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Assignment 1

Case study "Mrs. Miller"

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Mrs. Miller is sitting at the communal dining table. She is very restless and refuses to eat. Mrs. Miller has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease for 5 years and has been living in the nursing home for 1 year because she can no longer live independently.

Mrs. Miller has always lived in the countryside between 2 farms; she had her own house here and lived alone for the last 10 years after her husband passed away. She was never a farmer herself, but she always enjoyed the sound of birds and cows.

She hears the nurses talking at a table behind her; they are on a break. In the kitchen, the plates are being washed for the people who have finished eating.

BEEP, BEEP, BEEP... "What is that?!" She sees the nurse walk past again. BAM! "Oh, I don't know anymore."

"Mrs., you need to eat something, shall I help you?" "NO, I don't want anything..." and she knocks the plate off the table. Mrs. Miller is covered in macaroni.

"It's not working, I DON'T WANT TO!" Mrs. Miller says.

1. Why do you think Mrs. Miller doesn't want to eat? 2. What would you do in this situation?

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Assignment 2

A musical activity

Have you ever seen a music activity at your work (in healthcare), during your internship, or when visiting your grandparents in the care home?

- 1. What kind of music activity was this? (Describe the situation)
- 2. Was this in a group or individual setting?
- 3. How did the care recipients react to this activity?
- 4. What did you think of this activity?
- 5. What music activity would you like to do with care recipients?

Assignment 3 Applying music in care

Using Music in Healthcare (Discussing in Class)

Many institutions are already implementing music in healthcare. Music clearly has a positive effect on the brain. Music can be applied in many different moments and situations.

TIP

Complete this assignment in groups of 2 or 3.

Think about the following statements and write down your opinion. Justify your answer.

- 1. You need to be musically inclined to apply music within healthcare.
- 2. Music is best applied in group settings.
- 3.Carrying out musical activities takes up too much time for healthcare; it's already busy enough.

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4.1 would like to apply music in healthcare



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