

Recommendation #8: Dementia Training

Expand Nevada's dementia care training requirement for all long-term services and supports providers, including residential and community-based provider organizations and staff, to ensure that all direct care staff providing care and support to people living with dementia have the information needed to provide *effective* person-directed and relationship-centered care. Mandate and enforce the identification, adoption and implementation of established, evidence-based and evidence-informed, person- and relationship-centered dementia care training recommendations and training programs, including but not limited to: the Nevada Department of Veterans Services' (NDVS) *Bravo Zulu: Achieving Excellence in Relationship-Centered Dementia Care* program, the Alzheimer's Association's *Dementia Care Practice Recommendations*, Dementia Action Alliance/Eden Alternative's *Raising the Bar* practice guide, and others as appropriate.

Such training programs should be made available to all residential long-term care and community-based aging services organizations through leveraging key partners to implement and evaluate in-person and/or online trainings. Evaluation efforts should include assessment of core competencies.

Indicators:

- 1) High-quality, comprehensive dementia training programs are identified or developed, and made available to all residential and community-based aging services statewide.
- 2) The identified or developed programs are encouraged by key partners.
- 3) The identified or developed programs are adopted and implemented by an increasing number of residential and community-based aging services over the plan's two-year period.

Potential Funding:

- Grants, gifts and donations
- Specific sources may include:
 - o State appropriation and/or state grants for dementia training
 - o Civil monetary penalty funds