

## PRESS RELEASE

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### Free Senior Safety Event Addresses Sepsis Prevention

MONTICELLO, NY— Sepsis is the body's extreme response to an infection, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. Sepsis, a life threatening medical emergency, happens when an infection you already have triggers a chain reaction throughout your body.

Sepsis, medication safety, and senior scams will be addressed at the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Safety Day on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. The Sullivan County Office for the Aging (OFA) and Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County (CCESC)'s Caregiver Resource Center offer this FREE event at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center on 2 Jefferson Street in Monticello. Registration, light breakfast, and health fair begin at 8:30 am. The OFA Annual Public Hearing begins at 9:00 am, followed by scheduled programming by guest speakers at 10:30 am. Lunch and door prize drawings will conclude the event at noon (participants must be present to win).

#### SENIOR SAFETY DAY SCHEDULE:

8:30 am | Light Breakfast & Health Fair Start

9 am | Office for the Aging Public Hearing

10 am | Health Fair & Intermission

10:30 am | FORUM SPEAKERS:

- Rolland Bojo, CNO | Sepsis Prevention and Recognition
- Wendy Kirtack, RPh Sullivan Pharmacy | Medication Safety
- Eric Chaboty, Undersheriff | Updates on Senior Scams

12 pm | Lunch and Door Prize Drawings (Must be present to win)

This event is FREE to the public. Registration is requested in advance by visiting [www.sullivancee.org](http://www.sullivancee.org), emailing [sullivan@cornell.edu](mailto:sullivan@cornell.edu), or calling CCESC at 845-292-6180. In the event of special needs, the public should contact the CCESC office.

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