



Broadening Global Awareness of Huntington's and Juvenile Huntington's Disease

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**HD3 Accredited Training Package Learning Outcomes for
Nurses, Social workers, Care Home, and Nursing Home Staff**



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What is Huntington's disease and Juvenile Huntington's disease?

❖ Symptoms of Huntington's Disease

❖ Symptoms of Juvenile Huntington's Disease

- Psychiatric disorders
- Behavioural changes
- Physical changes
- Cognitive disorders

❖ The Huntingtin Gene

- What is the gene?
- History of the gene.
- The importance of the gene.
- Why does the gene mutate?

❖ CAG – Inside the HD/JHD Gene

- What is a positive and a negative CAG test result?
- Fact: Every human on the planet has a CAG repeat.

❖ Inside the Huntington's and Juvenile Huntington's Brain

- Parts of the Huntington's brain – Basal ganglia and Striatum.
- How and why the cells within the brain die?

❖ Dysphagia

- What are the physical problems that cause swallowing difficulty in HD?
- Proper ways to feed Huntington's and Juvenile Huntington's patients.

❖ **Nutrition / Care**

- Special needs for individuals with Huntington's and Juvenile Huntington's disease.
- Proper diet / calorie intake.

❖ **Genetic Testing**

- When is testing necessary?
- What is the genetic testing protocol/procedure?

❖ **End of Life**

- Patient may have a "Do Not Hospitalise" Directive.
- Advanced Decision.
- Directive of "Do Not Attempt Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation" (DNACPR).
- DNR (Do Not Resuscitate).
- Brain or organs may be donated for research.

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