

DEMENTIA CARE WORKSHOP

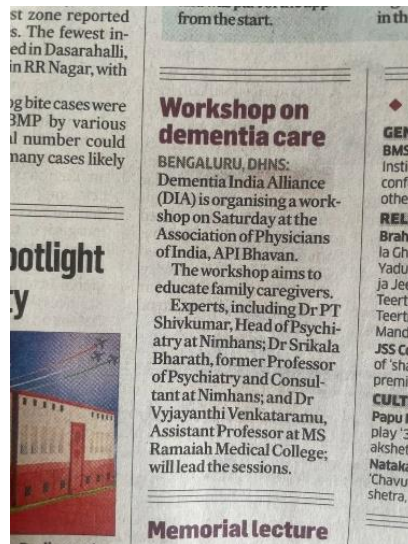
16TH Dec, BANGALORE

Dementia India Alliance organized a workshop in Bangalore on the 16th December'23, sponsored by the Indian oil corporation and in association with NIMHANS, NMT and Apollo hospitals. The workshop titled “Caring for dementia across the spectrum – effective management strategies for different stages” aimed to promote a better and deeper understanding of dementia in its various stages and share effective management strategies to family caregivers and service providers in and during hospitalization. Alongside raise awareness about Dementia India Alliance (DIA) its services as well as promoting membership, while also exploring the service expectations of these segments from DIA in various cities.


Out of the 118 attendees 45% of them were family caregivers, and remaining 55% included students, healthcare professionals, service providers, and people who were interested to work for the cause. Expert clinicians from the field of dementia care conducted session on ‘Caring for dementia across the spectrum – effective management strategies for different stages’. Dr. P. T. Shivkumar, Head of Geriatric Psychiatry at NIMHANS spoke about managing person with dementia during hospitalization, Dr. Srikala Bharath, former Professor of Psychiatry, Consultant at NIMHANS highlighted on management strategies for mild to moderate stages of dementia and; and Dr. Vyjayanthi Venkataramu, Assistant Professor at MS Ramaiah Medical College, guided participants through management strategies during severe stages of dementia.

Three 20-minute sessions were conducted, each followed by a Q&A session with experts and an opportunity for family caregivers to share their experiences. Dr. Radha S Murthy (President & Founding Member, DIA), Wg Cdr D P Sabharwal (Treasurer & Founding Member, DIA), and Mr. S Premkumar Raja (Founding Member, DIA) participated in the workshop. Mr. S Premkumar Raja provided an overview of DIA, its services, and objectives, emphasizing support through membership. Wg Cdr D P Sabharwal and Mr. S Premkumar Raja briefed student participants on DemChamps that truly interested the students in the cause. Mr. Wg Cdr D P Sabharwal Conveyed a heartfelt and warm vote of thanks that resonated deeply with the audience. This workshop was a true success as the audience were deeply educated in the cause while caregivers interacted among themselves discussing the similar hardships. Students were exposed to the harsh reality of this silent epidemic resulting in them showing immense interest in DemChamps and volunteering opportunities.







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Feedback Form

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Did you find the program useful?
A very first experience and was quite interesting to learn

What kind of support you look forward from an organisation like Dementia India Alliance

Suggestions:

- Spreading awareness at early age in schools to children, orphanage, making it for the low strata of the society*
- More visual aids can be used to teach*
- Enabling care givers to share their personal experiences which can be care specific*
- Engaging & activities in the session in between*

