

West Coast Conference on Aging

Dr. Vikram Palanisamy



Dr. Palanisamy and Dr. Jokinen stand as distinguished experts in the intricate and evolving realms of intellectual disabilities (ID) and aging. They are ardently dedicated to enhancing the care journey for clients and families within this burgeoning demographic.

Drawing from an extensive background in Psychiatry and specialist expertise in ID, Dr. Vikram Palanisamy will be sharing insights about supporting people with ID and dementia. Through illuminating discussions, Dr. Palanisamy will navigate pivotal topics such as early indicators and presentations of dementia, nuances inherent in in diagnosis and treatment, and the interplay between mental health and dementia.

Dr. Nancy Jokinen brings a wealth of knowledge as a longstanding member of US-based National Task Group (NTG) on ID and Dementia Practices and founding member of the NTG-Canadian Consortium on ID and Dementia.

Rooted in her practice background in Social Work, Dr. Jokinen will focus on family caregiver experiences and the deployment of effective approaches in supporting people with ID and dementia, alongside their family members.



Dr. Nancy Jokinen



Join us on May 31 and Jun 1, 2024, to learn from Drs. Palanisamy and Jokinen. This session will be complemented by a thought-provoking moderated panel discussion.