

Seminar addresses top issues for families of the elderly



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TORONTO – With the rapidly growing population of seniors comes the need for a wealth of information on issues ranging from health care and counselling to financial and legal advice. It is the families of the elderly in particular who could benefit from greater knowledge and advice from professionals about available resources and necessary preparations to address concerns regarding care for the elderly.

Four leading professionals will address these matters at a seminar next month – *Insights on Aging and the Elderly* – sponsored by Scotia Private Client Group, Beth Tzedec Congregation and B'nai Brith Canada.

Ian Hull of Hull and Hull LLP, a foremost expert on estates, trusts and wills, will discuss the legal issues surrounding powers of attorney, as well as litigation regarding the appointment of a statutory guardian over property or personal care.

Dr. Nathan Herrmann, head of Geriatric Psychiatry at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, will talk about *Recognizing the Red Flags of Alzheimer's*.

Rabbi Roy Tanenbaum of Beth Tzedec Synagogue will discuss Jewish thought and religious law regarding family conflicts with respect to elderly autonomy.

Charles Wagner, chair of B'nai Brith Canada's Trust & Estates Group, will explain the responsibilities of a Power of Attorney over property and the situation that results when an attorney has violated his or her fiduciary duty as Power of Attorney.

Refreshments will be served.

The community is encouraged to attend this unique and important opportunity to help families with the challenges of elder care.

The seminar will be held Thursday, March 27, 7 p.m., at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, 1700 Bathurst St. Admission is \$10 to the Beth Tzedec Chesed Committee.

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