

# Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist Educational Designation

Aging in Place with Dignity, Independence & Quality of Life



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## Julie Leith Earns Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist Educational Designation

**Julie Leith, LMSW, MBA, CAPS**, owner of Durable Assistance & Consulting LLC, is now one of the select group of professionals nationwide to earn the Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist (CAPS) designation, identifying her as a Certified Aging-in-Place Specialist with the skills and knowledge necessary to remodel or modify a home to meet the unique needs of the older population, disabled owners or their visitors.

The National Association of Home Builders, in partnership with the AARP and NAHB Research Center, created the CAPS program, which includes training and education on the technical, business

management, and customer service skills essential to compete in the fastest-growing segment of the residential remodeling industry — home modifications for aging-in-place.

Durable Assistance & Consulting LLC provides quality products and services to assist individuals in staying their home for life. These creative and cost-effective resources and services allow individuals to age in place, in their forever home, with dignity, independence, and quality of life. Durable Assistance & Consulting provides a personalized approach to all clients, focusing on home safety assessments, advocacy, healthcare navigation, referrals, advance directives, and education.

CAPS graduates include remodelers, builders, designers, architects, occupational therapists, and others who help individuals remain in their homes safely, independently, and comfortably as they age.

In three days of coursework, the CAPS curriculum incorporates market demographics, communication techniques, marketing, common barriers, and solutions, building codes and standards, product ideas and resources, and business management.

CAPS program graduates are required to maintain their designation by attending continuing education programs and/or participating in community service projects.

“After 25 years of practicing social work, I knew there had to be a better way to promote healthy and positive aging in this country. I look forward to helping individuals and families to make the changes they need to enable them to live in their homes as their forever home,” said Julie Leith, LMSW, CAPS.

For additional information about the CAPS program, visit [www.nahb.org/caps](http://www.nahb.org/caps). For more information about Durable Assistance & Consulting, visit <https://durableassistance.com> or call 281-387-5413.

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