

ELOPEMENT WEBINAR

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Elopement: All who wander are ~~not~~ lost

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Elopement remains a prevalent challenge in senior living and care environments, particularly among residents with dementia. However, it's important to recognize that it can affect others, especially those with undiagnosed Alzheimer's or dementia. Wandering leading to elopement presents significant safety risks, potentially resulting in severe injury or even death. Effective strategies such as evaluation, anticipation, resident-centered plans, operational protocols, and swift response are essential for ensuring residents' safety.

The issue of elopement has attracted widespread attention from concerned family members, as well as state and national leaders. In December 2023, the Washington Post initiated a series of articles focusing on assisted living and memory care, spotlighting the challenges of wandering and elopement. Sadly, in December 2023, a resident of an Oregon Memory Care facility eloped and tragically passed away.

This session aims to provide insight into the complexities of elopement and discuss best practices for achieving better outcomes. Providers shoulder the responsibility of identifying residents at risk of wandering and implementing preventive measures to deter elopement. It is imperative to learn and comprehend how to effectively manage these situations to ensure the safety and well-being of residents.

Learning Objectives

- Just how significant is the problem?
- Differentiating between pacing, wandering and elopement
- What is reportable?
- Evaluating a person's propensity to wandering and elopement
- Underlying causes and triggers
- Resident-Centered plans to prevent
- Operational best practices

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Who Should Attend

Administrators, Department Heads and other staff who may encounter wandering situations. Appropriate for all provider types, including nursing home, assisted living/residential care, and independent living. Elopement and wandering awareness are important for all areas - from grounds and maintenance to care areas and dining, everyone needs to be vigilant.

Faculty

Debbie Rayburn, RN, BSHCA, LNHA has spent over the past 3 decades in Senior Care, serving both in for profit and not-for-profit settings. Early in her nursing career she stumbled upon LTC "quite by accident" and fell in love with the rewarding work of serving seniors. She has worked directly in facilities as Director of Nursing, Healthcare Administrator and many other roles. Long before CMS required QAPI Debbie became a student of continuous quality improvement methods – with a firm belief that anything can be improved by understanding systems and applying the methods leading to sustained improvement in care and life for residents. Debbie has been in the role of VP of Operations for two prominent for-profit senior care companies in Oregon. For the past 18 years she was the Chief Healthcare Officer at Pacific Retirement Services overseeing healthcare in CCRCs in 7 states. She has been an adjunct professor at Southern Oregon University, authored memory care programs, written and taught C.N.A. certification programs and has fought to highlight the unique and honored role of nurses who have chosen Gerontological nursing as their specialty. Desiring to continue the pursuit of excellence in long term care she now provides consultative services to senior care settings and organizations.

What's Included

Registration fee includes digital handout, one connection to the live webinar and instructions for receiving CE credit/attendance certificate for one person.

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