Drinking and Dementia: a toxic cocktail in senior residential communities

This year's case involves an 89-year-old retired business executive with moderate dementia and excessive alcohol consumption in a personal care facility with his wife who also has dementia and diabetes.

The male patient prevents the facility staff from administering medication to his diabetic wife, displays disruptive and abusive behavior to the staff while exacerbating his dementia by drinking alcoholic beverages.

Join us as we discuss the ramifications of behavior problems related to obligations and rights of the patients, healthcare providers, assisted living facility, and power of attorney.

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INTRODUCTION
This program is designed to be beneficial for internists, family practitioners, geriatricians, geriatric psychiatrists, pharmacists, nurses, nursing home administrators, social workers and other health care professionals who provide care to older adults.

How do healthcare professionals and interdisciplinary teams deal with the ramifications and complexities of behavior problems related to obligations and rights of the patients, healthcare providers, assisted living facility and power of attorney? Many professionals, including staff who work in senior independent and assisted living communities, are inadequately prepared to deal with these complex situations, and may avoid intervention. Discussion on how this topic can best be handled by an interprofessional team, including geriatrician, psychiatrist, social services, nursing, and others will be explored.

♿ Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least two weeks in advance of the program by calling Nadine Popovich at (412) 321-5030.

AGENDA
6:00 pm Registration / Reception and Visit with Exhibitors
6:50 pm PAGSWD Annual Business Meeting
7:00 pm Namita Ahuja MD – Welcome and Introduction of Panel
7:10 pm to 7:35 pm Rollin Wright, MD – Case presentation
7:35 pm to 7:50 pm Brendan Hanley – Presentation
7:50 pm to 8:05 pm Lianne Vighetti, DHCE, LSW Presentation
8:05 pm to 8:20 pm Lalith Solai, MD Panel/Audience Q&A
8:20 pm to 8:35 pm Panel/Audience Q&A
8:35 pm Conclusion

LEARNING OBJECTIVES
At the end of this course, participants should be able to:
- Determine whether a person with dementia has capacity or right to deny necessary basic and medical care for himself and a demented spouse.
- List ethical, legal, safe, viable approaches to cases of self-neglect and abuse that takes place in personal care settings.
- Explore the legal and ethical obligations of the nurse, personal care administration and provider in the case and how to balance this with individual’s rights to self-determination and how this varies when the individual is living with dementia.

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