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When They Can't Tell You it Hurts

Many of our **cognitively impaired older patients** can't tell us when they experience pain. [Click here](#) to read a blog post from Dr. Frank A. Cervo, Medical Director of Long Island State Veteran's Home. Dr. Cervo discusses how, **in about one minute**, the **CPAT tool** can help **assess these patients' pain**. He also wants you to tell him how CPAT works in the home care setting.



Last Chance to Register for Pain and Medication Management Courses

Our **self-paced** Medication and Pain Management courses for frontline managers began this week, but it's not too late to register! Just don't delay. You only have **through tomorrow, October 28th**, to sign-up. If you want to **master evidence-based skills and techniques**, and **implement them with your team**, click on the course name to learn more and sign-up.



[Geriatric Medication Management](#) \$149 (\$109*)/ participant

[Geriatric Pain Management](#) \$149 (\$109*)/ participant

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Free E-Presentations

Watch CHAMP e-presentations **anywhere, anytime**. Each one is developed and narrated by an **expert** on the topic. Take a look today!

[Considerations in Geriatric Medication Management](#)

[The Model for Improvement: Small Tests of Change and Using PDSA Cycles to Drive Improvement](#)

[Clinical Coaching with CHAMP Tools](#)

More Free Pain Management Tools

Below are two more tools designed specifically to help you **assess your patients' pain**. CHAMP has many more evidence-based **tools** in our **Resource Library** related to pain management. Visit the [Tools section](#) and select "Chronic Pain Management" from the 'All Topics' drop-down menu to see them all.

[Review of Pain Intensity Scales](#)

These slides, that summarize 3 commonly-used pain intensity scales for older adults, can also be used as a teaching aide to instruct staff.

[Review of Ask, Listen, and Observe Technique](#)

This set of slides can be used as an aide to teach staff how to use a simple technique for screening for pain.

E-Learning Activities

Build your skills **quickly and conveniently** with CHAMP's one-unit e-learning activities for all home care practitioners. Click on the course name to **learn more** and register.

[Developing Strong Home Care Teams](#)
\$49 (\$35*)/ participant

[Helping Patients Adhere](#)
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