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Jewish Family & Children's Service & TIMEOUT Workshops host the first AZ Hoarding Conference: *Opening the Door to Change*

March 13, 2011 Phoenix, AZ – The Aleinu Network program of Jewish Family & Children's Service, in partnership with TIMEOUT Workshops, announces the **first conference of its kind in Arizona** on **May 17th 2011** at the Scottsdale Civic Center Library. The **Hoarding Conference: *Opening the Door to Change*** is designed to educate and inform the professional community about ways to support and treat people who hoard.

During this full day conference, [Mark Odom, LCSW](#), a lead behavioral health clinician on the Orange County, California Task force on Hoarding, as well as a specialist on hoarding in the community, will present "Beyond Clutter: Helping People Who Hoard." His expertise will lead the day's presentations in understanding **this newly developing area of mental health**.

[Robert B. Fleming](#), a published author and partner in the Tucson law firm of Fleming & Curti will present "Balancing Civil Liberties with Civic Responsibility" to help professionals understand the rights of the hoarder and the community. Panelists representing APS, Code Enforcement and Crisis Police will create an interactive opportunity to develop a multi-faceted approach to hoarding care.

Hours are 8:30a-4:00p at the Scottsdale Civic Center Library. The Conference is open to the public and professional community for a \$50 registration fee, including a continental breakfast and lunch. 6.0 CEU hours being offered by Sierra Tucson for the behavioral health professional. Reserve your place by registering online at www.jfcsaz.org. For further information or to register by phone, call 602-567-8306.

About JFCS and Aleinu Network

JFCS assists nearly 30,000 individuals across the Valley each year, of all ages and faiths, in learning how to cope more effectively with life's difficult circumstances. JFCS Aleinu Network services are open to the entire community and offer culturally sensitive resources to the Orthodox community for strengthening individual and family life. For more information, please visit www.jfcsaz.org or call 602-279-7655.

About TIMEOUT Workshops, LLC

TIMEOUT Workshops, LLC provides annual continuing education to professionals who provide services to the elderly and disabled. Contact the Kile Law Group, PC (480-348-1590; info@azestatelaw.com) for more information about the programs or to be added to the distribution list. TIMEOUT Workshops are arranged with the assistance of Behavioral Health Specialists, LLC, Hospice of the Valley and the Kile Law Group, PC

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