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TASKFORCE:

Social Isolation in Older Adults

Taskforce Meeting

January 18, 2023 | 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

[Zoom](#) | Meeting ID: 897 5104 2800 | Passcode: 516834

AGENDA FOR TASKFORCE

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| I. | Welcome | 10:00 am - 10:05 am |
| | Mary Gail Douglas, Taskforce Chair | |
| II. | Mental Health and Social Isolation | 10:05 am - 10:25 am |
| | Jessica Barnes, MS
Program Manager, Office of Suicide Prevention, SC Department of Mental Health | |
| | Tatiana M. Davidson, Ph.D.
Director, SC Safe Seniors, Medical University of South Carolina | |
| | Mara Steedley Allport
Training Program Manager, SC Safe Seniors, Medical University of South Carolina | |
| III. | Alzheimer's/Dementia and Social Isolation | 10:25 am - 10:40 am |
| | Kaileigh Byrne, PhD
Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, Clemson University | |
| IV. | Substance Use Disorder and Social Isolation | 10:40 am - 10:50 am |
| | Michael "Mike" McLain, M.A. Counseling, LPC, LAC
Director Community Engagement, The Phoenix Center | |
| V. | Q&A with Presenters | 10:50 am - 11:00 am |
| VI. | Recommendation Development Process Review | 11:00 am - 11:10 am |



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Justina Siuba, IMPH

VII. Small Group Discussions

11:10 am – 11:50 am

VII. Next Steps

11:50 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting Objectives:

- Participants will understand the connections between behavioral health and social isolation and ways to reduce these impacts.
- Participants will learn about Alzheimer's/Dementia, and the impact of social isolation on patients.
- Taskforce members will continue the recommendation development process in small groups.