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RETIREMENT SYMPOSIUM

Women & Retirement

What you should know about cultivating female clients and retaining their trust and business

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The Aging Landscape

- 1. Outlive men by 5-7 years
- 2. Today's 65 year olds live 20+ more years
- 3. Medical and insurance costs
- 4. Increased living expenses
- 5. Estimated 90% will have sole responsibility at some point





The Financial Landscape

- 1. Conservative
- 2. More likely to engage an expert or ask for help
- 3. Limit trading and rash responses
- 4. Take the long view
- 5. Will adjust behavior based on circumstances
- 6. Strengths to build on
- 7. Challenges to overcome





What Matters Most?

- 1. Not overly interested
- 2. Planning viewed as a necessary evil
- 3. Limited knowledge of basic financial concepts
- 4. Inertia (and life) can impede progress
 BUT
- 5. Driven by personal and family concerns
- 6. More intrigued by impact investing, SRI, philanthropic opportunities





What To Expect



Decision Maker



Participant



Dependent





Working with Decision-Makers

- 1. Source of wealth
- 2. Marriage-oriented
- 3. Educated
- 4. Already rely on advisors, experts
- 5. Fear dependence and loss of money
- 6. Widows are different







Working with Decision-Makers



- 1. Priorities and approach may differ
- 2. CDs v. stocks
- 3. Holistic planning v. ROI
- 4. Opportunity to learn, familiarize





Working with Dependents

- 1. 'Millennial' mindset
- 2. Hierarchies v. networks
- 3. Spontaneous, open, flexible, anti-authoritarian
- 4. Internet... a help and a hindrance
- 5. Susceptible to quick changes...
- 6. ...aided by transition dynamics







Women and Advisors

- 1. You're just like a plumber, an accountant...
- 2. Personal interaction outweighs technical expertise
- 3. Low expectations re: equal treatment
- 4. Overall satisfaction is waning
- 5. Turnover is a reality, especially at inheritance





Words of Wisdom

- A different type of client requires different solutions...
- Speak in their terms: peace of mind v. accumulation
- Link planning and recommendations to goals
- Create learning opportunities to empower
- Focus on younger generations
- Long-term relationship development is needed
- Identify their influencers





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Thank You & Good Luck!

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