## **Announcing Zoom Dementia Series Workshop:**

for Providers, Caregivers, Friends and Advocates of Persons Living with Memory Loss

## Dementia and Dysphagia (Swallowing Difficulties) Friday, April 19, 2024, 10-11:30am



Aida Wen, MD, is an Associate Professor, Dept. of Geriatric Medicine, John A. Burns School of Medicine at University of Hawaii and is board certified in Geriatrics and Palliative Care. She is the Principal Investigator of the HRSA funded Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program which strives to enhance geriatric training for all health professionals, and to integrate geriatrics into primary care. She is Medical Director of Manoa Cottage Kaimuki, a nursing facility dedicated to dementia care. Passionate about improving dementia care and nursing home care, Dr. Wen strives to help patients, providers and caregivers make the journey through this difficult diagnosis as gracefully as possible.



**Dorothy Colby** is a Certified Positive Approach to Care™ (PAC) Trainer and national Mentor, with more than 25 years of professional and personal experience caring for people with dementia and training caregivers. The PAC trainings created by Teepa Snow share dementia care techniques that provide essential information for unpaid and professional caregivers on how to have a positive and meaningful relationship with loved ones living with all forms of dementia. Dorothy is Director of Community Engagement for Hale Kuike Memory Care Homes at Nuuanu, Bayside & Pali locations.

## The presenters will cover:

- Definition and statistics about swallowing difficulties in persons living with dementia, including warning signs
- How dysphagia can progress in individuals with undiagnosed, early-stage, or end-stage dementia
- Anatomy of swallowing and how therapy can help
- How caregivers can help optimize enjoyment and nutrition of food and liquids with assistive tools and techniques at mealtime in different stages of the progression of dysphagia
- Preparing different consistencies of food and liquids, how to bring joy and good taste to meals

Advance Registration is required at this link: <a href="https://forms.gle/fmdmZpjfQ1R2HgQU8">https://forms.gle/fmdmZpjfQ1R2HgQU8</a>

The Zoom link & handouts will be sent to registrants before the session.

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For questions about the workshops or if you need help registering, please contact: Jody Mishan, (808) 295-2624 or <a href="mailto:jmishan@hawaii.rr.com">jmishan@hawaii.rr.com</a>

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