A “brain exercise” program for seniors

Do you want to practice your word finding, attention, memory and/or organization skills?

Consider signing up for the BU CogWell Program!

This weekly group with Boston University College of Health & Rehabilitation Sciences: Sargent College and Hearth, All meetings happen at Olmsted Green.

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Interested or have questions?

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WHAT IS THE COGWELL PROGRAM?

CogWell meets weekly and includes residents from Hearth, a clinical supervisor (Maggie), and graduate students from Boston University Sargent College of Health Sciences. Group activities use functional tasks, like listening to news stories, reading a current event article, or managing upcoming appointments, to practice language, attention, memory, and organization skills.

COGWELL IS A VOLUNTARY PROGRAM TO EXERCISE THINKING SKILLS IN A FUN, ENGAGING AND DISCUSSION-BASED FORMAT.

WHEN DOES THE COGWELL PROGRAM?

CogWell meets for 9-10 weeks each semester (September-December & February-April) on Thursdays 12:45pm-2pm at Olmsted Green. Residents from any Hearth location are welcome to join.

One of our members renamed our group: An Intergenerational Dialogue and Collaboration for Cognitive Wellness (CogWell). We embraced this new name because it captures the valuable information that residents at Hearth share with students and vice versa. Student clinicians from BU will prepare cognitive/thinking activities each week. They will also demonstrate memory and attention strategies. In exchange, Hearth residents are welcome (although not required!) to share any life advice they have with the BU students.