

## CDCP<sup>™</sup> Code of Ethics

## As a Certified Dementia Care Provider (CDCP™)...

1. I will seek creative solutions as the first line approach when managing dementia-related behaviours and will remind myself to always ask "why?" the behaviours are happening.

2. I will do my best to take the time to really get to know the person I am caring for such as finding out what makes them happy and what makes them upset.

3. I will personalize my approach to address the holistic needs of the person I am caring for.

4. I will show respect and offer dignity at all times to the individual(s) I am caring for.

5. I will respect the privacy and confidentiality of the individual(s) I am caring for.

6. I will be honest with my clients/residents, unless Therapeutic Reasoning<sup>™</sup> is required to provide the best care possible to support the people I am caring for.

7. I will continually seek ways to improve the quality of life of the individual(s) I am caring for in consultation with them and/or with their family.

8. I will strive to work harmoniously as part of a care team with other staff/professionals/family members/friends, in providing the best care possible for the individual(s) I am caring for.

9. I will participate in the on-line membership community to share and learn from other Certified Dementia Care Providers and students.

10. I will participate in ongoing education and will stay current with regards to dementia care issues and best practices.

11. I will take responsibility for my own actions in my caregiving practice and ensure I understand and follow my client's care plan and ask for clarity, guidance and mentorship as needed.

12. I will make sure that I take good care of myself physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually and seek help when I need it.