

Michigan Dementia Education & Training Programs Directory

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Introduction

The Dementia Competencies Work Group of the Michigan Dementia Coalition has compiled this directory of the dementia education and training programs available in Michigan to assist health and human services provider agencies and others in locating potential dementia education programs and trainers in their area. The work group solicited submissions for the directory through the Michigan Dementia Coalition, its member networks, and others. ***The work group and the Michigan Dementia Coalition are not responsible for the accuracy of the information contained herein and take no position with regard to the quality of education and training provided by the persons and agencies listed in this directory.***

The Dementia Competencies Work Group has developed core competencies that are needed by persons who work directly with individuals with dementia. ***Individuals or agencies seeking dementia education and training are advised to assess the quality of dementia education and training programs before investing in them.*** The vision, mission, philosophy and values of the work group, and the core competency areas it has identified, precede the listing of education and training programs. These competencies are now available in the “Knowledge and Skills Needed for Dementia Care; A Guide for Direct Care Workers” that can be found on the Michigan Dementia Coalition website at: www.dementiacoalition.org

Entries in this directory are listed alphabetically by county when trainers have designated specific counties where they provide dementia education programs. Some dementia education and training providers will consider providing training anywhere in the state. These are listed first. Counties not specifically designated by trainers are not listed separately in the directory.

The directory will be updated periodically. Updates or new entries can be submitted at any time and will be held until the next update. Send updates or additions to lcorneli@mphi.org. Questions about the directory may be directed to:

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Appendix A acknowledges the primary members of the Dementia Competencies Work Group.

Philosophy and Values

Mission

Identify educational standards and programs that meet them, and recognize dementia competent direct care workers (DCWs).¹

Vision

All DCWs will be knowledgeable, competent, and empathic in working with individuals with dementia and their families to provide quality dementia care.

Philosophy

Life is a journey that revolves around relationships. The development of quality life-enhancing relationships gives meaning and purpose to the interactions between individuals with dementia, families, and DCWs. These standards are based on a philosophy that reflects age and culturally appropriate, person-centered care that allows an individual to continue to learn and grow while developing compassionate relationships in a nourishing environment. They emphasize that DCWs are an integral part of the team, and that their contributions are valued and respected. The standards focus on assisting DCWs in developing holistic interpersonal, problem solving, and communication skills with persons, families, and staff in an environment that is supportive, vibrant, and meaningful.

Person-Centered Care

Care that is person-centered is care that focuses on the individual with respect to her/his unique history, abilities, experiences, culture, and personality. People with dementia retain the ability and the right to communicate their likes, dislikes, and preferences. The care provided is based on collaboration between the individual, her/his family, and her/his DCW.

Growth-Caring-Centered

Care that is growth-caring-centered is defined as helping another person to grow and develop. Part of the caring process is acknowledging an individual's needs,² including

¹ **Direct-care workers include certified nursing assistants (CNAs), home health aides, personal care assistants, and direct support professionals providing supportive services in individual and long-term care residential settings.

the opportunity to give care as well as receive it. This caring process continues through the last stages of life.

Supportive Environment

The physical and social environment plays an integral role in whatever setting care is provided.³ Relationship building is fostered in an environment where interactions take place naturally.

Direct Care Workers

DCWs reach their full potential when the relationships they form are meaningful, standards of excellence are in place, they have opportunities to grow personally and professionally, and their accomplishments are not only acknowledged, but also celebrated.⁴

Core Competency Areas

The following are areas or domains of dementia competency for persons providing direct care or support to someone with dementia:

Knowledge of Dementia Disorders

Person-Centered Care

Care Interactions

Enriching the Person's Life

Understanding Behaviors

Interacting with Families

Direct Care Worker Self-Care

Appendix B provides a list of the ideas that contributed to this statement.

²Including... for companionship, autonomy, dignity, individuality, meaningful activity, productivity, physical comfort, emotional security, spiritual well-being,

³ The environment should foster socialization, independence, and meaningful activity and offer a sense of community, safety, comfort, privacy, and dignity for everyone.

⁴ A learner-approach to training empowers DCWs to be creative and forward thinking; it allows them to take ownership of their work and to break the mold by testing innovative ideas. Often the best care is provided when decision-making begins with the individual or with those closest to her/him.

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Alzheimer's Association

The Alzheimer's Association provides dementia education and training programs throughout the state through two chapters and eleven regional offices. See specific county listings for appropriate contact, or call (800) 272-3900 to be directed to the appropriate chapter serving your location.

The Alzheimer's Association ***Foundations of Dementia Care*** is a comprehensive training program to improve the quality of care for residents with dementia that reside in assisted living residences and/or nursing homes nationwide. The training principles are derived from the Alzheimer's Association *Dementia Care Practice Recommendations for Assisted Living Residences and Nursing Homes*. This innovative training takes the latest and best evidence and research and applies it to help staff make better connections with residents and their families, resulting in a better quality of care.

Foundations of Dementia Care is available in the following formats to meet your specific training needs:

Web-based Training Programs

The program includes two supplementary web-based training programs: 1) Direct care workers training and 2) supervisory personnel training. Residences or professionals may purchase directly from the Association's website, www.alz.org.

- The "CARES Program" is around 5 hours in length and is intended to teach methods of providing good care to people with dementia (baseline user is the direct care worker).
- The "Dementia Care Training for Team Leaders: Successful Supervision" is around 2 hours in length and is intended to teach supervisory staff to act as team leaders to effectively coach and mentor direct care staff in providing high quality dementia care.

On-site Training Programs

On-site training is interactive and hands-on, allowing staff to practice new approaches to dementia care through role-playing exercises, discussion of case scenarios, video discussion, and sharing of experiences. The 12 hour curriculum includes: About Dementia, Enhancing Mealtime, Reducing Pain, Making Connections, Falls, Wandering, Physical Restraints, and Learning to Lead. Curriculum can be presented in 1-2 hour sessions, half day or full day trainings.

Please contact your local chapter at 800.272.3900 to learn more about these direct care and supervisory training programs.

