

1. What are you asking?	2. What will be involved?	3. What will be the demand on staff?	4. How often does these forms have to be completed?	5. What will this cost us?	6. When does this have to be done?
<p>Your participation in a national study of care issues for persons with dementia who live in group homes.</p>	<p>Completing 4 forms - The first compiles information on what staff have done to help the person over a 24 hour period. The second assesses the degree of impairment due to dementia. The third asks for demographics on the group home. The fourth asks about the home and dementia care.</p>	<p>The first form, to be completed by direct care staff - asks staff to log in each hour (over a 24 hour period) how much time they spent on certain tasks involving the resident. The second form, to be completed by staff, asks about the behavior of the person. The third and fourth forms, to be completed by the house manager, asks some questions about the home.</p>	<p>The first form is completed over a 24 hour period <u>five times</u>, once each 2 months.</p> <p>The second form is completed at the <u>beginning</u> and at the <u>end</u> of the project.</p> <p>The third and fourth forms are only completed at the <u>beginning</u> of the project.</p>	<p>The PCAD Project will provide all of the forms, instructions for the completion of the forms, and telephone aid to staff, if needed. You have to supply the staff time to have the forms completed.</p>	<p>You will begin the project when you receive initial instructions and continue until the last form is completed.</p>
7. What are we looking for?	8. On whom will we have to collect information?	9. How is confidentiality protected?	10. How will you know which forms are which?	11. How are the forms sent to you (the PCAD Project)?	12. What if the staff change over the period of data collection?
<p>We are looking for agencies operating one or more group homes which have one or two persons living in the home affected by Alzheimer's disease.</p>	<p>We will ask that you complete the first form on the one or two adults with Alzheimer's disease as well as two other adults that you choose, one of whom requires the most staff attention and care, and one of whom requires the least staff attention and care.</p>	<p>We will not be asking for anyone's name, except for the house manager (this is in case we need to get in touch with him or her to verify the information on the forms).</p>	<p>We will ask that you identify the forms with some type of code to allow us to know which forms are for the same person over the 5 data collection times. We will also ask that you identify the group home so we know the forms came from your agency.</p>	<p>We will provide mailing envelopes to use to mail back the forms after each data collection time.</p>	<p>The forms are designed to be complete by whoever the staff on the day of data collection. We will check prior to each data collection to see if new staff need to receive instructions on how to complete the forms.</p>

13. How long do we have to be involved with this project?	14. What about consent and human subjects review?	15. Is there any payment for your involvement?	16. Will we get any feedback on the project after it is completed?	17. How can we be part of this project?	18. What are the main forms to be completed?
<p>The data collection will involve a commitment of 10 months. Data on the first form will be collected at the beginning at each two months afterwards for 5 data collection times.</p>	<p>The Institutional Review Board at the University at Albany will cover the consent provisions at your site.</p>	<p>No direct funds can be paid for your involvement; however, will give you an education kit developed by our project that involves a textbook, a video/CD-ROM, and other useful staff resource materials on dementia and ID.</p>	<p>Yes, we will provide you with a project report.</p>	<p>Let us know you want to participate and we will forward a letter of participation that needs to be signed by the executive of your agency. We will then send you the forms to complete and provide instructions to whomever you designate as your staff person in charge of the project.</p>	<p>A. Caregiver Activity Survey-ID (This instrument is to be completed at select intervals and asks what activities staff perform over a 24-hour period.)</p> <p>B. Assessment for Adults with Developmental Disabilities (This form is to be completed at the beginning and end of the project and asks about the persons you have selected to be part of the project.)</p>
19. What other forms are to be completed?	20. Who is responsible for this project?	21. Who is the local contact for this project?			
<p>C. Dementia Status Questionnaire (This form is to be completed once at the beginning and asks about the impact of dementia in your home.)</p> <p>D. Group Home Questionnaire (This form is to be completed once at the beginning and asks about he staff and building at the home.)</p>	<p>The PCAD Project Contact information is:</p> <p>PCAD Project M. Janicki (Proj Head) Richardson 280 University at Albany Albany, NY 12222</p> <p>email dementcare@aol.com</p> <p>telephone: 1 518 422-3791</p>				