free of charge.

Decisions That Determine Your Destiny debuted this spring and earned rave reviews from participants. "If something happens to me, knowing that my kids know what to do is a huge relief," said Barbara S. A pleasantly surprised Ann M. said, "This process was easier than I thought – thank you so much!"

Learn how to determine your destiny by attending a presentation near you. Advance registration is required to ensure adequate seating; please contact Lisa Anderson at 410-638-3025.

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