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## Seniors and Special Needs News - May 8, 2015

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With help, seniors and people with special needs can keep some of their assets in the family rather than lose their entire life savings to the costs of long term care. They can use these protected assets to enhance their quality of life beyond what long term care alone will provide.

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## Leave Instructions about your Long Term Care Planning

This week's discussion is brief. It doesn't take much explanation. It states what should be obvious, but many people still overlook these issues.

When you need long term care, you may not be in a position to tell your family about the setting that you prefer in which to receive care (*i.e.*, nursing home, assisted living, or in your home with a home care company.) Likewise, you may not be in a position to explain to your family the strategy you adopted for dealing with long term care costs. (If you've bought long term care insurance or set up a trust, for example, your family may not know. In addition, you might qualify for VA benefits, but your family may not know where to find your discharge papers.)

Leave instructions, or talk over these issues with someone before hand.

## Suggest a Newsletter Topic

I try to write something new (and useful) in my newsletter every week. So, I know that I will sometimes have writer's block. I'd like your help, please.

If you have a topic for my newsletter that you'd kindly suggest, I promise to consider it. (I don't promise to pursue it. I just promise to consider it.) I try to write about issues concerning seniors, health care, long term care, special needs, Veterans Pension (aka Aid and Attendance) benefits, and Veterans Compensation benefits. Please keep your suggestions within or near to those

topics.

Please submit your suggestion [here](#). If I use your topic suggestion, I'll put the content in both my blog and newsletter.

Thank you for your help.

## Social Media Posts from the past week

05-07-2015 Preparing for a #SpecialNeeds child to turn 18 <http://ow.ly/Mnghw>

05-06-2015 Advice for a #FamilyCaregiver <http://ow.ly/Mk6JY>

05-05-2015 Considering whether to check out #LongTermCareInsurance <http://ow.ly/MkKDZ>

05-04-2015 #AntibioticResistantBacteria issues for #NursingHome residents with #Dementia <http://ow.ly/Mneo3>

05-03-2015 Should more #Medical procedures for #AgingAdults be done at #NursingHomes? <http://ow.ly/Mk7m3>

05-02-2015 How #Pharmacists can prevent #OverMedication of #NursingHome residents <http://ow.ly/Mk5jY>

05-01-2015 #LegalIssues when someone has #Dementia: Who can make decisions? <http://wp.me/p47F09-b5>

Older social media posts can be found in the [social media post archive](#) on the firm's website, [ProtectingSeniors.com](http://ProtectingSeniors.com).

## The Koewler Law Firm News

5-12-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss Legal Issues when someone has Dementia at Metro Hospital in Cleveland, Ohio. Continuing education credit is available for social workers, counselors, and nurses.

5-27-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss the legal issues that seniors face, especially focusing on long term care, at HCR ManorCare in Parma, Ohio.

6-9-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss Preventing Senior Fraud at The

AbbeWood in Elyria, Ohio. Continuing education credit is available for Certified Case Managers, social workers, counselors, and nurses.

6-10-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss Helping Seniors Pre-Plan their Funerals at UH Parma Medical Center in Parma, Ohio. Continuing education credit is available for social workers, counselors, and nurses.

6-16-2015 Jim Koewler will speak on planning ahead to protect your life savings against long term care costs at a meeting of the University Hospitals Bedford Medical Center SeniorNet at the Atrium of Anna Maria in Aurora, Ohio.

8-24-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss Advance Directives (General Power of Attorney, Health Care Power of Attorney, Living Will, etc.) at the Soprema Senior Center in Wadsworth, Ohio. Jim will provide help for a limited number of people to prepare and execute their Living Wills.

9-22-2015 Jim Koewler will discuss Money Management for Seniors at Chambrel of Montrose, a Brookdale Community, in Akron, Ohio.

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### **Jim's available presentations**

- Navigating Medicaid, Medicare, and the Affordable Care Act (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, nurses, and Certified Case Managers)
- Overcoming Seniors' Resistance to Long Term Care (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, nurses and Certified Case Managers)
- Preventing Senior Fraud (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, nurses and Certified Case Managers)
- My Care Ohio and Medicare/Medicaid "Dual Eligibles" (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, nurses, and seeking approval for Certified Case Managers)
- Government Benefits that can help Pay for Long Term Care (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, nurses, and seeking approval for Certified Case Managers)
- Legal Issues for People with Dementia (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Protect your Life Savings from the Costs of Long Term Care (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Veterans Benefits for Long Term Care (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Advance Directives – Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, etc. (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Buying Long Term Care Insurance Wisely (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Planning Ahead to Protect against Long Term Care Costs (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- Organizing for Long Term Care (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)

- Pre-planning your Funeral (Continuing Education credit available for social workers, counselors, and nurses)
- **Money Management for Seniors**
- Protecting your Money when you need Long Term Care and Essential Estate Planning Considerations (with free living wills for the audience)
- Myths about Long Term Care Costs
- How to help your Parents Manage their Affairs

## **Upcoming meetings**

- 5-8-2015 Eldercare Professionals of Ohio, Century Oak Care Center, Middleburg Heights, Ohio, 9:00 a.m.
- 5-13-2015 Medina County Senior Services Network, Waite and Sons Funeral Home, Medina, Ohio, 8:00 a.m.
- 5-13-2015 Summit Senior Sales, Administrators and Marketers Association, Canal Pointe, Akron, Ohio, 2:30 p.m.
- 5-14-2015 Lorain County Senior Services Network, Life Care Center of Elyria, Elyria, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-18-2015 Medina County Senior Services Network's Education Committee, Tres Potrillos, Medina, Ohio, 11:30 a.m.
- 5-19-2015 UH Bedford Medical Center Senior Network, Light of Hearts Villa, Bedford, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-20-2015 Geauga Professional Association Specializing in Seniors ("PASS"), West Geauga Senior Center, Chesterland, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-21-2015 Portage Senior Services Network, Family and Community Services Building, Ravenna, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-22-2015 Eldercare Professionals of Ohio, HCR Manorcare, Mayfield Heights, Ohio, 9:00 a.m.
- 5-26-2015 Summit County Senior Services Network, Anthony Kucko Kertesz Funeral Home, Akron, Ohio, 8:00 a.m.
- 5-26-2015 Professional Networking Group, DeJohn Funeral Home, Willoughby, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-26-2015 Wayne Holmes Senior Service Coalition, Wayne County Care Center, Wooster, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 5-28-2015 The Association of Specialists in Aging, Mentor Senior Center, Mentor, Ohio 8:30 a.m.
- 6-2-2015 Aging Services Network of Euclid, Euclid Hospital's Waltz Auditorium, Euclid, Ohio, 8:30 a.m.
- 6-3-2015 Stark Senior Services Network, Canton Baptist Temple, Canton, Ohio, 9:00 a.m.
- 6-3-2015 Richfield Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Days Inn and Suites, Richfield, Ohio, 11:45 a.m.
- 6-3-2015 Medina County Senior Services Network's Client Services Committee, Sully's, Medina, Ohio, 3:00 p.m.

## **Newsletter Archive**

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## Contact Jim Koewler

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