

MORTON SELECTED TO HOST DEALING WITH DEMENTIA TRAINING
Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving chooses Morton as one of 20 sites in the nation

June 19, 2018 – TULSA, OKLA. – Morton Comprehensive Health Services has been selected by the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving (RCI) to provide training tips and strategies for family and professional caregivers who are assisting family and friends with dementia. “Dealing with Dementia” was launched two years ago by the Institute to expand resources for this critical role.

“Morton is excited to lead the way in Oklahoma, in partnership with the Rosalynn Carter Institute, to train caregivers whose roles are vital to the health and welfare of those with dementia. This opportunity will also expand and complement the important work underway with the Mayor’s Dementia Friendly Tulsa initiative,” said Susan Savage, CEO of Morton Comprehensive Health Services.

The Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving will provide train-the-trainer workshops on August 22-23 at Morton. Eight family caregiver specialists from eastern Oklahoma have been selected and approved by RCI, to attend the training at Morton’s main location, 1334 N. Lansing Ave. (See attached Fact Sheet for more information.)

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About Morton

Morton Comprehensive Health Services, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, is one of Oklahoma’s largest community health centers in the state. For nearly 100 years, Morton has delivered comprehensive health care services including medical, dental, optometry, behavioral health and much more to individuals regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, national origin or one’s ability to pay for services. Morton operates six (6) locations in northeastern Oklahoma – Main center, 1334 N. Lansing Ave.; East Tulsa, 11511 E. 21st St.; West Tulsa, 6116 W. 11th St.; Midtown Homeless Family Health Center, 102 N. Denver Ave., Suite B; Nowata, 207 S. Locust; and at Family and Children’s Services, 2325 S. Harvard Ave. in Tulsa. Morton is accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO), a Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) and is a Tulsa Area United Way Partner Agency. For more information, visit <http://www.mortonhealth.org> or call (918) 587-2171.

About Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving

Located in Americus, Georgia, the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving is a division of Georgia Southwestern State University. The RCI was established in 1987 in honor of former First Lady Rosalynn Carter, a GSW alumna who serves as president of the Institute's Board of Advisors. RCI establishes local, state, national, and international partnerships committed to building quality, long-term, home and community-based services. It advocates for evidence-based research to address the strain and burdens associated with family, volunteer, and professional caregiving. For additional information about the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving, visit www.rosalynncarter.org.

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FACT SHEET

Dealing with Dementia is a training program developed by the Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving (RCI).

- Provides tips and strategies for caregivers for caring for their loved ones and for themselves
- Implemented in Georgia over the last two (2) years
- The grant (through the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services/Administration for Community Living – <https://www.acl.gov/>) has been extended for one year and will fund Phase Two (national expansion)
- Morton was selected as one of twenty (20) host sites from numerous applications across the country
- Morton was chosen as a partner to provide the training due to Morton's ability to reach a substantial number of family and professional caregivers' (a requirement set by RCI)
- Morton and five (5) other Oklahoma agencies providing caregiver support will receive enhanced training during Phase Two
- The six (6) Oklahoma agencies being trained serve 22 counties in Oklahoma
- Training dates are August 22 and 23 at Morton, 1334 N. Lansing Ave.
- RCI will be providing all the training/materials and materials for all 6 agencies to roll out the training to Oklahoma caregivers

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