The Agudah National Action Summit

EVENT AGENDA

November 30 - December 02, 2026

United States-Newark

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SESSION TYPES: Registration · Presentation · Dinner · Keynote · Reception

Day - 1 : Monday, November 30, 2026

TIME	SESSION DETAILS
01:00 PM 45m	Conference Registration & Hospitality
02:00 PM 1h	Building Financial Security as a Mental Health Professional  Elliott Pepper, CPA, CFP®, MST
02:00 PM 3h	Legal & Ethical Challenges for Therapists in 2026 DT David L. Trueman, P.C.
03:00 PM 2h	Legal & Ethical Challenges for Therapists in 2026 EL Eli R. Lebowitz, Ph.D.
05:30 PM 1h 30m	Networking Dinner

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SESSION TYPES: Registration Presentation Dinner Keynote Reception

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TIME	SESSION DETAILS
07:15 PM 45m	Artificial Intelligence, Human Connection, and Torah Values  Rav Uri Deutsch
09:00 PM 1h 30m	The Therapist & The Rav: The Intersection of Clinical Judgement and Hashkafic Values  Rav Yisroel Derbarimdiger
10:30 PM 2h	Networking Reception

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Day - 2 : Tuesday, December 01, 2026

TIME	SESSION DETAILS
08:00 AM 1h 45m	Breakfast and Networking Mental Health Professionals
09:15 AM 45m	Check In Lobby Special Needs Leaders
09:30 AM 45m	Check In Lobby Legal Professionals

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SESSION TYPES: Lunch Other Dinner

Day - 2 : Tuesday, December 01, 2026

TIME	SESSION DETAILS
10:00 AM 1h 15m	Beyond Postpartum Depression Mental Health Professionals RD Rebbetzin Adina Deutsch, LMHC DE Dvora Entin, LCSW, CST TG Tamar Gottlieb TA Tali Arieff, LCSW
10:00 AM 1h 15m	Psychedelics in Our Community Mental Health Professionals  Rabbi Shlomo Cynamon  Glenn Hirsch, MD  Binyomin Tepfer, PhD  Elchanan Schwarz, LMHC
10:00 AM 1h 15m	The State of Mental Health in Our Community Mental Health Professionals  Mr. Duvi Kessner MK Mrs. Sarah Rivkah Kohn ML Mr. Menachem Lowy  Dr. Yossi Shafer, PhD
10:00 AM 15m	Opening Remarks Special Needs Leaders  Rabbi Avi Schnall

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SESSION TYPES: Breakfast Registration Keynote Presentation Lunch Other Dinner

Day - 2 : Tuesday, December 01, 2026

TIME	SESSION DETAILS
10:15 AM 5m	Introductory Remarks Legal Professionals  Mr. Daniel Kaminetsky, Esq.
10:15 AM 30m	Daas Torah for Those Who Lead: Hadracha and Chizuk in Our Avodas Hakodesh Special Needs Leaders  Rav Uri Deutsch
10:20 AM 40m	Common Halachic Questions Practicing Attorneys Encounter Legal Professionals  Rav Gershon West
10:30 AM 1h	Building Connection: Networking and Collaboration Al Pi Darko
11:00 AM 50m	An Attorney's Perspective: Making a Kiddush Hashem in the Courtroom Legal Professionals  Mr. Harry Rothenberg, Esq.

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TIME	SESSION DETAILS
11:00 AM	Track A Recognizing Emotional Distress in Individuals with Developmental

40m

Disabilities Dr. Dani Hollander, PSYD

Special Needs Leaders

 Dr. Dani Hollander PSYD

11:00 AM

40m

Track B Defining Quality: A Clinical & Payor Perspective Jodi Bauer Moderator: Mrs. Shuli Berger

Special Needs Leaders

JB Jodi Bauer, MA, MBA, LPP, BCBA, LBA SB Shuli Berger

11:30 AM

1h 30m

The Therapist and Bein Adam L'Chaveiro: Relationships, Boundaries, and Obligations

