

Who Should Attend

This program will be of interest to all health care professionals who work with individuals with dementia in home and community-based programs, 24-hour care facilities, hospitals, hospice programs and geropsychiatric units. This includes nursing home administrators and program coordinators, nurses, nursing assistants and home health aides, social workers, activity professionals, psychologists, occupational therapists, recreation therapists, educators and regulators.

Why Attend

Behavioral symptoms of distress among persons with dementia are consistently reported to be among the most stressful aspects of providing care to these individuals. They are frequently misunderstood, pose a significant threat to the individual's well-being and often occur when help is needed with personal care activities. Enhanced understanding and application of person-centered and relationship-based care may help reduce and prevent episodes of acute behavioral symptoms, injuries and consideration of more restrictive care environments.

This continuing education program provides a framework for understanding the context in which symptoms of behavioral distress may occur. It also identifies strengths and limitations of assessment methods often used to determine possible causes of behavior. Concrete definitions and examples of the terms 'person-centered' and 'relationship-based care' are provided. Participants will have the opportunity to apply this process to a case study using someone from their care setting.

The workshop will assist health care professionals in developing and implementing more effective plans of care to reduce and prevent future occurrences of behavioral symptoms.

Participant Learning Objectives

- Identify behaviors to target that affect the quality of life of individuals with dementia.
- Describe target behaviors in concrete, objective terms.
- Identify factors that influence behaviors common in individuals with dementia including unmet needs, biological, psychosocial and environmental causes.
- List the strengths and limitations of assessment tools that can be used to identify sources of distress.
- Describe a systemic problem-solving process for identifying possible causes and possible intervention strategies for target behaviors.
- Develop a treatment plan including treatment objectives for someone you know that encourages adaptive, pro-social behaviors and improves current interactions between the individual and his or her caregivers.
- Describe strategies that ensure effective implementation and compliance with treatment plans.
- List the key process steps to determine whether the treatment plan is successful or requires modification.

Registration Information

\$99 Individual Rate

Includes materials, CEUs, continental breakfast and lunch.

\$85 Group Rate

This special rate of \$85 per person is available to organizations that send three (3) or more staff.

Registration Deadline: Monday, Monday, August 7, 2006

The Registration Fee is non-refundable. However, substitutions are available. Payment must accompany the Registration Form and be received by August 7.

Mail or Fax Payment and Registration To:
Optimal Life Designs in Dementia Care
P.O. Box 128
Hamburg, MI 48139

Fax: 810.231.2743

Questions?

Contact Anne Robinson at 810.231.2723 or E-mail annerobinson2@sbcglobal.net

Clearly print or type your name as you wish it to appear on your name badge.

Name _____
(first & last)

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone No. () _____

Fax No. () _____

Check all that apply:

I would prefer to have a vegetarian lunch.

I have a disability that requires accommodations to participate.

A Certificate of Continuing Education Credit is available if you are licensed in a field or profession from one of the categories below. Check the category that applies:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation Therapist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activity Professional | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Home Administrator | <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Therapist |

A Certificate of Attendance will be awarded to Nursing Assistants and Home Health Aides.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

My check or money order of \$99 is enclosed (payable to Optimal Life Designs).

My agency is paying my registration fee. The purchase order number is _____

I am paying by Credit Card.
Check one: Visa Master Card

Credit Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____

Print Name as it appears on card _____

Cardholder Signature _____

GROUP REGISTRATION

Groups or 3 or more staff attending should complete this panel.

Organization _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

Daytime Phone No. (____) _____

Fax No. (____) _____

Person Completing
Group Registration: _____

List the full name of each person who will attend. Use this key to indicate the CEU category for which each person will apply:
Nurse = N; Nursing Home Administrator = NHA;
Activity Professional = AP; Recreation Therapist = RT,
Social Worker = SW

Name (first & last)	CEU Category (N, NHA, AP, RT, SW)
_____	_____
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_____	_____
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Indicate number of Vegetarian lunches: _____

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Total # staff registered: _____ x \$85 = Total Due _____

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Presenters

Roxanne Chang, JD, MS LLP is an attorney that specializes in elder law and a limited licensed psychologist. She has a private practice in Plymouth, Michigan and is a Dementia Intervention Consultant to Optimal Life Designs in Dementia Care. She is currently a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, a council member of the Elder Law and Advocacy Section of the State Bar of Michigan and a representative to the Michigan Dementia Coalition. Ms. Chang is also a member of the Advisory Council for the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with mental Illness (PAIMI), a board member of Citizens for Better Care, and a member of the Governor's Task Force on Elder Abuse.

Jayne Yatzak, MS, OTR/L is an occupational therapist with extensive experience in working with individuals who have dementia in acute and long-term care settings. She is currently employed by Botsford General Hospital Geropsychiatric Services and is a Curriculum and Training Consultant to Optimal Life Designs in Dementia Care. Ms. Yatzak has a Master's of Science in Occupational Therapy, a Graduate Certificate in Gerontology specializing in dementia care, two bachelor degrees in Psychology and Occupational Therapy and is currently working toward a Ph.D. in Medical Anthropology. Her clinical interests include assessing cognition and increasing functional abilities through proper positioning, introducing modifications to tasks and one's environment, and addressing behavioral symptoms. Ms. Yatzak has presented at numerous national and statewide conferences and workshops.

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Thursday, August 10, 2006
8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Location:

Eagle Eye Golf Club
15101 Chandler Road
Bath, Michigan 48808-8750
517.641.4570

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