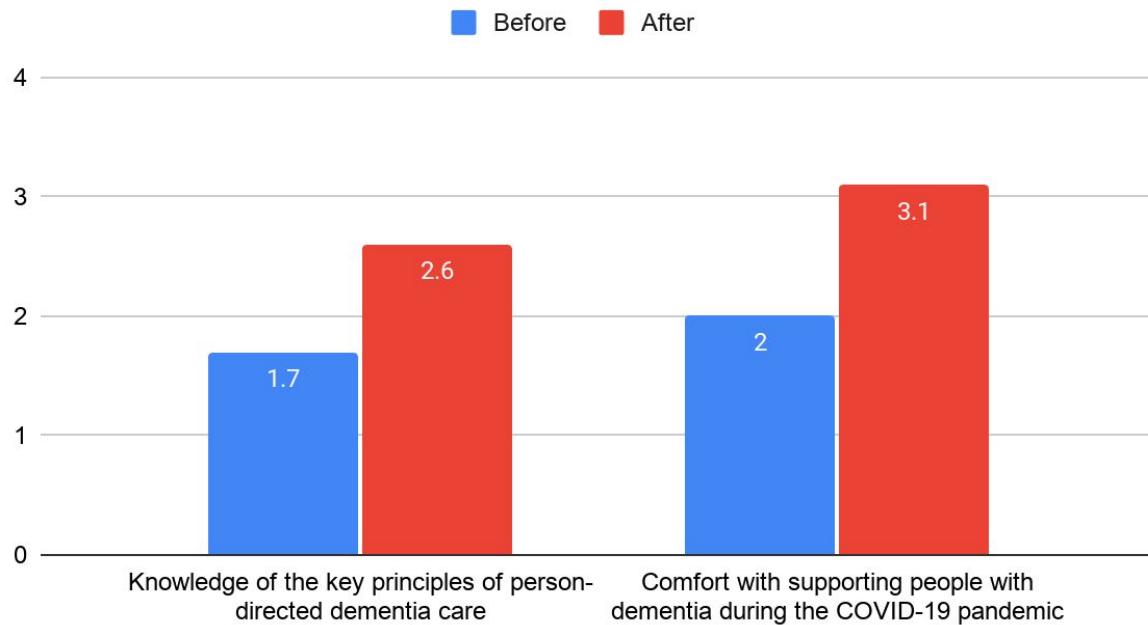


Dementia Reconsidered Evaluation Results - November 18, 2020

Summary of Dementia Reconsidered Post Survey

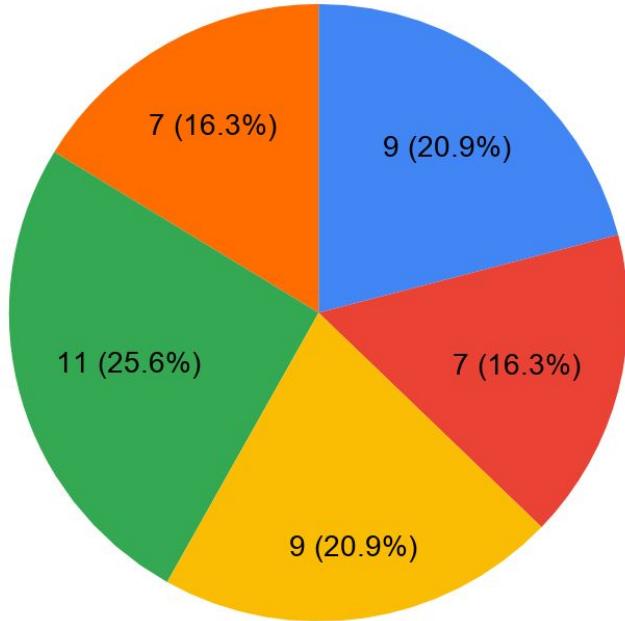
- The AgingME GWEP Dementia Reconsidered training held on November 18th, 2020 provided information on best practices for dementia care
- 25 survey respondents answered questions about their knowledge before and after attending the training, as well as providing overall ratings and comments about the session
- Attendees were asked to rate their knowledge in dementia care principles and comfort in supporting people with dementia on a scale from “none (0)” to “very good (4)”; both outcomes showed an improvement.
- 100% of respondents selected that the training was a good use of time and they would recommend it to others.
- Open-ended responses indicated that attendees found the speaker knowledgeable, thought the training was very informative, and enjoyed the format and content of the training.
- Suggestions for future trainings included quality of life, grief and loss, and social and emotional support.

