

COMMON PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH LOSSES & UNMET NEEDS in the ALZHEIMER'S PATIENT

MAY EXPERIENCE ALTERATIONS IN:

- ACHIEVEMENT ORIENTATION (APATHY, DISENGAGEMENT, LETHARGY)
- THE ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING (SELF-CARE DEFICITS)
- AFFILIATION (DISENGAGEMENT, ISOLATION, WITHDRAWAL)
- COMMUNICATION & EXPRESSION (DECREASED EXPRESSION)
- LIFE ADJUSTMENT (UNRESOLVED CONFLICTS, UNRESOLVED FEARS)
- RECOGNITION & EXPRESSION OF PERSONAL NEEDS (SAFETY NEEDS)
- SENSORY/PERCEPTUAL PROCESSES (DISTORTION, OVERLOAD, ILLUSIONS)
- SEXUALITY (DISENGAGEMENT, LONELINESS)
- SOCIALIZATION (DISENGAGEMENT, ISOLATION, LONELINESS, WITHDRAWAL)
- SPIRITUALITY (APATHY, DOUBT, DISENGAGEMENT)
- THOUGHT PROCESSES (DELUSIONS, FORGETFULNESS, HALLUCINATION, DECREASED ATTENTION SPAN)

MAY EXPERIENCE ...

- INAPPROPRIATE AGGRESSION ANGER
 - ANXIETY
 - INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIORS DENIAL
 - DEPENDENCY
 - DRUG MISUSE EMBARRASSMENT
 - FEAR
 - FRUSTRATION
 - GRIEF AND MOURNING
 - GUILT
 - HOPELESSNESS POWERLESSNESS PROBLEM DRINKING REGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR ROLE CHANGE
 - THREAT TO SELF-ESTEEM SHAME
 - SLEEP PATTERN DISTURBANCE SUSPICIOUSNESS
- ... RELATED TO ACTUAL, POTENTIAL, OR IMAGINED LOSSES.

EXPERIENCES ALL OF THE PROBLEMS, NEEDS, &/OR CONCERNS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AGING PROCESS.

- MEDICAL PROBLEMS
- FINANCIAL PROBLEM
- LEGAL CONCERNS

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