

## ***Training “Reviewing the effectiveness of your Resident Group?”***

An effective resident group is a valuable tool in the QA process of a facility but it can be difficult to determine how well your resident group is operating.

A new tool **Guidelines for Resident Groups** provides simple assessments tools to assist facilities to review the functions of their resident group

A workshop on how to use the Guidelines” is now available for Diversional Therapists and Lifestyle Coordinators or staff facilitating Resident Groups.

Training dates and venues:

Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2010	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April
Helping Hand Ingle Farm Shackleton Avenue Ingle Farm	Aegean Village 10 Morton Road Christie Downs	ACS Training Room 246 Glen Osmond Road, Fullarton
9.30-12noon	9.30-12 noon	9.30-12noon
RSVP 22 March 2010	RSVP 6 April 2010	RSVP 14 April 2010

Staff attending these sessions will receive the Guidelines Kit

Training cost \$100 plus GST \$10

Numbers are limited at each session to 40 places so book now and register your attendance

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The Guidelines focus on:

- How to improve your Resident Group
- Provide solutions for common problems or challenges faced by Resident Groups
- Give examples and ideas that have worked well in Resident Groups
- Provide facilities with a tool that can be used to ask residents for their opinions about what they would like in their Resident Group
- How to give residents a voice via effective Resident Groups

The Guidelines would be useful for:

- Management
- Directors of Nursing
- Lifestyle coordinators/Diversional Therapists
- Residents and Resident representatives
- People who act as facilitators for resident Groups

The Guidelines for Resident Groups a Document to promote effective resident groups in Australian Residential Aged Care facilities, was developed (2009) as a collaborative project between the Aged Rights Advocacy Service (ARAS) and the University of Adelaide.