Mental Health Professionals

 Rav Yitzchak Berkovits

11:30 AM

30m

Expanding the Network: Resources, Partnerships & Practical Solutions

Al Pi Darko

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11:45 AM

1h

Presentation

Special Needs Leaders

11:50 AM
1h

Networking Lunch

Legal Professionals

12:00 PM
45m

Lunch

Al Pi Darko

12:45 PM
2h

Resource Presentations Resume; Expanding the Network: Resources, Partnerships & Practical Solutions (continued)

Al Pi Darko

12:45 PM
1h

Networking- Facilitated Discussion Groups: Interactive, Topic Focused Discussions with Fellow Professionals

Special Needs Leaders

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12:50 PM
1h

From the Desk of the Dayan: Halachic vs. Secular Law

Legal Professionals


Rav Shaul Neumann

01:00 PM
1h 15m

Networking Lunch

Mental Health Professionals

01:45 PM
45m

Track A The Bigger Picture: Rethinking Diagnosis, Intervention and Educational Supports

Special Needs Leaders

DZ Dr. Malky Zacharowitz,PSYD

01:45 PM
45m

Track B Understanding the Challenge: Empowering Professionals to Support Families

Special Needs Leaders

 Rabbi Boruch Rabinowitz

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Day - 2 : Tuesday, December 01, 2026

TIME	SESSION DETAILS

02:00 PM
10m

Opening Remarks

Legal Professionals

 Mr. Shlomo Werdiger

02:00 PM
50m

Religion and Land Use: Navigating Zoning Challenges for Our Growing Communities

Legal Professionals

 Mr. Eric Treene, Esq

02:00 PM

15m

Check In

Lobby

Women in Leadership

02:15 PM

1h

Mental Health & Yiddishkeit

Mental Health Professionals

 Rav Elya Brudny

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02:15 PM

15m

Opening Session

Women in Leadership

MW Mrs. Hadassah Waldman, MS, SBL, SDL

MT Mrs. Toby Tabak

02:30 PM

1h

Torah Guidance for Those Who Guide Others: An Open Q&A with the Rav

Women in Leadership

 Rav Uri Deutsch

02:30 PM

45m

Track A Beyond Behavior: Understanding and Addressing Executive Functioning Challenges in Children with Special Needs Mrs. Devorah Himy, M.A., CCC-SLP

Special Needs Leaders

MH Mrs. Devorah Himy, M.A. CC-SLP

02:30 PM
45m

Track B Beyond the Traditional Toolkit: Assistive Technology Tools and Strategies for Mainstream and Special Education Settings

Special Needs Leaders

 Rabbi Nachum Lehman

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02:50 PM
20m

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Legal Professionals

03:00 PM
30m

Collaborative Conversations: Sharing Strategies & Solutions Interactive collaboration with professionals from different communities. Exchange practical ideas, explore common challenges, and learn from successful approaches.

Al Pi Darko

03:10 PM
50m

Binding Arbitration in Halacha

Legal Professionals

 Rav Ari Marburger

03:15 PM
45m

Closing Remarks & Divrei Chizuk

Mental Health Professionals

 Rav Yehoshua Abba Busel

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03:15 PM 45m	The Weight of Responsibility Q & A: Daas Torah on Balancing Achrayus, Priorities, and Boundaries for Special Needs Leaders Special Needs Leaders  Rav Elya Brudny  Rabbi Yitzchok Hisiger
03:35 PM 15m	Special Message Women in Leadership  Mr. Shlomo Werdiger
03:55 PM 1h	From Paper To Reality: Working ON Your Organization, Not Just IN It Women in Leadership  Rabbi Binyomin Babad  Rabbi Naftali Miller
04:00 PM 2h	Pre -Dinner Networking and Dinner Mental Health Professionals
04:00 PM	Arbitration: Tips for Practitioners

50m

Legal Professionals

 Mr. Ethan Kobre, Esq.

