

Re-Imagine 

**Life with
Dementia**

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June 25–27, 2017

Westin Buckhead Hotel

Atlanta, GA

CONFERENCE AT A GLANCE

Sunday June 25, 2017	2:30pm – 6:30pm	Registration & Information open
	2:30pm – 6:30pm	Richard Taylor Room* open
	4:30pm – 6:30pm	Opening Reception, TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE, and Exhibits
Monday June 26, 2017	7:00am – 4:00pm	Registration & Information open
	8:00am – 5:00pm	Richard Taylor Room* open
	8:00am – 9:30am	Opening Plenary Session – <i>“Living with Dementia: Our Way,”</i> panel of people living with dementia moderated by G. Allen Power, MD
	9:30am – 10:30am	<i>Caring Conversations</i>
	10:00am – 4:00pm	TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE open
	10:00am – 4:00pm	Exhibits open
	10:30am – 11:00am	BREAK
	11:00am – 12:30pm	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops
	12:30pm – 2:00pm	LUNCH & Special Interest Groups
	2:00pm – 3:30pm	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops
	3:30pm – 4:00pm	BREAK

	4:00pm – 5:00pm	Town Hall Meeting – “ <i>Express Yourself</i> ” moderated by Sarah Lenz Lock, Senior VP, AARP
	4:30pm – 6:30pm	Author Meet & Great and Book Signings
Tuesday June 27, 2017	7:30am – 9:00am	Registration & Information open
	8:00am – 5:00pm	Richard Taylor Room* open
	8:00am – 10:00am	Plenary Session – “ <i>Dance with Me: The Power of Relationships in LIVING,</i> ” Sherry Dupuis, PhD, University of Waterloo-Canada
	10:00am – 2:00pm	TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE open
	10:00am – 2:00pm	Exhibits open
	10:00am – 10:30am	BREAK
	10:30am – 12:00pm	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops
	12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH
	1:00pm – 2:30pm	Concurrent Sessions & Workshops
	2:30pm – 2:45pm	BREAK
	2:45pm – 3:45pm	Closing Plenary Session – “ <i>Living with Dementia: Our Way,</i> ” panel of people living with dementia moderated by G. Allen Power, MD Plenary Session
	3:45pm – 4:45pm	Town Hall Meeting – “ <i>Express Yourself</i> ” – Sanjay Gupta, MD invited to moderate

*The Richard Taylor Room is a quiet space reserved for people living with dementia and their companions.

**The CREATIVE DEMENTIA ARTS EXHIBIT & ART COMMONS
will be open throughout the conference**

Concurrent Sessions & Workshops

The specific time schedule for the concurrent sessions will be available on March 1, 2017. *Names highlighted below in purple are in recognition and appreciation of presenters living with dementia.

SESSIONS/WORKSHOPS	PRESENTERS	DESCRIPTION
CATEGORY - Fostering Creative Expression and Meaning Through the Arts		
“Sharing the Soul Through Expressive Arts: Creativity, Purpose and Joy” WORKSHOP	Jytte Lokvig and Susan Balkman , Alzheimer’s Creativity Project; Maryann Makekau, Hope Matters Productions; Daniel Potts, MD and Angel Duncan, Cognitive Dynamics Foundation; John Wood , Visual Artist	This interactive Workshop will include collaborative discussion about using creative art expressively, personal experiences, examples of artwork, and hands-on opportunity to express oneself creatively through an art medium.
“I Am More Than My Diagnosis: Moving from Isolation to Inclusion” WORKSHOP	Teresa Webb , FTD/Dementia Support Blog; Maureen Matthews, To Whom I May Concern; Tammy Bellamy and Mary Beth Wighton , Ontario (Canada) Dementia Work Group; Laura Bowley, Mindset Centre for Living with Dementia; Susan Severo , Dementia Action Alliance	Performers with dementia, representing a diversity of diagnoses, will share their lived experiences of dementia through a <i>To Whom I May Concern</i> ® play format followed by a facilitated discussion between the performers and audience, and small group interactive workshops.
“Creative Expressions Through Film” SESSION	Jim Vanden Bosch, Terra Nova Films; and TBA	Short video clips will be presented to show how music, painting, story-telling and other forms of imagination open up avenues of expression for individuals with dementia. Audience interaction and