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Geriatric Education Center of Michigan

Topics: Assessment, identification, intervention, management, and community resources. Multiple topics related to primary care geriatrics and long term care; continuous quality improvement in geriatric care settings; geriatric rehabilitation.

Audiences: Health care professionals including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, rehab specialists, psychologists, psychiatrists, health educators, quality improvement directors, dietitians, nursing home administrators

Trainer
Degrees: MDs, DOs, NPs, PhDs, RDs, OTs

Preferred
Format: All formats (except academic for-credit courses); Many courses offer continuing education credits and can be delivered via interactive teleconferencing.

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Gerontology Network

Topics: Challenging Behaviors of Dementia, Latest Research on Dementia, Non-Alzheimer's Dementias, Working With Family Caregivers, Caring for the Person With Dementia, Overview of Dementia, Ethical Issues in Dementia Care, Pain Management in Individuals With Dementia, Developing Specialized Dementia Units, Advanced Techniques in Dementia Care.

Audiences: Professionals, family caregivers, volunteers

Trainer
Degrees: MSW's, RN's, MA's, MS's

Preferred
Formats: Half day, full day, multi-session, academic courses
Presentation length is determined by the group requesting the training.

Contact: Regina McClurg
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Grand Rapids, MI 49503
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Lake View Community Hospital

Topics: Latest research on Dementia and Alzheimer's, assessment, identification, intervention, management, and community resources. Multiple topics related to psychiatric care in geriatrics.

Audiences: Healthcare professionals including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, rehab specialists, psychologist, psychiatrist, health educators, quality improvement directors, nursing home administrators, family caregivers, volunteers, nursing home staff

Trainer
Degrees: MD

Preferred
Formats: All formats (including academic for-credit courses). The group requesting the training determines presentation length.

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Optimal Life Designs in Dementia Care

Topics: The Experience of the Person Living with Cognitive Losses; Understanding the Impact of Brain Changes on a Person's Ability to Communicate with Others and Perform Daily Tasks; Promoting Autonomy During Activities of Daily Living; Techniques for Promoting Mobility and Preventing Falls; Enhancing the Mealtime Experience for Individuals with Dementia and Their Caregivers; Ain't Misbehavin': Understanding Behavioral Symptoms in Dementia; Strategies to Reduce Stressful Bathing and Other Daily Care Experience; Designing and Evaluating Therapeutic Activities that Support Individual Interests and Well-Being;

Statewide cont.

Topics: 'Upgrading' Your Training Skills: Designing and Customizing Training Programs on Person-Centered Care; Developing a Process for Evaluating and Improving Care Practices that Support a Person's Well-Being; Leadership in Person-Centered Dementia Care; Legal issues related to dementia; preserving self-determination; planning for long term care; how to evaluate dementia care programs; resident rights for person with dementia (eg. involuntary discharge planning)

Audiences: Families and health care professionals working in a variety of settings

Trainer

Degrees: MA, MSW, JD, MS, LLP, OTR/L, Specialist in Aging Certificate

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Pathways Community Mental Health

Topics: Dementia general, specific dementias (Lewy, Downs, etc.), problem solving / intervention – challenging behaviors, communication with cognitively impaired, mealtime, etc.

Audiences: Support groups, nursing home staff, assisted living, special care units, university health-related classes, AFC providers, group homes

Trainer

Degrees: BS, advanced training in dementia care

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half-day, full day

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Shelly Weaverdyck, Private Consultant

Topics: Topics: Dementia, Alzheimer's Disease, Non-Alzheimer's Type Dementias, Cognitive Impairment among older adults (including person's with psychiatric and other diagnoses), Brain functioning, Assessment, Intervention based on assessment, The Cognitive Impairment Assessment Protocol (CIAP), The Cognitive Impairment Intervention Protocol (CIIP), How brain changes affect a person's behavior and ability to think and perform tasks, Interventions that modify the environment, task, and caregiver interactions with a person, Difficult behaviors (that are upsetting to both caregivers and to the person with cognitive impairment), Understanding the perspective of the person with cognitive impairment.

Audiences: Health care professionals, Direct care workers, Family caregivers, Residential staff, at all levels of experience in all settings.

Trainer

Degrees: PhD, Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: Any format – 1 hour to multi-week, workshop, lecture or seminar

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

Topics: Foundations of Dementia Care Curriculum: Dementia Basics, Improving Communication, Understanding Behaviors, Making Connections, Reducing Pain, Enhancing Mealtime, Falls, Wandering, Restraints, and Learning to Lead.

Other topics include: *The Facts About Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias, Understanding Behaviors, Intimacy & Sexuality, Medical & Research Update, Legal & Financial Considerations, Partnering With Your Doctor®, Safe Return®, Talking to Children About Dementia, and Communication Tips*

Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 9

Topics: Caregiver Concerns (i.e communication, family meetings, stress reduction), Elder Abuse Awareness, Moving a Loved One with Dementia, Alzheimer's 101, Resident's Rights and the Ombudsman Program, Parkinson's Basics, Grief Process, Stress and Depression in Caregiving, Dementia Basics, The Aging Process, Living Alone; Safe, Sound and Secure, Behavior and Emotions of Aging, Challenges and Choices; Caring for Your Aging Parents/Spouse.

Audiences: Care partners, family members, general public, in home care providers, Nursing Home and Adult Foster Care staff in the Northeast Lower Michigan region.

Trainer

MA Counseling

Degrees:

BA Family Life Education

Preferred

Formats: 1 hour

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Overview, behaviors, other topics

Audiences: family or professional caregivers

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

Topics: Care Management, Elder Abuse Prevention, Financial Consulting, Housing Options, Insurance Counseling

Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

Preferred

Formats:

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Alzheimer's Association – Michigan Great Lakes Chapter

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Audiences: Direct care staff, nurses, social workers, recreational therapists, dietary staff, supervisors, and administrators

Trainer

Degree: Our trainers are from a variety of educational backgrounds, such as CTRS, BA, MA, MSW, and RN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, and full day

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Catholic Human Services, Gerontological Services

Topics: Alzheimer's 101, communication, difficult behaviors, environmental aspects of dementia care, the "other" dementias, staff consultation.

