BHSD Learning Partnership Presents:

Age-Related Cognitive Changes and Dementia: Overview and Treatment Implications



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DESCRIPTION:

Many older adults experience age-related cognitive changes in the domains of short-term memory, attention, sensation and perception, and language, among others. Clinicians and clients can often mistake these age-related changes for dementia. Additionally, clinicians may be unaware of how to modify treatment for older adults with dementia. This training will review common age-related cognitive changes, different types of dementia, and how to distinguish between the two. Treatment modifications for psychotherapy with older adults with dementia will be discussed, as well as evidence-based treatments for older adults at various stages of dementia. Caregiver support interventions will also be reviewed.

MEASURABLE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Explain three age-related cognitive changes that older adults experience.
- Identify two ways in which age-related cognitive changes are different than dementia.
- Identify the different types of dementia.
- Describe one treatment modification that can be used for an older adult with early dementia.
- Apply one evidence-based treatment to a case scenario of an older adult with dementia.

Target Audience:

County of Santa Clara's Behavioral Health Services and Contract Provider Staff

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