

# A-Abiding Care Completes TULIPS Training

An estimated 1.5 million people in the US have Parkinson's Disease. As our senior population grows, more people with Parkinson's will seek an environment with caregivers that understands their unique needs.

Parkinson's Disease has a significant impact on mobility, communication, thinking or memory skills. When choosing home care, families often comment difficulty finding caregivers that understand Parkinson's. This lack of understanding often leads to frustration for everyone involved.

The tulip is used internationally as a symbol of Parkinson's awareness. The TULIPS acronym was developed at Struthers Parkinson's Center to emphasize what people with Parkinson's need in their daily activities.

The "TULIPS for Better Parkinson's Care" Training Program address the problems and concerns most often raised by clients, families and their caregivers. The training program is designed to include practical strategies for coping with common daily challenges in mobility, nutrition, pain control, sleep, medications and other nursing concerns.

A-Abiding Care purchased the TULIPS program from the Struthers Parkinson's Center in the fall of 2014. The TULIPS training program is offered to all of our caregivers on an annual or as needed basis. Our goal is to provide support and assistance to the client, the family and our caregivers with the challenges of living with Parkinson's Disease. Our in-depth training, clinical supervision and competency testing can help your loved one living with Parkinson's learn new ways of doing daily activities, safely and comfortably in their own home.



# TULIPS

for better  
Parkinson's care

People with Parkinson's need:

**T** Time

**U** Understanding

**L** Quality of Life

**I** Increased awareness

**P** Pills on time

**S** Support