About the Program:

Darcie Miller, LCSW-R, Commissioner of Social Services and Mental Health will present on addressing the complexity of needs of older adults and best practices for accessing community resources. The presentation will provide an overview of the prevalence of behavioral health needs in older adults as well as the impact of adverse childhood experiences on long term health and behavioral health outcomes. Participants will learn the about how Orange County’s WELCOME Orange Continuous Comprehensive Integrated System of Care model provides a framework for welcoming older adults into a behavioral health system they may not have experienced before. Participants will learn best practices for outreach, engagement and connection to community resources for older adults.

* There will be a panel discussion following the presentation.

About the Presenter

Darcie Miller, LCSW-R, has worked tirelessly in Orange County since 2001. She was named Commissioner of Social Services in 2014. She was appointed Mental Health Commissioner in March 2012 after serving as the departments Deputy Commissioner for seven years. As Commissioner, she oversees orange County’s planning, development, and coordination of services in the fields of mental health, developmental disabilities, and chemical dependency.

Darcie Miller received her Bachelor of Science degree and Master of Social Work degree from State University of New York in Buffalo. She is a New York State-licensed clinical social worker with experience in psychotherapy, rape counseling, and juvenile justice.