
Dementia Training Australia Guest Lecture

‘Optimising Social Health of Older Persons Living with Dementia’

- Presented by:** Professor Yun-Hee Jeon
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- Date:** Thursday 10 November 2016
- Time** 5:00pm to 6:30pm (Registration from 4:30pm)
- Venue:** The Auditorium, Nambour General Hospital, Hospital Road,
Nambour, QLD, 4650 – via Video-conference
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Cost: No cost, however registering to attend the event is essential. Please contact the video-conference coordinator for further information.

Overview of Key Content: Living with a chronic condition or a dementia does not reduce the person’s essential needs to those that relate to their illness experience. Psychological, functional, and social impairments caused by dementia, for example, may limit the person’s everyday living and experiences, but s/he still retains the capacity to enjoy a meaningful life. The notion of ‘social health’ is critical in understanding the person’s experience with dementia as it values each individual’s particular capabilities and the importance to them of being able to maximise their potential for fulfilment through achieving a balance between opportunities and limitations (Huber et al. 2011; Vernooij-Dassen & Jeon 2016). Based on her previous and current research on dementia care, Professor Jeon will discuss key contributions that person centred and reablement approaches to care make to optimising social health of people living with dementia and family caregivers, as well as challenges associated with the implementation of these care approaches.

About the Presenter: Professor Yun-Hee Jeon is a registered nurse, academic and leading researcher in psychogeriatrics and gerontology. Her research focuses on developing innovative and creative approaches to improving the health and wellbeing of older people with dementia, depression or other chronic illnesses. Professor Jeon led the first cluster RCT on the effectiveness of clinical leadership in aged care and played a key role in the CADRE study, examining the efficacy of person-centred care models in dementia. Currently, in addition to her co-investigator role in various dementia care research studies, she leads a number of projects concerning end of life care of persons with dementia, measuring quality in care homes in Australia and in some of the Asian-pacific countries, building clinical leadership in aged care, and reablement and person-centred care for older persons with dementia.

Registration: To register and obtain full venue details, please contact:
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