



Paradigm Busters

A Webinar Series

Redefining "Activities" Culture and the Role of the Activity Professional

Tuesday, September 18, 2012 3-4:30 pm ET

A powerful way to transform the institutional model of care, as we know it, is to re-frame how we experience the concept of "activities." Since relationships are at the core of person-directed care and practices, re-thinking how we engage with each other day to day is an important part of putting relationships first. By building daily life solely around the natural rhythms of the individuals involved, we say, "You matter, just the way you are.

You are an important part of our daily life together. You are valued." Re-evaluating each professional role, including the role of the activity professional, is central to this process in long-term care communities and involves a commitment to creating an environment that is entirely flexible and responsive to the desires, interests, and needs of the people who live there. Join us and explore how empowered care partner teams work together to create a rhythm of daily life where Elders lead the way. While this webinar offers specific tools for long-term care communities, the concepts woven throughout are relevant to the entire continuum of care.

Objectives:

- 1) Name 2 ways that the role of the activities professional may shift when implementing person-directed care.
- 2) List 2 examples of shifting from an activities focus to one centered around the natural rhythm of daily life.
- 3) Identify 2 ways that an individualized approach to activities planning meets regulatory expectations.

Guest Panelists:

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