



Dementia Friendly Nevada (DFNV) Statewide Meeting  
Tuesday, April 27, 2021 | 3:00 – 5:00 PM PST | Zoom Videoconference

**Zoom meeting:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87694190093>

Or call in by telephone: (346) 248-7799

Meeting ID: 876 9419 0093

**Co-Facilitators:**

- Jennifer Carson, Director, Dementia Engagement, Education and Research (DEER) Program, UNR, and Program Director, DFNV
- **Casey Acklin, Coordinator, DEER Program, UNR, and Program Coordinator, DFNV**

**Community Group Co-Facilitators:**

- **LeeAnn Mandarino**, Kate Ingalsby, and Susan Hirsch, **Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health, Dementia Friendly Southern Nevada Urban**
- Tonya Brum, Nevada Rural Counties RSVP, Dementia Friendly Pahrump
- Carla Eben, Numaga Program, Pesa Soaname Advisory Group
- Gini Cunningham, Age- and Dementia-Friendly Winnemucca

**Support:**

- Tessa Swigart, PhD, Public Health Communications Specialist, Nevada Public Health Training Center, UNR
- Mekai Smedley, DEER Program, UNR, and AmeriCorps VISTA for DFNV

Note: Please mute yourself when you are not speaking  
and take personal breaks as needed.

\* = Please see attachments that were sent with this agenda.

## Meeting Agenda

### 1. **Welcome** (15 min)

- a. As members are logging onto Zoom, please use the 'Chat Box' feature, using a single entry (hitting "return" only at the very end), to share your:
  - Name
  - Role in supporting people living with dementia and/or family care partners
  - What is one misconception that is generally held about dementia or about people living with dementia?
- b. Let's warm the soil and have some fun on Zoom!
- c. Review Dementia Friendly Nevada mission and meeting purpose
  - Mission: By working together, we aim to develop and promote communities that are **respectful, educated, supportive** and **inclusive** of persons *living* with dementia and their care partners.
- d. Review one Dementia Friendly Nevada Mobilizing Belief\*
  - Let's hear from 2 members about why this Mobilizing Belief is so important.

### 2. **Learn**

- a. Brief program updates (15 min)
  - **Dementia Friends\***
    - Monthly session on the third Wednesday of each month from 12:00 – 1:00 PM via Zoom
    - Looking for additional, invited online opportunities
  - **Community Awareness Training**
    - Completed trainings with McCarran International Airport!
  - **Dementia Conversations**
    - **Dementia Conversations with Chuck and Jennifer\*** every Monday from 10:00 – 11:30 AM via Zoom

- **Dementia Conversations with Nancy and Kat\*** every Friday from 1:00 – 2:30 PM via Zoom
- In the works: **Dementia Conversations Recorded!**
- **BOLD Public Health Program** updates
  - We are convening focus groups of people living with dementia, family care partners, and professionals to discuss gaps in existing public health and dementia messaging materials and identify potential new materials to develop.

b. Research and Clinical Trials (45 minutes)

- Brian Browne: Participating in Clinical Trials
  - Brian Browne, MS, CSA is the president of Dementia Care Education, the Editor of Dementia Care News, and a research consultant for the Cleveland Clinic. He possesses over 20 years of experience in the field of cognitive science, Alzheimer's, and dementia. He is an expert in Alzheimer's/dementia research, clinical trials, aging, cultural competency, caregiver strategies, and dementia training and education. His research interests include examining the role of modifiable risk factors and lifestyle intervention to prevent cognitive decline in Alzheimer's and novel methods to increase clinical trial participation.
- LeeAnn Mandarino, Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health; and Co-Facilitator of Dementia Friendly Southern Nevada Urban
  - Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI)
  - Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (ADRC)
  - Diversity and research

**3. Reflect (30 min)**

- a. What hopes are raised up when thinking about research and clinical trials?  
What questions or concerns come to mind?
- b. How knowledgeable do you feel about research opportunities broadly, and more specifically here in Nevada? What is the most useful way for Dementia Friendly Nevada to provide information about future research opportunities?

**4. Share (15 min)**

- a. Is there anything happening locally—or across the state or nation—that members of DFNV should know about and can possibly help promote?
  - **Life Enhancing Activities for Family Caregivers (LEAF)**
    - Anakaren Lamas, Director, Site Operations & Recruitment, Recruitment Partners LLC
  - Dementia Friendly Nevada Engagement Event
    - Arts-based opportunity to build community!
    - Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 5:30 PM

**Thank you for all that you do to make our communities and state dementia-friendly and inclusive!**