5.8 MILLION AMERICANS ARE LIVING WITH ALZHEIMER'S. BY 2050, THIS NUMBER IS PROJECTED TO RISE TO NEARLY 14 MILLION.

MODULE TOPICS

- The Basic Facts: An Overview of Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias
- Keep the Dialogue Going:
 Strategies for Effective
 Communication
- 1t's a Different World:
 Understanding the Impact of the Environment & Ways to Promote Independence
- O4 It's Nothing Personal: Addressing Challenging Behaviors
- Now What Do We Do? Creative Problem Solving

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South Carolina

Dementia Dialogues®

5.8 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease.

Learn how you can help.





The Office for the Study of Aging is home to the Alzheimer's Disease Registry, a comprehensive statewide registry of South Carolina residents diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

BECOME A DEMENTIA DIALOGUES® SPECIALIST

Individuals who attend and complete all 5 modules of the training course will be awarded a Dementia Dialogues®

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Since 2001, over **21,000** individuals have been trained in at least one module and over **10,000** individuals have completed the entire course.

WHAT IS DEMENTIA DIALOGUES®?

Dementia Dialogues® is a 5 module, evidence-informed nationally registered training course designed to educate community members and caregivers for persons who exhibit signs and symptoms of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Training is offered and hosted throughout the state by Certified Dementia Dialogues® Instructors.

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HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Dementia Dialogues® is provided at NO COST to participants through the Office for the Study of Aging at the Arnold School of Public Health, University of South Carolina and through funding from the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Caregivers
- Families
- Social Workers
- Nurses
- Counselors
- Volunteers
- Clergy
- Certified Nursing Assistants
- Personal Care Assistants

- Medical Professionals
- Activity
 Directors
- Public Health Professionals
- Emergency Responders
- Anyone who is interested

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