

**Governor's Office of Elderly Affairs Fall Conference**  
*Crowne Plaza Executive Center Baton Rouge*  
**April 1, 2025 -April 3, 2025**

**CONFERENCE AGENDA**  
***Premier 3 Event Room***

**Tuesday, April 1, 2025**

**8:00 AM – 11:00 AM** Registration

**9:00 AM – 11:30 AM** Technical Support Sessions  
( Delta Queen Classroom)  
New Director's Training (Premier 3)

**11:45 AM** Welcome- Amanda H. Smith, Executive Director



Lunch

**12:00 PM – 1:30 PM**



**Guest Speaker: Dr. Ronald Jackson**  
**LEAD Training Resource Group, LLC**  
**Topic: Navigating Conflict: Strategies for Constructive Resolution**

**1:30 PM-1:45 PM Break**

**1:45PM – 2:15 PM** Ice Breaker and Panel Introductions

**2:15 PM – 3:30 PM** Panel Discussion:  
***Operational Aspects of AAAs and COAs***

Darlene Schexnayder, Ascension COA  
David Lewis, Plaquemines COA  
Joyce Thompson, Cenla AAAA  
Tamara Crane, Bossier COA

**3:30 PM-** Conclusion/Tour/Reception Instructions

**5:00 PM – Until** EBR COA Facility Tour & Reception  
**(Transportation provided)**

**Wednesday, April 2, 2025**  
**Day Two**

**8:00 AM-10:00 AM** Registration

**8:00 AM-9:00 AM** Breakfast and Networking



Breakout Sessions Phase One

**9:15 AM-10:15 AM**

Compliance & Planning -  
**Mastering the Wellsky Consolidation: Tips and Best Practices**  
(Delta Queen Classroom)

Home & Community Based Services  
**Tips and Tools for Monitoring Service Delivery:**  
**Direct Delivery and Service Provider Delivery**  
(Mississippi Queen)

Accounting & Finance  
**Mastering Financial Administration:**  
**Travel Regulations, Monthly Financial Reports, and Accounting Guide Updates**  
(Natchez Classroom)

Home & Community Based Services  
**Best Practices for Creating Effective Board Rosters**  
(Samuel Clemens Classroom)

ADRC/MIPPA- MIPPA GPT:  
**Using Ai in MIPPA Services**  
(Bayou Classroom)

Office of Attorney General Liz Murrill- **Family Cyber Security**  
(Levee Room )



**10:15 AM-Mid-Morning Beverage Break**  
*Located near breakout session*



## Breakout Sessions Phase Two

10:30AM- 11:30 AM



Compliance & Planning -

### **Mastering the Wellsky Consolidation: Tips and Best Practices**

(Delta Queen Classroom)

Home & Community Based Services

### **Tips and Tools for Monitoring Service Delivery: Direct Delivery and Service Provider Delivery**

(Mississippi Queen)

Accounting & Finance

### **Mastering Financial Administration:**

### **Travel Regulations, Monthly Financial Reports, and Accounting Guide Updates**

(Natchez Classroom)

Home & Community Based Services

### **- Best Practices for Creating Effective Board Rosters**

(Samuel Clemens Classroom)

Home & Community Based Services

### **-NAPIS/OAPPS:**

### **Ensuring Compliance and Strategic Service Delivery**

**(Bayou Classroom)**

Office of Attorney General Liz Murrill- **Elder Fraud**

(Levee Room )



12:00 PM – 1:15 PM Lunch



Speakers: Ebony Phillips, EPS Program Manager

Rosa Walton, State Ombudsman

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM - Introduction & Guest Speaker

Principal Chief Elizabeth “Libby” Rogers

Jena Band of Choctaw Indians

2:30-PM 3:00 PM- **Snack Break**

Located in rear of the room

3:15 PM – 4:30 PM

**Panel Discussion :**

**AAA/COA Directors' Guide to the Louisiana Legislature:  
Navigating Millage, Funding and Best practices.**

Al Robichaux, Executive Director, Jefferson COA  
Howard Rodgers, Executive Director, New Orleans COA  
Jacqueline Green, Executive Director, Calcasieu COA  
Tasha Amar, Executive Director, EBR COA

**Conclusion of Day Two**



**\*\*Premier One\*\***

## **CONFERENCE AGENDA Thursday, April 3, 2025**

8:00 AM – 9:00 AM

**Breakfast Served**

Premier 1 Event Room

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

**Ethics- Conflict of Interest**

Speaker: Attorney Gregory Thbodeaux  
Board of Ethics

**10:00 AM – 10:15 AM**

**Coffee Break**

10:15 AM-11:15 AM

**Field Audit Readiness: A Deep Dive into Compliance and Internal Controls**

11:15 AM- 12:00 PM

**OAAPS and GOEA Policy Updates: Key Changes and Implications**

**Conclusion & Evaluation**

