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Dementia Capable Workforce**

While enhanced specialist training is needed to prepare advanced practitioners for the unique challenges faced by people with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia (ADRD), it is recognized there is a need to expand the capacity of the workforce to address the cognitive, emotional, and behavioral symptoms of the disease, and how to assist care recipients to cope with the physical and emotional aspects of their caregiving responsibilities.

Steering Committee of the Alaska Dementia Action Collaborative

The Division of Senior and Disabilities Services provides annual information to the Steering Committee of the Alaska Dementia Action Collaborative on how many people have accessed the training; and,

The State of Alaska, Department of Health, Division of Health Care Services - Assisted Living Home Licensing includes a requirement for 1 hour of the annual training requirements for ALH staff (currently 12 hours total) and administrators (currently 18 hours total) to be focused on dementia training;

Finally, the Steering Committee of the Alaska Dementia Action Collaborative is committed to providing information and resources that increase public awareness via educational and promotional campaigns. Specifically, the Steering Committee of the Alaska Dementia Action Collaborative will: