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**Alzheimer's Association to Present Advanced Topics for Alzheimer's Care for Professional Staff**

Professional healthcare staff will learn how to recognize and report pain in dementia patients at an upcoming Advanced Topics in Alzheimer's Care (ATAC) program to be held **Thursday, Nov. 3, at the Alzheimer's Association - Central Illinois Chapter, Peoria.** The half day program runs from 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

The Train-the-Trainer program is geared for staff of nursing homes, assisted and supportive living facilities, adult day care centers and home care agencies. The training program uses games, role playing and group exercises to bring four in-services alive for direct care staff. Participants will receive a binder and CD containing handouts, slides and quizzes.

Topics include: making mealtimes matter, understanding exit-seeking behavior, recognizing and reporting pain, and communication through storytelling.

The program is \$60 per person and will include a continental breakfast and handouts. Registration is required. Continuing education credits are available for a \$15 fee.

The program will be presented by Alisha Dault, MA. Dault is Program Director with the Central Illinois Chapter and has nearly 10 years experience in the healthcare field, including the development and implementation of a Dementia and Alzheimer's Specific Activity Program.

For more information, please contact Dault at 309-681-1100, or 800.272.3900. Individuals can download a registration form on the agency's website at [www.alz.org/illinoiscentral](http://www.alz.org/illinoiscentral).

The Alzheimer's Association – Central Illinois Chapter, is a donor supported, not-for-profit health organization serving 20 counties in central and west central Illinois. Its three office locations – Dixon, Peoria, and Quincy – provide education and support services to help people with Alzheimer's and their caregivers understand and deal with the disease and its impact on their lives.

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