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BROOKLINE/NEWTON – Join us May 23rd 6-8pm as we welcome Lisa D'Ambrosio, Ph.D. from the MIT AgeLab. Dr. D'Ambrosio will give a talk titled, *Keeping People Mobile Today and Tomorrow: Research at the MIT AgeLab*. This talk will describe the purpose and perspective of the MIT AgeLab and present the results of several recent projects at the lab. She will describe research on changes drivers make to how they drive and get around as they age, and what older drivers think about new vehicle technologies and self-driving cars. She will also introduce AGNES (the Age Gain Now Empathy Systems suit) to the audience and describe how this tool is used in AgeLab work. This exciting event will take place at the **Brookline Senior Center May 23rd from 6-8pm**. Register online at <https://goo.gl/pKprQX> or by calling the TRIPPS line at (617) 730-2644.

Lisa D'Ambrosio, Ph.D., is a Research Associate at the MIT AgeLab with 20 years of experience as an instructor and researcher. Her research focuses on questions around decisions that impact later life, including decision-making around financial planning and preparedness, transportation and mobility, and technology adoption. Recent work includes a study of people's visions of themselves as they age, research on caregivers' interest in adopting new technologies, and the challenges families face around financially preparing when a loved one has Alzheimer's disease or dementia. She is a contributor to and co-editor with Dr. Joseph F. Coughlin of *Aging America and Transportation: Personal Choices and Public Policy*. Prior to coming to MIT, Dr. D'Ambrosio was a Research Analyst at the US Department of Transportation's (USDOT) Volpe National Transportation Systems Center. Dr. D'Ambrosio earned her Ph.D. in political science from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and her A.B. from Brown.

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