



June 2022 Newsletter

Achtung! Attention! Introducing VTI's Beginning Validation Course, now in German and French 🇩🇪 🇫🇷

The Validation Training Institute is excited to announce that our introductory course, Beginning Validation, is now available in both German and French! This exclusive VTI online course is great for on-the-job training. The 17 lessons can be completed at your leisure. It includes videos, text, interactive quizzes and ends with a completion certificate.

Deutsch: [Einführungsseminar Validation](#)

Francais: [Introduction aux bases de la méthode de Validation](#)



Article by Master teacher Hildegard Nachum regarding her new book on Validation

For almost 20 years, Master Validation teacher Hildegard Nachum has been dealing with the phenomenon of "changes in old age". In her new book, she wanted to record all these encounters and look at them through the lens of Validation.

As a Validation expert, Hildegard Nachum tells true, touching, tragic and funny stories from the universe of dementia. She translates the hidden meaning of the often irritating behavior like an interpreter. A surprising wisdom becomes visible in the stories, which can ultimately enrich the quality of life for all of us.

Read more about Hildegard's book by clicking [here](#). Klicken Sie [hier](#) für Deutsch.



HONORING THE PAST | TREASURING THE PRESENT | SHAPING THE FUTURE

JULY 27-30 IN DENVER, COLORADO

Check out Vicki de Klerk-Rubin at the Pioneer Network Conference

VTI is proud to announce that Vicki de Klerk will be in-person, presenting at the Pioneer Network conference in Denver, CO. Join her and the other amazing

speakers who are taking part in this event.

Vicki will be presenting: about Naomi Feil - Pioneer in Person-Centered Dementia Care on Thursday, July 28th from 1:30 to 2:30 (CST). [Learn more here.](#)

Delusions, Hallucinations, and Validation by Nancy Brown

Nancy Brown, a Certified Validation Teacher and VTI's Deputy Director for Communications, shares an article on the "mind's eye", a phenomenon that explains how the human brain can be stimulated to recreate vivid sensory images—visual, auditory, and kinesthetic memories—both positive and negative.

In her article, Nancy provides compelling anecdotes of real patients, and decouples the assumptions we make about hallucinations:

"For the majority of persons with dementia, they, too, are not delusional. They, too, engage their "mind's eye" in eidetic imagery. However, because of their cognitive impairment, they do not need to close their eyes—what they see is very real. They see an incident, event, or experience an emotion as if it is still present, not as if they are recalling a past event. The vividness of the image has meaning; it is healthy and releasing. It is their reality."

Read the full article [here](#).



Naomi Feil's 90th Birthday

We are more than excited to invite you to an extraordinary event!

[Come and join us in our celebration of Naomi Feil's 90th Birthday!](#)

On the 22nd of July, a special interview with Naomi will premiere, followed by a Facebook live event to celebrate a mom, a pioneer, a wife, and the incredible woman who is the 'godmother' of person-centered care.

And what is a birthday party without a gift! To say thank you to all of you for donating, we want to give you a special limited edition e-book with some of the most powerful words by Naomi along with stunning artwork created by Amber ten Brink.

All the gifts will be sent to your email, so please when you donate add your email address.

You can donate here:

USD: <https://bit.ly/3mzp4yC>

EUR: <https://bit.ly/3MK1j1C>

Attenzione soci Italian Validation ☐☐

The Validation Institute continues to expand our reach abroad! For Italian members, click the link below to learn more about Validation opportunities in Italian:

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Calendar

Validation Talk and Techniques Monthly Meet-Up

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Upcoming Dates: June 30

Validation Teacher Monthly Support Group

[Learn more and register here](#)

Upcoming Dates: July 3, August 8

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