

We have exciting news! *Dementia Beyond Drugs* training returns to Oklahoma in early October. This time, though, a new set of Oklahoma nursing home employees have a chance to combine this training with additional education to take their learning deeper. "*Creating a Culture of Person-Directed Dementia Care*" will support the continued reduction of antipsychotic medications through person-directed care practices that redefine perceptions of and approaches to dementia care.

This 12-month grant project offers a limited number of participants the option to combine *Dementia Beyond Drugs* training with an online experience of the *Care Partner Workshop* (Dementia-Specific Focus). This interactive, team-based training engages family members, side-by-side with nursing home employees, in the exploration of care partnership, as a way to respond to the unmet needs of those who live with dementia. Participants completing this project track also gain on-demand access to Dr. Al Power's 6-part webinar series, "*Creating Well-Being for Those Who Live with Dementia.*"

A second project track gives participants the option to register for *Dementia Beyond Drugs* training alone. Either track is a great opportunity for nursing homes to get involved, if they missed their chance last spring, or send more team members to training at virtually no cost.

This is all possible through funds The Eden Alternative® has received from the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH). To receive fully-funded registration privileges, you must be an employee of a Medicare and/or Medicaid participating nursing home.

Space is limited for the two project tracks, so it's important to learn more and register now! <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs177/1101511475155/archive/1121905793493.html>

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