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Dr. Lori Schindel Martin is Associate Professor, Associate Director, School of Nursing, Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada, and Chair, Gentle Persuasive Approaches Advisory Committee. Amy MacFarlane is Founder and CEO of Recreational Respite Inc., which provides for creative living and innovative care. They talk about their programs and the needs these meet. They explain gentleness in caring, and what has been learned from its application in the training of healthcare professionals and family caregivers. They discuss modern attitudes to mental illnesses in light of past approaches to mental i

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**Lori Schindel Martin**

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**Amy MacFarlane**

Amy MacFarlane is Founder and CEO of Recreational Respite Inc., <http://recrespite.com/>, which provides for creative living and innovative care. It assists individuals with special needs arising from cognitive impairment, physical challenges or developmental disabilities by recognizing, engaging and strengthening their residual abilities and interests and integrating them successfully into their communities, and by providing them with the services of multi-skilled teams. She took on the dedication and commitment to creating Recreational Respite after she recognized the need in the community for supportive and inclusive environments for people with mental a

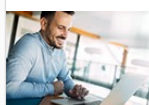
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