COGNITIVE STIMULATION THERAPY PRACTITIONER CERTIFICATION TRAINING AGENDA and REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Friday, October 10, 2025

Conference Location: Virtual Format Only

Morning Session

8:00 AM - 8:15 AM	Welcome and Introductions
8:15 AM- 8:45 AM	Introduction to Dementia
	Angela Sanford, MD: Dr. Sanford will provide an overview of dementias and current assessment and treatment options.
8:45 AM - 9:30 AM	CST Historical Perspective, Development, and Evidence
	Janice Lundy will introduce different perspectives of dementia, followed by an introduction of CST interventions and discussion of the evidence that supports the implementation of this non-pharmacologic intervention.
9:30 AM - 10:15 AM	CST Key Features and Guiding Principles
	Andrea Vaughan will provide an overview of the key features and guiding principles of individual and group CST.
10:15 AM -10:30 AM	Break
10:30 AM – 11:15 AM	Implementation of Group CST Intervention and Why CST Works.
	We will introduce the CST group structure, 14 session themes and you will be provided a review of the evidence behind CST effectiveness
11:15 AM – 11:45am	CST in Action
	Deb Hayden and Janice Lundy will present a short video of "CST in Action." The audience will be asked to provide feedback on the CST session
11:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Q&A from Audience/Experiences from Facilitators
	The Facilitators will field questions from the audience and also share their experiences of CST group sessions (what works and what's challenging)
12:00 PM- 1:00 PM	Lunch

Afternoon Session

1:00pm-2:00pm	Skills practice Deb Hayden and Janice Lundy will lead a discussion and practice of skills and session activities with a CST group
2:00pm-2:30pm	Group Development/Assessment and Maintenance CST (mCST) Janice Lundy will talk about the maturation of groups and how to continue CST into the maintenance phase.
2:30 PM- 2:45pm	Break
2:45-3:15pm	Group Dynamics-Cultural Dynamics-Virtual CST Andrea Vaughan will cover the dynamics in CST groups and the cultural considerations for facilitators.
3:15-3:45pm	Physical Movement with CST, Billing for Services Janice Lundy and Deb Hayden talk about physical movement options in the groups and the process of billing for CST.
3:45-4:00 PM	Group Discussion and action plan/ Wrap Up

Registration:

\$400 for all professionals

\$100 for all non-SLU students and community family members (must state institution and program in the registration)

\$1500 for a group rate (five or more registrants from the same organization

Free for SLU students, residents, faculty, and staff.

CME's

CMEs are available for Social Work, Occupation Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Nursing, and Nursing Home Administrators

Included Materials

Every participant will receive a free copy of the training slides and a copy of the CST Making a Difference 1 Manual (a \$20 value).