Knowledge Before and After Training (N=25)



How do you plan to use this training? (N=25)

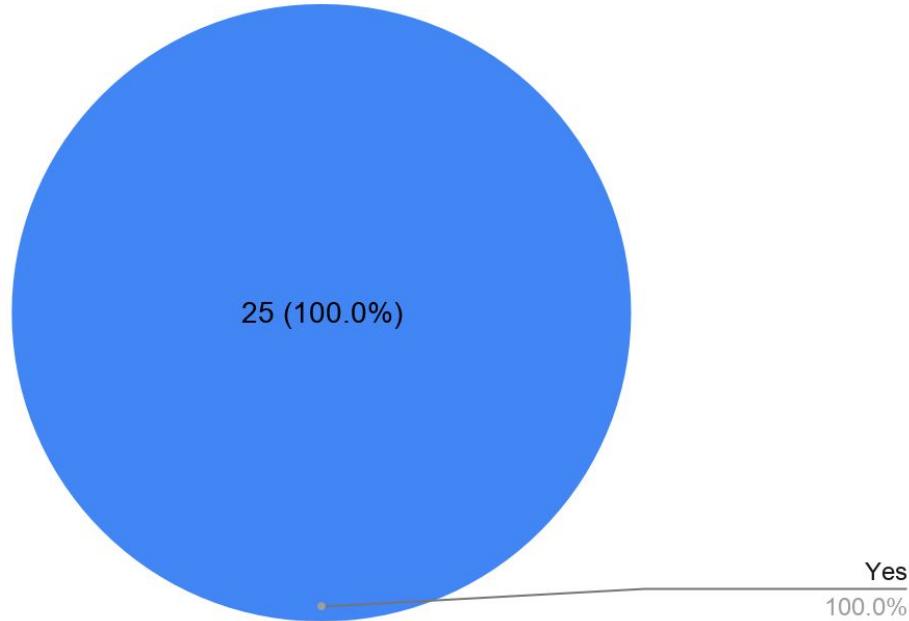
- To meet state requirements for dementia training
- Just for my personal/professional growth
- To do a better job as a professional care giver
- To do a better job as a family/friend care partner
- Other



Other:

- In consultation with caregiving employers
- Agency RBA Requirement
- As a case manager
- Possible staff and community partner education
- Help support caregivers in the community

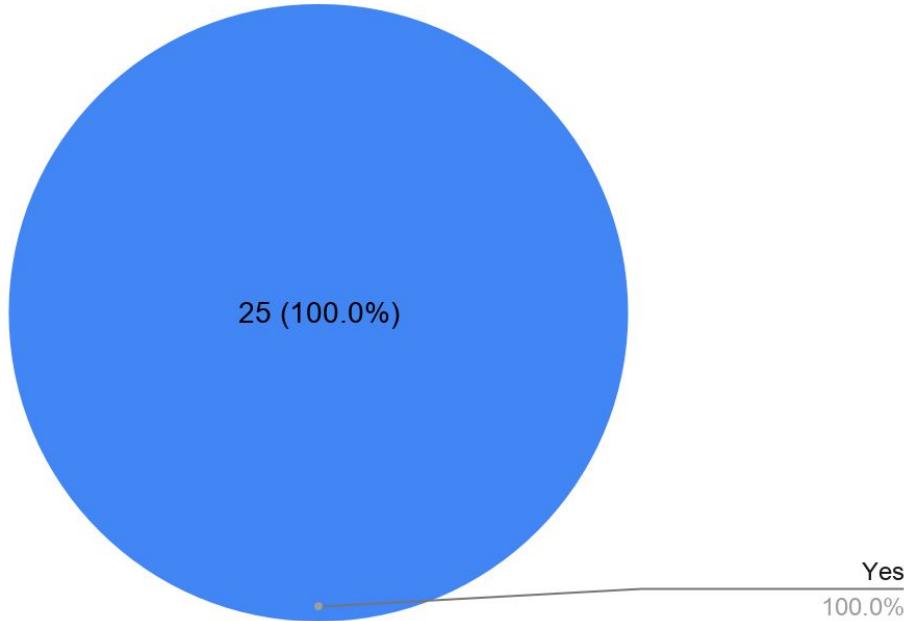
Would you recommend this training to a colleague? (N=25)



If you answered yes, why?

