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Dementia Training
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COURSE INFORMATION

“Caring for People with Dementia in the Acute Care Setting”

3 day assessed course, conducted over 3 months

- Eligibility:** Health professionals including nurses, general practitioners, medical specialists (eg geriatricians and psychiatrists), social workers, occupational and diversional therapists, psychologists and other allied health disciplines.
- Objectives:** To develop and implement best practice strategies in the care of people who have dementia in acute care settings.
- Day 1: To develop an understanding of person-centred care in dementia care and review the biomedical model of dementia.
- Day 2: To build capacity to communicate effectively with people with dementia, develop an understanding of how to manage conflict and critical issues for people in an acute care setting.
- Day 3: To pull it all together and problem solve untoward events.
- Assessment:** Three components to an optional pass / fail assessment comprising: attendance at 3 days training, presentation, essay (within 1 month of completing course.)
Participants undertaking assessment will be given priority to places.
- Pre-course:** One week before course commences, participants will be posted:
- pre-reading article, and
 - a pre-course survey (to allow course convenor to gauge prior knowledge).
- Cost:** No cost to participants. The course is funded by the Australian Government as part of the Dementia Training Study Centres for Health Professionals Project.

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