

AIMS

To be able to care effectively for people living with sensory loss

Timings:

F2F: 3hrs

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course you will:

- Know what sensory awareness is
- Know what sensory loss is
- Be aware of types of vision loss
- Know some eye conditions or diseases
- Be aware of different vision aids
- Know ways to care for people with vision problems
- Know what effects hearing loss has on people
- Be aware of different types of hearing loss
- Know ways to care for those living with hearing loss
- Understand the importance of taste and smell
- Be aware of ways to care for those losing the sense of touch

LESSONS AND TOPICS

Sensory Awareness

- What is sensory awareness?
- What is sensory loss?

Vision Loss

- Age related changes
- Acuity
- Ability to focus
- Colour discrimination
- Light levels
- Glare

Eye Diseases or Conditions

- Cataracts
- Glaucoma
- Macular Degeneration
- Diabetic retinopathy

Vision Aids

- Coding schemes
- Glare control
- Increased light
- Large print
- Eye examinations

Caring for people with vision problems

- Ways to care for those with vision problems
- Eye care professionals

Hearing Loss

- Impact on people living with hearing loss

Types of hearing loss

- Conductive loss
- Sensorineural loss
- Presbycusis

Caring for people with hearing loss

- Reaction to hearing loss
- Tips to help those living with hearing loss
- Medical Help
- Hearing aids

Deaf/Blind Dual Sensory Loss

- Congenital and Acquired Deafblindness
- Extra challenges
- Caring for those with dual sensory loss

Taste and Smell

- The importance of taste and smell
- Loss of taste and smell
- Caring for people with taste or smell disorders

Touch

- The importance of touch
- Loss of sense of touch
- Caring for those losing the sense of touch

