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Janet Kuebler: Certified Dementia Practitioner In Hillsborough NJ

## Janet Kuebler, Owner, Right at Home In-Home Care and Assistance of Hillsborough, NJ is Now a Certified Dementia Practitioner

Janet Kuebler completed the 8 hour course on Alzheimer's and Dementia Care on February 12th at Arbor Glen in Bridgewater, NJ. "The goal of the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners is to develop and encourage comprehensive standards of excellence in direct-care skills, education, and sensitivity in the area of dementia care. The Council was formed to promote

standards of excellence in dementia education to professionals and other caregivers who provide services to dementia clients."

The National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners®, LLC was formed in 2001 by a group of professionals with varying work and personal experiences in the field of <u>dementia care</u>. Their backgrounds include Nursing, Regional Managers, Geriatric Care Managers, Psychiatry, Dementia Unit Managers, Alzheimer's and related Dementia Care Specialist, Alzheimer's Educators, Dementia Educators, Therapeutic Recreation, Social Services, Therapist, Pharmacists, Alzheimer's Care Specialist, Long Term Care Administration, Elder Law, and Home Care Administration. The Council was formed to promote standards of excellence in dementia and Alzheimer's education to professionals and other caregivers who provide services to dementia clients. As the number of dementia cases continues to increase nationally and worldwide, there is a great necessity to insure that care givers are well trained to provide appropriate, competent, and sensitive direct care and support for the dementia patient. The goal of the Council is to develop and encourage comprehensive standards of excellence in the health care profession and delivery of dementia care. NCCDP is committed to providing quality Alzheimer's Training and Dementia Training program.

Across the United States of America, the regulations are different from state to state for Alzheimer's Units, Dementia Units, Memory Centers and Special Care Units. Some have extensive regulations for Nursing Homes and Assisted Living while other states may have no regulations.

State regulations governing Nursing Homes, Assisted Living, Adult Day Care are also different in each state for the requirements for Alzheimer's and Dementia Education. Some states have no requirements, some are vague,

others require just two hours of education while other's are extensive. The Goal of the NCCDP is to promote national standards for comprehensive and extensive Alzheimer's and Dementia Education.

The NCCDP, LLC established in 2003 the Train the Trainer designation for Alzheimer's and Dementia Trainers and Nurse Educators who complete the NCCDP Alzheimer's and Dementia Train the Trainer Program. The NCCDP approved Alzheimer's and Dementia Trainers and Instructors utilize the NCCDP comprehensive curriculum and believe in live training. The seminars are offered nationwide.

For those <u>health care professionals</u> who meet the NCCDP requirements for Certified Dementia Practitioner CDP may proceed towards applying for Certification, provided the applicant meets the NCCDP criteria.

Some states have very specific guidelines and regulations for Alzheimer's Unit Mangers or Dementia Unit Managers. Other states are vague or have no guidelines or regulations at all. The regulations are different for Nursing Homes (SNF) and Assisted Living.

Dementia Unit Managers report receiving little training for this very important job and responsibility. Every company who has this job position also has their own unique set of guidelines for the Dementia Unit Manager. Some have very involved and lenghty training while others offer no training at all. The NCCDP established the Certification for Dementia Unit Managers called Certified Dementia Care Manager CDCM to establish specific guidelines and recommendations for the Dementia Unit Manager.

First Responders Trainers: Law Enforcement, Fire Fighters, EMT, Emergency Prepardness. The NCCDP in response to request for specific Alzheimer's and Dementia training geared specifically for First Responders developed a specialized program. Upon completion of the First Responder Train the Trainer program the First Responder Trainer will be awarded the designation of Certified First

Responder Dementia Trainer<sup>™</sup> CFRDT<sup>™</sup>.

Janet Kuebler is the owner of Right at Home of Somerset and Hunterdon Counties NJ, located in Hillsborough. Visit the Right at Home website at <u>www.westcentralnj.rightathome.net</u> for more information on help caring for the loved one in your life.

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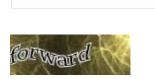
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