

INTEGRATIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND GERIATRIC PROVIDER CARE

Alzheimer's disease is significantly increasing and geriatric patients comprise 30% or more of a providers' patient base. Provider care for geriatric patients demands innovative, interdisciplinary, and collaborative approaches. This course provides an understanding of the geriatric patient, communication techniques while providing innovative approaches to treatment planning, services, and sustainable patient care. Minimizing disease and providing a better overall provider/patient care experience as well as incorporating the caregiver in long-term planning is critical for sustainable geriatric care. Providers can not only create a valuable service for geriatric patients and their loved ones but also enhance their overall services, revenue, and presence in their community.

In our session, we will explore:

- Basic Alzheimer's overview and cognitive challenges
- Trauma-informed patient care
- Patient-centered communication techniques
- Understanding underlying comorbid conditions and integrative collaboration with other providers, pharmaceutical, and caregivers
- Modifying treatment procedures for less invasive and imposing care; how to incorporate the caregiver; minimizing behavioral upset
- Rural aging care – integration and training for caregivers
- Recognizing abuse or neglect and reporting
- ADL's / daily planning with caregivers
- Sustainable geriatric care with patient and caregiver

Format: Keynote or workshop intensive session. Also available as a half-day in-depth, interactive event.

This program is perfect for:

- Providers (medical, dental, audiology)
- Aging professionals and staff (insurance, hospital, LTCs)
- Emerging health care students
- Salaried / non-salaried caregivers

The audience will leave with: Session Objectives

- Describe the characteristics of the geriatric patient and behavioral health needs.
- Identify challenges specific to geriatric care, services, and procedures within a practice.
- List approaches for new communication tools, modifications to treatment.
- Identify sustainable geriatric patient care.