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March 4, 2013

Dear Program Manager:

Your facility is invited to participate in the nineteenth annual statewide Mitchell Rabbino National Healthcare Decisions Day Program sponsored by the Elder Law Section of the New York State Bar Association. National Healthcare Decisions Day 2013 is Tuesday, April 16, but you may choose a <u>later date</u> if April 16 is not convenient for you.

Through this public service project, volunteer lawyers will give free presentations explaining legal procedures and documents to help attendees make better, more informed health care and financial decisions. The topics for this year's program will include a "Legal Checklist," with an overview of legal documents **every New Yorker** should be aware of. Your decisions matter!

Last year, the Association conducted close to 100 programs across the State at community facilities, senior centers, libraries and hospitals. This year we hope to increase the number of programs. We hope you will take the opportunity again this year to host a Decisions Day program to educate the public on these important issues.

By agreeing to host such a program, a volunteer attorney will come to your facility to speak and provide your attendees with information on Healthcare Decision Making, Financial Decision Making, Guardianship Issues, Wills and Probate. Your program will last between forty-five minutes and one hour.

If you are interested in hosting a 2013 Mitchell Rabbino National Healthcare Decisions Day Program, please complete the enclosed form and fax or mail it to Kathy Plog at the New York State Bar Association no later than March 18. Once we receive your form, we will match you with an attorney volunteer. Upon confirmation, we will also send advertising materials and brochures for the audience.

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Should you have questions or need additional information, please call Kathy Plog at 518/487-5681 or e-mail her at kplog@nysba.org.

Sincerely,

Michel P. Haggerty, Program Co-Chair

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