

21st Annual Cuyahoga County Conference on Aging a Success



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Barbara S. Galloway Award Winner*



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On Friday, October 9, 2015 nearly 300 health care and gerontology professionals joined the Division of Senior and Adult Services (DSAS) and The MetroHealth System for the 21st Annual Cuyahoga County Conference on Aging at the Holiday Inn in Independence. The Conference theme was “Disability and Aging in the 21st Century: Challenges and Opportunities”. The keynote speaker was Mark Rumrill, Ph.D., CRC a Professor and Coordinator of the Rehabilitation Counseling Program and Director of the Center for Disability Studies at Kent State University. Dr. Rumrill set the tone of the Conference by delivering the Keynote address that focused on the implications of aging and disability to family interactions and socialization across multiple generations. A panel of three experts described ways in which the aging and disability network can rise to meet the challenge. Four breakout sessions were - These Four Walls: Using the Environment to Support Persons with Dementia; Brain Health and Memory Across the Lifespan; Empowering Individuals with Disabilities in the Midst of Healthcare Reform and Music and the Aging Brain: Prevention and Recovery.