

## ***The Nature of Responsive Behaviours in Long-Term Care Settings: Final Report***

The final report, entitled ***The Nature of Responsive Behaviours in Long-Term Care Settings***, written by Sherry Dupuis, Elaine Wiersma, and Lisa Loiselle is ready for release. The purpose of the report is to share information from a study conducted in partnership with the Psychogeriatric Resource Consultants from South Central Ontario focused on examining the nature of responsive behaviours (also referred to as challenging or disruptive behaviours) in long-term care settings based on the perceptions of staff working in those settings. Based on information shared by over 600 staff working in 18 randomly selected long-term care settings in South Central Ontario, the report provides detailed information on:

- Types and frequency of responsive behaviours experience by staff in long-term care settings;
- The perceived disruptiveness of responsive behaviours in long-term care settings;
- Factors related to the frequency and perceived disruptiveness of responsive behaviour (e.g., differences between staff groups, staff member status, shift work, and previous training);
- Triggers associated with specific categories of responsive behaviours;
- Factors related to perceived triggers (e.g., differences between staff groups, staff member status, shift work, and previous training);
- Frequency of use of interventions and strategies in response to specific categories of responsive behaviours;
- Perceived effectiveness of interventions and strategies used to respond to specific categories of responsive behaviours; and
- Factors related to the frequency of use and perceived effectiveness of interventions and strategies used in response to specific categories of responsive behaviours (e.g., differences between staff groups, staff member status, shift work, and previous training).

The report concludes with a summary of the key findings from the project and list of recommendations to develop strategies to reduce responsive behaviours in long-term care settings and more effectively respond to behaviours when they occur.

The report is available for \$35.00 (Canadian funds) to help cover the cost of printing, shipping, and handling (GST included). You can purchase a copy of the report simply by downloading and completing the order form (pdf file) and returning it to us with your payment.