

WYCOA DEMENTIA CARE CERTIFICATE

Caring for those living with Alzheimer's Disease or a related dementia can be challenging work and requires the use of skills and techniques designed to safely support these individuals. The need for professionals with expertise in dementia care is growing rapidly as the prevalence of dementia continues to increase worldwide. In response, the University of Wyoming is offering a Dementia Care Certificate for healthcare professionals working with individuals with dementia. The certificate is an online self-paced program designed to fit within the healthcare professional's busy schedule. The modules are previously recorded WyGEC/WyCOA workshops, online trainings, and webinars that were taught by experts in their field.

The WyCOA Dementia Care Certificate is a convenient, easily assessable program that recognizes individuals for learning quality dementia care practices and knowledge.

Funding from the Health Resource Service Administration will allow the certificate to be offered free of charge for those completed by June 30th, 2018.

Professional Continuing Education credits available
Earn up to:

22.00 CE credits in the Advanced Course
22 CE credits in the Intro Course

WyCOA can provide a Certificate of Completion for self-reporting.



Our Mission:

The mission of the Wyoming Center on Aging is to optimize the health of Wyoming's older adults and their caregivers through education, intervention,

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For Healthcare Professionals

Continuing Education Credits Available
**NEW MODULES ADDED!*



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The Dementia Care Certificate is offered through the University of Wyoming Center on Aging. The certificate is designed for professional direct care providers of older adults across care settings. The goal of the certificate is to increase providers knowledge of dementia and to enhance confidence in caring for people with dementia.

*The total number of continuing education credit hours varies depending on the modules selected. This is a self-paced program. All content, quizzes and evaluations are provided online.

TO RECEIVE YOUR CERTIFICATE:

*Choose the level you would like to complete. You can complete both levels if appropriate.

***Completion of 10 online modules for each level.**

-4 required modules

-6 elective modules to be chosen from a list of approved electives.

Note: this program is self-paced. Students can choose the order in which they complete the elective modules. However, each student must complete the four required modules first.

*Completion of accompanying quizzes with a score of 70% or better

*Completion of a program evaluation (this evaluation form will be available electronically upon completion of each level).

*You must complete all requirements within 4 months and have view times matching the length of the videos. Modules may be viewed repeatedly, however credit is only given once.

* You will received your certificate 4-6 weeks after completion of the program.

Cost, Registration and More Information:

FREE for anyone who completes by July 2018. Online registration and further details at www.uwyo.edu/wycoa.

Getting Started:

1. Prior to watching the first webinar, download 2017 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures from the Alzheimer's Association: http://www.alz.org/documents_custom/2017-facts-and-figures.pdf. This document will be used as a reference supplement to the material presented in the modules.
2. This program is delivered through WyoLearn, an online platform through the University of Wyoming. You will receive an email from WyoLearn once registered to begin the program

CERTIFICATE LEVEL DETAILS

**NEW 2017 ADDITIONS*

INTRODUCTORY LEVEL:

(RECOMMENDED FOR CNAs AND OTHER DIRECT CARE WORKERS)

REQUIRED MODULE TITLES:

1. ***Dementia: Basics of Management and Treatment (1 CE)**
2. ***He's Acting that Way Again! Building our Awareness about Dementia-related behavior changes (1 CE)**
3. ***Dementia Medications: Updates & Current Trends (1 CE)**
4. **Alzheimer's and End-of-Life (1.5 CEs)**

SELECTED ELECTIVE TITLES:

1. *Aging in Place: Preferences, Problems and Possibilities (1 CE)
2. *Role Changes and Family Dynamics (1 CE)
3. *Resiliency Practices for Care Partners (1 CE)
4. *Is your Estate Plan Up-to-Date? (1 CE)
5. *Here and Now - A Dementia Focused Art Class (1 CE)
6. *Preparation: What Matters Most-Panel/ Discussion (1 CE)
7. Dementia Behavioral Management: Understanding Behaviors and Foundational Management Strategies (1.5 CEs)
8. *Therapeutic Life Review: Stories from the Heart (1 CE)
9. *Plan for a Healthier Financial Future (1 CE)
10. Dementia, HIPAA and Decision- Making Capacity (1.25)
11. Legal and Financial Next Steps of Alzheimer's Disease (1.25 CEs)
12. Younger-Onset (Early-Onset) Alzheimer's Disease (1.75 CEs)
13. Patient & Family Engagement in Care Transitions (1 CE)
14. Dementia in the Patient with Intellectual Disability (1.75 CEs)

ADVANCED LEVEL:

(HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS WITH ADVANCED DEGREES OR OTHERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THE INTRO LEVEL)

REQUIRED MODULE TITLES:

1. ***Future of Alzheimer's Care: An Update on Current Research (1 CE)**
2. ***What Am I to Do? Learning Skills to Manage Dementia-Related Behaviors (1 CE)**
3. ***Reducing Antipsychotic Drug Use in Dementia (.5 CE)**
4. **Death Approaches: Panel Discussion on End-of-Life (1.25 CEs)**

SELECTED ELECTIVE TITLES:

1. *Differentiating Dementia Types (.5 CE)
2. *Geriatric Syndromes: Polypharmacy (.5 CE)
3. *Collaborative Practice (.5 CE)
4. Legal and Financial Next Steps of Alzheimer's (1.25 CEs)
5. Younger Onset (Early-Onset) Alzheimer's Disease (1.75 CEs)
6. Management of Problematic Behaviors in Elderly Dementia Patients (1.75 CEs)
7. Chronic Disease Management in Patients with Dementia (2 CEs)
8. Pharmacologic Interventions for Dementia in People with Intellectual Disability (1.25 CEs)
9. Mini Cog Training for Clinical Use (1.25 CEs)
10. Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia: From Timely Detection to Dementia Capable Health Care Systems (1.75 CEs)
11. Proactive Management of Cognitive Health in Patients with Diabetes (1.5 CEs)
12. Native Americans (American Indian) and Dementia (1.25 CEs)
13. Dementia, HIPAA and Decision-Making-Capacity (1.25 CEs)
14. Dementia Behavioral Management: Specific Behaviors, Assessing Behaviors, Developing a Management Plan (1.75 CEs)