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Elderly health promotion series begins in Elko

ELKO--The first course in a four-part series on health promotion and quality care for the elderly will begin Monday, May 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Northern Nevada Community College, Berg Hall, Room 7.

Instructors for the course, Assessment of the Elderly, include Arnold Greenhouse, M.D., professor and director, Geriatric and Gerontology Center, University of Nevada, Reno; Jeannine Haslem, geriatric nurse practitioner, Washoe County District Health Department; and Susanne Thornley, clinical pharmacist, Veterans Administration Medical Center, Reno and instructor at the Orvis School of Nursing, University of Nevada, Reno. This course will provide four contact hours of continuing education credit for nurses and 3.4 contact hours for social workers.

Following courses in the series include geriatric polypharmacy and medication abuse Monday, May 14; Alzheimer's, dementia and confusion, Monday, May 21; and depression in the elderly and elder abuse Monday, June 4.

The course is sponsored by Northeastern Nevada Area Health Education Centers, a program that works in partnership with the University of Nevada School of Medicine to provide education to health professionals in rural Nevada. For information on registration contact Karen Kimber, NE-AHEC in Elko, 738-3828.