

Certified Group Course- **Starting June 2015!**

Mid-level Validation Training:

-Twin Cities Metro Course (6 class dates total- Must attend all dates)

Prerequisites:

-Level 1 Certification

-The ability, logistics and intentions to start and run a weekly group for 26 weeks over an 8 month course.

-The ability to give and receive feedback from the course leader and other participants.

-Computer knowledge and access; Ability to send and receive emails.

Notable quotes by residents during their Validation Groups

"It is good to feel normal for a change."

"I cannot wait to come next week. I have such good friends here. You are my extended family."

"Do we get to do this every Thursday?"

From this Group Course you will learn:

- Basic group work theory
- The goals of a Validation group
- The roles of a Validation group leader and co-leader
- How to form a Validation group, select group members, assign roles and plan agendas
- The elements of a Validation group
- How to involve other staff members

Location, Dates and Cost

Where: Maplewood Care Center

1900 Sherren Ave E

Maplewood, MN 55109

When: Wednesday, June 3rd, 2015- Thursday, June 4th, 2015 (9:00am-4:00pm)

Tuesday, August 4th, 2015- Wednesday, August 5th, 2015 (9:00am-4:00pm)

Wednesday, January 13th, 2016- Thursday, January 14th, 2016 (9:00am-4:00pm)

Price: \$499.00 per person (Final Registration by May 20th)

\$449.00 per person for Early Bird Registration by April 30th.

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