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**Department of Aging Training Website**

By statute, the Department of Aging is required to disseminate on its website Alzheimer’s disease training materials for physicians, nurses, LPNs, health care program administrators, social workers and other health care and social service personnel. The materials can be developed by the state or obtained from other sources.

Ohio regulates training requirements for staff of adult day care, homemaker and personal care assistants. While these regulations do not specifically include dementia training requirements, there is a reference to the Department of Aging statute and Alzheimer's disease training materials.

**Special Care Unit Disclosure Checklist**

This regulation operates as a kind of disclosure requirement and creates a guide with a checklist describing what services various facilities provide, including specialized services for individuals with dementia in secured or unsecured units. In order to check off the box or qualify as providing Alzheimer’s and/or dementia care, facility staff must be appropriate for memory impairments and must also be trained in symptom management, symptoms, interventions, person-centered care, and emotional support specific to dementia.

**Nursing Facilities**

Regulations require that nursing facilities claiming to offer specialized services in Alzheimer’s disease must have staff trained in symptoms, symptom management, interventions, person centered care, and emotional support. The specific regulation for nurse aide training in long-term care facilities requires that nurse aides in specialty units receive an unspecified amount of training in addition to a general 12 hours annual in-service requirement.

**Medicaid Waiver**

Ohio has a Medicaid waiver to cover costs in assisted living. There are limited slots.