The third annual Trent Dementia Services Development Centre dementia care conference will this year take place in the impressive surroundings of Nottingham’s Albert Hall.

With the impending Dementia Strategy, the conference will this year explore the challenges and the opportunities in providing holistic, quality care for people with dementia and their families.

12th September 2008
Albert Hall, Nottingham.

Who should attend?
All health & social care professionals, housing, voluntary agencies, nursing and residential care, inspectors and commissioners of services…

Delegate fee £145.00
Voluntary Organisations £105.00

Thanks to funding from CSIP East Midlands we are able to offer a limited number of free places for voluntary organisations that are based in the East Midlands. These will be on a first come, first served basis.

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Workshops and poster presentations

Programme

09.00  Arrival and refreshments

09.30  Chair’s introduction:  Professor James Lindesay,  Head of Clinical Division of Psychiatry, University of Leicester

09.40  We care for people with dementia: Myth or reality?
        Dr Graham Stokes,  Senior Consultant Clinical Psychologist, South Staffordshire Healthcare NHS Trust and Head of Mental Health, BUPA Care Homes
        Nowadays the person-centred approach to dementia care is pervasive. Care plans are individualised and the needs of people with dementia are to the forefront of our thinking. However, are we in danger of embracing 'the emperors new clothes' or at best scratching the surface of who people are and what that means for dementia care? This presentation critically examines the relative contributions of the pathology-centred and person-centred models of dementia and warns against complacency in terms of what the latter is achieving, yet also reveals what is possible.

10.25  The National Dementia Care Strategy - what improvements in services and support for people with dementia and carers can we hope to see?
        Neil Hunt,  Chief Executive of the Alzheimer's Society
        As we move closer to the launch of the Action Plan in England, this will be a timely opportunity to review the proposals and the likely result of the consultation exercise. Although no final decisions will have been made, it will be increasingly obvious what innovations, resources and timescales we can expect. It will also be a chance for Neil Hunt to declare whether his initial optimism was justified.

11.00  Refreshments and exhibition viewing

11.40  Parallel sessions:

                   A civil rights approach to dementia
                   Steve Milton,  Innovations in Dementia

                   The answers lie in the shadows
                   Brenda Walker,  Freelance dementia care consultant/trainer

                   The Dementia Strategy: making your views heard
                   Marion Gee,  Older People’s Project Lead, CSIP East Midlands

                   Capturing the experiences of people with dementia in care homes - Dementia Care Mapping (DCM) and the Short Observational Framework for Inspection (SOFI)
                   Dr Claire Surr,  Bradford Dementia Group, University of Bradford

                   Creating change ‘out in the sticks’
                   Andrew Morris,  Service Development Lead, Challenge Team, Herefordshire Council
                   Gill Vickers,  Head of Transformation, Adult Social Care, Herefordshire Council

                   Re-teaching people with dementia internet and computer skills
                   Nada Savitch,  Innovations in Dementia

                   Enhancing the Healing Environment in Dementia Care: working with teams to develop quality care environments.
                   Deborah Thompson,  Modern Matron, MHSOP, North Nottinghamshire, Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust
                   Sharon Squires,  Modern Matron, MHSOP, Nottingham, Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust

12.40  Lunch and exhibition viewing

13.30  Why is good quality inpatient and residential care so difficult to achieve?
        Paul Whitty,  Clinical Psychologist working with older people
        There is a chronic problem with the quality of care in some residential units, varying from poor care to, rarely, frank abuse. This has persisted over recent decades despite the move from huge institutions to smaller care homes and wards. The problem will be approached from an organizational and a social psychological perspective with suggestions made for change at these levels. This approach differs from a more usual approach that tends to focus upon individual staff performance and which mostly recommends training and guidelines.

14.15  The My Home Life Programme: Celebrating practice, driving quality forward.
        Tom Owen,  Director, My Home Life Programme Help the Aged & City University
        This presentation will describe a high profile programme of work which is being led by the care home sector in partnership with Help the Aged and City University. The programme aims to promote quality of life in care homes by supporting the sector to realise an evidence-based vision for care home practice.

15.00  Refreshments and exhibition viewing

15.20  Parallel sessions:  (Morning sessions repeated)

16.20  End
Parallel Sessions (selected on the day)

**Morning**

**A Civil Rights Approach to Dementia**
In the 1980’s people with physical and learning disabilities became more organised and outspoken in their demands to be treated as full citizens. The intervening years have seen a sea-change in the way people with disabilities are viewed and treated, and we have legislation in place to support their rights. Have people with dementia been left out of this new perspective? What does a civil-rights approach to dementia have to offer? This session will explore these issues, and consider what opportunities the Disability Discrimination Act might already offer to people with dementia and their allies.

**The Answers Lie in the Shadows**
Have you ever pondered on the strange and intriguing solutions found to situations involving people with dementia which initially appear daunting and intractable? So often the answers to difficulties lie in the oddest of places found only by a select band of intuitive staff. If you have similarly pondered on these issues come and join us in exploring them further and sharing ideas on how we might create the fertile ground necessary for inspired solutions.

**The Dementia Strategy: Making Your Views Heard**
The workshop will outline key messages from the draft dementia strategy and provide you with an opportunity to share your views if you have not already done so.

**Capturing the Experiences of People with Dementia in Care Homes - Dementia Care Mapping (DCM) and the Short Observational Framework for Inspection (SOFI)**
This session will discuss the SOFI tool and what it captures in terms of the experiences of people with dementia in care homes as part of the CSCI inspection process. It will also outline the DCM tool and examine how care providers can use this to monitor and improve how people with dementia living in their care homes experience the care they receive.

**Creating Change “Out in the Sticks”**
This workshop will explore the challenges of creating innovative new approaches to dementia care in rural localities. It will provide a demonstration of how an under-performing local authority has attempted to introduce a radical change to practice. It will show the integration of Assistive Technology within the establishment of 24-hour specialist Intermediate Care services.

**Re-teaching People with Dementia Internet and Computer Skills**
Discussion of a NESTA-funded project run jointly by Dementia Voice/Housing 21 and Innovations in Dementia CIC that investigates how care staff can be best supported and inspired to help people with dementia use computers in day care settings. The project focuses on using everyday computer applications such as Internet Explorer, Word and PowerPoint to offer people with dementia the opportunity to express themselves, learn a new skill or rediscover a hobby or interest.

**Enhancing the Healing Environment in Dementia Care: Working with Teams to Develop Quality Care Environments.**
This session focuses on how the successful completion of the Kings Fund Enhancing the Healing Environment project has led to 2008 being the ‘Year of Enhancing the Healing Environment in Dementia Care’ for Nottinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust.

**Afternoon**

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Getting there and special Needs:
The Albert Hall is located in Nottingham city centre, North Circus Street, off Derby Road, Nottingham, NG1 5AA. Directions at: www.alberthallnottingham.co.uk

There is no parking at the Albert Hall, however there are several NCP car parks in close proximity. The railway station is a 10-15 min walk (5 min by taxi) and Nottingham operates park and ride schemes with bus or tram links to the city centre close to the venue.

Diet:
Please indicate any special dietary requirements

Access:
Please indicate any special needs you have around physical access/hearing etc

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