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**Total Number of Participants: 148**  
**Number of Evaluations Returned: 58**

Response Codes:  
 5=Strongly Agree    4=Agree    3=Undecided    2=Disagree    1=Strongly Disagree

<b>Section A: General Questions</b>	<b>Average</b>
1. The course content was pertinent to my educational needs and expectations.....	3.74
2. The course presented was presented in an impartial and unbiased manner. ....	4.32
3. The course content achieved the stated objectives.....	3.79
4. The course content will enhance my practice and professional outcomes. ....	3.63
5. In general, sufficient time was provided for discussion. ....	3.26
6. The course updated my knowledge on the subject matter. ....	3.79
7. The registration process for this program was user-friendly. ....	3.42
8. The physical environment was satisfactory. ....	4.20

**Section B: Speaker/Faculty**  
 The particular content, teaching methods, handouts, and audiovisuals used in the following sessions were appropriate and useful.

9. Speaker:  
**Elinor Ginzler: Keynote Address**  
 Understand the elements of a livable, senior-friendly community and the relationship between housing, mobility and community engagement.....4.63

**Richard Duncan: Breakout Session A: Housing**  
 Understand the components of livable homes and communities and the concept of Universal Home Design.....4.39

**Karen Knutson: Breakout Session B: Care giving**  
 Understanding current and future trends in care giving.....3.63

**Debra Campbell, Bill Coxe, Danny Pleasant: Breakout Session C: Transportation**  
 Understanding current trends in transportation, future changes that make transportation more senior friendly, including accessibility, safety, infrastructure and design.....4.0

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**Susan Burgess, Trena Palmer, Jennifer Roberts, Debra Sparks: Lunch Panel**

Understanding local initiatives currently in place that are working to create a senior-friendly Charlotte Mecklenburg.....3.64

**Call To Action: Council on Aging**

Provided with educational tools, strategies and tips to effectively advocate for a senior-friendly community.....3.42

**Speaker Comments:**

- a. Great speakers!!
- b. Breakouts too short
- c. Needed more time for Q&A
- d. Trena’s presentation was fabulous; very heartfelt & in layman’s terms
- e. Elinor Ginzler is very engaging
- f. Richard Duncan covered a lot of material that I felt applied to my personal life as well as work
- g. Treana Palmer personalized her experiences
- h. Talks were related to the current issues facing elders today
- i. Good visuals
- j. Entertaining and informative

**Section C:**

**1. What change(s) if any, do you plan to make in your practice as a result of completing this course?**

- a. More information that has interactive ways to serve as caregivers & care receivers
- b. Further education including “Universal Design” in a group of houses I am planning to build
- c. Focus more attention on resolving high family stress level and resource requirement activities to provide more effective relief
- d. I feel I got a lot of info to improve my efficiency at work
- e. New planning & design behaviors
- f. More research on our folks running for office to ensure “senior friendly”
- g. To take this information in the future to co-workers; to make them more aware
- h. More advocacy
- i. An understanding of the current challenges of seniors
- j. Government action, let them know what we need
- k. More time allotted!!
- l. Volunteer some of my time to the Levine Senior Center
- m. Be more aware of physical barriers in homes I go into
- n. I intend to open up a senior-friendly facility
- o. Providing greater resources to my clients

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**2. Please list any topics, clinical knowledge, or information that you would like presented in the future.**

- a. How to bridge the gap between seniors and children
- b. Accessibilities to healthcare & the healthcare arena viewpoint on seniors & aging
- c. Wheelchair assessments
- d. More on legal issues & recent changes if any
- e. Repeat this theme in more detail next year
- f. Legal issues concerning seniors
- g. Marketing of developers-involvement of the private sector
- h. How to organize nutritious meals, exercise, sports, fun activities, attending civic/social events
- i. Money issues/concerns for seniors
- j. Cross-cultural aging (as Americans being a diverse society)
- k. Name of state rep's to talk to and/or contact for advocacy
- l. Affordable housing for "middle class"
- m. Bring builders in to talk about what they are doing to improve homes and where they're building
- n. Plans for creating a senior friendly environment in poor neighborhoods
- o. Use of alternative mobility options Ex) Golf carts
- p. Aging & addiction
- q. Thought that resources would be discussed
- r. Senior employment
- s. Much more of what was done last year
- t. No speakers that have political agenda

**3. Other comments**

- a. The names on the badges are too small to read
- b. Please provide minutes for all sessions & breakouts
- c. Who cares about their awards & agendas!!
- d. Very helpful, thank you
- e. Susan Burgess should not have made this event political by wearing her candidate of choice sticker on election day
- f. Have several portable mics
- g. 8:30am to 9:30am to long before conference stated
- h. Lunch was good but light for \$95.00
- i. People in exhibit area very noisy during presentation
- j. Beautiful facility but Google directions were not right!!
- k. Involve legislators again
- l. Not enough time for questions/discussions
- m. Very cold
- n. More time for breakout sessions
- o. Skip Call to Action

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- p. Great conference
- q. Very good & useful information
- r. Better registration for CEU credits

**4. How did you hear about this course?**

- a. Friend
- b. E-mail
- c. Flyer
- d. Word of mouth
- e. AHEC web sight
- f. AHEC e-mail
- g. Part of Aging Network
- h. Outreach