HOT Evidence

Interventions for Caregivers of Persons With Stroke

Why This Matters

Caregivers of people
who have had a stroke
often experience negative
effects of caregiving in the
areas of employment, finances,
physical health, or
emotional health.

When the caregiver experiences negative effects, the person who has had a stroke also experiences negative effects such as greater incidence of institutionalization, more frequent and longer hospital stays, and poorer outcomes.

Caregiver education and training help to mitigate the negative effects of caregiving.

Caregiver Interventions

Evidence-Based Interventions

- Strong strength of evidence
- Moderate strength of evidence

Cognitive Behavioral Techniques



Combining Problem Solving and other Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Techniques



Combining
Problem Solving and
Stroke Education



Problem Solving

Multi-Modal Caregiver Interventions



Examples include: counseling and support, ADL training, community resources education, and relaxation strategies.

Caregiver Education and Support



Family Support Organizer



Education and Group Delivery via Telephone





Caregiver Education Only

Inpatient Visits, Phone Calls, and Home Visits





Combination
In-Home Training
and Remote
Education

In-Person Education Training Prior to Discharge and At-Home Follow-up



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