

Dementia Excellence

Course Description:

This 1 day course will provide you with a deeper knowledge in the subject of Dementia. The emphasis of this course is to help participants understand why people with dementia behave the way they do, and give practical steps to prevent deterioration and agitation to maintain the abilities and contented mood in the people you care for.

Course Outline:

- : Types of dementia including anatomy and physiology
- : Effects of the different types of dementia on cognitive and physical function
- : How to communicate effectively with people with dementia including the effects of signs, gestures, tone of voice and vocabulary
- : Memory; the different types of memory; how and why it is affected
- : Drugs used in the care of people with dementia. (This is more comprehensive than 'Drug Treatments' and includes drugs used by older adults that are often misused or underused with dementia, eg anti-depressants, analgesia.)
- : How to differentiate dementia, depression and delirium. : Why people with dementia get agitated and aggression, and how not to pathologise what is normal behaviour.
- : Environmental factors that affect people with dementia looking how colour and depth perception are effected
- : The effect of sensory deprivation
- : General signs and symptoms with some reference to CHC assessments
- : Environmental factors that affect people with dementia looking how colour and depth perception are effected
- : Also looking briefly at the effect of sensory deprivation
- : Differential diagnoses
- : Medical conditions that are often mistaken for dementia.

Course Duration:

1 day

