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## Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana to Host Free Mini Dementia Summit for Professionals

Fort Wayne, Ind. – Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc. (AIHS) will host a free virtual mini summit for professionals focused on supporting individuals living alone with dementia. Featured speakers will include internationally recognized expert on dementia and policy Mike Splaine, CEO, Splaine Consulting, and Jane Lowers, PhD, MPA, Emory School of Medicine, 2023 Health and Aging Policy Fellows Program member. The event will take place Wednesday, October 8 from 12:00-2:30pm via Zoom.

Mike Splaine will cover challenges in services to solo aging individuals with Alzheimer's Disease. Dr. Jane Lowers will provide an update on the latest research on supporting solo aging, unbefriended elders, end-of-life caregiving and advance care planning. AIHS staff will also share results of the Hospital 2 Home grant program funded by the Administration for Community Living to provide a 30-day evidence-based intervention. The program participants displayed improved health outcomes and less than a 5% hospital readmission rate.

AIHS has offered support to people living with dementia and their caregivers since 1985, when it launched its first respite care program. Today, AIHS continues to expand its offerings for these vulnerable populations with the launch of integrated care programming such as PACE of Northeast Indiana and the Guiding an Improved Dementia Experience (GUIDE) Clinic.

Learn more about the event and register online at: <a href="www.agingihs.org/event-details/free-mini-summit-for-professionals-supporting-individuals-living-alone-with-dementia-1">www.agingihs.org/event-details/free-mini-summit-for-professionals-supporting-individuals-living-alone-with-dementia-1</a>

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**Aging & In-Home Services of Northeast Indiana, Inc.** (AIHS), a federal and state designated Area Agency on Aging (AAA) and Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC), is a non-profit community-based organization with a mission to promote dignity, independence, and advocacy for older adults, persons with disabilities and their caregivers. AIHS has gained national recognition as a community leader transforming the traditional social services model into an integrated care model which bridges health care, behavioral health and community services to better serve vulnerable, at-risk populations.