



2021 PAC Annual Conference

All GEMS® Can Shine!

November 14th-16th




Looking for something that focuses on what remains, not what is lost, after a dementia diagnosis? This year's annual Positive Approach to Care® (PAC) Conference with Teepa Snow will highlight the changes that we all experience throughout life and how that connects or relates to dementia. The content will take a deeper look at the brain, the changes associated with dementia, and what each person can do to enhance quality of life once dementia is in the picture. All brain and GEMS States and relationships with dementia are invited and breakouts will be provided for people living with dementia, care partners and friends, and professionals and organizations. All PAC Team Speakers will partner with advocates living with dementia for the sessions, providing a well-rounded, unique perspective on life with dementia. Sponsorships are available at many levels, starting with sponsoring all those living with dementia to attend the conference for free.

Featuring Many of the PAC Core Team Members and Advocates Living with Dementia from Around the World Including:

Anne Farguson, Barney Nelson, Bill Hayden, Bobby Redman, Bonnie Erickson, Brian LeBlanc, Brian Van Buren, Chuck McClatchey, Dali Serrano, Diana Blackwelder, Don Kent, Emily Ong, Joanna Fix, Judy Stock, Karen *Creeky* Creekmore, Kelly Bone, Lauren U, Laurie Waters, Lynn Moore, Maria Turner, Mark Roberts, Mike Belleville, Nia Mo, Pamela McElroy, Steven Barbieri, Ted Obenour, Terry Montgomery, and more...

Also Featuring PAC Mentors Including:

Alejandro DeJesus, Amanda Bulgarelli, Beth Nolan, Brenda Roberts, Jess Pelkey, Loy Campbell, Matthew Christopher, Melanie Bunn, Rachel Voelkers, Rebekah Wilson, Teepa Snow (TS) and more...

The 2021 PAC Conference will be hosted on the Whova virtual platform. All sessions are listed in Eastern Time. All sessions will use Zoom, links will be provided. Full conference tickets include access to recordings of all sessions. Additional charges may apply for events marked with *. Continuing Education track sessions are marked with CE. Teepa's sessions are marked with TS.	Pre-Conference Events Sunday, November 14th, 2021	Day 1 Conference Events Monday, November 15th, 2021	Day 2 Conference Events Tuesday, November 16th, 2021
	 <p>Click on the image above or search GEMS on www.teepasnow.com for more information on Teepa Snow's brain change model.</p>	1:00-3:00 pm ET: *A Journey of Dementia Minds: My Perceptions, My Reality - Sensory Changes Related to Dementia <i>A presentation about dementia from a group of advocates living with dementia.</i>	9:00-10:15 am ET: Opening Session: Update on How Brains Work: Appreciate the Power and Complexity of an Everchanging Brain TS CE
3:00-4:00 pm ET: Mix and Mingle: <i>Virtual time to connect with others, network, visit sponsor booths, and start your conference early.</i>		10:30-12:15 pm ET: Keynote: Teepa's GEMS® State Model: The power and reason behind using an ability-based model rather than a deterioration-based model that is focused on Alzheimers related changes? TS CE	10:30-12:00 pm ET: Keynote: Creating a Day with GEMS: Success means balance, purpose, joy, and self-care opportunities that work for everyone TS CE
4:00-6:00 pm ET: *Speaker Sessions TBD		1:00-2:30 pm ET: Session Tracks A, B, and C: Track A: Make your list of cues that work with all GEMS®: Visual, Verbal, and Sensory-Motor Cues that Support Track B: Determine your own GEMS State: Self-awareness that promotes wellness and fitness Track C: Create Person-Centered Care Plans: Start with the GEMS States, life experiences, and interests TS CE	1:00-2:15 pm ET: Session Tracks A, B, and C: Track A: Shining Diamonds: Strengths and supports that succeed as brain changes begin Track B: Shining Emeralds: Strengths and supports that succeed in early to middle state Track C: Shining Ambers: Strengths and supports that succeed in middle states TS CE
		3:15-4:45 pm ET: Session Tracks A, B, and C: Track A: Compare and Contrast Diamonds and Sapphires: Exploring strengths and acknowledging challenges Track B: Notice Acute or Rapid Changes: Look at range of GEMS States abilities and possible causes Track C: Match Environmental Supports to Various GEMS States: Supportive shared spaces and creating special places TS CE	2:30-3:45 pm ET: Session Tracks A, B, and C: Track A: Shining Rubies: Strengths and supports that succeed as dementia progresses and more hands-on support is needed Track B: Shining Pearls: Strengths and supports that succeed through the end of the journey Track C: Shining GEMS: Strengths and supports in a residential care setting TS CE
		5:00-6:00 pm ET: Closing Session: Revising Support: A look at the GEMS States variations in one day and how to adapt support TS CE	4:00-5:15 pm ET: Closing Session: Celebrating All GEMS States: Building a community of support through a Positive Approach to Care® TS CE
		6:30-8:00 pm ET: *PAC Music with a Mission: An evening of education and music with Teepa Snow and Jay Allen TS	6:00-8:00 pm ET: *GEMS Show Screening: Life with GEMS before and after TS