

P9 - A PRAGMATIC ALTERNATIVE IN MANAGING RESPONSIVE BEHAVIORS WITHIN THE LONG TERM CARE SECTOR

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Brief Description of Research or Project: According to the 2013 'Quality and Risk Summary Report,' the Quality Indicator of 'behavioral symptoms affecting others' was noted as- on average 15% above the benchmark of 26%. The study aimed at decreasing this percentage- thereby improving the quality of life for individuals exhibiting behaviors, as well as the quality of life of individuals on the receiving end of these disruptive behaviors. In reviewing this study, the reader will ascertain methods in which the facility utilized scores contributing to the significant decline in 'responsive behaviors.'

Why is this research important to profile at the Research Day 2014? We believe it important to profile a poster on responsive behaviours as the number of behaviours' is growing on CCAC applications into Long Term Care. This in turn is making this subject very much a necessary part of person centred care. Not only for the care of the client but also for the staff and families learning to manage and cope with the increased and more complex care requirements. The results obtained from this study demonstrate a significant drop in responsive behaviors contributing to improvement in the quality of life for individual's exhibiting behaviors, as well as the quality of life of individuals involved with these disruptive behaviors.