

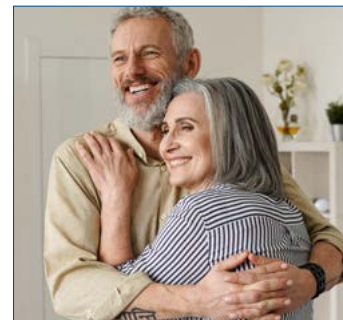
It Felt Good to Be Wanted

The Psychology of Romance Scams, Practical and Clinical Interventions

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

According to the Federal Trade Commission, older adults lost nearly \$240 million to romance scams in 2022. Some older adults have lost their life savings; others, with no assets, sacrifice rent money to pay the scammer.

This program will address the underlying factors that make older adults vulnerable to romance scams such as cognitive changes, unmet emotional needs and a wish to remain desirable as one ages. Clinical, ethical and practical aspects of the romance scam will be explored using case-based examples. Strategies to protect older adults from financial scams—both before or after they have occurred—will be shared.



Friday, July 18, 2025 • 8:30–10:30 am • Virtual



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SPEAKERS:

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- Tamara Kushnir Groman, JD, Director of Legal and Financial Client Services, CJE SeniorLife
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