

The Reading2Connect® Long-Term Care Program: Enhancing Social-Emotional Well-Being with Age/Dementia Friendly Books

Our award-winning, innovative, evidenced-based program is applicable in all senior care settings, e.g., skilled nursing, assisted living, day centers. We provide employees and volunteers with the materials and skill sets necessary to facilitate self-directed, independent reading for people living with cognitive changes. Our specialized, age/dementia friendly books are offered in multiple languages, and are available in print on washable, tear-resistant paper, and as eBooks.

New this year, in partnership with CareLink360 (mycarelink360.com), Reading2Connect® offers Video Books as well. Each Video Book progresses through an eBook, page by page, on a screen while a narrator reads the book aloud. Our Video Books are enjoyed by individuals living with low vision, as well as individuals who appreciate seeing and hearing a book at the same time.

Via our Montessori-based training course, trainees learn to use our books to

- Conduct engagement programs facilitating independent peer reading groups.
- Augment events, holidays, and activity themes.
- Incorporate comedy, trivia, singing, skits, and spirituality in elder-led activities.
- Enrich visits (remote and in-person) from families and friends.
- Design volunteer, student, and intergenerational programs.
- Enhance media and multi-sensory experiences.
- Offer compassionate responses to individuals feeling distressed.
- Foster diversity and inclusion in their community.
- Integrate reading into the daily lives of elders beyond programming.

Via our course, trainees acquire sustainable, Montessori-based skills, highly applicable in all care and social situations with older adults. Reading2Connect-Certified employees report decreased stress and increased job satisfaction. Residents demonstrate increased social engagement and positive emotions, during and after Reading2Connect® activities.

NOTE: Reading2Connect-Certified Communities have free, lifetime access to our online training for future employees. This is critical to ensure that the extensive, positive impacts of Reading2Connect® remain alive and flourishing even with staff turnover.

The Reading2Connect® LTC Program includes:

- Online, Self-Paced Training (In-Person Available)
- Three NCCAP-Approved CEUs
- Reading2Connect® Certification
- 75 Print Books on Washable Paper
- 10 eBooks and 10 Video Books
- 12 Book Stands and One Voice Amplifier
- A Reading Screen
- A Reading2Connect User Manual
- Unlimited Access to Coach Resources and a Supportive Network

****NOTE: Your Future Hires Will Have Unlimited Access to Our Training****



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