Audiences: Professionals, Family caregivers, any audience

Trainer

Degrees: RSW

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Community Services Network of Michigan

Topics: Overview, brain changes, communication, challenging behaviors, assisting a person with dementia with activities of daily living / body mechanics.

Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, and social workers

Trainer

Degrees: BA, RN, C

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor’s and/or Master’s Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 9

Topics: Caregiver Concerns (i.e communication, family meetings, stress reduction), Elder Abuse Awareness, Moving a Loved One with Dementia, Alzheimer’s 101, Resident’s Rights and the Ombudsman Program, Parkinson’s Basics, Grief Process, Stress and Depression in Caregiving, Dementia Basics, The Aging Process, Living Alone; Safe, Sound and Secure, Behavior and Emotions of Aging, Challenges and Choices; Caring for Your Aging Parents/Spouse.

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Trainer

Degrees: MA Counseling
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Eastern Michigan University, Alzheimer's Education Program

Topics: Creating Successful Meal Times, Understanding Memory Loss, Overview of Dementia, Spirituality and Dementia, Communication and the Person with Dementia, Person-centered Care, Creating Activities for Early Stage Participants

Audiences: Adult, Families, Children - all

Trainer

Degrees: BS and MA in Education, Graduate Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, academic course

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Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

Preferred

Formats:

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Copper County Mental Health Services Institute

Topics: Person-centered planning, dementia assessment

Audiences: Long-term care, home health, senior groups

Trainer

Degrees: Associate Degree Nursing

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour

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Alzheimer's Association – Michigan Great Lakes Chapter

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Golden Horizons Adult Day Center

Topics: Overview of dementia, effective communication techniques, managing difficult behaviors, coping with caregiver stress, planning ahead – the legal and financial issues, safety issues

Audiences: Family caregivers, paid caregivers

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelors degree in Social Work and RN (Associates in Nursing)

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Senior Services

Topics: Dementia overview, Comparison of various types of dementias, Communication techniques, Behaviors and interventions, Stress and depression in caregivers, Professionals dealing with grief and loss, Anticipatory grief, Working with your doctor, Support for those with Alzheimer's dementia, Spirituality and dementia

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Trainer
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Audiences: Family caregivers, clergy, community, NH/AFC staff, home care and hospice staff, other professionals, corporate in-service, direct care staff

Trainer
Degree: BSN, Advanced training in dementia care

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Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor’s and/or Master’s Degree

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Catholic Human Services, Gerontological Services

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Audiences: Professionals, family caregivers, any audience

Trainer

Degrees: RSW

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Lake View Community Hospital – Behavioral Health Services

Topics: Latest research on dementia and Alzheimer's, assessment, identification, intervention, management, and community resources. Multiple topics related to psychiatric care in geriatrics.

Audiences: Healthcare professionals, including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, rehab specialists, psychologist, psychiatrist, health educators, quality improvement directors, nursing home administrators, family caregivers, volunteers, Nursing Home staff.

Trainer

Nadeem M. Mirza, MD

Degrees:

MD

Preferred

Format: All formats including academic for-credit courses. The group requesting the training determines presentation length.

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Cass County Council on Aging

Topics: Overview of dementia, communication techniques, challenging behaviors, brain changes and dementia, community resources, planning for end of life issues.

Audiences: Caregivers and other interested community members and organizations

Trainer

Degrees: Associate – nursing RN, Certification in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, multi-session

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Area Agency on Aging Region 9

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Audiences: Care partners, family members, general public, in home care providers, Nursing Home and Adult Foster Care staff in the Northeast Lower Michigan region.

Trainer

MA Counseling

Degrees:

BA Family Life Education

Preferred

Formats: 1 hour

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Overview, behaviors, other topics

Audiences: family or professional caregivers

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

Topics: Care Management, Elder Abuse Prevention, Financial Consulting, Housing Options, Insurance Counseling

Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

Preferred

Formats:

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Mareck Family and Geriatric Services

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Audiences: Caregivers, family members, professionals

Trainer

Degrees: Master's Degree in Social Work

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Format: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session

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Community Services Network of Michigan

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Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, and social workers

Trainer

Degrees: BA, RN, C

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Grandvue Medical Care Facility

Topics: Dementia basics, nonviolent crisis intervention

Audiences: All

Trainer

Degrees: MS in family nursing – aging family, RN, Clinical Specialist, certified by ANA

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Henry Ford Health Systems

Topics: Alzheimer's disease, Lewy body disease, frontal dementias, diagnosis and differential including non-degenerative diseases affecting cognition, mental status exam, behavior identification and management, genetics and Alzheimer's

Audiences: Neurologists, internists, family practitioners, professional, lay

Trainer

Degree: DO

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, academic course, any

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Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

Topics: Care Management, Elder Abuse Prevention, Financial Consulting, Housing Options, Insurance Counseling

Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer
Degrees:

Preferred
Formats:

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Copper County Mental Health Services Institute

Topics: Person-centered planning, dementia assessment

Audiences: Long-term care, home health, senior groups

Trainer

Degrees: Associate Degree Nursing

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour

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Catholic Human Services

Topics: Dementia "101" / Alzheimer's type

Audiences: Nursing staff (RN, LPN, CENA)

Trainer

Degrees: BA, MA

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Grand Traverse cont.

Catholic Human Services, Gerontological Services

Topics: Alzheimer's 101, communication, difficult behaviors, environmental aspects of dementia care, the "other" dementias, staff consultation.

Audiences: Professionals, Family caregivers, any audience

Trainer
Degrees: RSW

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Trainer

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Preferred

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

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Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

Preferred

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Human Development Commission

Topics: Assessment for Intervention During Activities of Daily Living Alzheimer’s and Related Dementias – Symptoms, Brain Changes and Behaviors, Diagnosis and Treatment, Caregiver Education and Empathy Training. Community presentations include, “ I Forgot Where I Put My Memory,” “All Stressed Out and Nowhere to Go,” “Walk a Mile in Their Shoes,” and “Caring for Your Aging Parents.”

