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Falls and Dementia in the Community Forum

You're Invited!

The Alzheimer Society of Ontario is hosting a knowledge exchange opportunity for local Societies, people living with dementia, as well as professionals offering falls prevention and recreational services to older adults.

This event is funded by the Canadian Institute for Health Research

Join us to learn more about:

- What you can do to enhance your practice when working with people with dementia and care partners to support falls prevention techniques
- Strategies for incorporating balance stimulating exercises in programs such as Minds in Motion®
- Connecting with falls prevention professionals and learning about services offered across Ontario
- Supportive tools and processes to assist staff and program participants
- Access to dementia education
- What you can do as a person living with dementia or care partner to minimize risk of falling and access supportive services

When?: September 26th 2017 8am-4pm EST

Where?: Crowne Plaza Toronto Airport
33 Carlson Court, Toronto, Ontario, M9W-6H5

Target Audience: Frontline staff of: falls prevention clinics, older adult recreation programs and local Alzheimer Societies as well as people with dementia and their care partners

Online Registration: <https://asio.wufoo.eu/forms/p4zuz1q0ufauuy/>

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Fee: None



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PRESENTERS WANTED!

Are you providing falls support services at your organization OR have you worked in partnership with a falls prevention service?

Would you like to share more information about the impact of your recreational programming in relation to falls?

Are you a person with dementia or a care partner and want to have your say on this topic?

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Background

Of Ontarians who are 85 years and older, those with dementia are more susceptible to serious injury due to falls. In 2012, they were nearly twice as likely (1.8 times) compared to individuals without dementia to experience a falls-related emergency room visit (Institute for Clinical and Evaluative Sciences 2015). As people with dementia are at greater risk, they need supportive tools and services to help them live safe, productive and fulfilling lives.

The Minds in Motion® program has provided insight into the role the Alzheimer Society and community partners can play in supporting people with dementia and care partners to be more physically and socially active. This program has also shed light on the need for more falls related education and tools for those working with people with dementia.

The Alzheimer Society also works in partnership with the Ontario Neurotrauma Foundation and the Falls and Memory Impairment Network (FAMIN). This group is working to develop a common research agenda and strategy for preventing falls in people with cognitive impairment and potential interventions.

Now our goal is to bring all of this work together to develop further partnerships, enhance practice and support people with dementia and care partners to live well in the community.



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