



## CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

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### Media Release

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### **Alzheimer's Association to Present Program on Improving Communication Skills in Hopedale and Chillicothe**

The Alzheimer's Association – Central Illinois Chapter will offer a program in Hopedale and Chillicothe aimed at improving a caregiver's overall communication skills when interacting with their loved one who has Alzheimer's disease.

**Reconnect: Interacting with Dementia** will be held **Thursday, Sept. 22, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., at Pearce Community Center, Room 211, 610 W. Cedar Street, Chillicothe.**

**The program will also be held Friday, Sept. 23, from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., at Hopedale Commons East, Grand Room, 211 SW Railroad Street, Hopedale.**

Communication is more than the ability to exchange words; it is the ability to connect with someone on many levels. This program will help prepare caregivers on ways to respond to behavioral changes should they occur.

The program will be presented by Alisha Dault, MA, Program Director with the Alzheimer's Association - Central Illinois Chapter. Both programs are co-funded by the Central Illinois Agency on Aging.

Registration is required by **Sept. 21**. Registration fee is \$5 per family or \$10 per family. For more information or to register, individuals should call the Central Illinois Chapter office at 309.681.1100 or 800.272.3900.

The Alzheimer's Association – Central Illinois Chapter is a donor supported, not-for-profit health organization serving 20 counties in northern, central and west central Illinois. Its three office locations – Dixon, Peoria, and Quincy – provide educational and supportive services to help people with Alzheimer's and their caregivers understand and deal with the disease and its impact on their lives. Disease, caregiver and support information can be found by visiting the agency website at [www.alz.org/illinoiscentral](http://www.alz.org/illinoiscentral).

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