Audiences: All

Trainer
Degrees: MSW

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day,

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Holland Home

Topics: Dementia overview, compassionate communication, ABC's of behavior management

Audiences: Senior groups, church groups, facility staff

Trainer

Degrees: RN, BS (Health Education)

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hours, half day

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**Lansing Community College (LCC) – Human, Health & Public Services Division,
Health and Human Services Department, Gerontology Seminars**

Topics: Seminars on various topics related to aging including dementia, caregiving, and challenging behaviors, are offered on a revolving basis during Spring and Fall semesters. Seminar participants may receive academic credit. Seminars are also approved for continuing education credits for nurses, AFC licensees and administrators, and nursing home administrators. Academic credits count toward the Certificate of Achievement in Human Services and the Certificate of Completion in Aging Studies.

Seminar titles include: Dementia: Causes and Concepts; Techniques for Caring for People with Dementia; The 3-D Approach: Differential Diagnosis of Delirium, Depression, and Dementia; Dealing with Challenging Behaviors in People with Dementia; Working with People with Dementia: Environmental and Communication Strategies; Non-Alzheimer's Dementias: What they Look Like and Implications for Care; Validating Feelings/Improving Communication in People with Dementia; Activities for People with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders; and Developing a Person-Centered Approach to Care. Additional topics related to dementia are developed as needed. The program is considering developing a certificate in dementia care.

Audiences: Seminars are appropriate for multidisciplinary audiences, including gerontology students, community agency staff, nurses, AFC owners, nursing home administrators, direct care workers, paraprofessionals, and any one else who works in the field of aging or dementia care.

Trainer

Degrees: Varies, depending on the topic: MA, MSW, PhD, RN, MD, etc.

Preferred Formats: Seminars are four, eight, or twelve hours in length, depending on the topic.

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Mareck Family and Geriatric Services

Topics: Communication Between Generations; Getting Ready for Getting Old; Managing Behavior Symptoms in Dementia; Understanding Alzheimer's Disease; Communicating with People with Dementia; Helping People with Dementia Enjoy the Holidays; Understanding End of Life Care Options; Sexual Issues in the Nursing Home, other topics to meet specific needs

Audiences: Caregivers, family members, professionals

Trainer
Degrees: Master's Degree in Social Work

Preferred
Format: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session

Contact: Jane Elsinga, Care Coordinator
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Michigan State University School of Social Work

Topics: Various topics around dementia and health

Audiences: Professionals working with the elderly and persons with disabilities

Trainer
Degrees: Varies. Most have an MA or PhD

Preferred
Format: 1-2 hour

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Trainer
Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

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Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 9

Topics: Caregiver Concerns (i.e communication, family meetings, stress reduction), Elder Abuse Awareness, Moving a Loved One with Dementia, Alzheimer's 101, Resident's Rights and the Ombudsman Program, Parkinson's Basics, Grief Process, Stress and Depression in Caregiving, Dementia Basics, The Aging Process, Living Alone; Safe, Sound and Secure, Behavior and Emotions of Aging, Challenges and Choices; Caring for Your Aging Parents/Spouse.

Audiences: Care partners, family members, general public, in home care providers, Nursing Home and Adult Foster Care staff in the Northeast Lower Michigan region.

Trainer MA Counseling

Degrees: BA Family Life Education

Preferred

Formats: 1 hour

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Difficult behaviors, dementia and the brain, caring for the caregiver, aging process

Audiences: Family caregivers, adult foster care, nursing home, general public

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred

Formats:

Contact: Karol Cain
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Eastern Michigan University, Alzheimer's Education Program

Topics: Creating Successful Meal Times, Understanding Memory Loss, Overview of Dementia, Spirituality and Dementia, Communication and the Person with Dementia, Person-centered Care, Creating Activities for Early Stage Participants

Audiences: Adult, Families, Children - all

Trainer

Degrees: BS and MA in Education, Graduate Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, academic course

Contact: Jo Campbell
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Jackson County Department on Aging

Topics: Understanding dementia, effective communication, behavior presentations such as wandering and agitation. Other topics offered to fit interest of audience.

Audiences: Community caregivers, nursing and in-home care staff

Trainer

Degrees: MSW and specialized dementia training from U of M

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour

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Audiences: Caregivers, family members, professionals

Trainer

Degrees: Master's Degree in Social Work

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session

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Trainer

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Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, and full day

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Lake View Community Hospital – Behavioral Health Services

Topics: Latest research on dementia and Alzheimer's, assessment, identification, intervention, management, and community resources. Multiple topics related to psychiatric care in geriatrics.

Audiences: Healthcare professionals, including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, rehab specialists, psychologist, psychiatrist, health educators, quality improvement directors, nursing home administrators, family caregivers, volunteers, Nursing Home staff.

Trainer

Nadeem M. Mirza, MD

Degrees:

MD

Preferred

Format: All formats including academic for-credit courses. The group requesting the training determines presentation length.

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Catholic Human Services, Gerontological Services

Topics: Alzheimer's 101, communication, difficult behaviors, environmental aspects of dementia care, the "other" dementias, staff consultation.

Audiences: Professionals, Family caregivers, any audience

Trainer

Degrees: RSW

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, and multi-session

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Community Services Network of Michigan

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Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, and social workers

Trainer

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Gerontology Network

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Trainer

Degrees: MSW's, RN's, MA's, MS's

Preferred

Half day, full day, multi-session, academic courses

Formats:

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Holland Home

Topics: Dementia overview, compassionate communication, ABCs of behavior management

Audiences: Senior groups, church groups, facility staff

Trainer

Degrees: RN, BS (Health Education)

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hours, half day, full day

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St. Mary's Health Care

Topics: Diagnosis and treatment of dementia and other memory disorders, research advances, clinical drug trials.

