RELATIONSHIPS: THE NEW MEDICINE FOR DEMENTIA

MOVING AWAY FROM DRUGS TO COMFORT-FOCUSED DEMENTIA CARE

November 12, 2013
Stanislaus County Library – Salida Branch
4835 Sisk Rd
Modesto, CA
Registration: 10:00 a.m.
Symposium: 11:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Lunch & materials included
FREE Continuing Education Units available

This symposium is designed to teach non-pharmacologic interventions for the treatment of people with dementia and why such options are often superior to psychotropic drugs.

The use of psychotropics for people with dementia has come under increased scrutiny from policymakers and the long-term care industry. The symposium sessions will review the recent efforts to end the misuse of psychotropic drugs in dementia care but more importantly, explain a different form of care based on comfort, engagement, and human relationships. Particular attention will be paid to initiating and sustaining comfort-focused care in long term care facilities.

Who Should Attend:
Nursing home and community care facility staff, health care providers, pharmacy staff, ombudsmen, regulatory agency staff, conservators, healthcare advocates, family caregivers, and other stakeholders.

Sponsored By:
Stanislaus and Mother Lode Long Term Care Ombudsman - Catholic Charities, San Joaquin County Long Term Care Ombudsman, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform, and Alzheimer’s Association

FEATURING PRESENTATIONS FROM:

Elizabeth Edgerly
Ph.D. Chief Program Officer The Alzheimer’s Assoc., No. California and No. Nevada Chapters

Christopher Cherney
Nursing Home Administrator, San Leandro, CA

Anthony Chicotel
JD, MPP, Staff Attorney, California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform

FREE!
COURSE OUTLINE

10:00-11:00 a.m.  Registration

11:00-11:15 a.m.  Introduction & Welcome

11:15-11:45 a.m.  Framing the Day / The Least Medicating Movement
  • The Historical Misuse of Psychotropic Drugs in Dementia Care
  • A look at the CMS National Initiative to Improve Dementia Care
  • Least Medicating Approach

11:45-12:30 p.m.  Dr. Elizabeth Edgerly
  • Behavior is a Form of Communication – using case examples
  • A Non-Drugging Approach to Behaviors in Dementia

12:30-1:30 p.m.  Lunch

1:30-2:15 p.m.  Christopher Cherney
  • Operationalizing Good Dementia Care Practice
  • The Culture of Comfort

2:15-3:00 p.m.  Panel Discussion
  • Hypothetical Case #1 - The Home Care Nightmare
  • Hypothetical Case #2 – The Whole Memory Care Unit is Awake

3:00 p.m.  Closing Comments

REGISTRATION

Register Early - Seats are limited!

Please register by November 1st, 2013
Cost: FREE

Register online at:
http://newmedicinefordementia.eventbrite.com

To register by mail, please return the MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM to:

Stanislaus Long Term Care Ombudsman
Catholic Charities
400 12th Street, Suite 4
Modesto, CA 95354

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