



DISABILITY FORUMS

**Thursday September 9th, 2010
10.30 am – 12.30 pm**

What is Map Therapy? Complementary Therapies in Dementia Care

Dementia is a debilitating condition, which has been described as 'a living death' and for which there is currently no cure. Both the nature and progress of the disease are highly individualistic and there is no 'one treatment fits all' easy fix for carers of people with dementia.

Research has shown that professional carers are highly innovative in designing treatment regimes for people with dementia and that the majority of Nursing Homes use a wide variety of Complementary Therapies to support regular medical treatments

What are Complementary Therapies? How can they be used by professional carers and family members who are supporting people with Dementia?

This will be an informative introduction to the use of Complementary Therapies in dementia care and an opportunity to discuss your thoughts and concerns.

Graham Webber

Graham is a Disability Studies research student in the School of Medicine at Flinders University, author and trainer in the Disability Unit of the Certificate III in Aged Care. He has a Master of Science (by research) which looked at the use of Complementary Therapies in dementia care in High Care Residential Facilities in South Australia.

Everyone with an interest in this topic is invited to attend

There will be opportunities to ask questions and to network with others

Simple morning tea provided, including gluten free options, water, tea and coffee

Cost: A gold coin donation

Bookings required

Please RSVP to Jane via email: jane@dircsa.org.au

Or ring on (08) 8236 0555 to indicate your interest

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