Audiences: Physicians, mid-level providers, nurses, allied health professionals

Trainer

Degrees: MD

Preferred

Formats: Full day, Monday through Friday

Contact: Kevin Foley, MD, Medical Director, Hauenstein Alzheimer's Disease & Memory Disorders Program, St. Mary's Health Care, 260 Jefferson Ave., SE, Suite 203
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Trainer

Degrees:

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Copper County Mental Health Services Institute

Topics: Person-centered planning, dementia assessment

Audiences: Long-term care, home health, senior groups

Trainer

Degrees: Associate Degree Nursing

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour

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Catholic Human Services

Topics: Dementia “101” / Alzheimer’s type

Audiences: Nursing staff (RN, LPN, CENA)

Trainer
Degrees: BA, MA

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Adrian Clinic of Neurology

Topics: Dementia and behavior, nutrition, pain management, social engagement, enhancing communication with the person with dementia, and leadership and teamwork techniques to achieve quality dementia care.

Audiences: Physicians and long-term care staff, including administrators, supervisors, nurses, and direct care workers

Trainer
Degree: MSW / Gerontology focus

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Saint Joseph Mercy Senior Health Services

Topics: Geriatric assessment, interdisciplinary teams, dementia (general), behavior management, medication management, caregiver needs.

Audiences: Any

Trainer
Degree: MD geriatricians, NPs in Geriatric Medicine, RNs, LMSWs (geriatric SW specialists)

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session, other

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Eastern Michigan University, Alzheimer's Education Program

Topics: Creating Successful Meal Times, Understanding Memory Loss, Overview of Dementia, Spirituality and Dementia, Communication and the Person with Dementia, Person-centered Care, Creating Activities for Early Stage Participants

Audiences: Adult, Families, Children - all

Trainer

Degrees: BS and MA in Education, Graduate Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, academic course

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Geriatric Consultant Resources LLC

Topics: Cognitive screening in older adults, medication management issues in the elderly including counseling on side-effects, monitoring, what to look for, and what to expect with dementia medications. Focus on drug-drug and drug-disease interactions, including over-the-counter medications and supplements.

Audiences: Families/caregivers, health care professionals, assisted living facilities, nursing homes

Trainer

Degrees: Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D), RPh

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, brown bag sessions with patients and their families for medication counseling, more formal presentations involving slides and handouts for health care professionals

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Henry Ford Health Systems

Topics: Alzheimer's disease, Lewy body disease, frontal dementias, diagnosis and differential including non-degenerative diseases affecting cognition, mental status exam, behavior identification and management, genetics and Alzheimer's

Audiences: Neurologists, internists, family practitioners, professional, lay

Trainer

Degree: DO

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, academic course, any

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

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Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

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Macomb Community College

Topics: Knowledge of dementia disorders, person-centered care, care Interactions, enriching the person's life, understanding behaviors, interacting with families, direct care worker self-care.

Audiences: Open enrollment for family or professional caregivers in southeast Michigan, continuing education certificate of completion

Trainer

Degrees: Kathryn Ann W. Kozlinski, LPN, BHS, MEd

Preferred

Format: Day or evening workshops offered every semester, typically a 2-hour format per topic.

Sponsorship training to homecare and assisted living employees can be negotiated – call for details

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Macomb County Senior Citizen Services, Adult Day Service

Topics: Overview of Normal Aging, An Introduction to Dementia Related Illness, Communication Techniques, Working with Changing Behaviors. End of Life Issues and Concerns, Advance Directives, "My Voice, My Choice." Recognizing Caregiver Stress and Avoiding Burnout. The Alzheimer Associations *Safe Return* Program, *Maintain Your Brain*, *Partnering with Your Doctor*, *Tips for Holidays and Vacation Time*. When Mom Can No Longer Live Alone Tips for Relocating a Person with a Dementia Related Illness. Focus on Dementia – Community Resources in Macomb County. Safe Steps – Home Safety Assessment, Person Centered Care & Communication Techniques. Additional presentations on dementia-related topics can be designed as needed for individual audiences.

Audiences: All level of caregivers. Direct care workers, family caregivers, professional caregivers, law enforcement/police/Fire/EMT, community and general education programs. Professional conference, student and academic classroom, support groups and professional association meetings. All levels of health care providers and educators – family caregivers, professionals, law enforcement/police/fire/EMT, community and general education, student classrooms, support groups

Trainer

Degrees: LPN, BHS, MEd

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MLR Consultants

Topics: Seniors Staying Sharp (increasing awareness, memory, communication and creativity); Moods and Music (exploring the influence of music on us: our moods, health, energy, mobility, and more).

Audiences: Elders (early and middle stages); family members

Trainer

Degrees: Master of Interdisciplinary Studies and Graduate Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour and multi-session

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Institute of Gerontology, Wayne State University

Topics: Ethnicity, Communications

Audiences: Families, Caregivers and Professionals

Trainer

Degrees: Ph.D.

Preferred

Formats: 1 – 1 ½ hour workshops or round table discussion

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Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Audiences: Professionals, Family caregivers, any audience

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

Topics: Care Management, Elder Abuse Prevention, Financial Consulting, Housing Options, Insurance Counseling

Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer
Degrees:

Preferred
Formats:

Contact: Melissa Kositzky
Resource Specialist
PO Box 606
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906-786-4701
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Copper County Mental Health Services Institute

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Audiences: Long-term care, home health, senior groups

Trainer

Degrees: Associate Degree Nursing

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour

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Trainer

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St. Mary's Health Care

Topics: Diagnosis and treatment of dementia and other memory disorders, research advances, clinical drug trials.

