

## Managing the Confused Older Patient 2015

in acute medical surgical units

Age Concern is proud to present this most important program – two (2) hour CPD, live on-line, sessions for registered nurses, also relevant for RNs in aged care.



**2  
CPD HOURS**

- ⊕ The course equates to 2 CPD hours  
The full course (without assignments or articles)
- ⊕ Individual sessions may be taken, each equating to 1 CPD hour.
- ⊕ Full Course \$66 (inc GST)  
Individual Sessions \$33 (inc GST)

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The program will be presented LIVE in our virtual classroom. The Live classroom option is a great way of learning, allowing you to direct questions to and interact with the facilitator.

Session Days: Tuesday 31st March  
Wednesday 1st April  
Session Times: 1300 to 1400 AEDT



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### Overview

This program is a must if you or your colleagues, in acute medical/ surgical units:

- ⊕ have trouble managing the confused older patient as well as your other clinical load
- ⊕ view the older confused patient as disruptive, noisy or demanding
- ⊕ believe the older confused patients keep you away from your other patients
- ⊕ are desperate to find tools and strategies to better manage the confused older patient in acute care
- ⊕ notice “standard nursing practices” **don't make much of a difference** to the older confused patient?

### Overall Objective

At the completion of this program the registered nurse should be able to apply 'gold standard' practices to assessment, intervention development and implementation to better manage the confused older person in acute care units.

### Facilitator

- ⊕ Prue Mellor RN, MNg(Geront), MNg(NPrac), MACN

### Session Details

#### Session 1 - The Facts

- ⊕ is it confusion/delirium/dementia/depression
- ⊕ the impact of 'poor' nursing documentation
- ⊕ international criteria a must for nurses
- ⊕ risk factors/precipitants for confusion/delirium
- ⊕ 'gold standard' assessment processes
- ⊕ 'gold standard' assessment tools

#### Session 2 - Nursing Practice

- ⊕ 'gold standard' nursing practice
- ⊕ translating assessment data to effective care
- ⊕ why and when care may not 'work'
- ⊕ no TV; no noise & not near the nurse's station!
- ⊕ when nursing alone is not enough
- ⊕ no magic pill only contemporary nursing