CAREERS IN AGING WEEK (April 4-10):
Careers in Social Work and Aging

Careers in Aging Week (CIAW) is an annual event intended to bring greater awareness and visibility to the wide-ranging career opportunities in aging and aging research. Universities and colleges across the world participate by sponsoring events at their schools or in their communities.

The Geriatric Social Work Initiative is committed to bringing you information and resources related to social work in the field of aging for Careers in Aging Week and the entire month of April. Click here for events near you.

Geriatric Social Workers: In Demand
As the number of older adults in this country grows in the coming years and then explodes in the coming decades, there are expanding opportunities for careers in geriatric social work education and geriatric social work. Social workers are among some of the nation's most in-demand professionals, according to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. Learn more about the demand for gero social workers.

"Experience Exciting Careers in Social Work and Aging"
Click here to access the first edition of "Experience Exciting Careers in Social Work and Aging", a magazine about careers in gerontological social work created by the Hartford Geriatric Social Work Initiative.

Resources on Social Work and Aging from the Gero-Ed Center:
Why Should I Consider a Career in Gero Social Work?
The Council on Social Work Education Career Center
Gero-Ed Center Careers Page
Reasons to Work with the Aging Population

Profiles in Social Work
Read the latest edition of Profiles in Social Work, Serendipty and the Power of a Summer Job, provides a profile of Marie Savundranayagam. Also, check out the
archives to read about the many social workers who have benefited from our programs.

**Other Resources**

**Job Opportunities**
Here are links to some of the social work industry's best resources for help in finding career opportunities and particularly in geriatric social work.

**Social Work Blog**
Developed by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) in collaboration with the nation’s schools of social work, this website was created to educate prospective social workers about the scope and vitality of the profession. By highlighting 50 accomplished social workers, the site provides an up close and personal look at the profession’s diverse people, opportunities and contributions. Click here for more information.

**The Handbook of Social Work in Health and Aging**
A publication by Dr. Barbara Berkman: The Handbook of Social Work in Health and Aging. Click here to order a copy.

**Action Briefs of the Hartford Geriatric Social Work Initiative**
- Social Work Leaders
- Social Work Curriculum
- Social Work Practica

**Bandwidth Online Career Development Resources**
BandwidthOnline.org is available to help you strengthen the communications skills needed to foster your career development and leadership potential. There are numerous resources available on the site, including some that may be particularly relevant and important to you now. These include:

- creating an effective scientific poster,
- developing a dynamic Power Point presentation,
- improving oral presentations,
- developing and delivering effective "elevator" speeches,
- how to find and use visual images effectively,
- how to use compelling data in your presentations,
- how to find and use quotes in your presentations.

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