DEMENTIA CAREGIVER RESOURCES, INC.

THE DEMENTIA DETAILS DISPATCH AUGUST 2021

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SUPPORT GROUPS are going

to be starting back up in September (hopefully)it all depends on all of the new Covid (Delta variant) outbreaks.

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LONG-HAULERS and COVID 19

People with long-haul COVID-19 continue to recover from their illness. Neurocognitive symptoms may persist or even worsen over time, as reported in new findings from researchers at DePaul University. The symptoms hanging on most for COVID-19 long-haulers are sometimes referred to as 'brain fog.' People have trouble problem solving, or they get in the car and forget where they're supposed to be going. At the six-month mark, COVID-19 long-haulers report worse neurocognitive symptoms than at the outset of their illness, including trouble forming words, difficulty focusing and absent-mindedness.

The most severe symptom for COVID-19 long-haulers was post-exertional malaise, which includes feeling physically and mentally drained or heavy.

https://www.newswise.com/coronavirus/brainfog-persists-among-covid-19-long-haulers



Even though our main office is in Pinellas County, we help people all over the State of Florida qualify for Medicaid benefits and routinely use video and phone conferencing in place of face-to-face meetings.

100% Medicaid approval is our goal!

Complimentary – no obligation professional consultation

To see the 2021 Medicaid Fact Sheet:

<u>Downloadable Medicaid Fact Sheet – click</u> <u>here</u>

To make an appointment for a free consult, call: (727)**539-0181**

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Visit: http://www.virtuallawoffice.com/



It may surprise you to know that Dementia is NOT a disease. Rather, it's a collection of symptoms. Those symptoms can go beyond memory loss and include problems with language, communication, focus and reasoning.

MoreThanMemoryLoss.com was developed following extensive caregiver research and input from advocacy organizations. The site offers educational and actionable resources for visitors, including a doctor discussion guide, a dementia-related hallucinations and delusions fact sheet and an adapted personal story from a caregiver coping with a loved one's experience of these symptoms. This website may offer you more information and resources:

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There are many **RESOURCES** in the community, the county, throughout the state and often federal level assistance. Sometimes we must search for these resources and hidden benefits, but in the long-haul it may be totally worth the effort. These are some ideas to get you started.

- Pasco-Pinellas Area Agency on Aging Is offering a "Savvy Caregiver" Course; for more information, contact: (727)570-9696 ext. 154
- VETERAN SPOUSE SURVIVORS may be entitled to a type of VA benefit called Dependency and Indemnity Compensation. Always check with your county veterans' service office.
- 3. The Wounded Warriors Abilities Ranch (WWAR) (Pinellas Park) has been built to inspire veterans of all conflicts to get OUT and ACTIVE. They offer activities for all Military Veterans in need of a supportive and healing environment, to give a new sense of hope, resilience, and strength as they move forward in their journey. https://woundedwarriorsabilitiesranch.
- HELPING HANDS HOMES Helping seniors transition out of their homes with dignity and save time, money & stress! We buy older, dated homes AS-IS, quick cash offers, no commissions/ fees. FREE Home Assessment – CALL Tracy at: (727)592-8899
- 5. **GOOD RX** Discounts on prescription drugs just ask the pharmacist
- National Institutes on Health FREE Publications, in English & Spanish visit: https://order.nia.nih.gov/

- 7. Who is eligible to receive a special phone through the **FTRI program** (Florida Telecommunications Relay, Inc.)? Permanent residents of the State of Florida who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf/blind, and/or speech impaired. Call: 1-800-222-3448 https://www.ftri.org/products
- 8. Florida Highway Patrol --Do you have a family member or friend whose medical condition may make them an unsafe driver? As a concerned citizen, you may see behaviors and symptoms of medical conditions that may indicate someone is unsafe to drive. Visit this website for more information on Florida medical conditions and driving:

 https://www.flhsmv.gov/driver-

https://www.flhsmv.gov/driverlicenses-id-cards/floridagranddriver/medical-reporting-medicalreview-process/





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② Your donations make all the difference WE <u>ALWAYS</u> NEED USED INK CARTRIDGES

A <u>BIG THANK YOU</u> to Jim Bowman and St. Mark Village Residents for collecting these for the past ten years!

