

Wandering and Exit-Seeking Behavior

Learning Objectives

After completing this course, learners will be able to:

- Identify the underlying reasons for wandering and exit-seeking behavior including elopement, with an emphasis on unmet need.
- Support and maintain mobility and choice, enabling the person living with dementia to move about safely and independently.
- Prevent unsafe wandering, exit-seeking and elopement.

Syllabus

10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease
Wandering
Precursors to Wandering
Exit-Seeking Behavior
Elopement
Benefits of Wandering
Who is at Risk for Wandering?
Wisconsin Dementia Care Guiding Principle #4
Creating a Safe Physical Environment
Toolkit for Building Dementia-Friendly Communities
Unsafe Wandering Risks, Hazards and Examples
Person-Centered Care Plans and Development
Behavior is Communication!
Meeting Needs to Prevent or Minimize Unsafe Wandering
Preparing/Responding to an Elopement
Examples and Short Story Scenarios

Also included are:

Printable Resources
Final Assessment
Course Evaluation
Certificate of Completion
CEU Application (optional)

For additional information, please contact dementiacare@uwosh.edu or visit the website at <http://www.uwosh.edu/dementia>