		discussion will be woven throughout the session.
<p>“Remarkable Experiences: Music & Memory and A Family’s Journey”</p> <p>SESSION</p>	Deborah Ferris, Music & Memory; Anna Roberts Hilleren, Minnesota	Examples and discussion about the wonderful responses triggered by meaningful music shared by the internationally known Music & Memory program, and a family’s remarkable journey through their father’s use of creative arts for self-expression and joy.
CATEGORY - Enriching Life Through Technology	Enjoy interacting with the technology products throughout the conference in the TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE	
<p>“Put the Drugs Down and Turn the Music Up: Person-Based Technology”</p> <p>SESSION</p>	Jack York, It’s Never 2 Late; Juliet Holt Klinger, Brookdale Senior Living	Learn about how gerotechnology is enhancing the lives of individuals living in residential long term care settings around the world, and from the largest senior living provider in the U.S. about its partnership with It’s Never 2 Late to enhance the quality of life for its residents.
<p>“Using Technology to Support and Enrich Life with Dementia”</p> <p>SESSION</p>	Anne Adams and Melany Sattler, SimpleC; Saba Ahmed and Lauren Whitson, Memories Alive; Dirk Soenksen and Kevin Liang, Ceresti Health	Discover how three different technology companies are enriching lives of individuals living with dementia and care partners through the use of individualized wellness and positive engagement technologies.
<p>“Better Together: Enhancing Technology Through Collaborative Design”</p>	Jennifer Krul and Mary Pat Hinton, Emmetros; Mary Beth Wighton , Ontario-Canada Dementia Work	Hear from two innovative technology company’s leadership about their commitment and investment

SESSION	Group; Sean Fahey, WindowMirror Inc.	in collaborating with individuals who have dementia to ensure their products are helpful, useful and well-designed, and one individual living with dementia's experience providing feedback for Emmetros in Canada.
"Engaging Individuals with Dementia in Technology Development Research"	Lisa Loisell, Murray Alzheimer Research and Education Program- University of Waterloo; Carolyn Phillips, Tools for Life-Georgia Institute of Technology; TBA	Learn about two university-based initiatives - Canada and U.S. - creating authentic partnerships to incorporate valuable and diverse perspectives in technology development research.
CATEGORY - Optimizing Well-Being		
"Using Compensatory Strategies for Living with Dementia" SESSION	Laurie Scherrer and Truthful Loving Kindness	Learn, laugh and possibly cry hearing about compensatory strategies two creative women use to live with dementia.
"Supporting Personhood" SESSION	Karen Johnson, McCormick Dementia Services (Canada); Jamie George, The George Center for Music Therapy; Stephanie Mock/The Arbor Company	Session will explore the fundamentals of personhood, stigma surrounding dementia, and successful approaches to change attitudes and perceptions.
"Optimizing Well-Being: Two Inspired Approaches" SESSION	Nancy Schier Anzelmo and Paula Hertel, Connected Horse; Evy Cugelman, Vivage Quality Health Partners	Learn about two inspired approaches that promote well-being for people living with dementia: (1) results and discussion about an innovative pilot study at Stanford and UC Davis exploring connecting people and horses; and (2) using touch, aromatherapy and

		rhythm circles to foster relaxation and well-being.
“Living Well with Dementia” SESSION	Chris Perna, The Eden Alternative; Walter Coffey, LeadingAge Georgia; Robert Bowles , Dementia Action Alliance, AI Power	Through video clips, personal experiences, and audience interaction explore and discuss issues of stigmatization and the prevalence of a deficit-based approach to care and ways to effect changes.
“Optimizing the Physical and Speech Therapy Experiences for People with Dementia” SESSION	Jan Bays, Academy of Geriatric Physical Therapy; Natalie Scott, Creative Health Solutions	Learn how two therapists create optimum therapy experiences using person-centered, relationship-based values and approaches geared for individualized needs of people with dementia.
CATEGORY - Fostering Life Affirming Care Partnering Practices		
“It’s Not Time to Stop Living – It’s Time to Connect and Live Fully!” SESSION	Teepa Snow, Positive Approach	Meaningfully supporting and participating in the lives of people with dementia takes care partners out of traditional roles. This interactive session will cover balancing personal needs and well-being, rewards, risks and challenges and provide useful strategies to stay connected and live fully.
“Positivity is Life Affirming” SESSION	Richard Fenker, MindPartner and National Science Foundation Fellow; Brian LeBlanc , Dementia Action Alliance	Learn how to make a huge difference, measured by thousands of positive moments, for the lives of care partners.
“Working Together: Transforming Long-Term Service and Support	Jessica Luh Kim, Schlegel Villages-Canada; Nicole Brackett and Jennifer	Hear from leaders of two companies representing residential and home care

