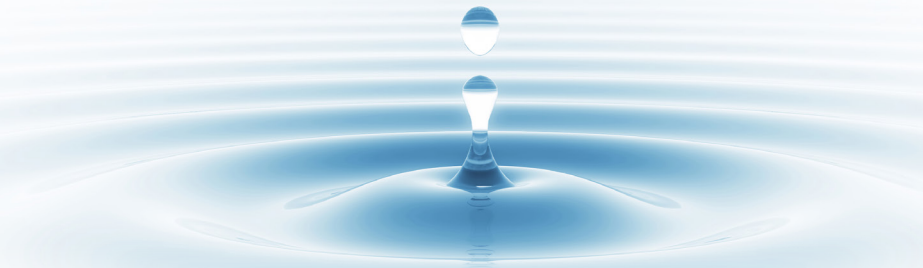




INNOVATIVE CARER PRACTICES

IMPACTING CARERS* AROUND THE WORLD



Increase visibility and awareness of caregiver issues
Advance action on policy and programming for carers
Accelerate the spread and scale of leading carer practices globally

FOUR LEADING PRACTICES ADDRESSING CARERS' NEEDS THROUGH INTEGRATED HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

AWARENESS (TAIWAN)

A 'respite coffee' promotes recognition and community engagement

CAPACITY (IRELAND)

Outcome-based carer training builds health and social care professionals' skills

INTEGRATION (UK)

Carer Passports recognize and support carers across the health and social care systems

SOCIAL WELLNESS (FRANCE)

A network of 200 Carer Cafés provide a space to exchange stories and receive support

FOUNDATIONAL PRINCIPLES ARE ILLUSTRATED IN THE INNOVATIVE CARER PRACTICES

EVIDENCE-BASED – best research evidence, clinical expertise and carer values

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT – a diverse range of stakeholders involved in development & implementation

HEALTH CARE SYSTEM INTEGRATION – supports and resources are part of health and social care

GLOBAL AWARENESS – practical solutions to global caregiver challenges

ACTIVATE POLICY – informs health and social care policy



Embracing Carers is an initiative led by Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany, in collaboration with leading caregiver organizations around the world, to increase awareness and action about the often-overlooked needs of caregivers. Learn more at www.embracingcarers.com



The International Alliance of Carer Organizations (IACO) is a global coalition of 15 member nations committed to building a global understanding and respect for the vital role of family carers. Recognized as an official NGO by the United Nations, IACO works to improve the quality of life and support the needs of carers, through international partnerships and advocacy. Learn more at www.internationalcarers.org.

* A carer, caregiver or family caregiver is an unpaid individual, such as a family member, neighbour, friend or other significant individual, who takes on a caring role to support someone with a diminishing physical ability, a debilitating cognitive condition or a chronic life-limiting illness. The terms caregiver, family caregiver and carer are used interchangeably by IACO members.