The Growing Challenge of Alzheimer's Disease in Residential Settings

Agenda for Module Three of Three

25 minutes Part 1: *The Story of Mrs. Young - A case example*

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Describe the threats to Mrs. Young's well-being.
- 2. Can she be trusted to live alone? If so, under what conditions?
- 3. If you are her housing manger or resident service coordinator, how do you begin to address her safety issues?

55 minutes Part 2: Working with Family Members

Challenges faced by family caregivers

Informal and formal resources; guardianship

15 minutes BREAK

35 minutes Types of residential care

Transitioning to residential care

The Framework for Action (See handout)

30 minutes Part 3: Segment of video, *Losing it all: The reality of Alzheimer's disease*

Discussion questions:

- 1. What are some threats to Ruth's well-being?
- 2. Is she competent to make her own decisions?
- 3. What might you do to address the problems?
- 4. What might happen if the problems are not addressed?

35 minutes Part 4: Segment of video, Complaints of a Dutiful Daughter

Discussion questions:

- 1. What motivated Deborah to seek out a nursing home?
- 2. What standards did she use in deciding the best place?
- 3. What facilitated her adjustment to the nursing home?
- 4. Why do you think her mother adjusted so rapidly?

10 minutes Part 5: Course evaluation