



Understanding Dementia I: An Introduction

A series of six e-learning programmes to support training of staff caring for older people with dementia in residential and nursing care homes

“Working with me”

by

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This project has been supported during extensive development by Buckinghamshire County Council (via MKOB), Learning and Skills Council, Cornwall Care, the NHS and European Union Social Fund.

The Benefits of e-learning

- Flexibility. Staff can complete the course at home or at work, they can work individually or as a group.
- Individual student progress is automatically recorded and available for assessment by managers.
- A new member of staff can be trained immediately to fit into the team providing seamless care.
- Immediate access to refresh and retrain on specific areas at the press of a button.
- A confident team of workers who know they have had the best possible training because e-learning can be immediately updated to account for changes in need and policy.

The Experts behind this programme

ElderWorld teamed up with specialist trainer Beth Noray. Beth is a qualified social worker with expertise in a variety of areas including the care of older people with mental disorders. In 1983 she moved into full-time training and in 1998 became the Training & Development Officer for the newly created Oxford Dementia Centre, at Oxford Brookes University. Beth has been a training consultant for five years and specialises in improving the quality of care for people with dementia. She has a nationwide reputation and undertakes consultancy and policy development on dementia, the protection of vulnerable adults and design for people with dementia.

Established in 2000 by a group of Oxford based social entrepreneurs, ElderWorld's teams of skilled experts have the experience to provide quality information products and services customised for all providers of elder care including: residential and nursing homes, domiciliary care, sheltered housing and family carers.

With expertise in e-governance, bespoke e-learning programmes for professional carers as well as friends and family, and e-procurement for the provision of specialist and other products, including new information and training support, all intended for ever 'better practice', ElderWorld has rapidly growing offerings created and maintained with leading experts and partner organisations.

MORE ELDERWORLD E-LEARNING COMING SOON

Prevention of Falls

Care of Older People's Feet

Health and Safety Fundamentals

Manual Handling

Protection of Vulnerable Adults

Challenging Behaviour

Emergency Procedures – Fire and many more

A further division of ElderWorld, known as CareWorld, provides services and ITC hardware to its healthcare customers. Organisations engaged with ElderWorld include individual and groups of care homes, local authorities' Adult Social Services, the NHS and voluntary sector bodies.

Understanding Dementia 1: An Introduction

This stand-alone e-learning programme, piloted over three years in Cornwall in the NHS and Care Homes, has been thoroughly tested. More than 1000 carers have been successfully trained on:

Understanding dementia

The difference between confusion and dementia

The types of dementia and some of its causes, and

The different stages of dementia.

Understanding Dementia: The Series

By Spring 2008, the rest courses in this programme will have been released.

Understanding Dementia 2: Person Centred Care

available November 2007

Understanding Dementia 3: Communication Skills

available December 2007

Understanding Dementia 4: Working with me

available January 2008

Understanding Dementia 5: Understanding Difficult & Challenging Behaviour

available February 2008

Understanding Dementia 6: Therapeutic Activities & Occupations

available February 2008

For blended learning there is the option of using a Workbook for learners and a Mentor's Guide which is aimed at staff who have already undertaken basic dementia training.

How to use the ElderWorld Programmes:

ElderWorld e-learning series are available on a Learning Management System (LMS) free of charge and include several introductory modules with a tutorial on e-learning.

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