Date and Time: Monday, April 13, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time

Speakers:
- Administration for Community Living
- Steve McCurley, SMP and SHIP Centers Consultant

Audience: The intended audience for this webinar are SMP and SHIP coordinators of volunteers, project directors, and others who SMP or SHIP project directors wish to invite, such as partners who help train or manage SMP volunteers. This webinar is being conducted jointly by the SMP National Resource Center and the SHIP National Technical Assistance Center. Anyone in the MIPPA network who is interested in this topic is also welcome to attend.

Description: COVID-19 is an unprecedented event. No disaster or disease has ever affected volunteering to the extent that will likely occur in the next few months. This webinar will take SMPs, SHIPs, and MIPPA through some preliminary discussion of the likely impact of COVID-19 on volunteers and volunteer programs and highlight some of the major issues around which SMPs and SHIPs need to begin planning.

Topics will include:
- Fulfilling ACL expectations during COVID-19
- Developing an organizational continuity of operations plan to determine which kinds of activities will continue and what is needed to make these safe for both beneficiaries and volunteers
- Communicating with volunteers about health and safety precautions and changes in their roles during the crisis, particularly given that the elderly are at most risk
- Maintaining connections to those who have stopped volunteering during the crisis
- Coping with shortages of both volunteers and work assignments for volunteers who still wish to help
- Moving training and events online to maintain program operations

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