Audiences: Physicians, mid-level providers, nurses, allied health professionals

Trainer
Degrees: MD

Preferred
Formats: Full day, Monday through Friday

Contact: Kevin Foley, MD, Medical Director, Hauenstein Alzheimer's Disease & Memory Disorders Program, St. Mary's Health Care, 260 Jefferson Ave., SE, Suite 203
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Senior Services

Topics: Dementia overview, Comparison of various types of dementias, Communication techniques, Behaviors and interventions, Stress and depression in caregivers, Professionals dealing with grief and loss, Anticipatory grief, Working with your doctor, Support for those with Alzheimer's dementia, Spirituality and dementia

Audiences: Family Caregivers, clergy, community, NH/AFC staff, Home Care and Hospice staff, other professionals, Direct care staff, Corporate in-service

Trainer

Degree: LMSW, ACSW

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, other

Contact: Nancy Farison
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Senior Services

Topics: Dementia overview, communication, behaviors, dementias that are not Alzheimer's, nutrition, incontinence, working with your doctor, support for those with Alzheimer's dementia

Audiences: Family caregivers, clergy, community, NH/AFC staff, home care and hospice staff, other professionals, corporate in-service

Trainer

Degree: BSN, Advanced training in dementia care

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session, other

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Overview, behaviors, other topics

Audiences: Family or professional caregivers

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour

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Trainer

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Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

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Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Dorothy and Peter Brown Jewish Community Adult Day Care Program

Topics: Learning about Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, facilitating communication with the person with Alzheimer's, handling difficult behaviors, understanding and meeting program participants' needs

Audiences: Prospective and current volunteers for our facility

Trainer

Degrees: Master's degree in counseling, Bachelor's in social work

Preferred

Format: Multi-session

Contact: Dorothy Mantis
Social Worker / Volunteer Coordinator
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Southfield, MI 48076
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Henry Ford Health Systems

Topics: Alzheimer's disease, Lewy body disease, frontal dementias, diagnosis and differential including non-degenerative diseases affecting cognition, mental status exam, behavior identification and management, genetics and Alzheimer's

Audiences: Neurologists, internists, family practitioners, professional, lay

Trainer
Degree: DO

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, academic course, any

Contact: Rhonna Shatz, DO
Division Head, Behavioral Neurology
Department of Neurology, K-11, Henry Ford Hospital
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Detroit, MI 48202
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Institute of Gerontology, Wayne State University

Topics: Ethnicity, Communications

Audiences: Families, Caregivers and Professionals

Trainer
Degrees: Ph.D.

Preferred
Formats: 1 – 1 ½ hour workshops or round table discussion

Contact: Tom Jankowski, Ph.D
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Macomb County Senior Citizen Services, Adult Day Service

Topics: Overview of Normal Aging, An Introduction to Dementia Related Illness, Communication Techniques, Working with Changing Behaviors. End of Life Issues and Concerns, Advance Directives, "My Voice, My Choice." Recognizing Caregiver Stress and Avoiding Burnout. The Alzheimer Associations *Safe Return* Program, *Maintain Your Brain*, *Partnering with Your Doctor*, *Tips for Holidays and Vacation Time*. When Mom Can No Longer Live Alone Tips for Relocating a Person with a Dementia Related Illness. Focus on Dementia – Community Resources in Macomb County. Safe Steps – Home Safety Assessment, Person Centered Care & Communication Techniques. Additional presentations on dementia-related topics can be designed as needed for individual audiences

Audiences: All level of caregivers. Direct care workers, family caregivers, professional caregivers, law enforcement/police/Fire/EMT, community and general education programs. Professional conference, student and academic classroom, support groups and professional association meetings. All levels of health care providers and educators – family caregivers, professionals, law enforcement/police/fire/EMT, community and general education, student classrooms, support groups

Trainer

Degrees: LPN, BHS, MEd

Preferred

Format: Any format. Open to co-presentation.

Contact:

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William Beaumont Hospital

Topics: Diagnosis, treatment

Audiences: Physicians, nurses

Trainer

Degree: MD

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, clinical rotation (1 month)

Contact:

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Difficult behaviors, dementia and the brain, caring for the caregiver, aging process

Audiences: Family caregivers, adult foster care, nursing home, general public

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Difficult behaviors, dementia and the brain, caring for the caregiver, aging process

Audiences: Family caregivers, adult foster care, nursing home, general public

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred
Formats:

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer
Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred
Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 9

Topics: Caregiver Concerns (i.e communication, family meetings, stress reduction), Elder Abuse Awareness, Moving a Loved One with Dementia, Alzheimer's 101, Resident's Rights and the Ombudsman Program, Parkinson's Basics, Grief Process, Stress and Depression in Caregiving, Dementia Basics, The Aging Process, Living Alone; Safe, Sound and Secure, Behavior and Emotions of Aging, Challenges and Choices; Caring for Your Aging Parents/Spouse.

Audiences: Care partners, family members, general public, in home care providers, Nursing Home and Adult Foster Care staff in the Northeast Lower Michigan region.

Trainer
Degrees: MA Counseling
BA Family Life Education

Preferred
Formats: 1 hour

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Community Services Network of Michigan

Topics: Overview, brain changes, communication, challenging behaviors, assisting a person with dementia with activities of daily living / body mechanics.

Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, social workers

Trainer

Degrees: BA, RN, C

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, and multi-session

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Trainer MA Counseling

Degrees: BA Family Life Education

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Formats: 1 hour

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District Health Department #4

Topics: Overview, behaviors, other topics

Audiences: family or professional caregivers

Trainer

Degrees: LPN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Senior Services

Topics: Dementia overview, Comparison of various types of dementias, Communication techniques, Behaviors and interventions, Stress and depression in caregivers, Professionals dealing with grief and loss, Anticipatory grief, Working with your doctor, Support for those with Alzheimer's dementia, Spirituality and dementia

Audiences: Family Caregivers, clergy, community, NH/AFC staff, Home Care and Hospice staff, other professionals, Direct care staff, Corporate in-service

Trainer

Degree: LMSW, ACSW

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, other

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Senior Services

Topics: Dementia overview, Comparison of various types of dementias, Communication techniques, Behaviors and interventions, Non-Alzheimer's dementias, Nutrition, Incontinence, Working with your doctor, Support for those with Alzheimer's dementia, Normal aging, Healthy aging and cognitive vitality, Spirituality and dementia, Caregiver stress

Audiences: Family caregivers, clergy, community, NH/AFC staff, home care and hospice staff, other professionals, corporate in-service, direct care staff

Trainer

Degree: BSN, Advanced training in dementia care

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, other

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer
Degrees: Bachelor’s and/or Master’s Degree

Preferred
Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Human Development Commission

Topics: Assessment for Intervention During Activities of Daily Living
Alzheimer’s and Related Dementias – Symptoms, Brain Changes and Behaviors, Diagnosis and Treatment, Caregiver Education and Empathy Training. Community presentations include, “I Forgot Where I Put My Memory,” “All Stressed Out and Nowhere to Go,” “Walk a Mile in Their Shoes,” and “Caring for Your Aging Parents.”

