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Responsive Dementia Care

## Fewer Behaviors Fewer Drugs Lewy Body and Other Dementias

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Dementia-related behaviors are common with all sorts of dementia but often start early with Lewy body dementia (LBD). It uses understanding of how the brain works coupled with empathy, acceptance and a multitude of alternative therapies in order to avoid, decrease and/or defuse these difficult behaviors. With the understanding that these behaviors as consequence of faulty convinced that once present, cannot be changed, care companions and care staff learn to relate with the individual living with dementia in such a way that decreases the need for behavior management medicines while increasing quality of life for anybody involved. Most experts recommend the usage of nondrug options prior to resorting to behavior management drugs which, specifically with LBD, can and often does cause other problems. Responsive dementia treatment is a method for doing this. Required reading for all dementia care partners and for anyone dealing with dementia patients.



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