

# Helping Adults in Residence to Communicate

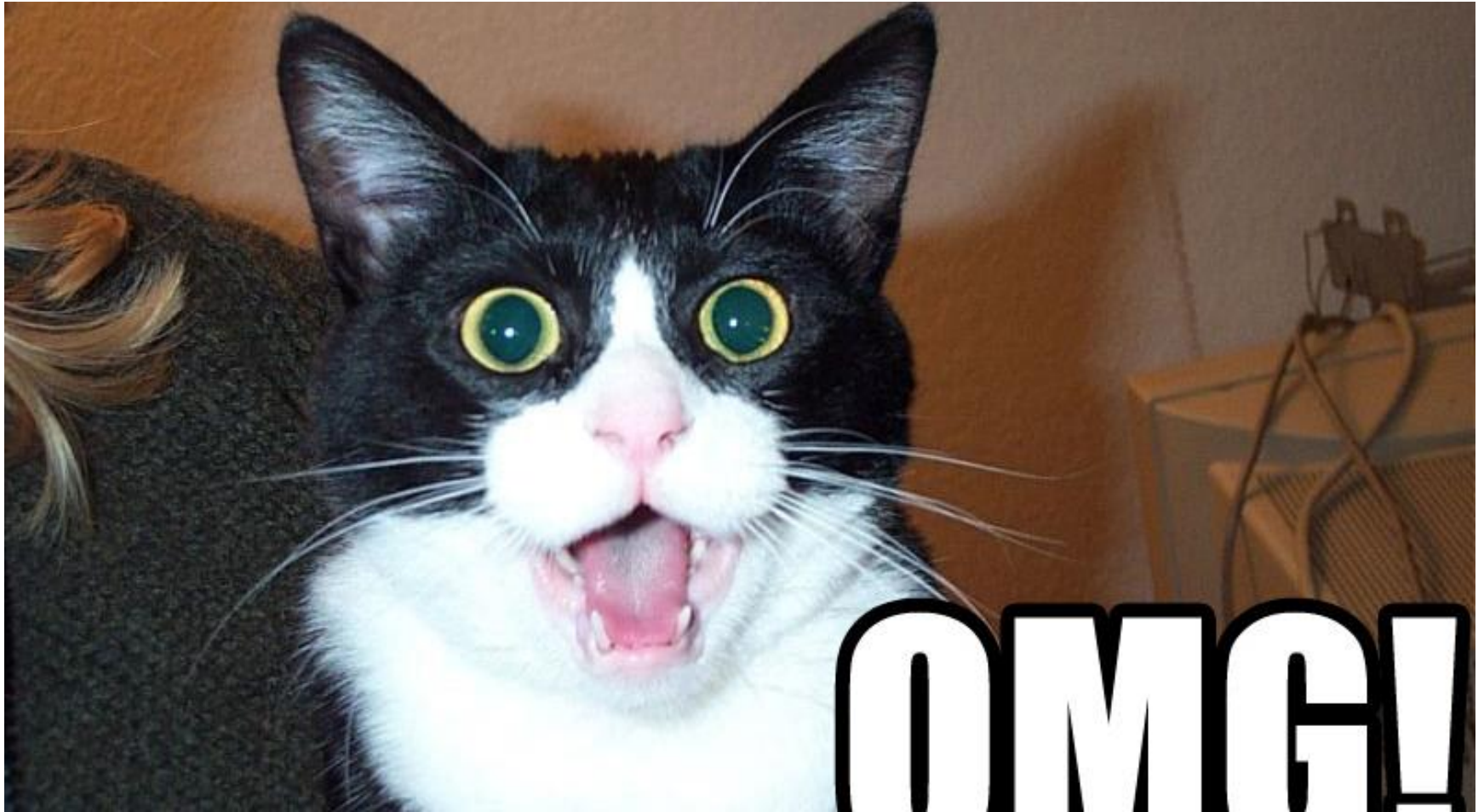
2016 Annual Provincial Long Term & Continuing Care Conference

Session 12

May 10 2016



OMG



We don't always know what we are  
dealing with



We get in our own way



# We don't have the right tools



# How does Dementia and Stroke affect communication? What are we dealing with?

Both	Dementia	Stroke
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Difficulty finding a word</li> <li>- Difficulty organizing words into sentences</li> <li>- Reverting to first language</li> <li>- Talking and participating less</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Creating new words for ones “forgotten”</li> <li>- Repeating a word or phrase perseveration or responsive behaviour</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mixing up the sounds in words and creating a new word</li> <li>- A paucity of words so a tendency to overuse a word</li> </ul>
Cursing	- Due to dis-inhibition	- Due to amygdala in tact