Settings Through Holistic, Relationship-Based Approaches” SESSION	Ramona, Homewatch CareGivers International	settings the transformative effects of true collaboration and partnership using holistic, relationship-based practices.
“It Is Possible to Live a Normalized Life with Dementia in Assisted Living!” SESSION	Jayne Clairmont, English Rose Suites and b-home; Jan and Nicole Bays, Jill’s House	Learn about how two different assisted living companies support normalized life for people living with dementia through person-centered, relationship-based practices...and lots of commitment and hard work.
“Care Partnering Practices to Manage Positively” SESSION	Nancy Kriseman, Geriatric Consulting Services; Jackie Lenzy, Lenzyhouse Ministry, Inc.	This session will explore the unique challenges spousal and other care partners face journeying with a loved one who has dementia and will provide helpful strategies to maintain one’s own well-being.
CATEGORY - Advocating to Change the Status Quo		
“Freedom of Choice: Your Rights, Our Responsibilities” SESSION	AI Power and TBA	Often choice, one of the most basic human rights, is lost after a diagnosis of dementia. Choice and risk are fundamental aspects of any meaningful life. This session will explore the concepts of ‘relational autonomy’ and ‘negotiated risk’ and pathways for enabling safe choices.
“Living with Dementia: Surmounting the Biomedical Status Quo”	Jonathan Evans, SilverSage, Robert Bowles and other members of the DAA Scientific Advisory	This panel session will engage candid and lively discussion about the inherent barriers of

SESSION	Board	traditional, biomedical practices faced by people LIVING with dementia and their care partners, and ways to surmount the status quo.
“Pioneering Disability Rights: Lessons for the Dementia Community” SESSION	TBA, disability rights advocate; Mary Radnowsky , Dementia Action Alliance; Hannah Flamm, Human Rights Watch	Discover how the disability community navigated legal, policy and legislative channels to establish their rights. Learn about pioneering efforts underway at the United Nations to include dementia as a disability and what Human Rights Watch is getting involved in.
“Novel Approaches to Advance Dementia Research and Innovation” SESSION	Meryl Comer, Geoffrey Beene Foundation; Jillian Fuhs, Eli Lilly; TBA and Care Partner, TBA, Food and Drug Administration; TBA, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute	Learn how a new online community, including people with dementia and care partners, is speaking with a collective voice to inform and advance research.
CATEGORY – Engaging State and Local Communities for Dementia Friendliness		
“Reframing Psycho-Social Well-Being for People with Dementia: Culture Change Network of Georgia” SESSION	Larry Tune, Emory Healthcare/Emory School of Medicine; Walter Coffey, LeadingAge Georgia; Molly Levine-Hunt, Jewish Family & Career Services; Deke Cateau, A.G. Rhodes Health & Rehab; TBA	Presenters, representing a diversity of community stakeholders supporting people with dementia, will share their learning experiences and initiatives aimed at addressing unmet social and emotional needs.
“Memory Cafes: Three Community Perspectives and Experiences”	Christine Alessandro, BayPath Elder Services and MA Memory Café	Memory (or Alzheimer’s) Cafes are social gatherings held in accessible local

SESSION	Percolator; Lynn Ann Clausing, Fox Valley Memory Project; Jytte Lokvig, Alzheimer's Café; TBA	community settings for people with dementia and others. Learn how communities in three different states, (MA, NM, WI) are developing and tailoring great Memory Café programs and mutual support networks.
SESSION "Pioneering Dementia Friendliness: One Community at a Time – Part I"	Liza Bretz, Area Agency on Aging for North Florida; Mary Beth Wighton , Ontario-Canada Dementia Work Group; Myriam Marquez , Dementia Action Alliance and Marigrace Becker, Momentia-Seattle	Dementia Friendly America and other initiatives are catalyzing and spearheading efforts to engage communities to increase dementia awareness, understanding and inclusiveness. Hear from four pioneering, engaging, speakers about their community efforts.
SESSION "Pioneering Dementia Friendliness: One Community at a Time – Part II"	Cyndy Luzinski, Dementia-Friendly Communities of Northern Colorado; Anthony Cirillo, The Aging Experience; Christine Alessandro, BayPath Elder Services	Communities can be defined by geography, population, and sectors among other ways. Discover exciting dementia friendly efforts underway in two different types of communities – geographic regions and the hospital sector.

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