

## Social Work Practice and Aging

To be an effective social work practitioner, one must have a strong understanding of age-related issues. Below are some resources to increase your knowledge of aging in social work practice.

Mrs. Mott lives in an unsafe neighborhood and feels depressed and isolated. **WHAT WOULD YOU DO IN THIS SITUATION?**

Mrs. Tyson is a 78-year-old woman who is caring for her 81-year-old husband; he is in the late stages of Alzheimer's disease. **WHAT WOULD A GOOD SOCIAL WORKER DO?**

### **Learn Practice Skills—Visit the Aging Factsheet**

[www.socialworkers.org/pressroom/features/issue/aging.asp](http://www.socialworkers.org/pressroom/features/issue/aging.asp)

### **National Association of Social Workers: Practice Issues**

[www.naswdc.org/](http://www.naswdc.org/)

### **Resources for Social Workers**

[www.nyu.edu/socialwork/wwwrsw/](http://www.nyu.edu/socialwork/wwwrsw/)

### **Information for Practice: Free Monthly Journal**

[www.nyu.edu/socialwork/wwwrsw/ip/](http://www.nyu.edu/socialwork/wwwrsw/ip/)

### **Gerontological Social Work Site—Updated Frequently**

[www.socialworkers.org/practice/aging/default.asp](http://www.socialworkers.org/practice/aging/default.asp)

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