Audiences: All

Trainer
Degrees: MSW

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day,

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Area Agency on Aging Region 11

Topics: Care Management, Elder Abuse Prevention, Financial Consulting, Housing Options, Insurance Counseling

Audiences: Caregivers, seniors

Trainer

Degrees:

Preferred

Formats:

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

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Audiences: Care partners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred

Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Mareck Family and Geriatric Services

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Audiences: Caregivers, family members, professionals

Trainer

Degrees: Master's Degree in Social Work

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session

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Macomb County Adult Day Service

Topics: Overview, introduction to dementia related illness, communication, behaviors, end stage, advance directives, caregiver stress / burnout, Alzheimer’s Association Safe Return Program

Audiences: All levels – family caregivers, professionals, law enforcement/police/fire/EMT, community and general education, student classrooms, support groups

Trainer
Degrees: LPN, BHS, MA.Ed

Preferred
Format: Any format. Open to co-presentation.

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Alzheimer's Association – Michigan Great Lakes Chapter

Topics: Foundations of Dementia Care is an evidence-based, interactive, training program that builds on participant experiences and problem-solving skills. The 12 hour curriculum is divided into 5 modules: Learning to Lead, About Dementia (includes information on communication and behaviors), Enhancing Mealtime, Reducing Pain, and Making Connections.

Audiences: Direct care staff, nurses, social workers, recreational therapists, dietary staff, supervisors, and administrators

Trainer

Degree: Our trainers are from a variety of educational backgrounds, such as CTRS, BA, MA, MSW, and RN

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, and full day

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

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Audiences: All

Trainer

Degrees: MSW

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day

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Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, social workers, recreational therapists, dietary staff, supervisors, and administrators

Trainer
Degree: MA / BA / MSW; Specialty in Gerontology

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day

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Lake View Community Hospital – Behavioral Health Services

- Topics: Latest research on dementia and Alzheimer's, assessment, identification, intervention, management, and community resources. Multiple topics related to psychiatric care in geriatrics.
- Audiences: Healthcare professionals, including physicians, physician assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, social workers, rehab specialists, psychologist, psychiatrist, health educators, quality improvement directors, nursing home administrators, family caregivers, volunteers, Nursing Home staff.
- Trainer: Nadeem M. Mirza, MD
Degrees: MD
- Preferred Format: All formats including academic for-credit courses. The group requesting the training determines presentation length.
- Contact: Karen Griffin, Office coordinator
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Eastern Michigan University, Alzheimer's Education Program

Topics: Creating Successful Meal Times, Understanding Memory Loss, Overview of Dementia, Spirituality and Dementia, Communication and the Person with Dementia, Person-centered Care, Creating Activities for Early Stage Participants

Audiences: Adult, Families, Children - all

Trainer Degrees: BS and MA in Education, Graduate Certificate in Gerontology

Preferred Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, academic course

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Family Caregiving Program of American Red Cross

Topics: A program of 9 class modules to assist caregivers of seniors and or disabled adults in improving or maintaining their caregiver skills to help prolong aging in place for the care recipient. Topics include: Assisting with Personal Care, Positioning and Helping Loved One Move, General Caregiving Skills, Home Safety, Healthy Eating (* Registered Dietician), Caring for Loved One with Alzheimer's or Dementia (*Social Worker), Caring for Loved One with HIV / AIDS, Legal and Financial Issues (*Attorney and/or Social Worker), and Caring for the Caregiver.

Audiences: Seniors or any current or potential caregivers in the community organizational setting

Trainers: All instructors are experienced hands-on health care providers. Registered Nurses, Social Workers, Gerontologists, and Physical Therapists

Format: Very informal class, approximately 1 hr. Provide information with stats, a video on each subject, approximately 10 – 15 minutes, then a Question and Answer session. Some classes have professional resource volunteers to assist such as an attorney with the Legal & financial class. All classes have hand-out materials, short evaluation form, and information on resource organizations that we partner with such as, Alzheimer's Assoc. and Association on Aging; caregiver assistance sources such as web sites, magazines and other articles.

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Geriatric Consultant Resources LLC

Topics: Cognitive screening in older adults, medication management issues in the elderly including counseling on side-effects, monitoring, what to look for, and what to expect with dementia medications. Focus on drug-drug and drug-disease interactions, including over-the-counter medications and supplements.

Audiences: Families/caregivers, health care professionals, assisted living facilities, nursing homes

Trainer
Degrees: Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D), RPh

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, brown bag sessions with patients and their families for medication counseling, more formal presentations involving slides and handouts for health care professionals.

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Audiences: Caregivers, family members, professionals

Trainer

Degrees: Master's Degree in Social Work

Preferred

Format: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session

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Silver Club, Turner Clinic, University of Michigan

Topics: Overview of dementia, person-centered care, working with families, behavior challenges

Audiences: Professionals, direct care staff, families

Trainer

Degrees: LMSW, MA, Specialist in Aging Certificate

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day

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Saint Joseph Mercy Senior Health Services

Topics: Geriatric assessment, interdisciplinary teams, dementia (general), behavior management, medication management, caregiver needs.

Audiences: Any

Trainer

Degree: MD geriatricians, NPs in Geriatric Medicine, RNs, LMSWs (geriatric SW specialists)

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, multi-session, other

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

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Trainer
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Henry Ford Health Systems

Topics: Alzheimer's disease, Lewy body disease, frontal dementias, diagnosis and differential including non-degenerative diseases affecting cognition, mental status exam, behavior identification and management, genetics and Alzheimer's

Audiences: Neurologists, internists, family practitioners, professional, lay

Trainer
Degree: DO

Preferred
Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session, academic course, any

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Institute of Gerontology, Wayne State University

Topics: Ethnicity, Communications

Audiences: Families, Caregivers and Professionals

Trainer
Degrees: Ph.D.

