

Seeking Family Caregivers of People with Dementia due to Parkinson's Disease or Lewy Bodies to Mentor Other Caregivers in a New Research Study

What

National NIH-funded study testing an educational program for family caregivers of people with Parkinson's Disease Dementia or Lewy Body Dementia.

Experienced caregivers will be trained as mentors to newer caregiver mentees and will guide each mentee through a 12-week curriculum with short readings, resources, and conversation starters through weekly calls.

All participation is virtual; there are NO in-person visits. Mentors fill out surveys at baseline and after each mentee.

Who

Family caregivers of a loved one with Parkinson's Disease Dementia, Parkinson's Disease with visual hallucinations, or Lewy Body Dementia with either three or more years' experience as a caregiver, or whose loved one has passed.

Length

Virtual mentor training: approximately six hours

Mentoring: 12 weeks of weekly calls with a single mentee, up to 3 over the course of 1-3 years. Approximately 45-60 minutes per week during active weeks. Mentors are supported by the study team, including access to an expert social worker and monthly virtual conferences with other study mentors

Criteria

- Your loved one with Parkinson's Disease or Lewy Body Dementia must have cognitive symptoms or hallucinations for **at least three years** *or* have died.
- You must be living with or spending at least 10 hours/week caregiving now, or in the past (if deceased)
- You must live in the US, have a phone and internet, and be comfortable speaking and reading English.

Gratitude

Up to \$400 for completing mentor training, up to 3 mentoring relationships, and related surveys.

Email us with questions or interest at persevere@rush.edu

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