

Tips & Techniques for Dental Care

with Teepa Snow MS, OTR/L, FAOTA

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This session is designed to help caregivers and dental care providers work more effectively with people who have dementia.

The importance of adequate dental hygiene and care provision for anyone with dementia will be reinforced.

The common and very real difficulties

in providing this care will be explored and discussed. This will be done in combination with methods and strategies that have been shown to be effective in minimizing resistance and optimizing cooperation and positive outcomes

You will learn to

- Recognize similarities and differences among the various dementias
- Describe common changes in behavior & function that are the result of structural and chemical changes in the brain
- Compare effective versus typical care provider responses to typical behaviors
- Discuss typical progression patterns of functional loss and the impact on dental care behaviors and issues
- Demonstrate an effective approach technique to optimize successful interaction and intervention with people who have dementia

Ideal for: Dental professionals and caregivers

(Seminars will be recorded for publication. Please contact us in advance if you wish not to be filmed. Participants will be asked to sign a release form the day of the seminar.)

Seminar Schedule Monday, 03/19/2012

Dental Care

• 9am-12pm

- 3 CEUs for NHAs, Nurses. CNAs
- \$25

Location

Pines of Sarasota Cullers Hall (Admin. Bldg.) 1501 N. Orange Ave. Sarasota, FL 34236

Register online at www.pinesofsarasota. org/caregiver or call the Education Institute at (941) 356-0250, Ext. 1114

Who is **Teepa Snow?**



Teepa is a dementia expert who trains and consults for agencies, facilities, and families.

Teepa, who bases her techniques on state-of-the-art brain research and over 30 years of experience as an Occupational Therapist, cared for two family members with dementing illnesses herself.

The combination of her formal training and "been-there-done-that" skills give Teepa the credibility and experience to help caregivers with tried-and-true solutions.

Her teaching style integrates facts about how dementia affects the brain and how it works, or doesn't work in the case of dementia.

She is able to go in and out of character as a typical person with Alzheimer's to demonstrate common issues and problems, and to help care providers learn new ways of thinking and managing their own behaviors for better results. Her training gives the audience a first-hand understanding and experience with the disease, and important knowledge to increase understanding between patient and caregiver.

Teepa is an advocate for those living with dementia and has made it her personal mission to help family and professional caregivers better understand how it feels to have dementia, so they too can be better caregivers.

Since her lectures are usually done in the first-person - as if she is the person with dementia - her training gives the audience a first-hand understanding and experience with the disease and a hands-on opportunity to try out new skills in a safe and fun environment.

Teepa Snow Facts MS, OTR/L, FAOTA

- Dementia Care and Dementia Education Specialist
- 30 years experience as Occupational Therapist
- Fellow of the American Occupational Therapy Association
- Published DVDs and articles on a variety of geriatric topics
- Presents over 350 per year nationally

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