Preferred
Formats: 1 – 1 ½ hour workshops or round table discussion

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Audiences: All levels – family caregivers, professionals, law enforcement/police/fire/EMT, community and general education, student classrooms, support groups

Trainer
Degrees: LPN, BHS, MA.Ed

Preferred
Format: Any format. Open to co-presentation.

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Audiences: Any

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Alzheimer's Association – Greater Michigan Chapter

Topics: Foundations of Dementia Care curriculum: Dementia Basics, Improving Communication, Understanding Behaviors, Making Connections, Reducing Pain, Enhancing Mealtime, Falls, Wandering, Restraints, and Learning to Lead.

Other topics include: *The Facts About Alzheimer's Disease & Related Dementias, Understanding Behavior, Intimacy & Sexuality, Medical & Research Update, Legal & Financial Considerations, Partnering With Your Doctor®, Safe Return®, Talking to Children About Dementia, and Communication Tips*

Audiences: Carepartners, health care professionals, family members, general community

Trainer

Degrees: Bachelor's and/or Master's Degree

Preferred Formats: Workshops, trainings, and conferences

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Catholic Human Services, Gerontological Services

Topics: Alzheimer's 101, communication, difficult behaviors, environmental aspects of dementia care, the "other" dementias, staff consultation.

Audiences: Professionals, Family caregivers, any audience

Trainer

Degrees: RSW

Preferred Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Community Services Network of Michigan

Topics: Overview, brain changes, communication, challenging behaviors, assisting a person with dementia with activities of daily living / body mechanics.

Audiences: Direct care workers, nurses, social workers

Trainer

Degrees: BA, RN, C

Preferred

Formats: 1-2 hour, half day, full day, multi-session

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Appendix A

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The Michigan Dementia-Competent Direct Care Workers Initiative helps to address one of the primary goals of the Michigan Dementia Plan: To increase the dementia competency of health care professionals. This directory of dementia training and education providers is one product of the initiative. The work group is also identifying core competencies needed by direct care workers and, with funding provided by the Alzheimer's Demonstration Grant to States, is developing a dementia competency self assessment tool for direct care workers.

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Appendix B

Contributions to the Philosophy and Values Statement

In developing the Philosophy and Values Statement, work group participants first brain-stormed ideas about what is important in providing care to persons with dementia. Following are the ideas generated arranged in categories.

Person-centered ideas:

- Decision-making power should be in the hands of the individual or in the hands of those closest to the person with dementia when s/he is unable to personally make decisions.
- Individuals should be given choices to the extent their capacity allows them to choose.
- Care should focus on the individual first and then on the task.
- Optimum care involves collaboration between individuals, families, and DCWs.
- Dementia care should focus on the individual and on building relationships
- Good dementia care involves "doing with" the person, not "doing for" her or him.
- Dementia care should identify and focus on the individual's strengths while recognizing and accommodating deficits.
- Dementia caregivers should establish familiar routines that promote individualized care.
- Each individual's experience of dementia is unique, therefore care must be tailored to meet the needs of that person and her or his family.

Growth ideas:

- Within each individual lies the potential for growth and the ability to make a difference.
- Good dementia care promotes growth, and development of strengths and abilities is promoted for all people involved in caregiving interactions.
- Caring encourages people to grow.
- Caring is different from "treatment" or "management."
- Dementia care should provide opportunities to give as well as receive care.

Caring ideas:

- A prime task of dementia care is to maintain personhood -- knowing the person – not just meeting physical needs (Thomas Kitwood).
- Companionship should be integral part of "care."
- The focus on retaining abilities is important in caring for the individual with dementia.

- Friendship is also a key component in caring for the individual with dementia.
- Care should respect diversity.
- Holistic care responds to the individual's spirit, mind, and body.
- Care must be continuous and lifelong.

Environment and Culture ideas:

- Care is best provided in home-like settings.
- The emphasis should be on making the person feel "at home."
- The environment should foster relationships between individuals and DCWs.
- Most persons with dementia prefer a community setting rather than an institutional one.
- Culture change is an ongoing journey.
- The environment should be one in which interactions and happenings take place naturally.
- The environment should foster variety and spontaneity in daily life.
- The environment should adjust to the comfort needs and abilities of the individual, ensuring a sense of community and security.

For the direct care workers:

- Each worker can and does make a difference.
- Effective workers practice self-examination and reflection, searching for new creativity and opportunities for doing better.
- A goal of good dementia care should be empowering DCWs to build relationships.
- Dementia training should utilize learner-centered approaches.
- Dementia training should emphasize the development of interpersonal, problem solving, and communication skills in an environment that carefully balances support and accountability.
- DCWs should be empowered to be forward thinking, break the mold, and test new ideas.
- Quality dementia care systems and training programs promote growth and development in a supportive environment, encouraging DCWs to use their full potential.
- DCWs should be involved in care delivery decision making.
- Successful dementia training and care requires active engagement of the DCW in the discovery process.
- A good dementia care environment offers opportunities for DCWs to develop a quality relationship with the individual with dementia, thereby giving work meaning and purpose.
- A good dementia care environment promotes open communication with other DCWs and professionals.
- DCWs need access to the tools needed to effectively work with people with dementia

- at all stages.
- Dementia training should set standards of excellence.
 - A good dementia care environment encourages informal leadership.
 - A good dementia care environment celebrates accomplishments.
 - Good dementia care requires recognizing individual capabilities and ensuring individual rights.
 - Effective care providers recognize their personal limitations.
 - Dementia training should provide “hands on” experience with coaching.
 - DCWs should learn how to gain the trust of a person with dementia.
 - DCWs should learn how to discover a person’s history and how to use this knowledge to provide the best care.
 - Good dementia training uses structured and unstructured learning activities and experiences.