

Northeast Kansas Support Groups

Support groups are composed of people who meet, share information, and provide support to one another. Support group members report many benefits including:

- Obtaining information about the disease and community resources
- Understanding the behavior of the individual with Alzheimer's
- Receiving validation for negative or ambivalent feelings
- Feeling "I'm not alone"
- Receiving emotional support
- Learning specific strategies to handle their loved one's behavior
- Receiving encouragement to maintain or regain their personal lives.

Participation in a support group may help to normalize the experience of caregiving and decrease feelings of burden.

The Alzheimer's Association encourages all new attendees to contact the support group leader prior to your first visit to assure time and location.

CLAY COUNTY

Clay County Medical Center – Education Room

617 Liberty
Clay Center, KS
2nd Monday 5:30 p.m.
Leader: Amanda Ruthstrom
785-307-1958 or 785-271-1844

DICKINSON COUNTY

Enterprise Community Building

206 S. Factory
Enterprise, KS
2nd Thursday 2:00 p.m.
Leader: Linda Hawley
785-263-8278

Contact prior to attending

* Social group activity provided for the person with the disease while the caregiver attends the support group.

GEARY COUNTY

Junction City Church of the Nazarene

1025 S. Washington St.
Junction City, KS
3rd Tuesday 9:30 am
Leader: Dale McCandless
785-271-1844

LYON COUNTY

Newman Hospital School of Nursing

1127 Chestnut
Emporia, KS
3rd Tuesday 7:00 pm
Leader: Paula Sauder
620-343-4035

MARSHALL COUNTY

Cambridge Place

1100 N 16th
Marysville, KS
3rd Wednesday, 12:00 p.m. (Lunch provided)
Leader: Iris Turnball
785-562-5321

Community Memorial Hospital

708 N. 18th Street
Marysville, KS
3rd Monday, 5:30 p.m.
Mandy Becker
785-272-1844

RILEY COUNTY

Riley County Senior Center

412 Leavenworth
Manhattan, KS
2nd Monday 1:30 pm
Leader: Melissa Colby
785-537-4040

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SHAWNEE COUNTY

Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD) Care Partner Support Group

Alzheimer's Association Office

3625 SW 29th Street, Suite 102

Topeka, KS

5:00 pm

Second Wednesday of each month

Leader: Tina Downey and Hayley Young

785-271-1844

Alzheimer's Association Office

3625 SW 29th Street, Suite 102

Topeka, KS

2:00 pm

Last Wednesday of each month

Leader: Hayley Young

785-271-1844

Brewster Place - Healthcare Unit

1001 SW 29th St.

Topeka, KS

10:00 a.m.

Second Saturday of each month

Leader: Val Jahnke

785-271-1844

*Social engagement provided for individuals living with dementia while their caregivers are participating in this support group.

First Congregational Church

For Caregivers

This group is for caregivers of those individuals who are attending the Early Stage support group going on at the same time (see below).

4 – 5:30 pm

1701 SW Collins Ave

Topeka, KS 66604

1st Wednesday of the month

Leader: Cindy Miller

Contact Hayley Young to schedule an orientation meeting, 785-271-1844

First Congregational Church

For the Person with Early Stage (not for caregivers)

Early stage group meeting for individuals in the early stage of a dementia process, where questions regarding the illness, life implications, and associated issues are discussed.

4 – 5:30 pm

1701 SW Collins Ave

Topeka, KS 66604

1st Wednesday of the month

Leader: Val Jahnke

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Mother Theresa Catholic Church

3:00 - 4:00 pm

2014 NW 46th Street

Topeka, KS 66618

4th Thursday of each month

Leader: Lisa Walder

For more information, please contact Hayley Young at 785-271-1844

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How to Contact the Alzheimer's Association – Heart of America Chapter

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Main Office

3846 W. 75th Street
Prairie Village, KS 66208

Northeast Kansas Regional Office

3625 SW 29th St.
Suite 102
Topeka, KS 66614

Northwest Missouri Regional Office

927 Faraon
St. Joseph, MO 64501

Southeast Kansas Regional Office

2601 Gabriel
Parsons, KS 67357

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