

# Integrating Technology into Therapy

## DESCRIPTION

Technology is working its way into senior living communities at a frantic pace. However, for most organizations this technology influx is geared towards improving operational efficiency compliance, leaving the resident out of the equation. This session will look at how creative uses of adaptive computer technology can completely transform the therapy experience for residents and provide additional opportunities for therapy reimbursement. Therapy Specialists, a California based therapy provider, will show how they've integrated It's Never 2 Late into their rehab programs to provide creative ways to change the paradigm. Data presented will show how this innovative technology programming improves the patient's ability to participate in the rehabilitation experience. Integrating adaptive technology in the therapeutic treatment program allows patients to increase their tolerance for conventional therapy in many instances and can enable a patient to engage in therapeutic approaches that address more than one deficit area at a time. The use of innovative technology provides an option to the use of conventional interventions and has the potential to create a flow of information integrating therapy, nursing, caregivers and the family. The session will also demonstrate real world examples of how multimedia technologies, delivered through adaptive computer systems, are able to deliver qualities of life benefits to individuals with various disabilities (specifically dementia). We will highlight how this technology has benefited the residents, their families as well as staff. We will also look at how the new CMS Ftags Demanding person-centered experience can be easily accomplished through adaptive technologies. Audience participants will be invited to try out a therapy session themselves! Today this is innovative, tomorrow this is demanded.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Demonstrate various types of adaptive technology that can enhance the therapy experience and increase revenues.
2. Provide a case study of a technology provider and a therapy provider that have partnered to enhance the therapy experience.
3. Deliver outcome based research data showing the quantifiable benefits of this type of technology.