PUBLIC INPUT SOUGHT FOR NEW VIRGINIA DEMENTIA STATE PLAN

(RICHMOND, Va.) — The Virginia Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Disorders Commission plans listening sessions this spring to hear from the public, particularly individuals with dementia and family care partners, about the draft of its Dementia State Plan for 2020-2024.

The commission develops and oversees the implementation of the Commonwealth’s four-year plan for meeting the needs of individuals with Alzheimer’s disease and related disorders and their care partners. The listening sessions allow people living with dementia, family care partners and others to share their input with commission members.

The public may review the draft at http://bit.ly/alzdraft or Alzpossible.org. The sessions begin April 8, 2-4 p.m., at Mountain Empire Older Citizens’ office at 1501 Third Ave. East, Big Stone Gap. For more information, call (276) 523-4202.

Other scheduled listening sessions and host sites include:

- April 11, 7-9 p.m., the Alzheimer’s Association National Capital Area Chapter, 8180 Greensboro Dr., Suite 400, McLean. For more information, call Ana Nelson, (703) 766-9006.

- April 23, 3-5 p.m., Primeplus Norfolk Senior Center, 7300 Newport Ave., Suite 100, Norfolk. For more information, call Katie McDonough, (757) 459-2405.

- April 25, 1-3 p.m., Virginia Western Community College, Natural Science Center Room N101, 3102 Colonial Ave., Roanoke. For more information, contact Annette Clark, (540) 632-0973, aclark@alz.org.
June 11, 1-3 p.m., the Alzheimer’s Association Greater Richmond Chapter, 4600 Cox Rd., Glen Allen. For more information, call (804) 967-2580.

Individuals who wish to speak at the session may register at the venue prior to the session. Direct comments on the draft by mail, email or phone to:

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