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PainChek® launches online training course to support broader market adoption

- New training tool developed in collaboration with Dementia Training Australia (DTA)
- Provides a hands-on guide to support the effective use of PainChek® by professional carers
- Family Carer version in development to facilitate PainChek use in the home setting

PainChek® and DTA have collaborated to develop an innovative online course to train members of the aged care workforce in the use the PainChek® app to optimise outcomes for people living with dementia.

Underpinned by DTA's knowledge translation framework, the course has been built by SmartSparrow®, an advanced online platform that utilises adaptive learning to provide a rich, interactive user experience.

"The launch of the PainChek® online course is an important step in supporting professional carers as PainChek's clinical usage expands across Australia and overseas. We will also be releasing a family carers version of the training modules in the coming months to support the use of PainChek® in the home setting through our Shared Care Program. This represents another exciting step in our market expansion" commented Philip Daffas, CEO of PainChek Ltd.

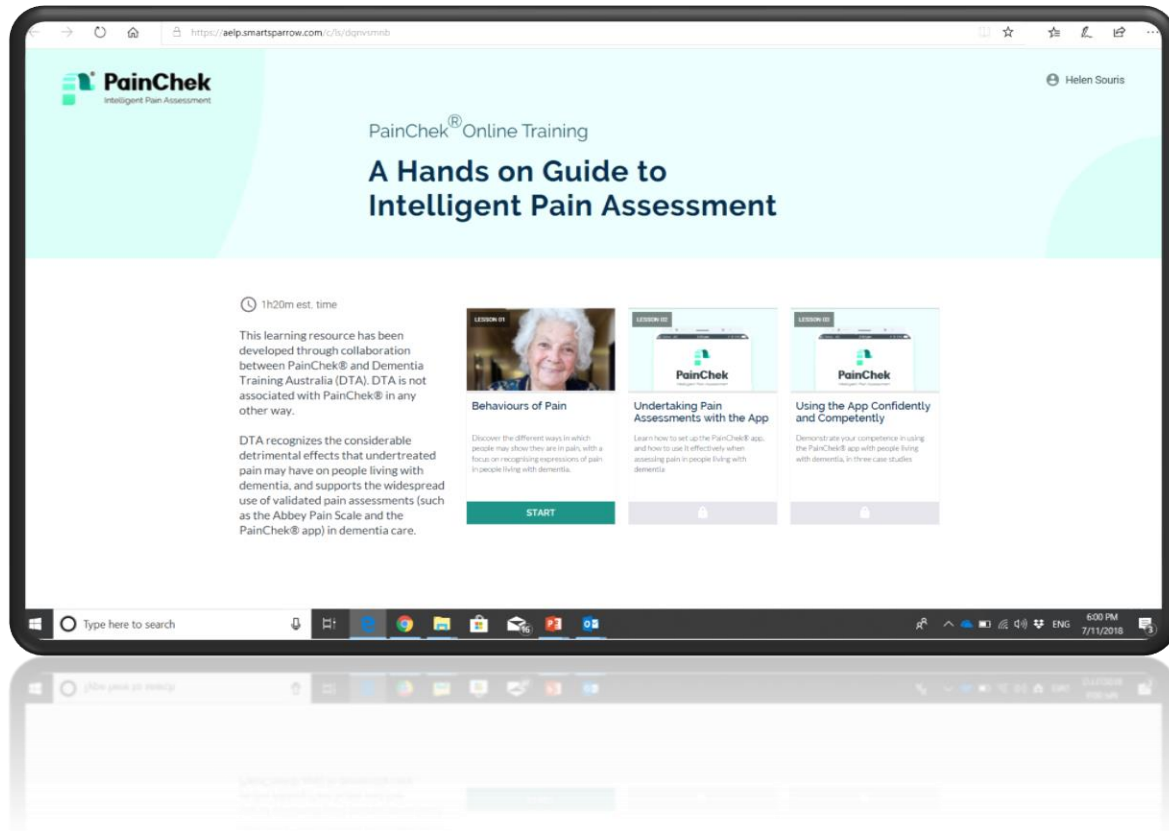
Using case studies, just-in-time feedback, flexible learning pathways, and knowledge resources, participants progress through three modules that upskill them in identifying behavioural expressions of pain and the use of the PainChek® app. Completion of the training modules may contribute towards continual professional development hours if within the individual's scope of practice.