# Dominant

- Demanding, vocal, adventurous and competitive
- Often make the first move in social situations and take the lead at work
- Often project leaders, pioneers in the field, and innovators
- May seem rude as they are often in a hurry.
- Tend to interrupt people
- Most people would consider them blunt and opinionated

# Influential

- Social butterflies of the world
- Love to communicate, perform, and joke around
- Often appear excited, open and friendly with everyone
- Unfailingly positive



# Steady

- Stable, deliberate, follow a system
- Like routine and dislike distraction
- Proceed carefully and like to have all the details before proceeding
- Can be quiet
- Can be great listeners
- Tend to keep their emotions on an even keel

# Conscientious

- Precise, logical and preferring perfection
- Hard on themselves and like to follow the rules
- Not very expressive and prefer to communicate in writing
- Might come across as cold and distant
- Do not like to disagree or to be wrong so they often keep their feelings to themselves.

# Communication Gone Bad



What are we dealing with?



**MIQ60**

Have confidence and be smart

# *Video*



# Residual Ability

## *Video*



Reassure and be positive.

# *Video*



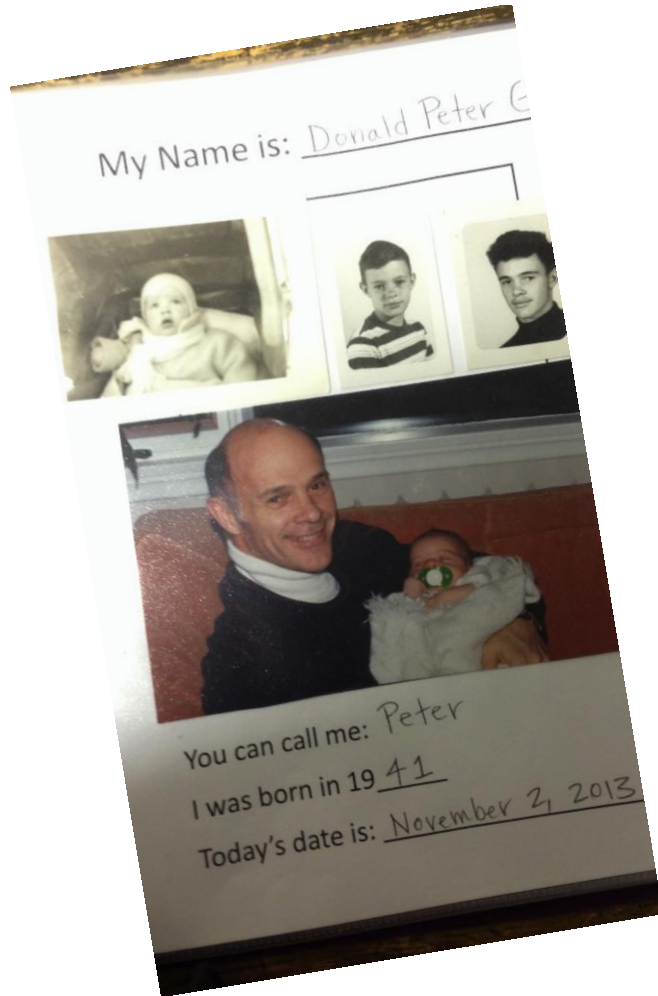
Accept the person in this moment

# *Video*





# Scrapbooks



## WEEK AT A GLANCE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Week of: \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	



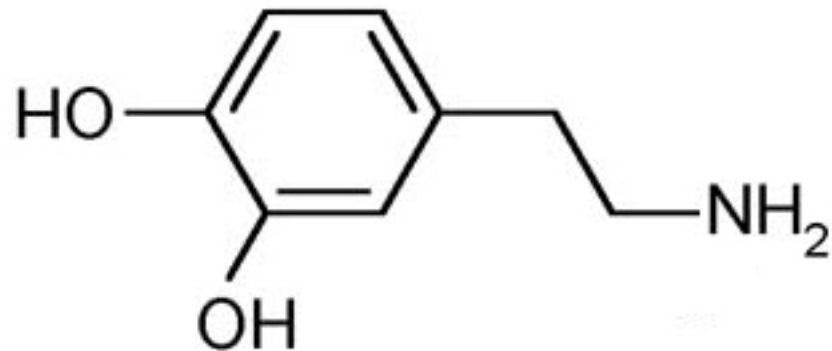
Unit B1-101, 11 Evergreen Place  
Winnipeg, MB R3L 2T9

Phone: (204) 231-2165  
Fax: (204) 452-6553

Email: [speechworks\\_inc@live.ca](mailto:speechworks_inc@live.ca)  
Website: [www.SpeechWorksInc.ca](http://www.SpeechWorksInc.ca)



# Manipulating Brain Chemistry



# Really have to practice (AB)



# How do we communicate with someone in care

- Picture

# Making Conversation Creating Connections

- Relevant
- Meaningful
- Authentic