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Post Conference Workshop - Alzheimer's and Dementia Course

New Conference Feature

Wednesday, June 4, 2014

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Registration 8 a.m.)

Hopwood Hall, Hopwood Auditorium, Lynchburg College

This intensive Alzheimer's and Dementia class is designed by the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP) for those interested in learning more about dementia and those wanting to become Certified Dementia Practitioners.

Curriculum to Include

An overview of dementia: diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment options

Effective communication techniques

Understanding feelings and depression

Repetitive and aggressive behaviors

Paranoia and hallucinations

Wandering

Hoarding

Catastrophic reactions

Cultural competence and diversity

Intimacy and sexuality

Personal care

Nutrition

Pain

Activities

Environmental issues

Staff and family support

Spiritual care

End of life issues

Instructors

Denise Scruggs, Certified Activity Director, Certified Dementia Practitioner, and approved Alzheimer's and Dementia instructor through the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP). Denise has more than 20 years of experience in dementia care, both personally and professionally. Her experience includes work in activities, social work, family caregiving, consulting, and memory support program management.

Denise serves as the director of the Beard Center on Aging and is a member of the advisory council for Virginia's newly formed Institute for Innovations in Caregiving.

June Harvie-McNamara, Certified Dementia Practitioner and approved Alzheimer's and Dementia instructor through the NCCDP, has devoted her 20-year career in social work to improving the quality of life for residents in Long Term Care. Besides working at Gentle Shepherd Hospice, she facilitates an Alzheimer's Support Group and a Grief Share Series for bereavement support. She has also done pet therapy for persons with dementia using her miniature horse, "Blue."

Cost

\$100: Consortium Members (aging conference attendees)

\$150: Non-consortium members (aging conference attendees)

\$185: Dementia class ONLY (non-aging conference attendees)

Upon completion of this course, professionals may apply for certification at a discounted certification rate of \$25, a savings of \$75.

In addition to successful completion of this course, all NCCDP certification requirements must be met and approved by the NCCDP Certification Council in order to receive professional certification.

For more information about certification go to www.nccdp.org. To learn more about the class which is offered on an ongoing basis around the state, contact Denise Scruggs at 434-544-8456 or scruggs.dr@lynchburg.edu.

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