"Managing pain is an extremely important aspect of providing high quality care for people living with dementia," added Dr. Andrew Stafford (Director, Dementia Training Australia). *"DTA recognises the considerable detrimental effects that undertreated pain may have on a person's quality of life, and are committed to improving the assessment and management of pain through the development of high quality training resources".*

Although the course has primarily been developed to prepare the aged care workforce to use the PainChek app, the first module contains valuable learning opportunities for staff undertaking any type of pain assessment for people living with dementia.

The course is freely available from the DTA website: dta.com.au/dta_courses/painchek-elearning/
or via the PainChek.com website

Professional carer online course



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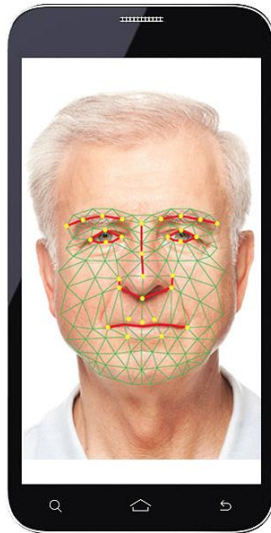
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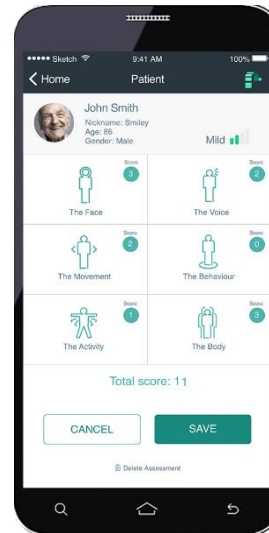
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THE PAINCHEK® TECHNOLOGY:

PainChek® uses cameras in smartphones and tablets to capture a brief video of the person, which is analysed in real time using facial recognition software to detect the presence of facial micro-expressions that are indicative of the presence of pain.



PainChek® artificial intelligence assesses facial micro-expressions that are indicative of the presence of pain



PainChek® six domains of pain assessment that calculates pain severity score

This data is then combined with other indicators of pain, such as vocalisations, behaviours and movements captured to calculate a pain severity score. Due to its speed, ease of use and its reproducibility, PainChek® is a validated clinical tool used to detect and measure a person's pain, and then further measurements can be used to monitor the effectiveness of pain management.

PainChek® is being rolled out globally in two phases: first, PainChek® which is designed for adults who are unable to effectively verbalise their pain such as people with dementia, and second, PainChek® for Children who have not yet learnt to speak.

THE PAINCHEK® SHARED CARE PROGRAM – EXPANDING INTO HOME CARE

The PainChek® app is currently being used by professional carers in residential aged care facilities and in home-care settings across Australia, to more effectively assess and manage pain in people with dementia. Until recently, PainChek® was only available to professional carers under license.

In response to the growing demand for resources and tools to help families better manage and care for their loved ones at home, PainChek® is pleased to announce the introduction of the PainChek® *Shared Care Program*.

The PainChek® *Shared Care Program* is a PainChek® licensing model which enables a professional carer, to extend their PainChek® license to a designated home-based family carer, so that they can continue to conduct pain assessments with PainChek® in between their clinical consultations, sharing the results with the professional carer in the process, ensuring continuity of care.

DEMENTIA TRAINING AUSTRALIA

Combining the expertise of five universities and the country's peak dementia advocacy organization, Dementia Training Australia (DTA) is the national authority in the provision of training and education for staff delivering care for people living with dementia. Their mission is to improve the care and wellbeing of both the people living with dementia and the staff delivering their care, providing or brokering nationally consistent, high-quality knowledge translation services to aged and health care staff, managers and other professionals.

