



## Dane County Department of Human Services Division of Adult Community Services

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Director – Lynn Green  
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DANE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

To: Personnel and Finance Committee

From: Lynn Green

Re: Request for Exception to Ordinance Chap 20.16 Honorarium Limitation

Date: March 12, 2018

Dane County Department of Human Services has once again received a \$4,753 Domestic Abuse in Later Life Grant from the Wisconsin Division of Public Health (WDPH), Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources. WDPH has approved our plan to offer the Fourth Annual Domestic Violence in Later Life Conference that will focus on the Invisibility of Violence against Older Women. One of the Planning Committee members, Dr. Tracy Schroepfer, UW Madison School of Social Work Professor, recommended that DCDHS approach Ms. Bonnie Brandl to participate in the Conference. Ms. Brandl is the founder and Director of the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL), a project of End Domestic Abuse Wisconsin. She is a recognized national leader within the elder abuse field and violence against women movement.

The Conference Planning Committee has negotiated a \$1250.00 honorarium, flight, and a one-night hotel stay and parking with Ms. Brandl. This fee is less than half of her customary fees and is extremely reasonable given her expertise and national reputation. Per Ms. Brandl's request the payment would go to End Abuse WI. The Conference will be held on October 5, 2018 at the UW-Madison Discovery Building. Ms. Brandl will share materials with Conference participants and engage individuals in a large group discussion.

The Department is requesting an exception to Ordinance Chapter 20.16 that limits honorariums for non-employee speakers to \$250.00 except upon prior committee approval.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.