ABOUT THE CARE TEAM NETWORK

The mission of the Care Team Network (CTN) is to be a training and resource center for the development of volunteer Care Teams for persons with health concerns or other special needs.

Leadership Training Conferences are offered throughout the United States to teach persons how to begin and sustain Care Teams.

The Care Team Network is sponsored by The 1917 Clinic at The University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB), a respected HIV/AIDS research and treatment center. The program has expanded now to include Care Teams for any need.

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Serving As An Advocate
For Alabama’s Seniors Since 1957
A Care Team is a group of volunteers working together to provide practical, emotional, and spiritual support to individuals and families with health concerns or other special needs.

This conference will focus on how to develop Care Teams for persons with Alzheimer’s disease and their caregivers, dementia, and any other special needs. Participants are welcome to use Care Teams to meet any need.

Care Teams have been developed for the elderly, persons with Alzheimer’s disease, cancer, heart disease/stroke, HIV/AIDS, Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson’s disease, children with special needs, persons with disabilities, and dozens of other life situations.

A team approach is a practical way for individuals to work together to share the care that will make a difference in the lives of others.

WHAT DOES A CARE TEAM DO?

A team’s activities may include transportation to the doctor or grocery store, household or yard chores.

Some people enjoy running errands, preparing meals, or providing social outings. Others prefer to visit, make phone calls, or provide a break for caregivers.

Team members simply do what they enjoy doing for others, when they are able, in an organized way with a built-in support system.

CONFERENCE CONTENT

Wed., June 25, 2003 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Fundamentals of Care Team Development

Provides an overview of the key components to the successful development of Care Teams. During the day we will learn how to:

- Identify the needs of someone to determine if a Care Team is wanted and needed;
- Introduce the Team Approach to others so that they understand how a team is different from the traditional one-one-one way of caring;
- Train a Care Team in your congregation, organization, or start a team for someone you know in your community;
- Connect a Care Team with a Care Team Friend (recipient of care) and clarify expectations of everyone involved; and
- Equip the team with on-going support to keep it healthy and growing.

Thurs., June 26, 2003 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
Applications of Care Team Development

Provides experiential training for participants from the previous day and helps apply the model to each person’s unique setting.

Participants will:

- Explore strengths and challenges of developing teams in their setting;
- Learn how to integrate Care Teams with existing ministries or programs;
- Practice introducing the Team Approach to others and training Care Team Members;
- Learn how to develop a Leadership Team to help participants have the local support they need following the conference.

CONFERENCE DETAILS

AUDIENCE

Anyone who wants to be involved in starting Care Teams for persons where they worship, work, or live are invited.

This is a “train-the-trainer” conference that equips participants to return to any setting and develop Care Teams for seniors, persons with disabilities, or any special needs.

DATE AND TIME

This two-day conference will be on Wednesday and Thursday, June 11-12, 2003, from 9:00-5:00 p.m. both days. Check-in is at 8:30 a.m. The conference starts and ends on time.

LOCATION

Dauphin Way United Methodist Church, 1507 Dauphin ST (corner of Dauphin and Catherine), Mobile, AL 36604. 251-471-1511.

COST

There is no charge (normally $150 per person) for Alabama residents thanks to a grant from the Alabama Department of Senior Services.

Refreshments, lunch, handouts and a 200 page manual are also provided.

Pre-registration is required for everyone. Please see the back panel of this brochure for more registration information.