Culture Change in Dementia Care

‘An Emotional Journey’

Life is an emotional journey. We all crave human connection. Feelings matter most in all of us. This applies even more to people living with dementia. Experiencing dementia eventually involves relying less on facts, logic and reason.

“As we become more emotional and less cognitive, it’s the way you talk to us not what you say that we will remember. We know the feelings, we don’t know the plot. Your smile, your laugh and your touch are what we connect with. Empathy heals. Just love us as we are. We are still here in emotion and spirit if only you could find us.”
(Christine Bryden, 2005. Dancing with Dementia)

Based on our global award winning Butterfly Model of Care, our Culture Change in Dementia Care Course guides you through twelve modules. It will enable you to establish a new culture of care. The course is transformational on how to really implement person centred skills. It will show you how to draw on a care team’s emotional intelligence. Instead of thinking about ‘doing’ person centred care the care team will learn that ‘being’ person centred and relationship focused is key. You will learn the strengths in creating a care culture on being real, present and meaningfully connected. This course returns a service to its spirit and through love helps people to feel alive.

You will learn to

• Focus on the concept of freedom, human rights and positive risks - enabling people to be themselves with or without dementia.
• Centre on and interpret people’s feelings and emotions.
• Respect the reality and experience of people living with dementia.
• Embrace people’s individuality and finding ways for people to flourish.
• Support People’s expressions of ‘behaviours’ as an unmet need.
• Recognise the impact and how to measure well-being versus ill-being.
• Understand why a ‘matching’ approach assists people through their experience of dementia.
• Consider the importance of a truly person centred approach needing to include often neglected areas of spirituality, sexuality, intimacy and relationships, culture, race and religion.

This culture change program is applicable for all social and health care settings where you are supporting people who live with dementia. This training course is designed for people who have a passion for self-development.

It will capture and grow your desire to make a difference and assist with culture transformation in the care of people who live with dementia.

“If we are to better the future, we must disturb the present”

Catherine Booth, Co-Founder, The Salvation Army
This course will be offered in three four day blocks, Courses will be run as follows:

Brisbane, Queensland
Block One: 2 – 5 April 2019
Block Two: 9 – 12 July 2019
Block Three: 8 – 11 October 2019
Venue: Saxons’ Training Facility
Level 11, 300 Adelaide St. Brisbane
Cost: $1600 per person plus GST

Sydney, New South Wales
Block One: 8 – 11 April 2019
Block Two: 16 – 19 July 2019
Block Three: 14 – 17 October 2019
Venue: The Salvation Army
140 Elizabeth St. Sydney
Cost: $1600 per person plus GST

Melbourne, Victoria
Block One: 11 – 12 and 15 – 16 April 2019
Block Two: 23 – 26 July 2019
Block Three: 22 – 25 October 2019
Venue: Saxons’ Training Facility
Level 8, 500 Collins St. Melbourne
Cost: $1600 per person plus GST

Perth, Western Australia
Block One: 11 – 12 and 15 – 16 April 2019
Block Two: 29 – 31 July 2019
and 1 August 2019
Block Three: 28 – 31 October 2019
Venue: Saxons’ Training Facility
Level 1, 140 St Georges Tce. Perth
Cost: $1600 per person plus GST

Meet some of our training team from Dementia Care Matters.

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Feelings matter most

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