

North-West University (Optentia), the South African Care Forum and the South African Gerontological Association present a workshop on Attentive Care

Attentive Care WORKSHOP INVITATION

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Date:

26 February 2015

Time:

9:30 – 13:00

Venue:

Rand Aid - The Inyoni Creek
Clubhouse, Cnr of Modderfontein Road
and Wordsworth Road, Lyndhurst

Attentive care,
the virtuous
carer and the
vulnerable
older person

Cost:

R300 p/p

Information:

Prof Jaco Hoffman

Registration:

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PROGRAMME:

- 9:30 – 9:45 Introduction - Prof Jaco Hoffman
9:45 – 11:00 Presentation on good care, attentiveness and care, the difference between personal - centered care and relational care - Prof Andries Baart
11:00 – 11:30 Refreshments
11:30 – 12:45 Discussion and Conclusion

Quality of care is often only measured in terms of 'hard' criteria, namely protocols, minutes and the provision of a 'service' in a market-oriented, commercial and effective way. Professor Andries Baart argues that a more relational approach will give us a more in-depth understanding of the quality of care. In The Netherlands he developed his theory of presence through in-depth empirical research into care practices and its operationalization by virtuous carers. Attention lies at the heart of his work as he begins his description of presence

as "a practice in which the caregiver attentively concerns himself with the other, thereby learns to see what is at stake for the other – from desires to fear – and in relation to that tries to understand what can be done in the particular situation" (2004: 40-41). 'Attentiveness' during the ordinary course of the day is constitutive for good care, as it can generate a space in which a relationship may arise. This presentation aims to elucidate the practical implications of presence through attentiveness by the founding father himself.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Social and Health care professionals across the board, managers of care facilities, carers, etc.

PRESENTER:

Professor Andries Baart, social scientist, philosopher and theologian, is Extraordinary Professor at North-West University (Vaal Triangle Campus) and is currently holding the Chair Presence and Care (Department Ethics of Care at the University of Humanistic Studies in Utrecht, The Netherlands). He developed the theory of presence and the (practice-orientated) presence approach. He is also the impelling force behind the Presence Foundation, a platform for research and practice innovation in professional health care and welfare.

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