

PROFILE

Compassionate, patient-centered healthcare professional with decades of experience as a Registered Nurse, patient advocate and trainer/educator. Educates stakeholders in the community who's lives intersect with persons suffering with dementia, to promote and provide the highest levels of empathy, compassion, hands-on care through education to their caregivers, volunteers, family and community members and partners.

PRESENTATIONS

- **Dementia Live® Coach Training Events:** Madison, WI; Kenosha, WI; Janesville, WI; Juneau, WI; Racine, WI; Balsam Lake, WI; Darien, WI; Port Washington, WI; Rhinelander WI; Green Bay, WI
- **Compassionate Touch® Coach Training Events:** Luxemburg, WI; Norridge, IL; DePere, WI
- *"We Had a Good Visit Today"*, Tips for Families – Oak Park Place, Menasha, WI, 9/2018
- *"What is Compassionate Touch®?"* – SPARK, Appleton, WI, 9/2018
- *"Compassionate Touch®: A Non-pharmacological Approach that Prevents Behavioral Expression and Builds Care-Partner Relationships"* – WRAP Conference, 9/2018
- *"What is a Memory?"* – Green Bay Aging Network, 9/2018
- *"What is Compassionate Touch®"* – CMSA Milwaukee Conference 9/2018
- *"What is Dementia Live®?"* – Waukesha Aging Coalition, 9/2018
- Dementia Live® - HSBPA Sidewalk Sales, New Perspectives, Howard, WI 8/2018
- *"Igniting Sparks for Dementia Care"* – Brookdale Senior Living, Appleton, WI 5/2018
- Dementia Live® - Brookdale Senior Living, Kenosha, WI 5/2018
- *"Touch is Good Medicine"* (Compassionate Touch topics) – Minnesota Masonic Home 5/2018
- *"Building Relationships/Creating Moments of Joy"* Dementia/LTC – 3/2018; EauClaire, WI
- Dementia Live®, *"The Dementia Dining Room"* – ANFP Conference; 9/2017 – EauClaire, WI
- Dementia Live®, *"Dementia Live Mini"* - WHCA/WiCAL – 2017 Spring Conference – Wisconsin Dells
- Dementia Live®, co-presenter – ASA Chicago, 3/3017
- Parenting Classes – Entrusted w/A Child's Heart®
- Northern Illinois Medical Center – *"Joint Venture"* (assisted w curriculum rewrite)
- AHA BLS Instructor
- BSF Substitute Teaching Leader (lecturer)

EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE

Registered Nursing Diploma, Columbia Hospital School of Nursing, Milwaukee, WI 1979

BA Interpersonal & Group Communications, Trinity Int'l University, Deerfield, IL, Salutatorian

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Nursing Experiences: Hospital - Oncology/Hospice, Intermediate Care, Pre-Surgical Admissions; Clinic Roles - Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Geriatrics; Other - Assisted Living RN, Case Management RN, Phone Triage Nursing, Parish Nursing, School Nursing, Susan B Komen Walk RN

Training includes: Diabetic "mom", Alzheimer's Support Group Facilitator Training, Nurse Managers in Assisted Living and Home Care Training, CNA Instructor Certification, Abstinence & Marriage Educator, CPR Instructor, Certificate in Geriatrics, Current w/CEU as per WI State Board of Nsg, AGE-u-cate Training Institute Certified Master Trainer