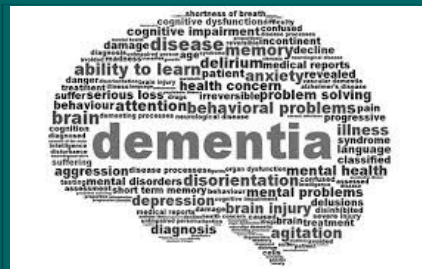


# Brain Updates: Aging and Dementia



## DESCRIPTION

As the population continues to age and live longer, brain research focuses on brain changes and dementia. Healthcare workers today are often first responders in assessing physical and mental symptoms of aging. Knowledge of normal versus abnormal symptoms is helpful in getting clients and their family members the best resources available. This webinar will address the following: the normal aging brain, dementia risk factors, assessment tools, Alzheimer's disease and dementia: factors that contribute to each, early signs of mild cognitive impairment and dementia, Alzheimer management and steps to facilitate safety.

## OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this program, the participant should be able to:

1. Identify dementia risk factors.
2. Explain mild cognitive impairment.
3. Discuss methods of managing Alzheimer's Disease.
4. Review normal versus abnormal aging factors.
5. Know safety measures to assist families.

## TARGET AUDIENCE

Counselors & Therapists, Long Term Care Administrators, Nurses, Social Workers, and any other interested healthcare professionals

## FEE (Payments are required at time of registration.)

Consortium Members: \$25

Non-Consortium Members: \$50

## Unable to attend?

A refund will be given if notification of cancellation is received within 48 hours of the program. If AHEC must cancel the program, a refund will be issued.

## INSTRUCTOR

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Cookie holds a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Social Work from SUNY at Buffalo, New York. She has worked as a therapist with numerous populations to include: the mentally ill; active duty service members and their families; veterans and their families; adolescents and children; and families. She served as a supervisor and an agency director while working for the Department of Defense. She is the owner of Consulting Solutions & Associates, a consulting and training firm focusing on work place issues. As a trainer and consultant, she has worked for approximately 20 years developing and presenting curriculum and assisting organizations in employee development. She has taught numerous courses for the University of South Carolina, College of Social Work.

**Tuesday,  
October 17, 2023**

**9:00 am - 12:15 pm  
Webinar via WebEx**



## CREDIT

**AHEC:** This program is approved for 0.3CEU's (3.0 clock hours) by Pee Dee AHEC and meets SC AHEC Best Practice standards. Participants must attend 90% of the program and complete an evaluation in order to receive a certificate of attendance. No partial credit will be given.

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