

A health care system to meet our needs

The Power of Innovation

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Dementiacare and Training Network eLearning Program



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Our Innovation:

DementiaCare Resource and Training Network - available to clinicians across NSW

- We created an interactive web-based education and resource network
- Focusing on a positive approach to aged care in relation to dementia and delirium
- Provides a high quality training platform and resources
- Translates knowledge into sustainable change via CPI projects



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Our Inspiration: The Start of the Journey

- Increased admissions of people with dementia with poor outcomes □ LOS
- Collaboration with UoN / SCU / Centre for Research Education on Ageing
- Nursing and IT worked together to create the online resource as it is today
- Resources: NSW Health: Dementia Action Plan, Dementia Services Framework, Dementia CNC's
- Ongoing support and vision from NSW Dementia Policy Team



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Our Idea Comes to Life

- To turn a paper based training resource into an accessible and interactive online program
- Establish an interface between clinicians and IT
- Initial pilot program ran for 10 months in 2007
- 2011 funding gained to employ small dedicated team
- This team reviewed, redeveloped, updated and redesigned the resource
- The result: a high quality evidence based training and resource platform available to NSW clinicians



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Our Insights: All things are possible with perseverance, perspiration and persistence

- Dementia / Delirium impacts on MoH and the individual
- Experts required to spread the word
- Need a skilled/ knowledgeable workforce
- Online learning is applicable across all settings
- Facilitated and quick response back-up team
- Evidenced based, links emerging research, updating
- TIP: self-belief, team, make a difference, just do it!



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