

DEMENTIA: THE IMPACT OF ISOLATION ON FAMILIES



DESCRIPTION:

The COVID-19 pandemic has thrust us all into lives of social isolation, but few people have experienced the negative unintended consequences more than persons living with dementia (PLWD) and their families. In this session, we will review the unique impact that social isolation has on persons with cognitive impairments and the challenges this poses for family members as they care for PLWD either in community or care settings, and discuss strategies to support them.

PROGRAM DETAILS:

This presentation features an experienced professional offering her own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the expert talking and presenting. If you login for the live version of the program, you'll also have the opportunity to email or text the expert questions that she will discuss and answer during the program's Q & A session.

LIVE DATE:	June 8, 2021
TIME:	Noon to 1:30pm ET
ON DEMAND:	Available for 1 year; until June 7, 2022
LENGTH:	90 minutes
CEs:	1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards
CE FEE:	Included with registration
CONTENT LEVEL:	The program is mainly for professionals already working in the field, but is practical for all levels of education – entry level, intermediate or advanced.
TARGET AUDIENCE:	Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice, palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith community environments

This program will be live on the air date, recorded and made available for on demand viewing. The recorded program will be available approximately a day after the live event.

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

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TEST LINK for Audio and Video: <https://zoom.us/test>

Technical Questions? Please go to <https://zoom.us/> and click “support”

PROGRAM FEES/MATERIALS:

As there are no refunds on registration (all registrations have immediate access to program video & materials), please be sure to test the system requirements prior to purchase.

Individual Registration

(one viewer per program)

Member: \$17.40

Non-member: \$29.00

Organizational Registration

(2+ viewers)

Member: \$75

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How To REGISTER:

Register directly online, on HFA's website: <https://www.hospicefoundation.org>

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Evaluate the current research on the impact of isolation on PLWD in both community (home, adult day programs) and care facilities due to COVID-19 restrictions.
 2. Examine approaches to family caregiver support that have been beneficial or non-beneficial in clinical practice during the COVID-19 pandemic, to date.
 3. Apply palliative care practice principles for care and support of PLWD and their families to address and mitigate the impact of social isolation, including but not limited to creative engagement, interfacing with professional caregivers and guidance in GOC discussions.
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PROGRAM OUTLINE:

- I. Impact of COVID-19—the necessity of quarantine, the unintended consequences of isolation (15 minutes)
 - a. Lessons learned from earlier disasters (Hurricane Katrina/Superstorm Sandy)
 - b. The intersection of social isolation impacts and the disease progression trajectory of cognitive impairment
 - II. Unique impact of social isolation on persons with cognitive impairment (20 minutes)
 - a. Community based impact (senior centers, adult day centers) for PLWD & families
 - b. Care facility impact for PLWD & families
 - III. Impact on families-anxiety, guilt, anger/"post"-traumatic growth, finding strength & meaning (15 minutes)
 - IV. Clinical best practices learned to date - "what matters most" (20 minutes)
 - V. Update on current research of PLWD, agencies/facilities, family caregivers (10 minutes)
 - a. Policy advocacy and implications for policy change.
 - VI. Question and Answer Session (10 minutes)
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CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) CREDITS:

This program is valid for 1.5 hours of CE credit. CE credits are available for 1 year, until June 7, 2022.

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EXPERT PANELISTS:

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

Planners (Panelists and Review Committee Members) disclose no conflict of interest relative to this educational activity.

FOR QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR ADDRESSING GRIEVANCES

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