# DEMENTIA CAREGIVER RESOURCES, INC.

#### THE DEMENTIA DETAILS DISPATCH JUNE 2020

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## **SUPPORT GROUPS – CANCELLED for JUNE**



We hope to resume groups at some time this year — we miss all of you and hope you are doing OK. These are some very hard days. The future in long-term care communities and what it will look like is so hard to grasp. Please reach out to a home health agency and to your doctors for assistance in finding some resources that may be paid for by insurance, or private pay, or VA.



**FUSION HEALTH CARE** is offering a new program called: **JUST BREATHE** – Respiratory Support Program

The conditions that are supported by this new program include: COPD, Stroke, Congestive Heart Failure, Parkinson's, Muscular Dystrophy, Ventilator/Trach Weaning, Hypertension, and Viral Infections like COVID-19. There are clear health benefits from this special program. Contact Angel Dougherty (727)776-1180 or angelad@fusioncare.net

Sean W. Scott

We are taking proactive steps to make sure our clients and staff - stay safe and healthy, including instituting a Covid-19 mitigation plan for our office and staff since March 4, 2020. We will continue to be open to serve the needs of our clients and are meeting with clients on a one-to-one basis. We have put in place telephonic and video conference options for clients wishing to substitute face to face meetings. We are providing Medicaid planning and application services without the need for in office visits. To make an appointment for a free consult, Call: (727)539-0181

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

A new form is popping up for financial dealings which is entitled:

#### **DESIGNATE A TRUSTED CONTACT PERSON**

These may be sent in the mail to you and they are asking that you designate someone you trust to act as a resource if the company loses contact with you or they believe you and/or your assets are at risk. *Examples include*: 1.Preventing your account from being turned over to the state as abandoned property. 2. You are possibly being financially exploited. 3. You may be affected by a cognitive deficiency, advanced age, illness, and /or your decision making abilities are diminished.



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During the COVID-19 pandemic, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and physician assistants can now provide home health services, without the certification of a physician.

If you are caring for a Veteran, the VA Caregiver Support Program offers training, educational resources, and a variety of tools to help you succeed.

Call **1-855–260–3274**, 8 a.m.–8 p.m. ET, Monday–Friday for advice on being a caregiver.

# You know you are a caregiver if you assist a person who needs help with:

- Making medical appointments or getting to the doctor
- Drive to the pharmacy to pick up their prescriptions.
- Assist with dressing, grooming, bathing, showering, toileting, and/ or taking medications
- Getting in and out of bed or chair
- Assistance with eating, feeding tubes or similar procedures at home
- Talk with doctors, nurses, social workers, and others to help the person to better understand about their medical care needs or benefits

## Medicare does NOT pay for:

24-hour-a-day care at home
Meals delivered to your home
Homemaker services (like shopping,
cleaning, and laundry), when this is the only
care you need
Custodial or personal care (like bathing,
dressing, or using the bathroom), when this
is the only care you need



We start by listening to your unique needs. Then we'll customize a plan of care with our trained caregivers who understand your personal needs and lifestyle.

- Companionship
- · Light Housekeeping
- · Memory Care
- · Laundry & Linens
- Medication Reminders
- Transportation
- · Shopping & Errands
- Meal Preparation

Call us: (727) 262-1212 www.touchinghearts.com/swpinellas

Donations are so appreciated In Honor or Memory of a Loved One
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