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Commission on Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorder

The Commission, established by statute, has a broad mandate, including the duty to provide education to practitioners, caregivers, and community members.

Nursing Facilities

In facilities with dementia units, Vermont requires eight (8) hours of initial classroom training about Alzheimer’s disease and providing care for Alzheimer’s patients, and eight (8) hours of clinical orientation for all nursing employees assigned to the unit. Facilities must also provide quarterly in-service training to all nursing and non-nursing staff, including volunteers, who have any direct contact with residents of the unit.

Assisted Living

Regulation requires that staff who have any direct care responsibility receive an unspecified amount of training in communications skills specific to persons with Alzheimer’s disease or other dementia.

Medicaid Waiver

Vermont has both a state plan service for assisted living and a Medicaid waiver.