

The Division of Geriatrics and Gerontology in the Department of Medicine at Emory University has begun a five-year study (The Inspire Study) funded by the National Institute on Aging within the National Institutes of Health aimed at learning ways to enhance the care experiences of residents with advanced dementia and that of their family members. We are interested in the perspectives of residents' family and friends as well as the perspectives of assisted living providers.

We are actively recruiting residents' family members to participate in this important study that will be conducted in 45 assisted living communities and personal care homes partnering with us across the state.

Interviews with family members are contact free (Zoom or phone) and times and dates for interviews are flexible. Any information we learn from family members will remain confidential and participation is entirely voluntary.

This study is being conducted by a multidisciplinary team from Emory University and includes research partners from the Gerontology Institute at Georgia State University with expertise in dementia care and family caregiving. In addition to conducting research, our team is committed to using our findings to inform dementia care education and guide policy and practice. The current Inspire Study is the 13<sup>th</sup> study our research team has carried out in assisted living communities and personal care homes since 1996, and our participants thus far have found the experience both enjoyable and rewarding.

For more information, please contact our Research Project Manager, Louise Savoye, at 470-493-0896 or email us at <a href="mailto:inspire.study@emory.edu">inspire.study@emory.edu</a>.

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