- Very good and knowledgeable speaker. Interesting topic.
- Believe that it is good knowledge to have and practice.
- It was very informative and information that is useful and practical for using with clients and caregivers
- The presenter was awesome at delivering the information! She kept everyone engaged and delivered the information in a way that anyone could understand it!
- It was very informative and helped to pivot the way I think about the word dementia.
- Because it gave some helpful insights or reminders of helpful info
- The information was expertly and holistically provided. Just the right amount of detail. Left me wanting to take an entire semester of continuing education with Dr. Whrey (sp)
- Susan was very calm and thorough. A ray of light during a tough topic.
- Reminder of Perspective... You can only change how you respond. Knowledge, Applying and Practice how to respond versus react takes time, Forgive yourself and keep moving toward Response, not your reaction.
- There's always more to learn about supporting people with dementia and this was an excellent example of person-directed care.
- Points presented bolster the layperson info garnered from news reports and circulated knowledge

Was the training a good use of your time? (N=25)



If you answered yes to the previous question, what worked for you? If not, what could be improved?

- It was a short two hour length and was engaging and interesting.
- The way the training was organized worked well, Dr. Wehry's way of presenting worked well. I was especially appreciative of the distinction she made between agitation (inside directed) and aggression (outside directed).
- All of the information was very helpful
- Morning schedule
- Virtual modality
- The trainer was very knowledgeable and practical in her application of the theories presented.
- I came away from the training with a better understanding from the consumer/client perspective. Coming from the financial realm and not formally trained on the social service side, I often forget and remove the personal side of things. This was a good reminder that just because the client has a diagnosis, they still have a choice in their needs, wants and goals, even if we do not agree with them.
- I thought it was very easy to follow.
- I learned more about working with people who are living with Dementia
- The meaning behind the behavior of people with dementia was very interesting
- I liked the information that was being presented and the way that the presentation was organized.
- Well-organized and gave some good examples.
- Zoom, slides

- She allowed us to learn from her and each other. I feel people learn better when they can apply the information to their professional or personal lives.
- Again, just very informative.
- It was well thought out to keep us engaged and focused.
- Content, delivery, interaction via Zoom-all excellent
- Liked the mixture of break out rooms, videos, and polling.
- Again, this training shined the light on Response versus Reaction to the behavior of a person with Dementia. In Heather McKay's words, "We, the Caregiver, are the ones with the big juicy brain", so we can do better. A tad more focus on self care but loved the analogy of putting the oxygen mask on ourselves first so we can help.
- I learned a lot about person-directed care and different kinds of dementia.
- Given in chunks with pauses to reflect and ask questions helped. Using a combo of medical and common lingo bolstered confidence.

What other aging-related trainings would you be interested in?

- How to give clients a voice when dealing with paid or unpaid caregivers.
- Supporting clients and family with isolation - not being able to see loved ones in the nursing Home or hospital due to pandemic.
- Dealing with loss and grief when a loved one dies, not being with them, no funerals, no closure.
- More, more, more on dementia training, geriatric issues, end-of-life planning and care
- How to transition from working full time to retirement socially/emotionally.
- Education for the general public or for the professional to guide the public into Quality of Life versus Quantity of Life. This culture is still focused on Quantity of Life which is debilitating families and social systems emotionally, physically and financially. As an example, out of guilt or the false hope the family will choose treating aspiration pneumonia in the hospital in the hopes the person with end stage dementia will get better, not just physically hanging on until the next aspiration, but "get better" like dementia will improve....
- As a retired vision services professional, many folks with vision-reducing issues are not directed to professionals who can offer training services to help individuals (and their companions) to better cope with limitations. Technology and orientation and mobility services can greatly improve quality of life for those experiencing vision loss.