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04:00 PM 50m	Supporting Families Through Difficult Times: Grief, Trauma and Difficult Decisions Special Needs Leaders  Rabbi Moshe Rotberg
05:00 PM 50m	Q&A Panel – Alternative Dispute Resolution Legal Professionals  Mr. Ethan Kobre, Esq.  Rav Naftuli Lerner
05:00 PM 1h	Fund Your Dream Women in Leadership  Rabbi Aaron Kotler
05:00 PM 50m	Track A Understanding Changing Body: Hormones, Maturation and Connection, Private Q & A Special Needs Leaders  Dr. Dani Hollander PSYD

All Tracks | Mental Health Professionals | Legal Professionals

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05:00 PM 50m	Track B Self-Regulation Reimagined: Moving Beyond Strategies to Build Foundations for Change Special Needs Leaders DA Danielle Amster, OTR/L
05:00 PM 30m	Check In Lobby Medicine & Halacha
06:00 PM 2h	Keynote Dinner All Tracks
08:00 PM 1h	Closing Remarks Special Needs Leaders  Mr. Charlie Harary Esq
08:15 PM 1h	From Pain To Purpose What Drives Us and What Grounds Us Women in Leadership MG Mrs. Chavie Glustein MK Mrs. Malky Klaristenfeld, MS Mrs. Shayna Safran, MS,

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TIME	SESSION DETAILS
08:30 PM 1h	When Medicine and Halacha Meet: Navigating the Most Challenging Questions Facing Physicians Today Medicine & Halacha  Mr. Shlomo Werdiger  Rav Shmuel Fuerst
09:30 PM 45m	The Power of Communication: Speak, Listen, Lead Women in Leadership MJ Mrs. Chanie Jacobowitz, MSW
10:15 PM 1h	Networking Dessert Reception Women in Leadership

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08:00 AM 1h 45m	Breakfast Women in Leadership
08:00 AM 1h	Breakfast Medicine & Halacha
09:30 AM 45m	More Than Medicine: The Vital Role of a Frum Doctor in Today's Healthcare Medicine & Halacha  Dr. Daniel Roth
09:45 AM 50m	The Art & Heart of Fundraising II: What Donors Want to Hear When You Make the Ask Women in Leadership  Mr. Yoily Edelstein,  Mr. Nechemiah Hoch  Mr. Meilech Rubin

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Day - 3 : Wednesday, December 02, 2026

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10:30 AM	Building a Healthier Frum Community: Medicine, Mental Health and Data

45m

Driven Decision Making

Medicine & Halacha

 Dr. Dovid Friedman  Dr. Isaac Schechter

10:45 AM

50m

Ask The Rav: Leading with Yashrus - Halacha in Nonprofit Life

Women in Leadership

 Rabbi Chaim Mayer Roth

11:15 AM

45m

From Confrontation to Collaboration When Medical Judgment and Halacha Collide

Medicine & Halacha

 Rabbi Naftali Katz  Dr. Albert Matalon

11:45 AM

50m

Making Government Work For You: Building Relationships That Open Doors

Women in Leadership

 Rabbi Avi Schnall

12:30 PM

1h 30m

Presentation

Medicine & Halacha

SESSION TRACKS: Women in Leadership Medicine & Halacha

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SESSION TYPES: Breakfast Presentation Keynote Lunch

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12:45 PM

30m

Lunch

Women in Leadership

01:20 PM
1h

Behind The Campaign: The Leaders Role in Crowdfunding Success

Women in Leadership

MH Mrs. Hadassah Hirsch MH Miss Chaya Rivky Horowitz, Ms. Ed.

02:00 PM
45m

Transplants: The Intersection of Pikuach Nefesh, Medical Innovations and Halacha

Medicine & Halacha

 Rav Shmuel Fuerst

02:30 PM
1h

Carrying it All: Honoring Our Struggles, Celebrating Our Strengths

Women in Leadership

MR Mrs. Lauren Roth, LCSW

03:00 PM
45m

The Meeting of Technology and Halacha: Navigating ALS Care and Modern Healthcare Facilities

Medicine & Halacha

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45m

Hope, Honesty, and the Sanctity of Life: Restoring Nuance in End of Life Medical Decision

Medicine & Halacha

 Dr. Howard H. Lebowitz