Piloting the design and delivery of a five-day course on end of life care for people with dementia

A joint venture

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Drivers
• Promote joint working
• Prime Minister’s Challenge (DoH, 2012)
• Living Well With Dementia (DoH, 2009)
• End of Life Care Strategy (DoH, 2008)

Aim
To bring professionals together, sharing their specialist expertise to develop and deliver a five-day course to a wide variety of health and social care providers.

Testimonial
“I will take back all I have learnt and share it with my work colleagues so that we as a home have a better understanding of how to help residents’ families with their loss.”

“It will definitely change my practice in working with dementia patients.”

“I feel more confident and competent to support people with dementia.”

Course
• Understanding dementia
• EOL conversations, advance care planning, mental capacity and decision-making
• The palliative care approach in dementia
• Dying with dementia
• Anticipatory grieving and bereavement in dementia

Electronic evaluation
• Pre and post course questionnaire
• Three month follow-up questionnaire

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