

# Patient Advocates Program Telephone Teach-ins

We invite you to participate in our FREE phone conference teach-in

**Date:** Tuesday, May 22, 2018

**Time:** 10:00 am—11:00 am

**Dial-in Number:** 1-712-832-8300

**Password:** 6258645

**Theme:** Helping Older Persons Avoid Ticks and Lyme Disease

**Speaker:** Matthew Frye, Ph.D. from the New York State Integrated Pest Management Program at Cornell University



## Session Overview:

The snow has finally melted and many older persons are anxious to get out and enjoy the outdoors. However, the late spring through the summer is prime time for tick borne diseases. Older persons, especially those with compromised immune systems, are at risk from very serious health problems associated with Lyme and other tick borne diseases.

Ticks can transmit several different types of pathogens. Over 8,000 cases of tick related diseases are reported in NY annually. With climate change the prevalence of tick bites has been rising in the Northeast.

In 2017, the New York State Senate released a special report that called the increase of tick disease a "ticking time bomb"! Therefore, it is important for everyone to learn how to avoid tick bites.

### In this session you will learn about:

- ✓ Lyme disease and other tick borne diseases
- ✓ How to check for tick bites
- ✓ How to avoid ticks





# Mark Your Calendar

- » UPCOMING EVENTS
- » ALL TEACH-INS WILL RUN FROM 10:00—11:00 AM.

## Upcoming Sessions:

**June 18:** Health Services of Older Refugees

### Grassroots Day at the State Capitol-Albany

**May 8, 2018, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM**

Join us for the annual Grassroots Advocacy Day. There is no fee to participate, but pre-registration is needed. Lunch is included and transportation is available. **Call 1-800 333-4374 to register.**

## Caller Instructions and Other Information

- The sessions are in presentation mode but the line will be opened for participant questions and comments after the speaker has finished their presentation.
- Materials from Teach Ins are posted on our website [www.nysenior.org](http://www.nysenior.org)
- When on our Web site,
  1. Scroll down to the bottom of the homepage to **Observation Status**.
  2. To the right of the "Get Involved" blue circle, click on "Get More Information"
  3. This will take you to additional information about past Teach ins, powerpoint presentations and other important notes.

## Call 1-800-333-4374 to reserve your spot!

### NY STATEWIDE SENIOR ACTION COUNCIL

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New York StateWide Senior Action Council, Inc.

The **Helpline** is toll free at  
**1-800-333-4374**

Information is also available on the StateWide Web site at  
**www.nysenior.org**

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